

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD  
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**The First Sunday after the Epiphany**

**January 13, 2008**

**The Baptism of Our Lord  
The Service of Holy Baptism for Isabel Jay Hutter**

**VISITORS - WE WELCOME YOU** to this house of prayer this morning. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

Prelude  
CILS Special Music: "Remember" Cathy Skogen-Soldner  
Welcome and Ringing of the Bell  
Opening Hymn: #591, "This Is the Spirit's Entry Now"  
Invocation  
Address  
Exorcism  
Sign of the Cross  
Prayers  
Holy Gospel ..... Mark 10:13-16  
Lord's Prayer ..... back cover of the hymnal  
Blessing  
Exhortation to the Sponsors  
Pledge of the Sponsors: Kevin Hutter and Jennifer Laures  
Blessing  
Confession of the Apostles' Creed ..... back cover of the hymnal  
Baptism of Isabel Jay Hutter  
Blessing  
Placing of the White Garment  
Lighting of the Baptismal Candle  
Prayer  
Peace  
Hymn: #593, "See This Wonder in the Making"  
Collect of the Day  
Old Testament Reading ..... Isaiah 42:1-9  
Epistle ..... Romans 6:1-11  
Holy Gospel ..... Matthew 3:13-17

**Sesquicentennial Committee**

Members of the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee should plan on staying after today's service for five minutes in order to discuss their progress on the project.

**"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, January 20**

**8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)**

**"A Fine Sacrifice"**

**Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus**

Being bullied? Jesus as the Fellow Who was is powerful that when He hits His opponents, opponents like sin, Satan, and death, they go down and they stay down. (John 1:35-36)

**Church Council Meeting and Annual Voters' Meeting**

All members of the Church Council should note the date of the next meeting: Tuesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00PM.

The Annual Voters' Meeting will be on **Monday, January 28<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30PM. Members desiring to join the Voters' Assembly of Immanuel are encouraged to do so. If you have specific questions about this opportunity, please speak with Pastor or one of the elders at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

**Pro-Life Petition**

Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life is working diligently to prevent the University of Minnesota from cloning and killing human embryos for ghoulish experimentation. The Kahn-Cohen Cloning Bill that would authorize taxpayer funding of these experiments was blocked through our efforts, but it will be back and was only a few votes short. The University's killing of tiny human beings is violence against the human family. You can save some of these lives by preventing taxpayer funding of the U of M's cloning and killing of human embryos. A petition is available for you to sign after the worship service.

**MCCL March for Life**

January 22<sup>nd</sup> marks the 35<sup>th</sup> commemoration of the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision allowing abortion on demand throughout all nine months of pregnancy. Your presence at the Capitol will send a clear message to state lawmakers that the majority of Minnesotans believe abortion on demand is wrong. Since 1973, 50 million unborn babies have been aborted in this country. 530,000 have been aborted in Minnesota. How many more children must die? If you would be interested in attending the peaceful demonstration at the state Capitol along with Pastor Sorenson, please speak with him at your earliest convenience. The program begins at noon on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Hymn of the Day: #405, "To Jordan's River Came Our Lord"

Sermon: "Christ's Baptism and Our Own"

Offering

Review of Baptism from The Small Catechism

P: What is Baptism?

**C: Baptism is not just plain water, but it is water included in God's command and combined with God's Word.**

P: Which is that Word of God?

**C: Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."**

P: What benefits does Baptism give?

**C: It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.**

P: Which are these words and promises of God?

**C: Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned."**

P: How can water do such great things?

**C: Certainly not just water, but the Word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this Word of God in the water. For without God's Word the water is plain water and no baptism. But with the Word of God it is a baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus chapter three: "He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying."**

P: What does such baptizing with water indicate?

**C: It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.**

P: Where is this written?

**C: St. Paul writes in Romans, chapter six: "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life."**

Prayer of the Church

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

Benedicamus

P: Let us bless the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

Benediction

Closing Hymn: #596, "All Christians Who Have Been Baptized"

Announcements

Postlude

### **DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK**

Tuesday:	7:00PM	Board of Elders
Wednesday:	4:30PM	5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
	5:30PM	7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	Choir
Thursday:	2:00PM	Ladies Aid Prayer Service
Friday:		Confession of St. Peter: Acts 4:8-13; 1 Cor. 10:1-5; Matt. 16:13-19
Next Sun:		2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship with Holy Communion

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK**

Today	- Pam Dahl, Caleb Dicke
Monday	- Mark Dicke, Heidi Southworth
Tuesday	- Analise Dressen, Carol Schafer, M/M Jamey Ahlgrim

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Pastor Lyle Kath (undergoing cancer treatment); Margie Stumpf (healing); Harold Augustin (healing); Paul Nystuen (resurgence of bladder cancer); Syvilla Madsen (healing); Dorothy Bremer (for strength and peace as she faces terminal cancer); Karen Gusa (sister of Jan Langhans, struggling with lung cancer); Marian Burkard (recovering from a broken arm); Brad Greenwaldt (cousin of Bonnie Kassen undergoing chemotherapy for Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma); the Kolberg and Reding families (as they mourn the loss of Tom).

### **Life Quote – January 13**

"There are many people hurting all around you, silently suffering from abuse and abortion. Many don't know that we are here to help ... For more information ... or if you need to take the first step to recovery, please call ... 888-217-8679." *Grace Kern, director of Word of Hope, the post-abortion healing ministry of Lutherans For Life. A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life / [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*