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Empowered by the Holy Spirit, Emanuel's mission is to witness to the good news of salvation through Christ to individuals, the community and the world through discipleship and service.



LBW—Lutheran Book of Worship WOV—With One Voice

\* Please stand if you are able

PRELUDE ..... What Child Is This?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTALLATION OF 2013 CHURCH COUNCIL

\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the Maker of heaven and earth, the Word made flesh, the Lord and giver of life.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

God of glory, God of peace,

C we confess that we have shunned the light that reveals the truth about us. We cling to worldly things rather than sharing the gifts of this earth. We trust ourselves above all. Save your people, O God; sustain the rivers and trees that sing your praise; and free us to live boldly in the light and truth of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

P The grace of God shines upon us, bringing salvation to the whole world. We are saved, our sins are washed away, not because of anything we have done, but according to God's mercy in Jesus Christ. Renewed by the Holy Spirit, let us live in hope and joy.

C Amen

\* HYMN ..... Good Christian Friends, Rejoice ..... LBW # 55

\* GREETING

P Today Christ is born: Alleluia, alleluia! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

\* PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Almighty God, you have made yourself known in your Son, Jesus, redeemer of the world. We pray that his birth as a human child will set us free from the old slavery of our sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

Special Music: The First Noel/Pachelbel's Canon -Palamara family

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 2:18–20, 26

<sup>18</sup>Samuel was ministering before the LORD, a boy wearing a linen ephod. <sup>19</sup>His mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year, when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. <sup>20</sup>Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, "May the LORD repay you with children by this woman for the gift that she made to the

LORD"; and then they would return to their home. <sup>26</sup>Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favor with the LORD and with the people.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 148

Hallelujah! Praise the LORD <sup>1</sup> from the heavens;\* praise him <sup>1</sup> in the heights.

<sup>2</sup>Praise him, all you an- <sup>1</sup> gels of his;\* praise him, <sup>1</sup> all his host.

<sup>3</sup>Praise him, <sup>1</sup> sun and moon;\* praise him, all you <sup>1</sup> shining stars.

<sup>4</sup>Praise him, heav- <sup>1</sup> en of heavens,\*

**and you waters above the heavens.**

<sup>5</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD;\*  
for he commanded, and they were created.

**<sup>6</sup>He made them stand fast forever and ever;\*  
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.**

<sup>7</sup>Praise the LORD from the earth,\*  
you sea-monsters and all deeps;

**<sup>8</sup>fire and hail, snow and fog,\*  
tempestuous wind, doing his will;**

<sup>9</sup>mountains and all hills,\*  
fruit trees and all cedars;

**<sup>10</sup>wild beasts and all cattle,\*  
creeping things and winged birds;**

<sup>11</sup>kings of the earth and all peoples,\*  
princes and all rulers of the world;

**<sup>12</sup>young men and maidens,\*  
old and young together.**

<sup>13</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD,\*  
for his name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.

**<sup>14</sup>He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants,\*  
the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!**

**SECOND READING: Colossians 3:12–17**

<sup>12</sup>As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. <sup>13</sup>Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup>Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup>And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you

were called in the one body. And be thankful. <sup>16</sup>Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. <sup>17</sup>And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

- A The Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

**\* Gospel Acclamation:**

♪ Go tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and ev'ry-where;  
Go tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born!

**\* GOSPEL: Luke 2:41–52**

<sup>41</sup>Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. <sup>42</sup>And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. <sup>43</sup>When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. <sup>44</sup>Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. <sup>45</sup>When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. <sup>46</sup>After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. <sup>47</sup>And all who heard him

were amazed at his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup>When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." <sup>49</sup>He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" <sup>50</sup>But they did not understand what he said to them. <sup>51</sup>Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. <sup>52</sup>And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

♪ Go tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and ev'ry-where;  
Go tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born!

(10:30) **SPECIAL MUSIC** *Go Light Your World* -Marcus Mt.Castle  
**BAPTISM OF HALEY ALEXIS SAMAN** (turn to page 7)

**CHILDREN'S SERMON** *The Twelve Days of Christmas* -Palamara family

**HYMN** ..... *Away in a Manger* ..... **LBW # 67**

**SERMON** - Bill Panning

**\* HYMN** ..... *Joy to the World* ..... **LBW # 39**

(8:00 only) \* **APOSTLES' CREED**

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS**    *The Holly and the Ivy*

**OFFERTORY**    *(please remain seated)*    (tune Joyful, Joyful)

♪ Long ago, you sent our Savior to this world in deep despair.

In your Word made flesh you came, our life to know, our sins to bear.

Christ has died and Christ is risen! At this new year we proclaim:

Yesterday, today, forever – Jesus Christ is still the same!

**THE PRAYERS**    *(please remain seated)*

A Let us pray for the church, the earth, and all those in need, in the name of the one who is our Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace.

*Brief silence.*

A For your church in all its forms—for Pentecostals and Anglicans; for Mennonites and Baptists; for Roman Catholics and Coptic Christians. Let the word of Christ dwell in us richly. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A For the sun, and moon, and the shining stars; for the sea monsters and wild beasts; for the mountains and the cedar trees; for creeping things and flying birds. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A For sovereigns of the earth and all peoples; for ethnic and religious groups in conflict with one another. Clothe the nations with your love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A For those gathered here today for worship. Clothe us in compassion, kindness, humility, meekness and patience, and teach us to forgive each other. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A With grief and thanksgiving, we remember our departed loved ones who now praise you with all the angels. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

*Other petitions.*

P For parents separated from their children; for those suffering from post-traumatic stress; for those living in long-term care facilities; for all those in need of our prayers (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P O God, who shines light into darkness, receive these prayers and the prayers of our hearts through the power of the Spirit, in Jesus' name.

**C Amen**

\* **LORD'S PRAYER**    ♪ (tune Hark! The Herald Angels Sing)

God our father, God of fame, hallow'd be your saving name;

Everywhere your kingdom come, far away and here at home;

May we to your will comply as the angels do on high;

Grant each day our daily bread, thankful that by you we're fed,

Thankful that our care you've planned; all we have is from your hand.

Grant that we, our sins forgiven, follow in the way of heav'n:

May we even at our worst, show forgiveness shown us first.

Guard us from the tempting devil, and deliver us from evil.

Yours the kingdom, so sing we, pow'r and glory ever be

Unto you while ages run, yea, amen! So be it done!

\* **BENEDICTION**

\* **HYMN**    ..... *Angels We Have Heard on High* ..... **LBW # 71**

**POSTLUDE**    ..... *The First Noel*

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**PRESENTATION**

P In Holy Baptism our gracious heavenly Father liberates us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; in the waters of Baptism we are reborn children of God and inheritors of eternal life. By water and the Holy Spirit we are made members of the Church which is the body of Christ. As we live with him and with his people, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

*Parents and Sponsors:* I present **Haley Alexis Saman** to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

P In Christian love you have presented this child for Holy Baptism. You should, therefore, faithfully bring her to the services of God's house, and teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. As she grows in years, you should place in her hands the Holy Scriptures and provide for her instruction in the Christian faith, that, living in the covenant of her Baptism and in communion with the Church, she may lead a godly life until the day of Jesus Christ. Do you promise to fulfill these obligations?

*Parents and Sponsors:* I do.

**THANKSGIVING**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: We give you thanks, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created heaven and earth.

By the gift of water you nourish and sustain us and all living things. By the waters of the flood you condemned the wicked and saved those whom you had chosen, Noah and his family. You led Israel by the pillar of cloud and fire through the sea, out of slavery into the freedom of the promised land. In the waters of the Jordan your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection your beloved Son has set us free from the bondage to sin and death, and has opened the way to

the joy and freedom of everlasting life. He made water a sign of the kingdom and of cleansing and rebirth. In obedience to his command, we make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, so that she who is here baptized may be given new life. Wash away the sin of her who is cleansed by this water and bring her forth as an inheritor of your glorious kingdom.

To you be given praise and honor and worship through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C Amen**

**RENUNCIATION AND PROFESSION**

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize.

P Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

*Parents and Sponsors:* I do.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

**BAPTISM**

P **Haley Alexis Saman**, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

**LAYING ON OF HANDS**

P God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising them up to a new life through this holy sacrament. Pour your Holy Spirit upon **Haley**: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence.

C Amen

**SIGNING WITH THE CROSS**

P **Haley**, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. Amen

**GIVING OF THE LIGHT**

A Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

**PRAYER FOR PARENTS**

P O God, the giver of all life, look with kindness upon **Cody** and **Bethany**. Let them ever rejoice in the gift you have given them. Make them teachers and examples of righteousness for their child. Strengthen them in their own Baptism so they may share eternally with their child the salvation you have given them, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

**WELCOME**

A Through Baptism God has made this new sister a member of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus, that we may proclaim the praise of God and bear his creative and redeeming Word to all the world.

C **We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, child of the same heavenly Father, and worker with us in the kingdom of God.**

**BAPTISM HYMN** ..... *Borning Cry* ..... **WOV # 770**

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**Altar flowers**

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Shirlee Mires Fejes in loving memory of Phil, Lisa and Nelson.

**Baptism**

We are pleased today to witness the baptism of Haley Alexis Saman, daughter of Cody Branstutter and Bethany Saman, at the 10:30 worship hour. Haley’s sponsors are Robert Addington and Chantal Casarez.

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday** — POTLUCK TODAY!!!

Today is a “5<sup>th</sup> Sunday” and we will celebrate by having a potluck after the 10:30 worship service. Bring in your holiday leftovers and/or those goodies that you’re planning to get rid of in the New Year with your new diet resolutions! Gather with our “old” church family and friends and share your “new” dreams for 2013!

**Serving Today**

Pastor James L. Castello  
Worship & Music Coordinator & Organist - Angela Tonjes  
Assistant - 8:00 Carol Castello 10:30 Karl Wiechers  
Sound Board - 8:00 Jeff Sharpe 10:30  
Acolytes - 8:00 Alie Hernandez & Caleb Hernandez  
10:30 Mitchell Walther & Seth Tonjes  
Ushers - 8:00 Kelli Burkhardt, Terri Sedam, Lenny Sonnenberg, Ron Wiechers  
10:30 Chris Peper, Rupert Schweinhagen, Mark Tonjes  
Altar Guild - Susan Mabee & Lauren Helberg  
Prayer Chain Co-ordinator - Carol Castello (419-592-0847) or cjcast@yahoo.com

**This Week**

Today	11:30 a.m.	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Potluck NO 7 <sup>th</sup> grade catechism
Monday	7:00 p.m.	New Year’s Eve Worship
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Soul Food planning meeting
	5:00 p.m.	Soul Food
	- - -	NO choirs/NO catechism
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study
next Sunday	7:00 p.m.	7 <sup>th</sup> grade catechism

### **Annual Reports**

All Boards and Committees: Please turn in your end-of-the-year reports to the church office by December 31!

### **Needed!!**

Readers and sound board operators are needed! Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex if you would be willing to help in these areas! Particularly needed at this time are volunteers for the late service in January!

### **Offering envelopes**

The 2013 Offering Envelope boxes are now available in the overflow area.

### **Statistics**

12/23 attendance 297 Offerings \$6,458.30 (includes \$2065 Bldg Fd; \$58 World Hngr; \$250 Good Sam Fd; \$25 mem to Endowment Fd-Harold Delventhal; \$106.30 from re-cycling)