



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Fourth Sunday in Lent



“God’s Word on Anger”

Saturday, March 10, 2018 – 5:30 pm
Sunday, March 11, 2018 – 7:45 am & 10:15 am

“Making more and stronger disciples of Jesus Christ
through the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Welcome to Immanuel!

Guest/Member Cards can be found in the card holder of the pew in front of you. We invite you to fill out the card and place it in the offering plate when we receive the offering. When you fill out these cards each week you make it possible for our pastors to more easily follow up with and provide pastoral care for our guests and members from week to week. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Holy Communion is distributed every Saturday evening, and at either the 7:45 am or 10:15 am service on Sunday mornings. In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also a sign of our common confession of the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of our Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask the pastor before or after the service.

If for health or personal reasons you cannot drink wine, the lighter colored glasses in the center of the tray of individual cups contain water with a drop of wine. These special glasses allow communicants to celebrate the Lord's Supper according to Christ's institution, while only consuming a very small amount of alcohol. You are also welcome to practice intinction (dipping the edge of the host [bread] into the common cup as it passes by).

Immanuel's Saturday evening service is a bit less formal than our Sunday services. Therefore, you will notice there are no ushers, the offering plate is left in the narthex (entrance) of the church rather than being passed during service, and we have only two individuals distributing Holy Communion. On Saturday night we only use the chalice (common cup) during Holy Communion. If for health or personal reasons you cannot drink wine, you're welcome to practice intinction. Intinction involves dipping the edge of the host (bread) into the wine. In this way, the communicant receives both elements. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask the pastor before or after the service.

Worship at Immanuel is...

Multigenerational. We believe that it is a great blessing for family members to worship together. Taking seriously Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and so not forbid them" (Mark 10:14), we encourage children to worship with their parents and grandparents and provide resources such as children's bulletins and children's sermons.

Eclectic. Eclectic means, "selecting what seems best of various sources." We believe that we should strive to use the best hymns and practices that the church has to offer. Our worship may include hymns written 500 years ago as well as pieces written 5 months ago.

Trinitarian. We believe that the object of worship is the only true God—The Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Christ Centered. We believe that at the heart of worship is the Good News that God has rescued us from our sins through Jesus' death on the cross and rising to life again.

In preparation for worship we ask that you silence your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you.

The time before service begins can be a good time to pray and prepare your heart and mind for worship. You will find helpful prayers on the inside cover of the hymnal located in the pew in front of you.

Preservice Music (10:15 am – Immanubells, “Campana Sonos,” arr. by Kathleen Wissinger)

Bells

Welcome

Opening Hymn, LSB 837, “Lift High the Cross”

Please stand

Invocation and Opening Sentences

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.** (Matthew 28:19b; [18:20])

P O Lord, throughout these forty days

C **You prayed and kept the fast;**

P Inspire repentance for our sin,

C **And free us from our past. Amen.** (LSB 418:1)

Confession and Absolution

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

C **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**

P The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

+ Service of the Word +

Introit of the Day

(Psalm 27:3–5; antiphon: v. 1)

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;

though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:

**that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in His temple.**

For He will hide me in His shelter in the day of trouble;

**He will conceal me under the cover of His tent; He will lift me
high upon a rock.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Lenten Hymn, LSB 611 v. 1 & 5, “Chief of Sinners Though I Be”

- 1 Chief of sinners though I be,
Jesus shed His blood for me,
Died that I might live on high,
Lives that I might never die.
As the branch is to the vine,
I am His, and He is mine.**
- 5 O my Savior, help afford
By Your Spirit and Your Word!
When my wayward heart would stray,
Keep me in the narrow way;
Grace in time of need supply
While I live and when I die.**

Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

All: **Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Please be seated

(10:15 am) **Immanubells**, “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded,” arr. by John Leavitt

Old Testament Reading, Numbers 21:4-9

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle, Ephesians 2:1-10

¹And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are

his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Holy Gospel, John 3:14-21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 3rd chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶[Jesus said:] “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. ²¹But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

Children’s Message (Parents of very young children may also come forward with their children.)

Hymn of the Day, *LSB* 571, “God Loved the World So That He Gave”

Sermon, John 2:13-17, “God’s Word on Anger”

¹³The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. ¹⁵And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶And he told those who sold the pigeons, “Take these things away; do not make my Father’s house a house of trade.” ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.”

Please stand

Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayer of the Church

P In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For Rev. Matthew Harrison and Rev. Timothy Scharr, for all pastors in Christ, for all servants of the Church, and for all the people, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For President Donald Trump, for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those who are ailing (*especially...*) and those who grieve (*especially...*), that they may be strengthened in body and spirit, confident of the love of Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:

C

Lord, have mercy.

P

For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people here present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

C

Lord, have mercy.

P

For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:

C

Lord, have mercy.

P

For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

C

Lord, have mercy.

P

(Special petitions...) let us pray to the Lord:

C

Lord, have mercy.

P

We pray this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C

Amen.

Please be seated

Offering (5:30 pm – Please place your offerings in the plate in the narthex before or after the service.)

Please stand

Offertory/Response to Prayer, *LSB* 433 v. 1 & 6, “Glory Be to Jesus”

1 **Glory be to Jesus,
 Who in bitter pains
 Poured for me the lifeblood
 From His sacred veins!**

6 **Lift we, then, our voices,
 Swell the mighty flood;
 Louder still and louder
 Praise the precious blood!**

The 5:30 pm & 7:45 am services continue on page 8.

The 10:15 am service continues on page 9.

+ Service of the Sacrament +

Preface

- P** The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)
C **And also with you.**
P Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1)
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. (Psalm 136)
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Proper Preface

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the Paschal Feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)

- C** **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might: heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the Highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest.**

(*Hosanna* is a Hebrew word of praise meaning “save us now.”)

The Lord’s Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13)

- All:** **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Words of Our Lord (Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

The Peace of the Lord

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always. (John 20:19)
C Amen.

Please be seated

Distribution Hymns

LSB 425, “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” (Played by Julie Zeiger on the keyboard during the 7:45 am service.)
LSB 337, “The Night Will Soon Be Ending”

Please stand

Dismissal

- P** Now may this...Go in peace.
C Amen.

Benediction

- P** The LORD bless you and keep you. (Numbers 6:24-26)
The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace.
C Amen.

Closing Hymn, LSB 918, “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”

Bells / Postlude

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Worship Helpers

Saturday, March 10, 2018 - 5:30 pm

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup
 Server/Lector - Rodney Clamors
 Media - Sue Champion

Organist - Joan Ruwald
 Acolyte - Tyler Cooley

Sunday, March 11, 2018 - 7:45 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup
 Server - Chuck Keller

Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski
 Lector - Warren Frank
 Music Director - Ann Frank

Acolytes - Ali & Blake Kloeppel

Media - Laurie Sparwasser

Ushers - Jim Crawford, Allen Jacobs, Don & Gina Birrittier

Sunday, March 11, 2018 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Liturgist - Rev. Merritt Demski

Lector - Wayne Collmeyer

Music Director - Ann Frank

Acolytes - Addie & Ben Janssen

Media - Mitchell/Tim Scheibe (with recording)

Immanubells Director - Elden Niemeyer

Ushers - Elden Niemeyer, Sharon Osterhage, Wayne Hargrave, Wyatt Drewes

Worship Helpers - Wednesday, March 14, 2018 - 7:30 pm

Acolytes - Hunter Kettler & Jordyn Koch

Ushers - Lee Eggemeyer, Roger Schanz, Ken Schanz, Curt Wittbracht

Media - Lisa Clamors (with recording)

Ushers - Sunday, March 18, 2018

7:45 am - Roy Unterseh, Dennis & Raymond Brandt, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras

10:15 am - Rodney & Lisa Clamors, Ollney Mueller Jr., Paul Hoeffken

Acolytes - Sunday, March 18, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Lauren Patterson

Sunday 7:45 am - Lilly Prather & Jenna Hoeffken

Sunday 10:15 am - Kyle Rusteberg & Tyler Cooley

Servers - Sunday, March 18, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Chuck Keller

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Hayden Lukas

Media - Sunday, March 18, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Kelley Keller

Sunday 7:45 am - Lisa Clamors (with recording)

Sunday 10:15 am - Pam Nagel

Lectors - Sunday, March 18, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Ollney Mueller, Jr.

Altar Guild - Sun., Mar. 18, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Dinah Pflasterer

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Janet & Louise

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