



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Second Sunday in Lent



“Our Mountain Top Experience”

Saturday, February 27, 2021 – 5:30 pm
Sunday, February 28, 2021 – 7:45 am & 10:15 am

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

Welcome to Immanuel!

Please turn off your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you!

If you are a guest, please fill out a guests' card located in the cardholder on the back of each pew and then place it in the offering plate. We look forward to meeting you!

Members, please help us love and care for one another by filling out an attendance card. Remember to include all the members of your family who are present in worship today. If you are communing, please check in the appropriate place. Thank you for filling out an Attendance-Communion card every time you attend Church.

We celebrate Holy Communion today! 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. This Holy Communion is also a sign of our shared confession of the Christian faith. If you have not communed with us before, please speak with one of our pastors before doing so.

During the communion service: If you're not able to 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, but have a very small amount of alcohol.

Worship at Immanuel is...

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.

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

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.

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 / Bells / Welcome

Opening Hymn, LSB 427, “In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

- 1 In the cross of Christ I glory,
Tow’ring o’er the wrecks of time.
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.**
- 2 When the woes of life o’ertake me,
Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me;
Lo, it glows with peace and joy.**
- 3 When the sun of bliss is beaming
Light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming
Adds more luster to the day.**
- 4 Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure
By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure,
Joys that through all time abide.**

(10:15 am) **Baptism**, Jayce River Simms [LSB pg. 268]

Please stand

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.** (Matthew 28:19b; [18:20])

Confession and Absolution

- P** God established an everlasting covenant with Abraham,
C **but our faith has waxed and waned. O Lord, forgive our forgetfulness of Your unchanging grace.**
- P** David wrote, “All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,”

C but we have failed to remind one another of God's mercy and love. O Lord, forgive our hesitancy to share the news of Your gracious presence.

P Paul wrote that because Christ died for the ungodly, we are justified by His blood,

C but we have tried to hide our sinfulness. O Lord, forgive our blindness to the necessary sacrifice of our Savior.

P God sent His Son into the world with one purpose: to save us from the wrath of God. "For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by His life." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen. Thanks be to God.

✠ Service of the Word ✠

Introit of the Day

(Psalm 115:11-13; antiphon: Psalm 25:6)

P Remember Your mercy, O LORD, and Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD! He is their help and their shield.

C The LORD has remembered us; He will bless us; He will bless the house of Israel; He will bless the house of Aaron;

P He will bless those who fear the LORD, both the small and the great.

C We will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD! 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. Remember Your mercy, O LORD, and Your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you!

(2 Timothy 4:22)

C And also with you!

P Let us pray...

C O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; 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

Old Testament Reading, Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, ²that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly.” ³Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, ⁴“Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. ⁷And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. . . . ¹⁵And God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle, Romans 5:1-11

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. ⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Holy Gospel, Mark 8:27-38

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 8th chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁷And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” ²⁸And they told him, “John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.” ²⁹And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.” ³⁰And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him. ³¹And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.” ³⁴And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ³⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it. ³⁶For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? ³⁷For what can a man give in return for his life? ³⁸For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

(5:30 pm & 7:45 am only) **Apostles’ Creed**

C **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.

Please be seated

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day, LSB 527, "O Savior, Precious Savior"

- 1 O Savior, precious Savior,
Whom yet unseen we love;
O name of might and favor,
All other names above,
We worship Thee, we bless Thee,
To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee,
Our holy Lord and King.**
- 2 O bringer of salvation,
Who wondrously hast wrought
Thyself the revelation
Of love beyond our thought,
We worship Thee, we bless Thee,
To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee,
Our gracious Lord and King.**
- 3 In Thee all fullness dwelleth,
All grace and pow'r divine;
The glory that excelleth,
O Son of God, is Thine.
We worship Thee, we bless Thee,
To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee,
Our glorious Lord and King.**
- 4 O grant the consummation
Of this our song above
In endless adoration
And everlasting love;
Then shall we praise and bless Thee
Where perfect praises ring,
And evermore confess Thee,
Our Savior and our King!**

Sermon, Mark 8:27-38, "Our Mountain Top Experience"

Please stand

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the Church here and around the world and for all people in their various circumstances.

For the Church around the world, all people who join Peter in professing that Jesus is the Christ, that they trust God's purpose for their lives, take up their crosses, and follow, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all who spend their lives serving the physical, mental, social, and emotional needs of the people around them, that God bless and guide them according to His gracious purpose, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For professional counselors and private confidants who alleviate suffering, enable endurance, support character, and encourage hope, that they serve as conduits for God's purposes in the lives of their patients, family, and friends, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who lead the governments of the world, that they find purpose in their positions, using every means to increase harvests, combat global health crises, minimize conflict between nations, and ensure equal justice for all their citizens, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those near and dear to us, [*especially...*], that God bring about the healing, comfort, freedom, and dignity for which they send requests to our gracious Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P (*Special petitions...*) let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P These and any other things You would have us ask of You, heavenly Father, grant to us for the sake of the bitter sufferings and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray.

C **Amen.**

Offering (*You can place your offering in the plate in the narthex or mail it to the church anytime.*)

Preparatory Music, LSB 767, "Jesus, Remember Me"

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of 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 how we commonly confess the Christian faith, if you have not communed with us before, please speak with one of our pastors before doing so.

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 430, "My Song Is Love Unknown"

- 1** My song is love unknown,
My Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown
That they might lovely be.
Oh, who am I
That for my sake
My Lord should take
Frail flesh and die?
- 2** He came from His blest throne
Salvation to bestow;
But men made strange, and none
The longed-for Christ would know.
But, oh, my friend,
My friend indeed,
Who at my need
His life did spend!
- 3** Sometimes they strew His way
And His sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day
Hosannas to their King.
Then "Crucify!"
Is all their breath,
And for His death
They thirst and cry.
- 4** Why, what hath my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
He gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!

**Yet they at these
Themselves displease
And 'gainst Him rise.**

- 5 They rise and needs will have
My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save,
The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful He
To suff'ring goes
That He His foes
From thence might free.**
- 6 In life no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heav'n was His home
But mine the tomb
Wherein He lay.**
- 7 Here might I stay and sing,
No story so divine!
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like Thine.
This is my friend,
In whose sweet praise
I all my days
Could gladly spend!**

LSB 629, "What Is This Bread"

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- 1 What is this bread?
Christ's body risen from the dead:
This bread we break,
This life we take,
Was crushed to pay for our release.
O taste and see—the Lord is peace.**
- 2 What is this wine?
The blood of Jesus shed for mine;
The cup of grace**

**Brings His embrace
Of life and love until I sing!
O taste and see—the Lord is King.**

- 3 So who am I,
That I should live and He should die
Under the rod?
My God, my God,
Why have You not forsaken me?
O taste and see—the Lord is free.**
- 4 Yet is God here?
Oh, yes! By Word and promise clear,
In mouth and soul
He makes us whole—
Christ, truly present in this meal.
O taste and see—the Lord is real.**
- 5 Is this for me?
I am forgiven and set free!
I do believe
That I receive
His very body and His blood.
O taste and see—the Lord is good.**

Please stand

Dismissal

P Now...Go in peace.

C Amen.

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

P O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;

C and His mercy endures forever.

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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 lift up His countenance on you and + give you peace.

C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn, *LSB* 802, “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

- 1** **Immortal, invisible,
 God only wise,
In light inaccessible
 hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious,
 the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious,
 Thy great name we praise.**
- 2** **Unresting, unhasting,
 and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting,
 Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains
 high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains
 of goodness and love.**
- 3** **To all life Thou givest—
 to both great and small—
In all life Thou livest,
 the true Life of all;
We blossom and flourish
 as leaves on the tree
And wither and perish—
 but naught changes Thee.**
- 4** **Great Father of glory,
 pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee,
 all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render:
 O help us to see**

**'Tis only the splendor
of light that hides Thee.**

Bells / Postlude

We invite you to take the service folder and announcements home with you as you leave today so you can see what's happening this week as well as meditate on the Scriptures, prayers, and hymns from today's service as you go through the week. You can also find helpful information on our church website: immanuelwaterloo.org.

Worship Helpers

Saturday, February 27, 2021 - 5:30 pm

Preacher - Sem. Hayden Brown

Server - Greg Wiegand

Media - Cathy Whelan

Liturgist/Celebrant - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Pianist - Ron Jones

Acolytes - Kaden & Keaton Roberts

Sunday, February 28, 2021 - 7:45 am

Preacher - Sem. Hayden Brown

Server - Chuck Keller

Acolytes - Ashlyn Whelan & Ava Hemmer

Media - Kelley Keller

Liturgist/Celebrant - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Lector - Ollney Mueller, Jr.

Music Director - Ann Frank

Ushers - Bill Stueve, Charles Lloyd, Kevin & Alex Whelan

Sunday, February 28, 2021 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Sem. Hayden Brown

Music Director - Ann Frank

Acolytes - Jeriah & Masson Fink

Ushers - Rodney Clamors, Paul & Jenna Hoeffken, Evan & Wyatt Fink

Liturgist/Celebrant - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server - Dean Harbison

Media/Facebook Live - Lisa Clamors

Worship Helpers - Wednesday, March 3, 2021 - 6:30 pm

Ushers - Robert Mesnarich, Jr., Pam Nagel, Don & Carol Matzenbacher

Acolytes - Nicholas Hoeffken & Ryan Williams

Media/Facebook Live - Tim Scheibe

Ushers - Sunday, March 7, 2021

7:45 am - Jason & Nick Valerius, Tyler Cooley

10:15 am - Alan Stumpf, Ian Schrader, Paul Broske Sr., Tom McDaniel

Acolytes - Sunday, March 7, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - Sarah Alu

Sunday 7:45 am - Kadin LaRue & Blake Nichols

Sunday 10:15 am - Kyle Rusteberg & Leah Worley

Servers - Sunday, March 7, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - Cal Neeman

Sunday 7:45 am - Dean Harbison

Sunday 10:15 am - Hayden Brown

Media - Sunday, March 7, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - Greg Hoeffken

Sunday 7:45 am - Pam Nagel

Sunday 10:15 am - Cathy Whelan

Lectors - Sunday, March 7, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a

Sunday 7:45 am - Don Birrittier

Sunday 10:15 am - Hayden Brown

Altar Guild - Sunday, March 7, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - Marilyn Collette

Sunday 7:45 am - Barbara Altes

Sunday 10:15 am - Linda Gutknecht



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Immanuel Lutheran Preschool Fundraiser

Get out of the house for a fun filled family afternoon, Covid friendly fundraiser. See what Monroe county has to offer thru this fun interactive photo scavenger hunt that is great for all ages and abilities. All proceeds from entrance fee and dine to donate will benefit Immanuel Lutheran Preschool.

Photo Scavenger Hunt

March 13, 2021 from 1:00-5:00 pm

Starts at the Waterloo Pizza Hut Parking Lot

If you would like to participate, please fill out the form below.

We are also looking for prize donations such as gift cards to local businesses, family friendly items purchased from local shops, or monetary donations.

Preschool Photo Scavenger Hunt Registration Form

Event: March 13, 2021 from 1:00-5:00 pm starting at the Pizza Hut Parking Lot in Waterloo

of Participants (must fit in 1 car): _____

Phone Number of Team Captain (person going to be sending the photos to earn points, must use same phone number for each submission): _____

Please return to Linda Polansky

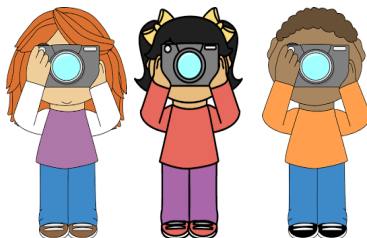
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