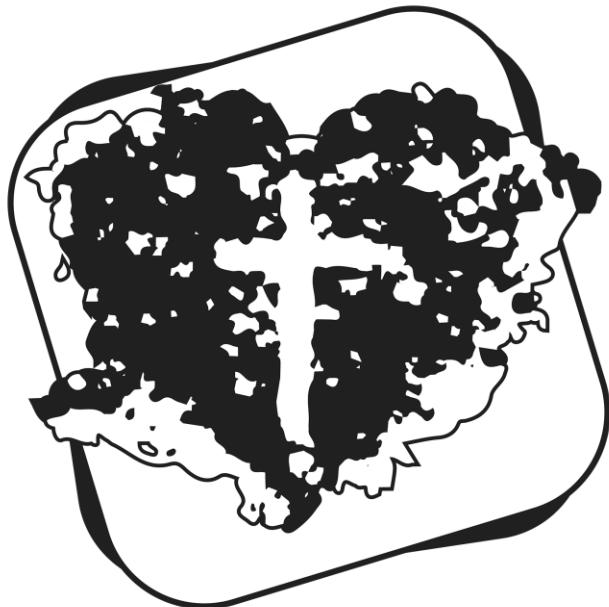




IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Ash Wednesday



**Wednesday, March 2, 2022
9:00 am & 6:30 pm**

“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 809, “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866–1960. Text: Public domain

1 Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be. *Refrain*

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Refrain*

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*

Please remain seated

OPENING SENTENCES

(Psalm 6:1-2; 79:8-9)

P O LORD, rebuke me not in Your anger,
C nor discipline me in Your wrath.
P Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am languishing;
C heal me, O LORD, for my bones are troubled.
P Do not remember against us our former iniquities;
C let Your compassion come speedily to meet us, for we are brought very low.
P Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Your name;
C deliver us, and atone for our sins, for Your name’s sake!

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

Ashes have been a symbol of contrition since biblical times: “I repent in dust and ashes” (Job 42:6b). They are also vivid reminders of mortality: “For dust you are and to dust you shall return” (Genesis 3:19). Therefore the imposition of ashes has been a fitting beginning for the season of Lent. Ashes usually consist of the remains of the previous Palm Sunday’s burned palms, and are applied to the forehead in the sign of the cross. Although powerfully speaking the law (contrition and mortality), ashes also speak the Gospel—applied in the shape of the cross, where sin and death were conquered, and we are cleansed of our sin.

Please stand

CONFESSiON AND ABSOLUTION

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you 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 +

PSALM

(Psalm 51:1-3, 10-12; antiphon: v. 17)

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;

a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;

according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!
For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.
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 sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.
C: **And also with you.**
P: Let us pray.
C: **Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness we may receive from You full pardon and forgiveness; 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, Joel 2:12-19

¹²“Yet even now,” declares the LORD, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; ¹³and rend your hearts and not your garments.” Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster. ¹⁴Who knows whether He will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind Him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD your God? ¹⁵Blow the trumpet in Zion; consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly; ¹⁶gather the people. Consecrate the congregation; assemble the elders; gather the children, even nursing infants. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her chamber. ¹⁷Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep and say, “Spare Your people, O LORD, and make not Your heritage a reproach, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples,

‘Where is their God?’” ¹⁸Then the LORD became jealous for His land and had pity on His people. ¹⁹The LORD answered and said to His people, “Behold, I am sending to you grain, wine, and oil, and you will be satisfied; and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING, 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

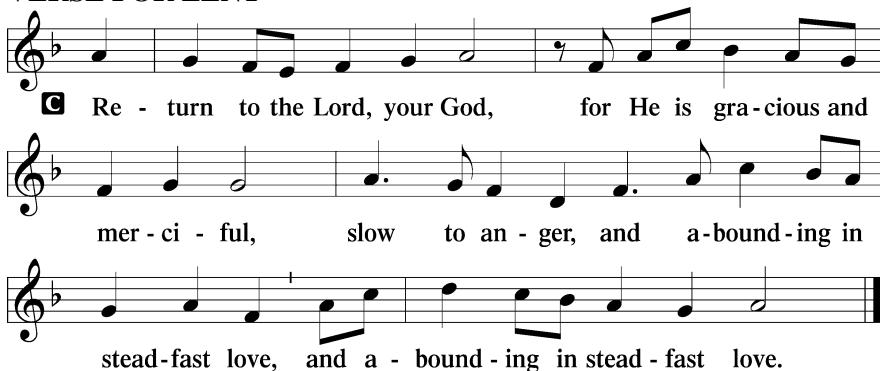
²⁰We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God. ^{6:1}Working together with Him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For He says, “In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. ³We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; ⁷by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

VERSE FOR LENT



C Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a-bound - ing in
steady - fast love, and a - bound - ing in steady - fast love.

HOLY GOSPEL, Matt. 6:1-6, 16-21

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 6th chapter.
C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹[Jesus said:] “Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven. ²“Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ³But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ⁵“And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ⁶But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ¹⁶[Jesus said:] “And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ¹⁷But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, ¹⁸that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ¹⁹“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY, LSB 610, “Lord Jesus, Think on Me”

Text: Synesius of Cyrene, c. 365-c. 414; tr. Allen W. Chatfield, 1808-96, alt. Text: Public domain

- 1 Lord Jesus, think on me**
And purge away my sin;
From worldly passions set me free
And make me pure within.
- 2 Lord Jesus, think on me,**
By anxious thoughts oppressed;
Let me Your loving servant be
And taste Your promised rest.
- 3 Lord Jesus, think on me**
Amid the battle’s strife;
In all my pain and misery,
O be my health and life!

4 Lord Jesus, think on me
 Nor let me go astray;
 Through darkness and perplexity
 Point out Your chosen way.

5 Lord Jesus, think on me
 That, when this life is past,
 I may the _eternal brightness see
 And share Your joy at last.

SERMON, Hebrews 13:8, “Thou Changest Not”

Please stand

NICENE CREED

C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life \ddagger of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
P: (Special petitions...) Lord, in Your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

P: Into Your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY



Let the vine - yards be fruit-ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless-ing. Gath - er a har-vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore-taste of the feast to come.

¤ 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.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

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 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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

LORD'S PRAYER

(Matthew 6:9-13)

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD (Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

PAX DOMINI

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

AGNUS DEI

(John 1:29)

C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION

LSB 425, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

- 1 When I survey the wondrous cross**
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast**
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.
- 3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet**
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4 **Were the whole realm of nature mine,**
 That were a tribute far too small;
 Love so amazing, so divine,
 Demands my soul, my life, my all!

(6:30 pm) **Saxophone Selection**, “Balm in Gilead,” arr. D. Whitman
[Elden Niemeyer]

LSB 420, “Christ, the Life of All the Living”

1 **Christ, the life of all the living,**
 Christ, the death of death, our foe,
 Who, Thyself for me once giving
 To the darkest depths of woe:
 Through Thy suff'rings, death, and merit
 I eternal life inherit.
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

2 **Thou, ah! Thou, hast taken on Thee**
 Bonds and stripes, a cruel rod;
 Pain and scorn were heaped upon Thee,
 O Thou sinless Son of God!
 Thus didst Thou my soul deliver
 From the bonds of sin forever.
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

3 **Thou hast borne the smiting only**
 That my wounds might all be whole;
 Thou hast suffered, sad and lonely,
 Rest to give my weary soul;
 Yea, the curse of God enduring,
 Blessing unto me securing.
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

4 **Heartless scoffers did surround Thee,**
 Treating Thee with shameful scorn
 And with piercing thorns they crowned Thee.
 All disgrace Thou, Lord, hast borne,
 That as Thine Thou mightest own me
 And with heav'ly glory crown me.
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

5 Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee,
 That from pain I might be free;
 Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee:
 Thence I gain security;
 Comfortless Thy soul did languish
 Me to comfort in my anguish.
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

6 Thou hast suffered great affliction
 And hast borne it patiently,
 Even death by crucifixion,
 Fully to atone for me;
 Thou didst choose to be tormented
 That my doom should be prevented.
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon,
 For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
 For Thine anguish in the Garden,
 I will thank Thee evermore,
 Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,
 For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,
 For that last triumphant cry,
 And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

Please stand

DISMISSAL

P: Now...Go in peace.

C: **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

(Numbers 6:24-26)

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN, LSB 919, “Abide, O Dearest Jesus”

Text: Josua Stegmann, 1588–1632; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt. Text: Public domain

- 1 **Abide, O dearest Jesus,**
Among us with Your grace
That Satan may not harm us
Nor we to sin give place.
- 2 **Abide, O dear Redeemer,**
Among us with Your Word,
And thus now and hereafter
True peace and joy afford.
- 3 **Abide with heav’lly brightness**
Among us, precious Light;
Your truth direct and keep us
From error’s gloomy night.
- 4 **Abide with richest blessings**
Among us, bounteous Lord;
Let us in grace and wisdom
Grow daily through Your Word.
- 5 **Abide with Your protection**
Among us, Lord, our strength,
Lest world and Satan fell us
And overcome at length.
- 6 **Abide, O faithful Savior,**
Among us with Your love;
Grant steadfastness and help us
To reach our home above.

BELLS / POSTLUDE

We invite you to take the service folder home with you as you leave today so you can see 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

Preacher – Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Liturgist/Celebrant – Rev. Merritt Demski

Music Director – Ann Frank

(6:30 pm) Saxophone – Elden Niemeyer

(6:30 pm) Acolytes – Nicholas Hoeffken & Kadin LaRue

(6:30 pm) Ushers – Chuck Keller, Larry Taake, Craig Mehner, Dawn Rubemeyer

Media Team – (9:00 am) Lisa Clamors; (6:30 pm) Greg Hoeffken (Facebook Live)

IN OUR PRAYERS...

We Pray for our Fellow Parishioners: Millie Menke, Sandy Moore (MS), Ruby Muench (cancer), Iva Mesnarich (shut in), Alvera Jacobs, Lana Mueller, Marie Dietzel, Marian Obst, Chris Morris (ALS & Non-Hodgkin lymphoma), Ken Schanz (leukemia), Earl Downs, Lois Ruff (recovering from stroke), Chuck Keller (kidney transplant)

We Pray for Friends and Relatives of Parishioners: Michael Washausen, Nina Van Kamp (recovering from surgery), Ken Horn (cancer), Nicole Bachelier, Sarah Castelli, Glenda Manion, Daryl Bense (dementia), Brian Kreher (brain tumor), Dorothy Mueller (recovering at home), Elsa Wiemerslage (leukemia relapse), Terry Pierce (undergoing procedures)

We Pray for Those in the Service of Our Nation: Alicia Gunn, Dustin Bender, Aaron Bommarito, Alex Naumann, Paul Doty

We Pray for Our Missionaries and Special Missions: Immanuel's Preschool, Immanuel's Mission Team, Unity Lutheran Elementary School (E. St. Louis, IL)

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Sat., March 12th

7:00 pm

\$120/
table

Silent
Auction,
too!

TRIVIA NIGHT

Contact the church office to reserve your table!

Proceeds benefit Immanuel's Mission Team.

2nd Annual Scavenger Hunt

March 26, 2022 1-5pm

Registration Begins at 12pm at

Waterloo Pizza Hut

For more information or to donate, please contact
Deborah Joellenbeck at 618-340-5262

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