

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Lenten Midweek Service 2



AND CONFESSING CHRIST

"The Redeemer and Sustainer"

Wednesday, March 8, 2023 6:30 p.m.

"Making more and stronger disciples of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit." **Welcome to Immanuel!** If you are a guest, please fill out a visitor's card located in the cardholder on the back of each pew. Please place this card in the offering plate in the narthex. As you leave, please introduce yourself to the pastor.

Members, please help us love and care for one another by filling out one of our attendance cards. Remember to include all the members of your family who are present in worship today. Thank you for filling out an Attendance-Communion card every time you attend Church—it helps us keep good records.

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* 555 v. 1-5, "Salvation unto Us Has Come"

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])

OPENING VERSICLES

- P: This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C: let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Psalm 118:24)
- P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C: the name of the Lord is to be praised. (Psalm 113:3)
- P: Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,
- C: slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.
- P: Jesus said: If any man would come after Me,
- C: let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.
- P: Christ was wounded for our transgressions.
- C: He was bruised for our iniquities.

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: the name of the Lord is to be praised. (Psalm 113:3)

All: 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.







Please be seated

READING FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Colossians 15:12-28. ¹²Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. 14And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death. ²⁷For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. ²⁸When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY FOR LENT

P: We have an advocate with the Father: Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.

C: He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

P: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

- C: He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.
- P: We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.
- C: He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

+ CATECHISM +

Please stand

TEN COMMANDMENTS

(Exodus 20:2-17)

C: You shall have no other gods. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

(Matthew 6:9-13)

C: 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.

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY, LSB 971, "There Is a Redeemer"

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SERMON, "The Redeemer and Sustainer"

OFFERING (Please feel free to place your offerings and attendance cards in the plate in the narthex.)

Please stand

PRAYER

- P: In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the

Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For ... [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] ... let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P: Let us pray...
- C: O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE WORD

P: Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

EVENING PRAYER

C: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

BLESSING (Psalm 103:1)

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN, LSB 555 v. 6-10, "Salvation unto Us Has Come"

BELLS / POSTLUDE

WORSHIP HELPERS

Pastor - Rev. Merritt Demski

Music Director - Mrs. Ann Frank

Acolytes - Trinity Drewes & Olivia Rusteberg

Ushers – Elden Niemeyer, Wayne Hargrave, Warren Frank, Daniel Niemeyer

Media/Facebook Live - Reagan Wilhelm

IN OUR PRAYERS...

We Pray for our Fellow Parishioners: Millie Menke, Sandy Moore (MS), Iva Mesnarich (shut in), Alvera Jacobs, Marie Dietzel, Chris Morris (ALS & Non-Hodgkin lymphoma), Ken Schanz (leukemia), Brenda Schreder (hip replacement), Bernell Bachelier (broken ankle), Nede Bachelier (cancer), Wendy Maag, Carolyn Henry, Sharon Osterhage, Pat Jones (recovering at home), Helen Clamors (recovering at home), Randy Wetzler (cancer), Sue Bradshaw

We Pray for Friends and Relatives of Parishioners: Michael Washausen, Nina Van Kamp (recovering from surgery), Ken Horn (cancer), Sarah Castelli, Glenda Manion, Daryl Bense (dementia), Brian Kreher (brain tumor), Elsa Wiemerslage (leukemia relapse), Kevin Williams (Non-Hodgkin lymphoma), Gary Sorensen (foot surgery), Roger Wild (cancer), Carroll Hagemeier, Chris Urquhart (ongoing health issues), Marsha Ehlers (pancreatic cancer), Greg Colbert (hospitalized), Cathy Scott (cancer), Steve Scott (cancer), Drew Daubach (hospitalized, recovering from bicycle accident), Joan McDaniel (heart issues)

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), Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School (Evansville, IL)

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March 15—Immanuel's Preschool—Pizza night March 22—Girl Scouts—Taco/nacho bar March 29—Youth Group—Breakfast



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Mission Quilt Tying Day!

Sunday, March 19th 11:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Join the quilters for a fun day! They will teach you if you don't know how. The more, the merrier.

Lunch will be provided, so please sign up if you plan to eat. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the narthex.

All ages are welcome.





