



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

The Transfiguration of Our Lord



Saturday, March 1, 2025 – 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 2, 2025 – 7:45 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

“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.

Divine Service, Setting Four

(*Lutheran Service Book*, pg. 203)

Preservice Music [7:45 a.m. & 10:15 a.m. – Choir Anthem, “O Savior of Our Fallen Race” (M. Larkin)]

Bells

Welcome / Greeting

Please stand

Opening Hymn, *LSB* 414, “’Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here”

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 ✠

Confession and Absolution

(Psalm 124:8; 30:3-4)

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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.

(John 20:19-23)

C **Amen.**

+ Service of the Word +

Introit of the Day

(Psalm 84:1-2,9,11; antiphon: v. 4)

Blessèd are those who dwell in your house,

ever singing your praise!

How lovely is your dwelling place,

O Lord of hosts!

My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;

my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Behold our shield, O God;

look on the face of your anointed!

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor.

No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

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.

Blessèd are those who dwell in your house,

ever singing your praise!

Kyrie

(Mark 10:47)



Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Hymn of Praise, *LSB* 537, "Beautiful Savior"



1 Beau - ti - ful	Sav - ior,	King	of cre - a - tion,	Son	of
2 Fair are the	mead - ows,	Fair	are the wood - lands,	Robed	in
3 Fair is the	sun - shine,	Fair	is the moon - light,	Bright	the
4 Beau - ti - ful	Sav - ior,	Lord	of the na - tions,	Son	of



God	and	Son	of	Man!	Tru - ly	I'd	love	Thee,	Tru - ly	I'd
flow'rs	of	bloom - ing	spring;	Je - sus	is	fair - er,	Je - sus	is		
spar - kling	stars	on	high;	Je - sus	shines	bright - er,	Je - sus	shines		
God	and	Son	of	Man!	Glo - ry	and	hon - or,	Praise,	ad - o -	



serve	Thee,	Light	of	my	soul,	my	joy,	my	crown.
pur - er,	He	makes	our	sor -	r'wing	spir - it	sing.		
pur - er	Than	all	the	an -	gels	in	the	sky.	
ra - tion	Now	and	for - ev -	er - more	be	Thine!			

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, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

(7:45 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.) **Choir Anthem**, “When Morning Gilds the Skies,” arr. J. Behnke

Old Testament Reading, Deuteronomy 34:1-12

¹Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan, ²all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, ³the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. ⁴And the LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, ‘I will give it to your offspring.’ I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there.” ⁵So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, ⁶and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day. ⁷Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. ⁸And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended. ⁹And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the LORD had commanded Moses. ¹⁰And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, ¹¹none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, ¹²and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle, Hebrews 3:1-6

¹Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, ²who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. ³For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. ⁴(For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) ⁵Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, ⁶but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Alleluia and Verse

(John 20:31)



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel, Luke 9:28-36

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 9th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings [Jesus] took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. ³⁰And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, ³¹who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one

for Moses and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. ³⁴As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!” ³⁶And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

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 of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated

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

Hymn of the Day, *LSB* 413, “O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair”

Sermon, “The Transfiguration----playlist”----based on Luke 9:35

Please stand

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.**

Please be seated

Offering (*During the Saturday service, please place your offering and attendance card in the plate in the narthex before or after the service.*) [10:15 a.m. – Flute/Organ Selection, “Renew Me, O Eternal Light,” arr. A. Mahnke]

Please stand

Offertory, LSB 767, “Jesus, Remember Me”

Text: Luke 23:42. Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923–94. Text and tune: © 1981 Ateliers et Presses de Taizé, Taizé Community, France, admin. GIA Publications, Inc. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110001526

Je - sus, re-mem-ber me when You come in - to Your king - dom.

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The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff ends with a repeat sign, and the second staff ends with a double bar line.

✠ 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, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

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, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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 Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

The 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.

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

Pax Domini

(John 20:19)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

(John 1:29)

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true us, Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Please be seated

Distribution

LSB 631, "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"

LSB 680, "Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise"

Please stand

Dismissal

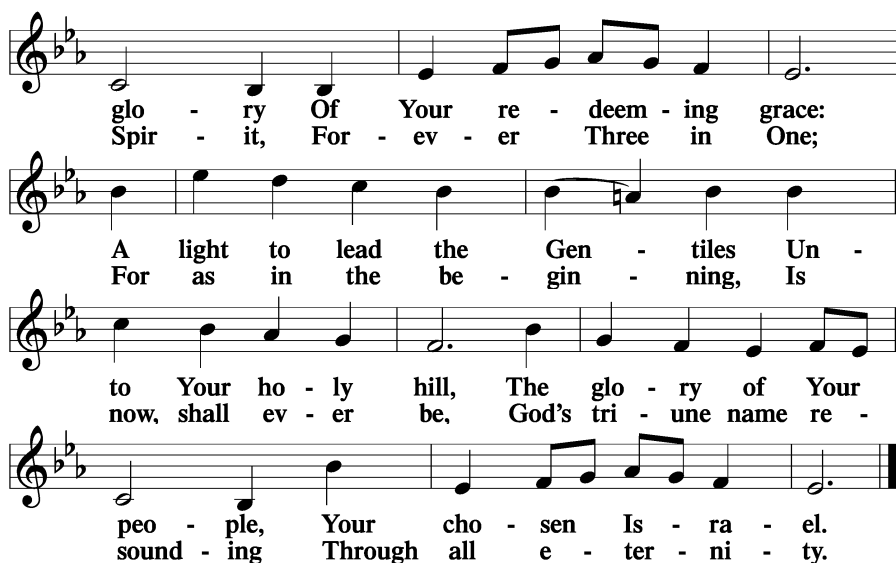
P The body and blood... Go in peace.

C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

(Luke 2:29-32)

C 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the



glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, The God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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.

Benedicamus and Benediction

P

Let us bless the Lord.

(Psalm 103:1)

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* 822, "Alleluia! Let Praises Ring"

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, March 1, 2025 - 5:30 p.m.

Pastor - Rev. Brian Downs

Server - Cal Neeman

Altar Guild - Diana Heins

Organist - Justin Tayon

Acolytes - Quinn Menke & Avery Griffin

Media - Gwen Wiegand

Sunday, March 2, 2025 - 7:45 a.m.

Pastor - Rev. Brian Downs

Server/Lector - Warren Frank

Acolytes - Brady Drewes & Logan Kettler

Ushers - Jason Valerius, Trinity Drewes, Jeriah Fink, Brielle Fink

Music Director - Ann Frank

Altar Guild - Pam Nagel

Media - Don Birrittier

Sunday, March 2, 2025 - 10:15 a.m.

Pastor - Rev. Brian Downs

Servers - Rodney Clamors & Doug Simms

Acolytes - Everly Dethrow & Myla Eggemeyer

Ushers - Dusty Dethrow, Davin Dethrow, Collin Dethrow, Jacob Dethrow

Media/Facebook Live - Tyler Major

Music Director - Ann Frank

Lector - Rodney Clamors

Altar Guild - Susan Hargrave

Worship Helpers - Wednesday, March 5, 2025 - 9:00 a.m.

Server - Bob Polansky

Altar Guild - Barbara Altes

Media - Lisa Clamors

Worship Helpers - Wednesday, March 5, 2025 - 6:30 p.m.

Ushers - Allen Jacobs, Don & Gina Birrittier, Mason Wilhelm

Server - Jason Valerius

Acolytes - Jakson Gregory & Chase Richey

Media/Facebook Live - Lisa Clamors

Altar Guild - Linda Gutknecht

Ushers - Sunday, March 9, 2025

7:45 a.m. - Lee Eggemeyer, Adam Eggemeyer, Chase Richey, Jakson Gregory

10:15 a.m. - Elden Niemeyer, Wayne Hargrave, Warren Frank, Daniel Niemeyer

Acolytes - Sunday, March 9, 2025

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Audrey Braun

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Henry Eggemeyer & Jase Gregory

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Rosie & Brielle Fink

Servers - Sunday, March 9, 2025

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Kevin Wheat

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Alex Voges

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Dusty Dethrow & Rodney Clamors

Media - Sunday, March 9, 2025

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Clark Deptula

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Ayda Eggemeyer

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Will Hanks

Lectors - Sunday, March 9, 2025

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - n/a

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Don Birrittier

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Daniel Niemeyer

Altar Guild - Sunday, March 9, 2025

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Cally Killian

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Debbie Olsson

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Joyce McDaniel

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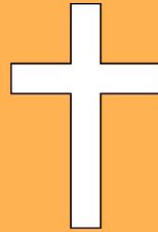


Join Southern Illinois Circuit 6 for a workshop on immigration and Christian living on **Saturday, March 15, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Millstadt.** Rev Stephen Heimer, manager of All Nations Ministry of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, will present about how we, as Lutheran Christians, live in the reality of loving our neighbors like Jesus has called us to do and encouraging all people to live under God’s Law and human laws. Immigration policy and loving our neighbors sometimes creates confusing situations for Christians, and Rev Heimer will help us consider these important and timely topics. **The workshop will begin with a prayer service at 9am and will conclude at noon.** *An offering will be taken for the St Louis ministry Christian Friends of New Americans.*

Guest Speaker - Rev Stephen Heimer

Rev Stephen Heimer is currently serving as the LCMS manager of All Nations Ministry. Before that, he served as a parish pastor for 13 years on the border in Texas, serving a combination of Americans and immigrants. He cared for immigrants, armed forces members, customs and border agents, and all other backgrounds. He also cared for people on both sides of the border and provided chapel services at detention centers along the border.

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3/5: Ash Weds 9 AM & 6:30-- "IAM the Bread of Life...you are filled" --John 6:35

3/12: Midweek-- "IAM the Light of the World...you are my beacons" --John 8:12

3/19: Midweek-- "IAM the Gate...you are saved" --John 10:10

3/26: Midweek-- "IAM the Good Shepherd.....you are protected" --John 10:14, 28

4/2: Midweek-- "IAM the Way, the Truth, and the Life....you are Mine" --John 14:6

4/9: Midweek-- "IAM the True Vine....you are My disciples" --John 15:8

Holy Week:

4/13: Palm Sunday-- "IAM the King.....you are My heirs"

4/17: Maundy Thursday "IAM the Sacrifice.....you are forgiven"

4/18: Good Friday; Service of Tenebrae--- "IAM Stricken, Smitten and
Afflicted....you are Redeemed"

4/20: Easter Sunday--- IAM the Resurrection and the Life....you are a living
testimony"



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The poster features a grid background with a rainbow and star logo. It includes three photos of children: two girls at the top right, a boy in the center right, and two girls at the bottom left. A cartoon alarm clock is also present.



**JIGSAW PUZZLE
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MARCH 16, 2025 - 11:30 A.M.
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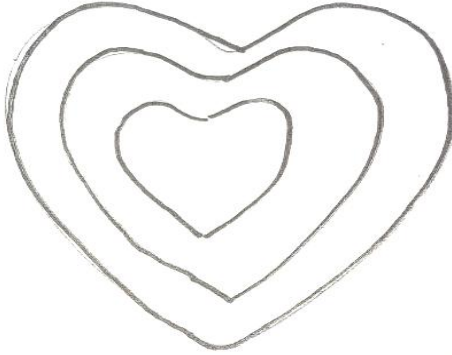
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ALL AGES WELCOME
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The poster has a white background with puzzle pieces scattered around the title. The illustration at the bottom shows three people (two adults and one child) assembling puzzle pieces on a green grassy field. The puzzle pieces contain the text: 'ALL AGES WELCOME', 'UP TO 6/TEAM', and 'LUNCH & PRIZES!'.

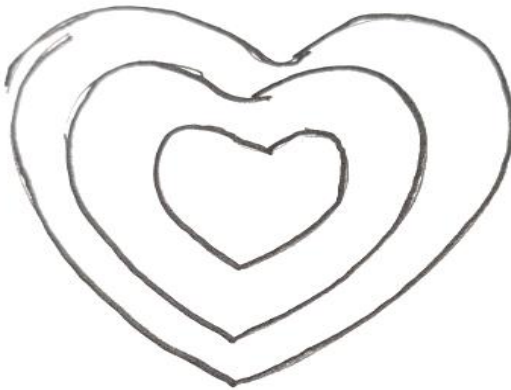
Preschool Students of the Week
March 3-7, 2025

Jesus, Founder and Perfecter of our Faith
HIS love endures forever!
Heb. 12:1-3



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Hayden Hinson