

# *Immanuel Lutheran Church*

*Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod*



## *The Divine Service III* *The Third Sunday in Lent*

*March 23, 2025*

*10:00am*

*3000 West Main Street*  
*Kalamazoo, MI 49006*

# PRELUDE

AEDAN MCCAULEY, ORGANIST/PIANIST

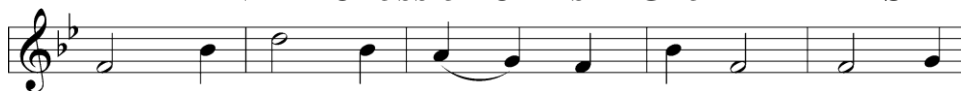
## WELCOME TO IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH!

\* The congregation will stand for sections beginning with an asterisk.

### \*ENTRANCE HYMN

#### IN THE CROSS OF CHRIST I GLORY

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1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing  
 2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -  
 3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing Light and  
 4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure By the



o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred  
 ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -  
 love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - dianc  
 cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no



sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.  
 sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.  
 stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.  
 mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

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## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

### \*INVOCATION

*Pastor:* In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Cong: Amen.**

*Pastor:* Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

*Pastor:* Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**Cong:** who made heaven and earth.

*Pastor:* I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**Cong:** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Silence for self-reflection*

*Pastor:* O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**Cong:** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

*Pastor:* Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Cong:** Amen.

**\*KYRIE**

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## **\*SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*Pastor:* The Lord be with you.

**Cong:** **And also with you.**

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Pastor:* Let us pray.

**Cong:** **Amen.**

## **FIRST READING**

### **EZEKIEL 33:7-20 (ESV)**

Lector: “So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

“And you, son of man, say to the house of Israel, Thus have you said: ‘Surely our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we rot away because of them. How then can we live?’ Say to them, As I live, declares the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

“And you, son of man, say to your people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him when he transgresses, and as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall by it when he turns from his wickedness, and the righteous shall not be able to live by his righteousness when he sins.

Though I say to the righteous that he shall surely live, yet if he trusts in his righteousness and does injustice, none of his righteous deeds shall be remembered, but in his injustice that he has done he shall die. Again, though I say to the wicked, ‘You shall surely die,’ yet if he turns from his sin and does what is just and right, if the wicked restores the pledge, gives back what he has taken by robbery, and walks in the statutes of life, not doing injustice, he shall surely live; he shall not die.

None of the sins that he has committed shall be remembered against him. He has done what is just and right; he shall surely live.

“Yet your people say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just,’ when it is their own way that is not just. When the righteous turns from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it. And when the wicked turns from his wickedness and does what is just and right, he shall live by them. Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ O house of Israel, I will judge each of you according to his ways.”

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Cong: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**

**PSALM 85 (ESV)**

Lector: Lord, you were favorable to your land;

**Cong: you restored the fortunes of Jacob.**

Lector: You forgave the iniquity of your people;

**Cong: you covered all their sin.**

Lector: You withdrew all your wrath;

**Cong: you turned from your hot anger.**

Lector: Restore us again, O God of our salvation,

**Cong: and put away your indignation toward us!**

Lector: Will you be angry with us forever?

**Cong: Will you prolong your anger to all generations?**

Lector: Will you not revive us again,

**Cong: that your people may rejoice in you?**

Lector: Show us your steadfast love, O Lord,

**Cong: and grant us your salvation.**

Lector: Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,

**Cong: for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints;**

Lector: but let them not turn back to folly.

**Cong: Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,**

Lector: that glory may dwell in our land.

**Cong: Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;**

Lector: righteousness and peace kiss each other.

**Cong: Faithfulness springs up from the ground,**

Lector: and righteousness looks down from the sky.

**Cong: Yes, the Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.**

Lector: Righteousness will go before him

**Cong: and make his footsteps a way.**

**Cong: 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.**

## **SECOND READING**

## **1 CORINTHIANS 10:1-13 (ESV)**

Lector: I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.” We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer.

Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Cong: Thanks be to God.**

**\*HOLY GOSPEL**

**LUKE 13:1-9 (ESV)**

*Pastor:* The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the thirteenth chapter.

*Cong:* **Glory to You, O Lord.**

There were some present at that very time who told [Jesus] about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And he answered them, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.”

And he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. And he said to the vinedresser, ‘Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?’ And he answered him, ‘Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

*Pastor:* This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*Cong:* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**



# SERMON

REV. JASON TOMAN

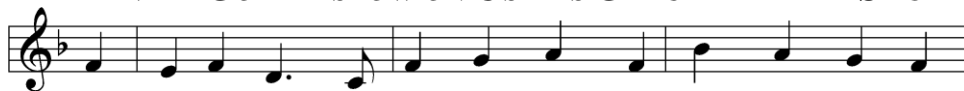
*Pastor:* The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

*Cong:* Amen.

## \*HYMN OF THE DAY

### MAY GOD BESTOW ON US HIS GRACE

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1 May God be - stow on us His grace, With bless - ings rich pro -  
2 Thine o - ver all shall be the praise And thanks of ev - 'ry  
△ 3 O let the peo - ple praise Thy worth, In all good works in -



vide us; And may the bright - ness of His face  
na - tion; And all the world with joy shall raise  
creas - ing; The land shall plen - teous fruit bring forth,



To life e - ter - nal guide us, That we His sav - ing  
The voice of ex - ul - ta - tion. For Thou shalt judge the  
Thy Word is rich in bless - ing. May God the Fa - ther,



health may know, His gra - cious will and plea - sure,  
earth, O Lord, Nor suf - fer sin to flour - ish;  
God the Son, And God the Spir - it bless us!



And al - so to the na - tions show Christ's rich - es with - out  
Thy peo - ple's pas - ture is Thy Word Their souls to feed and  
Let all the world praise Him a - lone, Let sol - emn awe pos -



mea - sure And un - to God con - vert them.  
nour - ish, In righ - teous paths to keep them.  
sess us. Now let our hearts say, "A - men!"

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## **\*APOSTLES' CREED**

**Cong: 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**

**Lector: Almighty God, You order and number our days according to Your  
wisdom. Give us repentant hearts, lest we perish with this world of  
violence and suffering, that we would hold fast to Christ for life and  
salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,**

**Cong: hear our prayer.**

**Lector: Gracious Lord, You take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but  
desire that they would turn and live. Give pastors courage to warn of  
sin and death. Give all Christians strength to defend that message.  
Turn sinners to life by the proclamation of Christ, who delivers from  
all unrighteousness. Lord, in Your mercy,**

**Cong: hear our prayer.**

**Lector: Heavenly Father, guard Your people against immorality. Grant that our  
homes would be havens of godly instruction and chastity, and fill  
marriages with fidelity and love. Lord, in Your mercy,**

**Cong: hear our prayer.**

Lector: God of all, You establish justice not through the desires of sinners but by Your Law, which is for all. Enlighten the authorities of this and every nation, that they might rule justly for true good. Lord, in Your mercy,

**Cong: hear our prayer.**

Lector: Holy God, remember Your people who cry to You for mercy in a world where towers fall and sinners work evil. Deliver those in need of healing and comfort, especially those on our prayer list and held in our hearts, (*pause*) and strengthen them to look to You for help in their time of affliction. Lord, in Your mercy,

**Cong: hear our prayer.**

Lector: Lord of life, You have brought us into Your vineyard and appointed us to bear good fruit. Receive our thanks for Your patience, and grant that we would show Your love and grace in all that we say and do. Lord, in Your mercy,

**Cong: hear our prayer.**

*Pastor:* Almighty God, You led Your people, Israel, through the sea and fed them in the wilderness until You delivered them to the Promised Land. You also have faithfully enlivened Your people with Christ by means of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion. Receive our thanks for Your kindness to the saints who now rest from their labors, and sustain us by Your Means of Grace until You deliver us also to heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

**Cong: Amen.**

**\*PEACE**

*Pastor:* The Lord be with you.

**Cong: And also with you.**

*Please greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these or similar words: “Peace be with you.”*

## OFFERING

## OFFERTORY

*ALL THINGS BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL*

IMMANUEL CHILDREN'S CHOIR



*We ask our guests to review our understanding and practice of communion  
on the back page of this worship folder.*

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

### \*PREFACE

*Pastor:* The Lord be with you.

**Cong:** **And also with you.**

*Pastor:* Lift up your hearts.

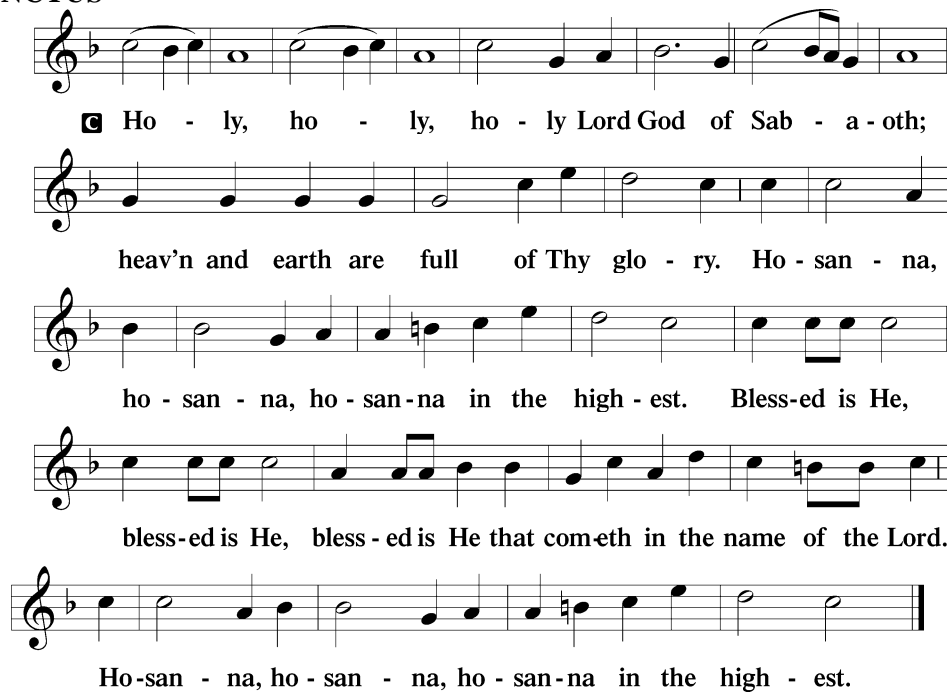
**Cong:** **We lift them unto the Lord.**

*Pastor:* Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God

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

*Pastor:* It is truly meet, 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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## \*LORD'S PRAYER

**Cong:** 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

*Pastor:* Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

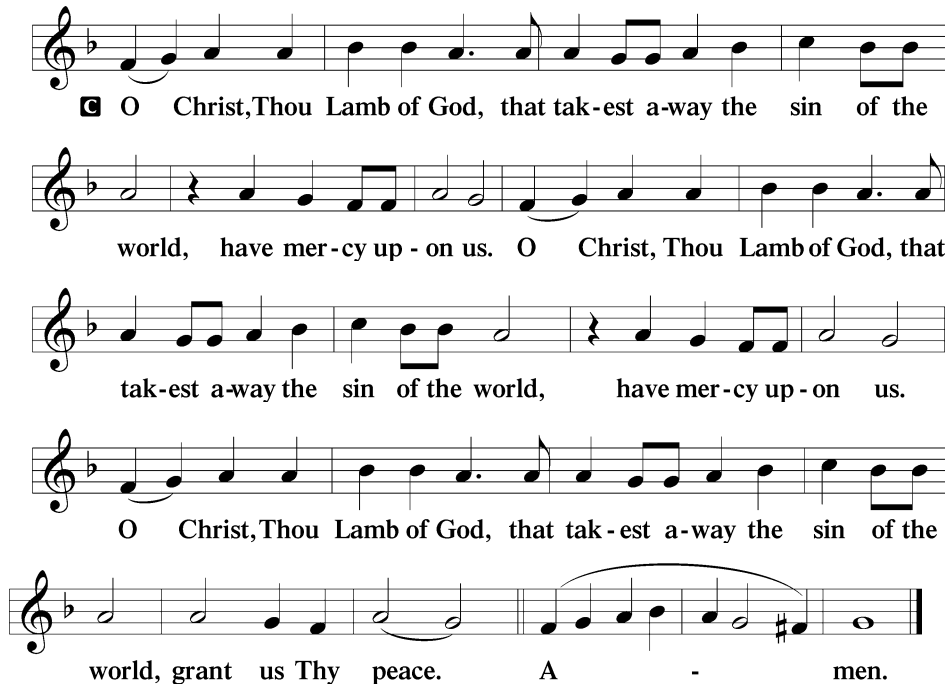
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## \*PAX DOMINI

*Pastor:* The peace of the Lord be with you always.

*Cong:* Amen.

## \*AGNUS DEI ~ LAMB OF GOD



**☐** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

## DISTRIBUTION

## COMMUNION

{ INTENTIONAL TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION }

## COMMUNION HYMNS

***BLESSED JESUS***

**IMMANUEL CHOIR**

*Blessed Jesus, Lord and God, we,  
thy children, follow thee,  
we would always follow thee.  
Gentle Shepherd, lead us now  
in the paths of righteousness,  
in the paths of righteousness.  
Though we walk in shadowed vale,  
filled with foes who would assail,  
Thou art by us with thy love,  
leading us to heaven above,  
leading us to heaven above.  
Blessed Jesus, Lord and God,  
we, thy children, follow thee,  
we, would always follow thee:  
help us ever follow thee,  
help us ever follow thee.*

*THE DEATH OF JESUS CHRIST, OUR LORD*

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1 The death of Je - sus Christ, our Lord, We cel - e -  
2 He blot - ted out with His own blood The judg - ment  
3 That this for - ev - er true shall be He gives a  
4 His Word pro - claims and we be - lieve That in this



brate with one ac - cord; It is our com - fort  
that a - gainst us stood; For us He full a -  
sol - emn guar - an - tee: In this His ho - ly  
Sup - per we re - ceive His ver - y bod - y,



in dis - tress, Our heart's sweet joy and hap - pi - ness.  
tone - ment made, And all our debt He ful - ly paid.  
Sup - per here We taste His love so sweet, so near.  
as He said, His ver - y blood for sin - ners shed.

5 We dare not ask how this can be,  
But simply hold the mystery  
And trust this word where life begins:  
“Given and shed for all your sins.”

6 They who this word do not believe  
This food unworthily receive,  
Salvation here will never find—  
May we this warning keep in mind!

7 But blest is each believing guest  
Who in these promises finds rest;  
For Jesus shall in love remain  
With all who here His grace obtain.

8 Help us sincerely to believe  
That we may worthily receive  
Your Supper and in You find rest.  
Amen! They who believe are blest.

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**\*POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

*NUNC DIMITTIS*

The musical score is written on seven staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The lyrics are printed below the notes. The first staff begins with a square symbol containing the letter 'C', indicating a common time signature. The music consists of a single melodic line with various note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, as well as rests. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -  
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

### **\*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Pastor:* 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.

**Cong: Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

*Pastor:* Bless we the Lord.

**Cong: Thanks be to God.**

### **BENEDICTION**

*Pastor:* The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

**Cong: Amen, amen, amen.**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



**ILLNESS/SPECIAL NEED:**

**GRIEF:**

**THANKSGIVING:**

**A NOTE OF THANKS FROM BETH MITCHELL:** *“There are not enough words to express my gratitude for all the prayers and positive thoughts that were lifted up for Bob and I during our long recovery from our car accident back in July 2024. And now I owe everyone a huge thank you for making Bob's celebration of life service so meaningful for me and our family. Thanks to all who had a part in the day.”*

**HOMEBOUND:** Marian Brugh, Ellen Plano, John Curtiss, and Jerome Dirst.

## IMMANUEL PRAYER LIST

### LONG TERM CONCERNS

<b>Rose Maxum</b> , requested by Chuck and Amber Townsend	<b>Susan &amp; Gregory Fritz</b> , Stephanie Beck's parents
<b>Amy Stillwell</b> , sister of Dave Reynolds	<b>Mary Ann Massey</b> , friend of Dotty Smith
<b>Bob Perri</b> , brother of Phil Perri	<b>Craig Rennhack</b> , requested by Bob & Maryalice Reck
<b>John Blasko</b> , requested by Elizabeth Blasko	<b>Mindy Mitchell</b> , sister of Shelly Reynolds
<b>Kyle Reinbold Family</b> , requested by Kyle's sister, Sonya DeVary	<b>James Leo Brown</b> , requested by Shelly and Dave Reynolds
<b>Karen McDougall</b> , requested by Sue Steuer	<b>Jim Sabo</b> , friend of Susan Steuer
<b>Katie VerKow</b> , former member of Immanuel, requested by Phil Roekle	Lucille and Lawrence Fritz, <b>requested by Jonathan Fritz</b>
<b>Vicki Dilley</b> , requested by Christa & Phil Perri	<b>Suzie Brink</b> , Christie Sidwell's mother and <b>Bill Brink</b> , her brother
<b>Joanne Cleason</b> , Esther Cleason's daughter	<b>Melissa</b> , friend of Dotty Smith and daughter Laura
<b>Marie Winberg</b> , godmother of Bill Bennett	<b>Hannah Bayer</b> , requested by her father
<b>Lisa and David Wentzel</b> , Sue Steuer's cousins	<b>Jerry and Sandi McKenzie</b> , friends of Dotty Smith
<b>Ware Washam</b> , requested by Brian Long	<b>Sandy Hale</b> , requested by Stephen Presdorf
<b>Caroline Barkow</b>	<b>Jeri Noneman</b>
<b>Gene Jennings</b>	<b>Kay Hecht</b> , John Hecht's mother
<b>Loren Gerber</b> , Sue Anderson's father	<b>Beth Mitchell</b>
<b>Alice Schley</b> , Jane Schley's granddaughter	<b>Charlie Miller</b> , Marian Brugh's brother
<b>Toni</b> —Jane Schley's cousin	<b>Jason</b> , son-in-law of Sue & Craig Anderson
<b>Sharon S.</b> , requested by Dotty Smith	<b>Karen Petersen</b> , daughter of Cathy & Tom Mollet
<b>Ruth Krueger</b>	<b>Justin Nickels</b> , requested by Justin Beck
<b>Deb</b> , friend of Sue Steuer	<b>Marilyn Borgeson</b> , Annie Hecht's grandmother
<b>Sophie Rose Verile</b> , Brindley's grandniece	<b>Lynne Partridge</b> , friend of Christa Perri
<b>Linda &amp; Scott Spurlock</b> , req. by Esther C.	<b>Merry Linn</b> , Sally Crawford's sister
<b>Kim N., Kim M., Emilie H., &amp; Sydney B.</b> , all friends of Kim Sharp; and <b>River Lint</b> , Kim's cousin's baby	
<b>All Crossroads Prison Ministry students</b> from all congregations around the country	
<b>Immanuel members:</b> Gail Stewart, Dolly Bryan, Shelly Reynolds, Tina Lauer, Jerome Dirst & John Miller	

# CHURCH CALENDAR

## APRIL'S MISSION: ALTERNATIVES OF KALAMAZOO

SUNDAY	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
23 9:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL  COMMUNION SERVICE (TOMAN)  11:30AM ADULT CLASS & CHILDREN'S CHOIR	24	25   7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ IMMANUEL	26  6:00PM LENTEN SOUP SUPPER BY DISCIPLESHP COMMITTEE  7:00PM COMMUNION SERVICE	27	28	29
30 9:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL  COMMUNION SERVICE (COUCH)  11:30AM ADULT CLASS & CHILDREN'S CHOIR	21	APRIL 1  5:30PM MARY/MARTHA MEETING  7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ IMMANUEL	2  6:00PM LENTEN SOUP SUPPER BY OUTREACH COMMITTEE  7:00PM COMMUNION SERVICE	3	4	5
6 9:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL  COMMUNION SERVICE (???)  11:30AM ADULT CLASS & CHILDREN'S CHOIR	7	8 6:30AM MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST  7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ IMMANUEL	9  6:00PM LENTEN SOUP SUPPER BY SERVICE COMMITTEE  7:00PM COMMUNION SERVICE	10	11	12
13 PALM SUNDAY 9:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL  COMMUNION SERVICE (???)  11:30AM ADULT CLASS & CHILDREN'S CHOIR	14	15  7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ IMMANUEL	16	17 MAUNDY THURSDAY  7:00PM COMMUNION SERVICE	18 GOOD FRIDAY  7:00PM TENEBRAE SERVICE	19 EASTER VIGIL

# Worship Assistants/Serving Schedule

	<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Altar</b>	<b>Usher</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Worship Assistant</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>
Sunday 3/23/2025	Linus & Ezra Mandrick	Amber Townsend	John Hecht	John Hecht	Denny Patzer & John Quardokus	Helen & Philip Roekle— (Coffee) Dotty Smith— (Snacks)
Sunday 3/30/2025	Elliora & Caviion Beck	Rita Clarke	Kim Sharp	Andrew Lustila	John Quardokus & John Wagner	Maryalice Reck
Sunday 4/6/2025	Genevieve Miller & Adelaide Jefferies	Amber Townsend	Kim Sharp	John Krueger	Larry Baumgart & Craig Anderson	Jane Schley
Palm Sunday 4/13/2025	Maddie Hernandez & Elijah Lawrence	Kim Sharp	John Wagner	Mark Miller	Bill Stewart & Ron Swinehart	Sue & John Wagner
Maundy Thursday 4/17/2025	Cailyn Hecht & Norah Lawrence	Vivian Westphal	NA	NA	Mark Miller & Andrew Lustila	NA
Good Friday 4/18/2025	Linus & Ezra Mandrick	Amber Townsend	Ron Swinehart	Ninah Miller	Denny Patzer & John Quardokus	NA
Easter Sunday, 7am 4/20/2025	NA	Kim Sharp	Ron Swinehart	Ninah Miller	Denny Patzer & John Quardokus	NA
Easter Sunday, 10am 4/20/2025	Elliora & Caviion Beck	Kim Sharp	John Hecht	John Quardokus	Larry Baumgart & Craig Anderson	NA
Sunday 4/27/2025	Genevieve Miller & Adelaide Jefferies	Rita Clarke	John Wagner	Dave Mandrick	Bill Stewart & Ron Swinehart	Amber & Chuck Townsend



**Sunrise Service at 7 am**  
**&**  
**Easter Breakfast**

Sunday, April 20th  
8:30-9:45 AM  
Fellowship Hall

Join us for breakfast before attending worship services! A sign-up poster in the narthex is coming!!



**An Easter Egg Hunt for children will follow both the 7 & 10 AM services.**



## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

### Our Belief and Practice

Our congregation believes that Holy Communion is a gift of Christ to His Church. Out of loving concern for the communicants and our understanding of the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions, we request that those who commune here:

1. Be Baptized Christians.
2. Are mature enough to examine themselves, recognizing their sin and their need for God's grace. (*1 Corinthians 11:28*)
3. Believe that in Holy Communion they receive Christ's body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine for the gracious remission of their sins. (*Matthew 26:26-28*)
3. Do so without giving offense to others. (i.e., Willing to forgive and be reconciled) (*Matthew 18:15-17*)

Guests of the congregation, who are instructed in Luther's Small Catechism, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. All others are asked to speak with the pastor regarding the sacrament. Non-communing children may join their parents. Communicants may choose from the Common Cup or individual cups.

### ***Serving Today at Immanuel Lutheran Church***

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