

Immanuel Lutheran Church
Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod



The Divine Service III
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 30, 2025
10:00am

3000 West Main Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49006

PRELUDE

LINDA RICHTER, ORGANIST/PIANIST

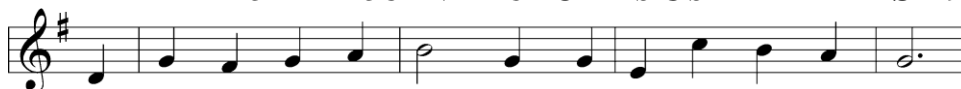
WELCOME TO IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH!

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

***ENTRANCE HYMN**

TODAY YOUR MERCY CALLS US

LSB 915



1 To - day Your mer - cy calls us To wash a - way our sin.
2 To - day Your gate is o - pen, And all who en - ter in
3 To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly Spir - it waits;
4 O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er - o - pen Door,



How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been,
Shall find a Fa - ther's wel - come And par - don for their sin.
His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n - ly gates.
What should we do with - out You When heart and eye run o'er?



How - ev - er long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way,
The past shall be for - got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv'n,
No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come;
When all things seem a - gainst us, To drive us to de - spair,



Your pre - cious blood can wash us And make us clean to - day.
A fu - ture grace be prom - ised, A glo - rious crown in heav'n.
Al - though we oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther's home.
We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

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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.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong: **Amen.**

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 12:1-6 (ESV)

Lector: You will say in that day:

“I will give thanks to you, O Lord,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away,
that you might comfort me.

Behold, God is my salvation;

I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the Lord God is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.”

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the Lord,
call upon his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that his name is exalted.
“Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.
Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

PSALM 32 (ESV)

Lector: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,

Cong: whose sin is covered.

Lector: Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity,

Cong: and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

Lector: For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away

Cong: through my groaning all day long.

Lector: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;

Cong: my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

Lector: I acknowledged my sin to you,

Cong: and I did not cover my iniquity;

Lector: I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,”

Cong: and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Lector: Therefore let everyone who is godly

Cong: offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;

Lector: surely in the rush of great waters,

Cong: they shall not reach him.

Lector: You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;
Cong: you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Lector: I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;
Cong: I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

Lector: Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding,
Cong: which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you.

Lector: Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
Cong: but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.

Lector: Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous,
Cong: and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

**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

2 CORINTHIANS 5:16-21 (ESV)

Lector: From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.
Cong: Thanks be to God.

***HOLY GOSPEL**

LUKE 15: 1-3, 11B-32 (ESV)

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

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

Pastor: Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

So he told them this parable:

And he said, “There was a man who had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

“But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.’” And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

“Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’ And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Cong: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

SERMON

REV. MARK COUCH

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

Cong: Amen.

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

O LORD, THROUGHOUT THESE FORTY DAYS

LSB 418



1 O Lord, through - out these for - ty days You
2 You strove with Sa - tan, and You won; Your
3 Though parched and hun - gry, yet You prayed And
4 Be with us through this sea - son, Lord, And



prayed and kept the fast; In - spire re - pen - tance
faith - ful - ness en - dured; Lend us Your nerve, Your
fixed Your mind a - bove; So teach us to de -
all our earth - ly days, That when the fi - nal



for our sin, And free us from our past.
skill and trust In God's e - ter - nal Word.
ny our - selves, Since we have known God's love.
Eas - ter dawns, We join in heav - en's praise.

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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: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your steadfast love. Give us a proper knowledge of the evil we have done in Your sight. Move us to confess our offenses against You, and justify us with Your holy absolution. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Holy God, You delight in truth in the inward being and teach us wisdom in the secret heart. Give to our pastors every good gift as Your ambassadors, that we may grow in faith and hope. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Father of mercy, remember Your baptized children who have left Your household and departed from the faith. Call them to repentance according to Your gracious will. Remember parents, grandparents and all who mourn their departure. Sustain them in faithful patience to wait and pray. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Almighty God, in Christ You reconciled the world to Yourself. Watch over our nation and all whom You have placed in authority. Give them wisdom and prudence, that Your people might live in peace and freely make known the message of reconciliation. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Everlasting Father, although this world is passing away due to sin, we pray that You would preserve Your creation for our provision until You usher in Your new creation. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Heavenly Father, hear our prayers for all who cry out to You for mercy, healing and help, especially those on our prayer list and those held closely in our hearts (*pause.*) Deliver them according to Your will and, as You have made them a new creation in Christ, keep them mindful of the day when sorrow and sickness will be no more. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Great in our midst is the Holy One of Israel, who visits us this day with His body and blood! Give to all who partake of this Holy Communion penitent hearts to receive Christ Jesus as our strength and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and 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 *LET THE VINEYARDS BE FRUITFUL* **LSB 955**



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.

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*We ask our guests to review our understanding and practice of communion
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SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

***PREFACE**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: **And also with you.**

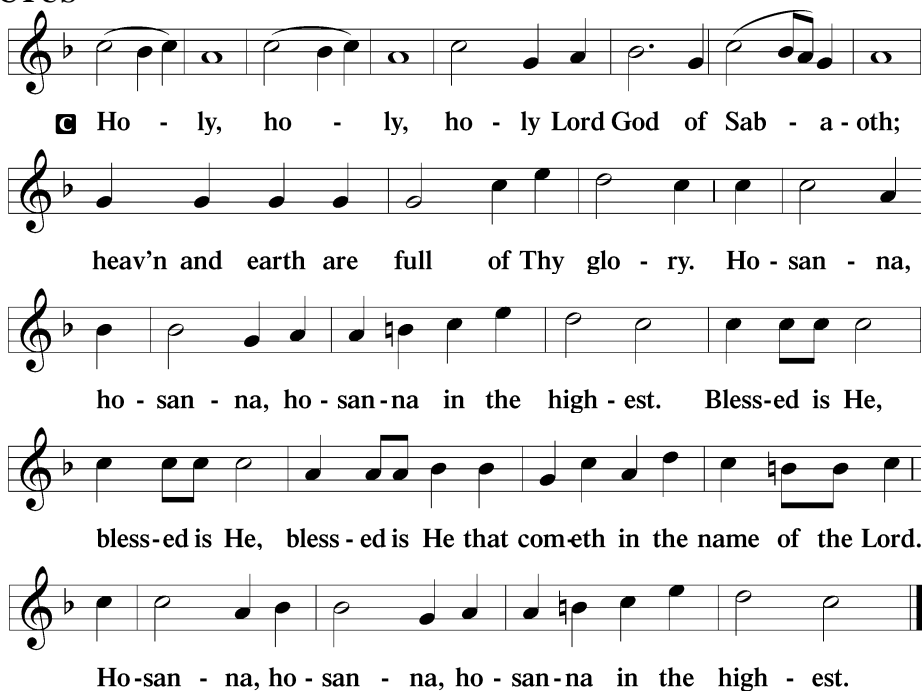
Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

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 ✠ 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 ✠ 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.

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COMMUNION

{ INTENTIONAL TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION }

COMMUNION HYMN

MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN

LSB 430

1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to
 2 He came from His blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -
 3 Some - times they strew His way And His sweet prais - es
 4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly
 stow; But men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would
 sing; Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas to their
 spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake
 know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,
 King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" Is all their breath,
 sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
 Who at my need His life did spend!
 And for His death They thirst and cry.
 Them - selves dis - please 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 suffer goes
 That He His foes
 From thence might free.

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!

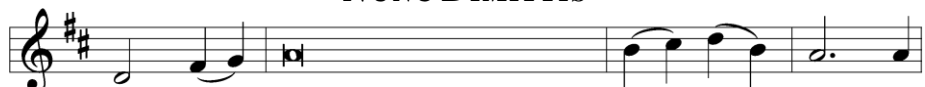
6 In life no house, no home
 My Lord on earth might have;
 In death no friendly tomb
 But what a stranger gave.
 What may I say?
 Heav'n was His home
 But mine the tomb
 Wherein He lay.

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***POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

NUNC DIMITTIS




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.

POSTLUDE

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

Rose Maxum , requested by Chuck and Amber Townsend	Susan & Gregory Fritz , Stephanie Beck's parents
Amy Stillwell , sister of Dave Reynolds	Mary Ann Massey , friend of Dotty Smith
Bob Perri , brother of Phil Perri	Craig Rennhack , requested by Bob & Maryalice Reck
John Blasko , requested by Elizabeth Blasko	Mindy Mitchell , sister of Shelly Reynolds
Kyle Reinbold Family , requested by Kyle's sister, Sonya DeVary	James Leo Brown , requested by Shelly and Dave Reynolds
Karen McDougall , requested by Sue Steuer	Jim Sabo , friend of Susan Steuer
Katie VerKow , former member of Immanuel, requested by Phil Roekle	Lucille and Lawrence Fritz, requested by Jonathan Fritz
Vicki Dilley , requested by Christa & Phil Perri	Suzie Brink , Christie Sidwell's mother and Bill Brink , her brother
Joanne Cleason , Esther Cleason's daughter	Melissa , friend of Dotty Smith and daughter Laura
Marie Winberg , godmother of Bill Bennett	Hannah Bayer , requested by her father
Lisa and David Wentzel , Sue Steuer's cousins	Jerry and Sandi McKenzie , friends of Dotty Smith
Ware Washam , requested by Brian Long	Sandy Hale , requested by Stephen Presdorf
Caroline Barkow	Jeri Noneman
Gene Jennings	Kay Hecht , John Hecht's mother
Loren Gerber , Sue Anderson's father	Beth Mitchell
Alice Schley , Jane Schley's granddaughter	Charlie Miller , Marian Brugh's brother
Toni —Jane Schley's cousin	Jason , son-in-law of Sue & Craig Anderson
Sharon S. , requested by Dotty Smith	Karen Petersen , daughter of Cathy & Tom Mollet
Ruth Krueger	Justin Nickels , requested by Justin Beck
Deb , friend of Sue Steuer	Marilyn Borgeson , Annie Hecht's grandmother
Sophie Rose Verile , Brindley's grandniece	Lynne Partridge , friend of Christa Perri
Linda & Scott Spurlock , req. by Esther C.	Merry Linn , Sally Crawford's sister
Kim N., Kim M., Emilie H., & Sydney B. , all friends of Kim Sharp; and River Lint , Kim's cousin's baby	
All Crossroads Prison Ministry students from all congregations around the country	
Immanuel members: 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 DISCIPLESHIP 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 (COUCH) 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 (QUARDOKUS) 11:30AM ADULT CLASS & CHILDREN'S CHOIR	14	15	16	17 MAUNDY THURSDAY 7:00PM COMMUNION SERVICE (IQBAL)	18 GOOD FRIDAY 7:00PM TENEBRAE SERVICE (IQBAL)	19 EASTER VIGIL

Worship Assistants/Serving Schedule

	Acolyte	Altar	Usher	Lector	Worship Assistant	Coffee Hour
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	Kim Sharp	Kim Sharp	John Krueger	Larry Baumgart & Craig Anderson	Jane Schley
Palm Sunday 4/13/2025	Maddie Hernandez & Elijah Lawrence	Amber Townsend	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	Bill Stewart & Craig Anderson	NA
Sunday 4/27/2025	Genevieve Miller & Adelaide Jefferies	Rita Clarke	John Wagner	Dave Mandrick	Larry Baumgart & Ron Swinehart	Amber & Chuck Townsend



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

Rev. Mark Couch, Visiting Pastor

Ailene Buchtrup, Secretary

Linda Richter, Organist/Pianist

AnnMarie Miller, Sound Technician

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