

PRAYERS

A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs. *A brief silence*

A: Lord Jesus, we bless and adore you for your loving desire to gather your people beneath your wings. Your mercy covers our sins – and gives us the courage to repent of them. Grant that we may always remember your tremendous sacrifice; walk in the pathway you have set before us; and stand firm in you, our Savior, Redeemer, and God.

Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy Lord, purify and transform your Church into a lamp shining with the light of your love in this sin-darkened world. Draw it close to you, so that through its words and deeds, many who are afar off may also be drawn close to you, their light and their life. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Loving Savior, gather the sick, sorrowing, suffering, and dying beneath your holy wings. Grant them shelter, comfort, healing, and hope. Especially we pray for: [NAMES]. Bless, strengthen, and encourage everyone who cares for them, and grant to them all, the fullness of your strong saving love. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, most merciful Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight:

Pianist: MarJen Damerval

Scripture Reader, Prayers & Communion Server: Lee Pearce

Ushers: Darald & Leitha Bothun

Acolyte: Nora Serr

Coffee: Peg Holtan

Treats: Judy Pearce

Greeters: Bob & Marcia Harms

Sound: Don Holtan

Set-up: Julie Steffenson

Take-down: Janet Sunde & friends

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Worship—Lent II
March 16, 2019
6:00 p.m.

Lutheran Book of Worship “Service of Word & Sacrament”

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

* Invocation

***Gathering Hymn: “In the Cross of Christ I Glory”**

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*Greeting:

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And Also with you.

P: The Word is near you.

C: On your lips and in your heart.

P: If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord,

C: And believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

P: Faith comes from what is heard,

C: And what is heard comes through the Word of Christ.

*Lenten Song: “If You but Trust in God” vs. 1 & 4

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*Salutation and Prayer of the Day

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First Lesson: Jeremiah 26:8-15

Psalm 27 (*Responsively by half verse*)

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Second Lesson: Philippians 3:17 - 4:1

*Gospel Verse: “Return to the Lord”

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*Holy Gospel: Luke 13:31-35

Children's Message: "What's an Imitation?"

Sermon: "Our Citizenship is in Heaven" Rev. David Steffenson

*Hymn of the Day: "When Peace Like a River" #346

*Confession:

P: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C: We believe in Him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.

P: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

P: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

C: Pray in the Holy Spirit.

P: Keep yourselves in the love of God;

C: Look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

C: Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another. Gracious God,

C: Have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and

by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C: Amen.

P: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you. (Share God's peace with one another.)

Offering (*Gift of Music by worship pianist*)

*Offertory: "Create in Me"

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*The Great Thanksgiving:

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.

Eucharistic Prayer for Lent

*Lord's Prayer: *Traditional Version*

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Invitation & Distribution: Holy Communion is the Lord's Supper for the Lord's People: "All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified & risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread & wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation." We are practicing head of the aisle Communion tonight by means of Intinction.

Lamb of God

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Communion Hymn: "O Savior, Precious Savior"

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*Table Blessing

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*Closing Prayers

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*Benediction

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*Sending Hymn: "Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus"

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*Dismissal

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Postlude

The Emmanuel Weekly

March 16, 2019

Lent II - 6 pm

**“Praising, Proclaiming and Practicing
Emmanuel—God with us—in daily
life!”**

BAPTISM: Walking Wet

This year on Tuesdays during the Season of Lent, we will be singing and praying the Psalms, & using the Holden Evening Prayer Liturgy. Midweek Lenten Worship (6pm) will be preceded by Soup Suppers at 5pm. Soup providers this week (March 19): Julie Engle and Deb Vomhof.

During the Season of Lent our Baptismal Font will be located at the entrance of our Worship Space, reminding us that baptism is our entrance into the Family of God. Dip your finger into the waters of baptism and trace the cross on your forehead. Remember that you are sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

M&M's Minis!

Fill those tubes with the compassion of Jesus. Proceeds support the Emmanuel Hospitality House.

March Emmanuel Prayer Calendar & Epistle Newsletter are available in print! Also, pick up your copy of the current “Our Daily Bread”.

Prayer of the Day: Gather us, gracious Lord, into the saving grace of your covenantal promises. Show us the light of your countenance and remind us often of our true citizenship; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

Communication Cards - Offering Envelopes: The offering envelope, in your bulletin is also being used as a visitor and communication card. If you are visiting with us, please know that your presence is your gift to us. We have a generous congregation & ask only that you share your contact information with us. Members & visitors may use the communication envelopes to indicate a desire for a pastoral visit, a prayer concern, or changes in contact information. Envelopes may be placed in the offering basket. Thanks.

Faith Practices: During the Season of Lent, remember to fill your M&M's Minis tube with coins or cash. There's nothing sweeter than the love of Jesus. Share it and show it in word & deed. Proceeds from the Lenten Tubes will support the Emmanuel Hospitality House.

Men's Bible Study Breakfast: Men of Emmanuel are looking at the Book of Psalms on Tuesdays at 8am & discussing the appointed Psalm for the week. This Week (March 19): Looking at Psalm 85.

Saturday School & G.I.F.T. — G.I.F.T. and Saturday School meet each Saturday night prior to worship. G.I.F.T. meets at 5pm and is looking at “Aging Well”. Saturday school for the youth are looking at Bible Stories and the Ten Commandments.

Worship at Madonna Towers: Twice a month on Wednesdays, Emmanuel members are invited to participate in a ministry to area seniors. Our next Madonna Towers Worship Services will be on Wednesdays, March 20, and April 3 & 24 at 1:00 pm. Contact Lee Pearce if you would like to participate in this wonderful ministry.

Women's Devoted Hearts Conference: "Broken & Beautiful". Friday, April 26 (6:30-9:00 pm) & Saturday, Apr. 27 (8:30 am – 2:45 pm) at Autumn Ridge Church in Rochester. COST: \$57 thru March 31, 2019 (\$62 after March 31). Women of Emmanuel will receive a \$12.00 scholarship in support of this conference. Barb Steffenson, Jenna Serr & Julie Edwards are attending. For more information, see the flier on the resource table.

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CALENDAR ITEMS

- Sat, March 16—Saturday School at 5:10pm & G.I.F.T. at 5pm; Lent II Worship at 6pm
- Sunday, March 17
Retreat at Gift of Grace (11am-3pm)
- Tues, March 19—Men's Bible Study at 8am; Text Study at 10:30am; Soup Supper at 5pm; Midweek Lenten Worship (Psalm 27) at 6pm
- Wednesday, March 20
Madonna Towers Worship (1pm)
- Thurs, March 21—Clergy Mtg in La Crosse (10am)
- Sat, March 23—Saturday School at 5:10pm & G.I.F.T. at 5pm; Lent III Worship at 6pm

Jeremiah 26:8-15 — The LORD Sent Me!

8 When Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the Lord had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, “You shall die! 9 Why have you prophesied in the name of the Lord, saying, ‘This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant?’” And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the Lord. 10 When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king’s house to the house of the Lord and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the Lord. 11 Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, “This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears.” 12 Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, “The Lord sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. 13 Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the Lord your God, and the Lord will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. 14 But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. 15 Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the Lord sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Philippians 3:17 - 4:1 — Imitate Christ

17 Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. 18 For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. 19 Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. 20 But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21 who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself. ... 1 Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm

thus in the Lord, my beloved.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading — Luke 13:31-35

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. Luke the 13th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

31 At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” 32 And he said to them, “Go and tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course. 33 Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.’ 34 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! 35 Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

NEXT CHAPTER: Did you know that over 100 adults will re-enter the Rochester community from either prison or some form of incarceration? Did you also know that many of these adults have children that are likely to repeat the cycle of crime if programs, supports and healthy communities are not in place? This year’s Restoration Celebration will be held on Friday, May 3 (6pm) at the Rochester International Event Center. Tickets: \$50.

Thanks for worshiping with us this evening. Your presence is your gift to us. We pray that our Service of Word & Sacrament is a blessing to you. Sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever we are praising, proclaiming and practicing Emmanuel – God with us – in daily life! May the power of the Holy Spirit equip the saints for Witness in the World during the 40 Days of Lent!
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