

Sermon: “When I AM Lifted Up” Rev. David Steffenson

\*Hymn of the Day: “Now the Green Blade Rises” #148

\*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: Karen Salz

\*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* Page 91

*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.*

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Communion Hymn: “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” #479

\*Table Blessing Page 92

\*Closing Prayers Bulletin page 4

\*Benediction Page 94

\*Sending Hymn: “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed” #98

\*Dismissal Page 95

Postlude

## PRAYERS

A: Let us humbly draw near the throne of grace to intercede for the Church, the world, and all people according to their need.

*A brief silence*

A: Put a new and right heart within your Church, O Lord, so that it may always cling in perfect faith to Jesus, and may always do your will. Cleanse it from wrongful teaching and shameful deeds; and by the power of your Holy Spirit, make it shine with your Son's forgiveness, compassion and mercy. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Put a new and joyful heart within us. Unite us to Jesus' death and rising; cause us to bear much fruit in his name; and use us to draw others to his cross. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Put a new and trusting heart into all who cry to you for help and healing; especially those we name before you [NAMES]. Give them the joy of your saving help. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Heavenly Father, your Son was buried in the ground like a grain of wheat, & rose triumphantly on the Third Day. Put a new and faith-filled heart into each of us, so that having been buried with Christ, we may be raised with him and share the joy of your kingdom with all your saints in light. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

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

**C: Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:** "Almighty God, our redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope in the world. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands & proclaim your reign of love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**"

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**Worship - Lent V**  
**March 17, 2018**  
**6:00 p.m.**

## **Lutheran Book of Worship** **“Service of Word & Sacrament”**

*\* indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

**\*Gathering Hymn: “Take My Life, That I May Be” #406**

**\*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: “Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain” #301**

\*Salutation and Prayer of the Day

First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34

**Psalm 119:9-16 (Responsively by half verse) Page 273**

Second Lesson: Hebrews 5:1-10

\*Gospel Verse: “Return to the Lord” Page 83

\*Holy Gospel: John 12:20-33

Children’s Message: “I AM Drawing You”

### Jeremiah 31:31-34 — A New Covenant

31 “Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, 32 not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the Lord. 33 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 34 And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the Lord,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### Hebrews 5:1-10 — A High Priest Forever

1 Every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. 2 He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. 3 Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. 4 And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was. 5 So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; 6 as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek.” 7 In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. 8 Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. 9 And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, 10 being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Reading — John 12:20-33

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. John the 12th Chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

20 Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. 21 So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” 22 Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew & Philip went and told Jesus. 23 And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. 25 Whoever loves his life loses it, & whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. 26 If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him. 27 “Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. 28 Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” 29 The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” 30 Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not mine. 31 Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” 33 He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight:**

*Pianist: Karen Salz*

*Scripture Reader, Prayers & Communion Server: Julie Steffenson*

*Ushers: Arne Nelson & LeRoy Quam*

*Acolyte: Cabe Siebenaler*

*Sound: Don Holtan*

*Coffee: Peg Holtan*

*Treats: Deb Vomhof*

*Set-up: Julie Steffenson*

*Take-down: Janet Sunde & friends*

**The Gather Vocal Band — Friday, April 20 (7pm):** Groups of 10+ receive ticket price of \$23.00. Contact Margaret Quam!

# The Emmanuel Weekly

March 17, 2018

Lent V - 6 pm

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

## **BAPTISM: Walking Wet**

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 Kingdom 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. God’s Word. God’s Promise!

Lenten worship each Tuesday during Lent will be at 6pm, preceded by a soup supper at 5pm. Our liturgy is a revised edition of Holden Evening Prayer. Our sermon series is looking at Jesus’ “Parables of Judgment”.

Soup providers for March 20 are: Julie Steffenson & Julie Edwards

## **EASTER MONDAY**

On April 2 a Public Reading of the entire New Testament will be held at Oasis Church beginning at 5:00am. A signup sheet is posted on the Gathering Space bulletin board for those wishing to read.

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



## **CALENDAR ITEMS**

- Saturday, March 17  
G.I.F.T. & Saturday School at 5:10pm; Lent V Worship at 6pm
- Sun, Mar. 18—Pastor Dave at Immanuel Lutheran, Wykoff
- Tues, March 20—Men’s Bible Study at 8am; Text Study at 10:30am; Soup Supper (5pm); Mid-Week Worship at 6pm
- Wednesday, March 21  
Madonna Tower’s Worship (1pm)
- Thursday, March 22  
Council Mtg. at 9am
- Saturday, March 24  
Evangel’s Egg Hunt (9:30am); (G.I.F.T. & Saturday School at 5:10pm; Palm & Passion Worship at 6pm

**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.

**Evangel United Methodist Church — “Eggstravaganza” Indoor Egg Hunt:** Saturday, March 24 from 9:30-11am, for ages Third Grade and younger! Egg hunt, face painting, cookie station, games, crafts, petting zoo, & lots of candy. FREE EVENT!

**Faith Practices:** During the Season of Lent, remember to use your Lenten Prayer Calendar. Lent will be a time of discernment for us, as we prayerfully consider God’s will for Emmanuel’s future, & the future purchase of a building site for our congregational ministry.

**Men’s Bible Study Breakfast:** The men of Emmanuel are looking at the Book of Acts on Tuesdays at 8am & discussing the gift of Witnessing in Daily Life. They meet at Oasis Church weekly for conversation & coffee.

**Saturday School & G.I.F.T.** — G.I.F.T. and Saturday School meet weekly on Saturday nights at 5:10pm. Julie is teaching our little ones Bible Stories. Pastor Dave is teaching grades 3-8 a class on Creation & Fall, using C.S. Lewis’ book, “The Magician’s Nephew”. The Adults are discussing the “Truth about Islam”.

**FOOT WASHING:** Contact Pastor Dave if you are willing to have your feet washed on Maundy Thursday (March 29) during our Worship Service (6pm). 6-8 participants are needed.

**Women’s Bible Study:** New study, new time, & new location. A six session study on the “Great Commissions” of the Bible begins on Thursday, April 19 at 10am. Location: The Bridgemoor Pavilion (Bldg. #5520) of the Homestead of Rochester (residence of Nancy Stanley).

*Thanks for worshipping 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 grant repentant hearts to God’s people during the 40 Days of Lent!*

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