

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight:

Pianist: Mary Ann Groven
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Assisting Minister/Scripture Reader/Prayers: Julie Steffenson
Usher: Rich Sunde
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Set-up and Take-down: Julie Steffenson & Peg Holtan

Midweek Virtual Worship during the Season of Lent: “Real Presence in Unexpected Places!” Join us for Midweek worship via our Emmanuel Facebook Page & our Emmanuel Church Website.

“Real Presence in Unexpected Places”—LENT 2021

Wednesday, March 24: “God’s Got Plans for YOU!”

(Jeremiah 29:10-14)

Eve of Palm Sunday, Mar. 27: “Barefoot on Holy Ground”

(Exodus 3:1-15)

Maundy Thursday, April 1: “Servants of the Towel”

(John 13:1-20; 34-35) – Guest Preacher: Dallas Groten

Good Friday, April 2: “Dead Man Walking” (Luke 23:32-43)

Eve of Easter, April 3: “Practicing Resurrection & Real Presence”

(John 20 & Mark 16)

Easter Monday, April 5: Reading through the entire 27 Books of the New Testament in celebration of our Lord’s Resurrection!

Looking Ahead: Emmanuel Huddle!

Members of Emmanuel Lutheran Church will enjoy a time of conversation & information sharing on Saturday, April 17. We will have a shorter service of worship that night and begin our Huddle no later than 7pm. The Huddle will be held in the Worship Space of Oasis Church and will conclude no later than 8pm. The Implementation Team will provide an update of their work. Emmanuel Members will have an opportunity to ask questions and share feedback. No motions will be made and no actions will be taken, as this is a Huddle & not a congregational meeting. Masks will be worn and physical distancing will be observed. **SAVE THE DATE!**



Worship--Lent V
March 20, 2021
6:00 p.m.

Lutheran Book of Worship

“Service of the Word”

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

***Hymn: “Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart” — LBW #486**

***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.

***Salutation and Prayer of the Day**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray: Holy Father, your Son’s glory was revealed through humility & suffering. Keep us from the temptation to elevate ourselves and instead, through the power of your Spirit, help us to humbly share ourselves with others, for it is only in dying to our selfishness & pride that we will find life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34

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

Second Lesson: Hebrews 5:1-10

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

*Holy Gospel: Mark 10:32-45

Children’s Message: “Forget Me NOT!” (Facebook Page)

Sermon: “Remembering” **Rev. David Steffenson**

***Hymn of the Day: “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” — LBW #487**
(**Verses 1-2 before the Sermon; Verses 3-4 after the Sermon**)

***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. (*Sharing of God’s peace may be done as an expression from the heart, without actual contact.*)

Offering (No passing of baskets; offerings may be placed in the basket located by the church entrance as one leaves; offerings of support may also be given electronically or sent via U.S. mail. Thanks for supporting the ministry of Emmanuel.)

*Prayers: (Each petition ends with “Lord in your mercy”; and the people respond with, “**Hear our prayer**”).

*Lord’s Prayer: *Traditional Version*

*Benediction:

***Closing Hymn: “In Christ Alone” — ReClaim #215**

*Dismissal:

P: Repent and Believe in the Gospel!

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

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prepared.” 41 And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. 42 And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. 43 But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, 44 and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. 45 For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Easter Monday (April 5): In-Home Bible Reading!

Each year, on Easter Monday, Emmanuel Lutheran publicly reads the entire New Testament (all 27 Books of the N.T.) in celebration of our Lord’s Resurrection. Last year was a virtual tag-team, pass-the-baton reading of the N.T. due to COVID-19. We had 38 participants. This year will be our 6th year in a row of reading the N.T. on Easter Monday. Due to COVID-19, we are inviting participants to select a Book of the New Testament and to commit to reading it out loud (**in their home, workplace, etc.**) anytime on Easter Monday. The Jewish Day begins in the evening at 6pm. That means that participants can read their chosen Book(s) of the N.T. anytime from 6pm on Easter night (April 4) through Midnight on April 5. Contact Pastor Dave Steffenson indicating the N.T. Book you wish to read. There are 260 Chapters in the New Testament. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could get 260 total Bible Readers!

NEW TESTAMENT: Books—# of Chapters—Reading Time

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| 1. Matthew - 28 - 2hrs. | 2. Mark - 16 - 1hr. 20min. |
| 3. Luke - 24 - 2.5hrs. | 4. John - 21 - 2 hrs. |
| 5. Acts - 28 - 2.5hrs. | 6. Romans - 16 - 1hr. |
| 7. I Corinthians - 16 - 2hrs. | 8. II Corinthians - 13 - 45min. |
| 9. Galatians - 6 - 30min. | 10. Ephesians - 6 - 25min. |
| 11. Philippians - 4 - 15min. | 12. Colossians - 4 - 15min. |
| 13. I Thessalonians - 5 - 15min. | 14. II Thessalonians - 3 - 10min. |
| 15. I Timothy - 6 - 20min. | 16. II Timothy - 4 - 15min. |
| 17. Titus - 3 - 10min. | 18. Philemon - 1 - 3min. |
| 19. Hebrews - 13 - 1hr. | 20. James - 5 - 20min. |
| 21. I Peter - 5 - 25min. | 22. II Peter - 3 - 15min. |
| 23. I John - 5 - 15min. | 24. II John - 1 - 2min. |
| 25. III John - 1 - 2min. | 26. Jude - 1 - 7min. |
| 27. Revelation - 22 - 1hr. 15min. | |

The Emmanuel Weekly

March 20, 2021

Lent V - 6 pm

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



BAPTISM: Walking Wet

During the 40 days of Lent, we remember our baptism into the death & resurrection of Jesus. This year on Wednesdays during Lent, we will be participating in virtual worship via our Emmanuel Facebook page. Each week we will hear stories of how God reveals Himself as saving grace and real presence in unexpected places.

MARKS OF DISCIPLESHIP Faith Practices!

Signposts guide our way! Disciples pray daily, worship weekly, grow spiritually, read & study Scripture on a regular basis, serve others, share the good news, and give/live generously.

M'm! M'm! Good! Lenten Soup!

On Saturdays in Lent, Emmanuel is collecting store-bought soup which will be given to the local Salvation Army Food Pantry. Thanks for sharing the Real Presence of Jesus in your concern and care for others. 249 cans collected so far.

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

CALENDAR ITEMS

- Saturday, Mar. 20, Lent V Worship at 6pm; **Collecting SOUP!**
- Monday, Mar. 22--Video Recoding of Worship, Training at 7pm
- Tuesday, March 23 Men’s Email Bible Study @ 8:30am.
- Wednesday, March 24 Men’s In-Person Bible Study at Oasis (11am); Midweek Lenten Virtual Worship Service online
- Friday, March 26-Clergy Faithfulness Mtg. - Noon
- Saturday, March 27, Eve of Palms & Passion Worship at 6pm; Collecting SOUP!
- April 5, Easter Monday Reading of the entire New Testament!

Jeremiah 31:31-34 — A New Covenant

31 [Thus says the Lord,] “Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel & 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, & 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.

Psalm 119:9-16 — Read responsively

L: How can a young man keep his way pure?

C: By guarding it according to your Word.

L: With my whole heart I seek you;

C: Let me not wander from your Commandments!

L: I have stored up your Word in my heart,

C: That I might not sin against you.

L: Blessed are you, O Lord;

C: Teach me your Statutes!

L: With my lips I declare all the Rules of your mouth.

C: In the way of your Testimonies I delight as much as in all riches.

L: I will meditate on your Precepts

C: And fix my eyes on your ways.

L: I will delight in your Statutes;

C: I will not forget your Word.

Hebrews 5:1-10 — Our Great High Priest

1 For 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 & supplications, with loud cries & 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 — Mark 10:32-45

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. John the 10th. Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

32 [The disciples] were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, 33 saying, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. 34 And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise.” 35 And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” 36 And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?” 37 And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” 38 Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” 39 And they said to him, “We are able.” And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, 40 but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been

Fifth Sunday in Lent: A new covenant between God and his people came through Jesus Christ, who will reign as king and high priest forever. Jesus reminded his followers that to be a part of this new covenant is to be slave of all and servant of all, for the Son of Man came not to be served, but to be the one to serve others. His life, death, and resurrection are his “ransom” in exchange for the lives of his beloved children who believe.

Martin Luther: “One Christian who has been tried is worth a hundred who have not been tried, for the blessing of God grows in trials. He who has experienced them can teach, comfort, and advise many in bodily and spiritual matters.” - Martin Luther (Exposition on Genesis 27, WA 43).

Acts 4:31—The Church Prayed!

“And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the Word of God with boldness.”

Each day at 4:31pm, Members and Friends of Emmanuel are connecting for prayer while staying put in their own homes. Send prayer requests to Pastor Dave Steffenson. Thanks for joining us in daily prayer. At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

Thanks for worshiping with us this evening. Your presence is your gift to us. We pray that our Service of Word 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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Hymn: “Spirit of God, Descend” — LBW #486

1. Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness, strength to me impart,
And make me love you as I ought to love.
2. Have you not bid me love you, God and King;
All, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling.
Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!
3. Teach me to love you as your angels love,
One holy passion filling all my frame:
The baptism of the heav'n-descended dove,
My heart an altar, and your love the flame.

Hymn: “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” — LBW #487 (Vs. 1-2 before the Sermon; Vs. 3-4 after the Sermon)

1. Let us ever walk with Jesus, Follow His example pure,
Through a world that would deceive us, And to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in His footsteps treading, Pilgrims here, our home above,
Full of faith and hope and love, Let us do the Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide; I shall follow where You guide.
2. Let us suffer here with Jesus, And with patience bear our cross.
Joy will follow all our sadness; Where He is, there is no loss.
Though today we sow no laughter, We shall reap celestial joy; All
discomforts that annoy, Shall give way to mirth hereafter. Jesus,
here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.
3. Let us gladly die with Jesus, since by death He conquered death.
He will free us from destruction, Give to us immortal breath.
Let us mortify all passion, That would lead us into sin;
Then by grace we all may win, Untold fruits of His creation.
Jesus, unto you I die, There to live with you on high.
4. Let us also live with Jesus; He has risen from the dead,
That to life we may awaken, Jesus since you are our head.
We are your own living members where you live, there we shall be
In your presence constantly, Living there with you forever
Jesus, if I faithful be, Life eternal grant to me.

Closing Hymn: “In Christ Alone” — ReClaim #215

1. In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song.
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My comforter, my all in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.
2. In Christ alone who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on Him was laid,
Here in the death of Christ I live.

Prayers for Lent V — March 20, 2021

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: Let us humbly beseech God for his mercy upon the Church, the world, and one another.

A brief silence

L: Father, give us a new heart. Take away our heart of stone. Give us the only heart that can beat in us forever – the heart of your dear Son Jesus. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Put a new & right heart within your Church. Make it cling in perfect faith to Jesus, & do your will. Cleanse it from wrongful teaching & shameful deeds. 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.

L: Put a new and faithful heart in your people when they are persecuted for Jesus’ sake. Give them the joy of knowing that they indeed drink with Jesus from his cup. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Put a new and joyful heart within this congregation. By the power of your Holy Spirit, 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.

L: Put a new and trustful heart into all who cry to you for help; especially: [NAMES]. Give them the joy of your saving help; and give to all who care for them the comfort and guidance of your Holy Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: For these things, & for whatever else is needful, dear Father, we pray in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns, one God, now & forever.

C: Amen.

Men’s Bible Study IN-PERSON: Join us on Wednesdays, March 24 and April 7 & 21 at 11am for a study of the appointed Bible Readings for the week ahead. We’ll meet in the Oasis Church, wearing masks & practicing safe, physical distancing.

Children’s Ministry Worship Bags: Available for kids each week. We hope children enjoy these resources during worship. Youth are asked to take the bags home with them. We look forward to the time when we can resume in-person Saturday School with our little ones. Until then, we will provide resources for our children & Pastor Dave will continue to post Children’s Messages on our Emmanuel Website and Facebook Page.

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