

Veneration of the Cross—*Spoken Three Times*

P: Behold, the life-giving cross on which was hung the salvation of the whole world.

C: **Oh, come, let us worship Him.**

\***Hymn:** “Were You there” (*Verses 1-3*) #147

Adoration:

P: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

C: **By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

*\*No Benediction. We are in one continuous Service of Worship until we receive the Benediction on Easter.*

**Easter Egg Hunt—Saturday, March 31 at 5:10pm:** Thanks to Julie Edwards for coordinating this year’s Easter Egg Hunt. It’s a wonderful way to help kids celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus!

**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. Refreshments will be offered throughout the day. An opportunity will also be provided for those wishing to offer a gift or make a pledge to the Emmanuel Building Fund (Goal: \$100,000).

**SAVE THE DATE!** Saturday, April 14 (6pm). Emmanuel Lutheran Choir, of Grafton, Iowa, will provide several gifts of music during worship at Emmanuel of Rochester. Invite a friend!

**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 at The Bridgemoor Pavilion (Bldg. #5520) of the Homestead of Rochester (Nancy Stanley’s place).

**The Gather Vocal Band — Friday, April 20 (7pm):** Groups of 10+ receive ticket price of \$23.00. Contact Margaret Quam if you are interested in attending this event!

**Saturday School & G.I.F.T.** Weekly on Saturdays at 5:10pm. Education for kids and adults!

# The Emmanuel Weekly

**March 30, 2018**

**Good Friday - 12:00 Noon**

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

*A Lamb goes uncomplaining forth,  
To save a world of sinners.  
He bears the burden all alone,  
Dies shorn of all His honors.  
He goes to slaughter, weak and faint,  
Is led to die without complaint;  
His spotless life he offers.  
He bears the shame,  
the stripes, the wrath;  
His anguish, mockery, and death,  
For us he gladly suffers.*

—Paul Gerhardt, 1648.

The Second of the “Three Holy Days” is Good Friday. In Today’s Liturgy, we gather with the whole church for 3 simple actions: To hear our Lord’s Passion from St. John’s Gospel, to remember all creation in prayer, and to meditate on the mystery of our salvation on the Cross. The Bidding Prayer has been a part of the Good Friday Liturgy since at least the Fourth Century.

**The April 2018 Emmanuel Prayer  
Calendar & Epistle Newsletter  
are available in print!**



## CALENDAR ITEMS

- Sat, March 31—Easter Egg Hunt at 5:10pm; G.I.F.T. at 5:10pm; Easter Worship at 6pm
- Monday, April 2 — Public Reading of the New Testament (5am-Midnight); Building Fund Launch (gifts & pledges)
- Tues, April 3 —Men’s Bible Study (8am); Text Study (10:30am)
- Wed, April 4—Madonna Towers Worship (1pm)
- Pastor Dave on Vacation (April 5-12)
- Sat, April 7—Saturday School & G.I.F.T. at 5:10pm; Easter II Worship at 6pm — with Pastor Tim Duesenberg as Pulpit Supply

## Scripture Reading: Isaiah 52:13-53:12

**52:13** Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted. 14 As many were astonished at you -- his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankind -- 15 so shall he sprinkle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which has not been told them they see, and that which they have not heard they understand. **53:12** Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? 2 For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. 3 He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. 4 Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. 5 But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed. 6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned--every one--to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. 7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. 8 By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? 9 And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. 10 Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. 11 Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. 12 Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, & he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death & was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

*Thanks for worshiping with us on this Good Friday. Your presence is your gift to us. We pray that our Service 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!*

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**Worship  
Good Friday  
March 30, 2018  
12:00 Noon**

## ReClaim Hymnal

*\* indicates stand as you are able!*

*Service begins in silence: Seen as a part of the larger celebration of the mystery of salvation, it is appropriate for Good Friday to be an austere time of reflection and intercession, as well as the adoration of Christ, our sacrificial lamb.*

### Opening Prayer:

**P:** Almighty God, we ask you to look with mercy on your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and to be given over to the hands of sinners and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

**C: Amen.**

Lesson: Isaiah 52:13-53:12

**\*Hymn: "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" #149**

Passion Narrative: John 18:1-19:42

**Passion Hymn: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" #132**

**Sermon: "The Wrath of God Is Satisfied" Rev. David Steffenson**

*The Bidding Prayer: Each bid is offered by a worship leader and is followed by silent prayer. At the end of the silent praying, a prayer will be offered by Pastor Dave. Each prayer will conclude with: "We ask this through Christ our Lord." Congregation responds, "AMEN".*

The Lord's Prayer: Traditional Version

**\*Hymn: "Ah, Holy Jesus"**

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