

Sermon: “Jesus Wept” Rev. David Steffenson

*Hymn of the Day: “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”—LBW #487

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 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.

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: (L: Lord in your mercy; ... **C: Hear our Prayer**)

Lord’s Prayer: Traditional Version

*Benediction

*Hymn: “When Peace like a River”—LBW #346

1. When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;
When sorrows, like sea billows, roll;
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

2. And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The
clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trumpet shall sound, and the Lord shall descend;
Even so it is well with my soul.

*Dismissal:

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Worship—Lent II
March 12, 2022
6:00 p.m.

“Service of the Word”

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

* Confession & Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father. (Silence for reflection and self-examination)

C: Heavenly Father, I know the wrong I have done, and my sin is always before me. I have broken your laws and done what is evil in your sight. Have mercy on me, according to your unfailing love. Wash away all my guilt and cleanse me from my sin. Create in me a pure heart and renew a faithful spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has sent His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved.

C: Grant this, Lord, unto us all. Amen.

*Gathering Hymn: “In the Cross of Christ I Glory —LBW #104

***Greeting:**

P: Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

C: Praised be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of all mercies, and the God of all consolation.

L: Seek the Lord while He may be found.

C: Call upon Him while He is near.

L: Let the wicked abandon their ways,

C: And the unrighteous their thoughts.

L: Let them turn to the Lord for mercy,

C: To our God who is generous in forgiving.

L: All you who are thirsty, come to the water. You who have no money, come, receive bread, and eat. Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk.

C: Praised be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of all mercies, and the God of all consolation.

P: God has made us His people through our baptism into Christ. 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.

***Lenten Song: "If You but Trust in God"—LBW #453**

If you but trust in God to guide you, And place your confidence in Him, You'll find Him always there beside you, To give you hope and strength within; For those who trust God's changeless lov, Build on the Rock that will not move.

Sing, pray, and keep His ways unswerving, Offer your service faithfully, And trust His word; though undeserving, You'll find His promise true to be; God never will forsake in need, The soul that trusts in Him indeed.

***Prayer of the Day**

P: Let us pray. Heavenly Father, gather us 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.

C: Amen.

First Lesson: Jeremiah 26:8-15

Psalm 4 - "All Praise to Thee, O God, This Night"

*L: All praise to thee, my God, this night
For all the blessings of the light.*

*Keep me, oh, keep me, King of kings,
Beneath thine own almighty wings.*

***C: Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son,
The ill that I this day have done;
That with the world, myself, and thee,
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.***

*L: Teach me to live, that I may dread
The grave as little as my bed.
Teach me to die, that so I may
Rise glorious at the awesome day.*

***C: Oh, may my soul in thee repose,
And may sweet sleep mine eyelids close,
Sleep that shall me more vig'rous make
To serve my God when I awake!***

*L: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

Second Lesson: Philippians 3:17-4:1

***Gospel Verse: "Return to the Lord"**

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*Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.*

*Holy Gospel: Luke 13:31-35

Children's Message: "Thy Holy Wings" (Posted on Facebook)

SERVANTS Tonight:

Pianist: Mary Ann Groven

Greeters: Julie and Gary Engle

Assisting Minister, Scripture Reader & Prayers: Julie Steffenson

Sound/Video Recording: Don Holtan

Set-up and Take-down: Julie Steffenson & Peg Holtan

Women's Bible Study: The women of Emmanuel Lutheran are currently enjoying a Bible study based on the book: Twelve Extraordinary Women (John MacArthur). Women meet twice a month at the home of Judy Pearce with Leitha Bothun as the study leader. Next Sessions: Wednesday, March 23 at 1pm.

Forty Days of Lent! Lent began on Ash Wednesday, March 2. Our Lenten Theme this year is "The Miracle of Easter!" Midweek Lenten Services will be offered for the next five Tuesday evenings from 6:00-6:45pm, featuring Holden Evening Prayer & "miracle stories" from the Bible. We hope you can join us!

Men's Bible Study: During the Season of Lent, study notes will be emailed to the men each week. In-Person studies will take place each Wednesday (March 16, 23, & 30, at 11am.

Looking Ahead:

- Implementation Team Meeting - Sunday, April 3 at 5pm
- Church Council Meeting - Thursday, March 7 at 2:30pm
- Coffee Fellowship - Saturday, March 26 at 7pm in the Oasis Fellowship Hall; Girl Scout Treats hosted by the Serr Family in loving memory of Barb Steffenson

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 & marked with the cross of Christ forever we are praising, proclaiming & 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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The Emmanuel Weekly

March 12, 2022

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 using the Holden Evening Prayer Liturgy. Our Midweek Lenten Worship Services (6pm) will include a meditation on the Miracles of Jesus.

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!

WORK DAY Thank You!

Thanks to everyone who participated in today's Work Day on the Church Land. Special Thanks to Larry Vomhof for organizing this event and to Judy Pearce for coordinating the lunch & snacks.

**Daylight Saving Time begins on
Sunday, March 13 and ends on
Sunday, November 6, 2022.**

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



CALENDAR ITEMS

- Sat, March 12—Lent II Worship at 6pm
- Sun, March 13 @ 2am Spring Ahead—Daylight Saving Time Begins
- Tuesday, March 16 Men's Email Bible Study at 8:30am; Midweek Lenten Service at 6pm with HEP Liturgy
- Wed, March 17 - Men's Bible Study at Oasis at 11am
- Sat, March 19—Lent III Worship with Holy Communion at 6pm
- Wed, Mar. 23—Women's Bible Study @ 1pm

**Acts 4:31—The
Church Prayed!**

Jeremiah 26:8-15 — Jeremiah Prophecies Against the City

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 — Put Your Trust in the LORD

3:17 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. 4:1 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 Jesus, “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.

***Hymn: “In the Cross of Christ I Glory —LBW #104**

1. In the cross of Christ I glory,
Tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time.
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.
2. When the woes of life o'ertake me,
Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me;
Lo, it glows with peace and joy.
3. When the sun of bliss is beaming
Light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming
Adds more luster to the day.
4. Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure,
Joys that through all time abide.

Prayers for Lent 2—March 12, 2022

L: For the Church, the world, and our poor sinful selves, let us pray to our Lord, who is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

A brief silence

L: Lord Jesus, thank you for gathering your people beneath your wings. Your mercy covers our sins – and gives us courage to repent. Let us always remember your sacrifice, walk in the pathway you set before us, and stand firm in you, our Savior, Redeemer, and God. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Bless this congregation with your dear presence. Make us mirror your humble, self-giving love to everyone we encounter. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: We pray for our enemies and for all who hate you. We pray for the Herods of this world; or the wicked, the spiteful, the violent, the remorseless, and the cruel. Deliver them from the Evil One. Forgive their sins. Give them grace to repent. Heal their spirits, clear their minds, and transform their hearts into thrones worthy of you. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Through our Baptism, we have been made citizens of your heavenly Kingdom, but we still live in this world. Therefore, we pray for our earthly leaders; for all who wield power and authority; and for all who stand in harm's way in defense of life and liberty. Give them wisdom, integrity, humility, a hunger for justice and a thirst for mercy. And bestow your heavenly peace upon us all. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Loving Savior, gather the sick, sorrowing, suffering, and dying beneath your holy wings and dry their tears. Especially we pray for: **[NAMES]**. Grant them shelter, healing, and hope. Bestow upon to them your strong saving love. Strengthen and encourage everyone who cares for them. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Most holy Jesus, we entrust to you our faithful departed, and all the innocent victims of violence and injustice. Comfort all who mourn with your never-failing compassion. Guide all who still walk through the valley of the shadow of death. Bring all whom you have redeemed through your passion, death, and resurrection, into your Kingdom, where with your Father and the Holy Spirit, you reign in never-failing joy, peace and love. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Hear us, dear Lord; and answer our prayers according to your will, to your glory and for the benefit of the people you came to save.

C: Amen.