

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 10th, 2024

*To God be glory for 146 years of His grace at Immanuel and
74 years of proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast!*

Prelude
Ring of Bell
Welcome

Hymn of Invocation #LSB 971

There Is a Redeemer

1 There is a Re-deem-er— Je-sus, God's own Son;
2 Je-sus, my Re-deem-er, Name a-bove all names;
3 When I stand in glo-ry, I will see His face;
Pre-cious Lamb of God, Mes-si-ah, Ho-ly One.
Pre-cious Lamb of God, Mes-si-ah, Hope for sin-ners slain.
There I'll serve my King for-ev-er In that ho-ly place.
Refrain
Thank You, O my Fa-ther, For giv-ing us Your Son,
And leav-ing Your Spir-it Till the work on earth is done.

Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 107:1-2,6,8-9

¹Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever!

²Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,
whom he has redeemed from trouble;

⁶**They cried to the LORD in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress.**

⁸Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,
for his wondrous works to the children of men!

⁹**For he satisfies the longing soul,
and the hungry soul he fills with good things.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

First Reading

Numbers 21:4–9

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.”

⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Ephesians 2:1–10

¹And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he

loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel

John 3:14–21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁴[Jesus said:] “As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. ²¹But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,

**God of God, Light of Light,
 very God of very God,
 begotten, not made,
 being of one substance with the Father,
 by whom all things were made;
 who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
 and was made man;
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
 He suffered and was buried.
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
 and ascended into heaven
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and
 the dead,
 whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Lord and giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
 glorified,
 who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead
 and the life ✙ of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

Hymn #LSB 605 vv.1

Father Welcomes

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day #LSB 544 vv.1-4

O Love, How Deep

Sermon

Title: "The Great Love with Which He Loved Us"

Scripture: Ephesians 2, Numbers 21

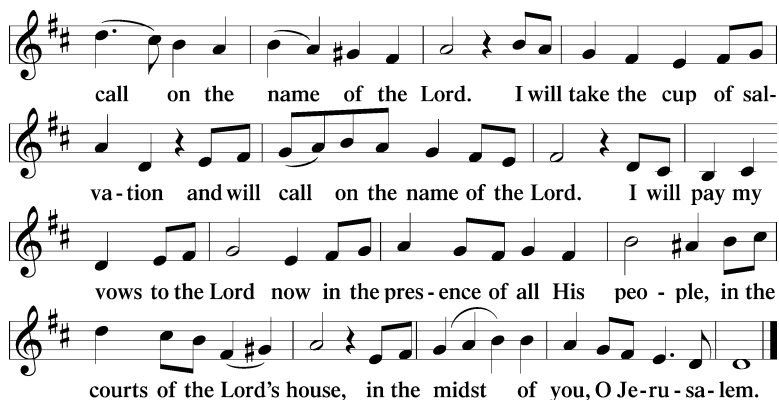
Reflection Hymn #LSB 543

What Wondrous Love Is This

Offering

Offertory

What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to
 me? I will of-fer the sac-ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will



Stand

Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

Hymn to Depart #LSB 744

Amazing Grace

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The Lord's Week

Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300
	10:00am	Property Board
	10:15am	SS/ <i>Voters Meeting</i>
Mon.	8:30am	Royal Oak Bible Study
	1:00pm	Finance Board
Tues.	5:30pm	Missions Board
Wed.	10:00am	Women's Bible Study Group
	5:30pm	Lent Meal-Mission Board serving Potato Bar
	6:30pm	Lent Service: "Is Anything too Hard for Me?"
Sun.	9:00am	Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300
	10:15am	SS/BC

"The Mission's Board is asking for donations for the blessing box. They need to be non-perishable, and we have found that canned vegetables are not usually taken. Any donations that we receive will be very appreciated. If items are in a can or glass container, we will take them and put those items out when warmer weather begins. Thank you again for your donations."

ATTENDANCE & GIVING FEBRUARY 2024

Church & Sunday School Attendance				Tithes and offerings for February 2024 Budget Amount Needed for February 2024: .17,221. Amount received for February 2024: \$13,915. Receipts <i>were below budget by \$3,306.</i>
Date	Sunday Service	Adult Bible Class	Sunday School	
Feb. 4	101	20	18	
Feb. 11	106	15	11	
Feb. 18	189	No Class Brunch		
Feb. 25	108	18	7	
	Evening Services			
Feb. 14	Ash Wed.	Attending	52	
Feb. 21	Lent Svc 1	Attending	51	
Feb. 28	Lent Svc 2	Attending	58	

Changes in Membership:

Adult Confirmation: Chance Cox.

Transfer In: Katie (Wing) Kirby.

Transfer out: Phil & Barb Clevenger to Holy Cross at Emma, MO.

Those Serving

Musician.....Ron Baker
 Acolyte:Sophie Koch
 Radio and Sound.....Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies
 Video.....Andrea Renken, Dana Melies, Debbie Vickrey & others
 Ushers.....Kevin Wulff, Jared Eichholz, Kade Scott, Kevin Scott
 Church Secretary.....Judy Teufel
 Pastor.....Pastor Alan Mueller



The Mission's Board is sending a big THANK YOU to all who helped in any way to get the new church signs installed last Saturday. You did a fantastic job! The signs look great!! Thank you so much to everyone who helped make this possible from planning to completion.

**Women's Holy Week Breakfast
"I Know That My Redeemer Lives!"**

March 20th, 2024 at 8:30am at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1501 Lipper Ave., **Higginsville, MO 64037**, Church Basement, (Chairlift Handicap Accessible). A portion of the offering collected will go to Higginsville Heat & Hunger Fund. *We invite all ladies of our communities to join us for breakfast & fellowship as we share our faith and love for our Savior.*

*Have you started thinking about your summer and how to engage your children in meaningful activities? Find a variety of camps for your children and their specific interests at **Saint Paul Lutheran High School**.*

Here is a link to the specific camp information and registration tinyurl.com/2024SummerCampsSPLHS.



Join us for Summer Music Camps at Concordia Music Conservatory: Choir Camp, June 3-7, for children ages kindergarten to 8th grade and Orchestra Camp, June 10-14, for children ages 4th-12th grade. Enroll online at cmc-music.org.

Register before March 31 for the early bird discount! Early enrollment is \$135 per child. Regular enrollment, April 1-May 15 is \$160 per child and late enrollment, after May 15, is \$225 per child. Camps are 9am to 4pm daily on the campus of Saint Paul Lutheran High School in Concordia, MO. Lunch and snacks are provided. On the Friday of each camp there will be a closing concert at 2pm. If you have any questions please contact CMC at 660-624-7950 or info@cmc-music.org.

BRUNCH!!

Please join us at Holy Cross, Emma, for our annual Tuition Brunch on Sunday, March 17th. We will be serving brunch from 10am-noon (or until we run out of food) with Free Will Donation at the door. This is an important fundraiser for Holy Cross as school tuition has been a continued cost and is a benefit to our families with children going to a Lutheran school. Hope to see you there!



The Marshall Philharmonic Orchestra invites you to The Charles Ferguson Memorial Chamber Recital on Saturday, March 16, at Covenant Presbyterian Church, 710 E. Yerby, in Marshall. This free musical evening will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will feature solos and small ensembles performed by members and friends of the orchestra. All are welcome!



Sunday March 10, Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Marshall will host the LLL Card Party Sunday March 10 at 3:30 PM. We will start to play cards at 3:30, a light supper will follow at 5:30. Please note the change of time. Our Redeemer invites everyone for cards and fellowship



You are invited to Saint Paul Lutheran High School's Singing Saints Home Concert on Sunday, March 17th at 7pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Concordia, MO. Join us as we listen to the beautiful voices of our high school choir. There is a cookie reception following the concert. The concert is free, but donations are welcome to help with choir expenses. We hope to see you on the 17th!

Sausage
Dinner

Join us on Sunday, March 17th for the annual SOS* Sausage Dinner from 11:00am - 1:00pm at Saint Paul Lutheran High School, located at 205 S. Main Street, Concordia, MO. The menu will be sausage, sauerkraut, potatoes & gravy, green beans, applesauce, cheesecake and drinks.

Dine-in and drive-thru options are available (Dine-in inside Krueger Dining Hall; Drive-thru pick up in front of Krueger Dining Hall). The meal will be a free-will offering.

*SOS (Servants of the Saints) helps provide funding for projects at Saint Paul Lutheran High School to help promote and assist its ministry

CORNER BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER

Concordia Senior Center asks that you join them for **dinner on Tuesday, March 19th from 5-7pm**. Menu is corned beef or ham, cabbage, boiled potatoes, carrots, rolls and choice of homemade desserts. Dine in (710 Main) or Drive Thru pickup (in the back alley). Adults \$14; Children (4-8) \$6; children 3 and under free.

Easter Lilies

Easter lilies may be purchased either in loving memory of an individual(s) or given to the glory of God for blessings received.

Order forms available in the Narthex. If you would like to order one or more lilies, please complete the form, Place your check or cash with the order form into an envelope and place it in the offering plate. The price is \$9.50 per lily. Orders are due by Monday March 25th.

Memorial Garden

Memorial Garden flowers/plants may be brought to the church by 8:30am on Saturday March 30th. They may be put on the stage in the basement. Please complete the form available in the Narthex to indicate who placed the flower & in memory of whom. Please place the form in the offering plate. by Monday March 25th.

PRAYER

Members of Immanuel: Randy Brandt, Ron Hinton

Family and Friends of Immanuel: Cindy Bernard, Evelyn Bledsoe, Michelle Boland, Gloria Burrow, Brandy Clevenger, Bill Gasau, Retta Hamilton, Diane Heermann, Tracy Schultz, Nicole Scott, Dana Sleeper, Jeff Vogt, Marty Winter, and Debbie Wulser.

Shut-ins and Nursing Home Residents: Dorothy Krause (The Villa)
Dolores Fischer, & Martha Jane Vogelsmeier (LGSNH)
Thelma Nienhueser (The Living Center)

Mission Workers: Rev. Peter & Kristie Kolb (Thailand),
Jim & Claudia Dahlke (Mission of Christ Network), those serving POBLO.

Military: Jeffrey Abel, Owen Dobbins, and MaKenna Eckhoff

For the family of Cora Lee Fuchs. May the God of all grace grant peace to Cora Lee's family. May God give them the hope of the resurrection as they look forward to the day when God will call all His saints home.



Whether you are a lifelong member or visiting for the first time we are honored to have you here this morning. Please feel free to contact the office regarding questions of membership or of a spiritual or personal matter. *You may contact the office at: 660-335-4141.*

If you get a chance check us out online at:

www.immanuelssweetsprings.com.

Church office: 110 Main, Sweet Springs, MO 65351

May the Peace of Christ dwell in you!

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MEMBERS
OF





LENT & EASTER SERVICES

Immanuel Lutheran Church
110 Main, Sweet Springs, MO

All Lent Meals at 5:30pm---All Lent Services at 6:30pm

Lent Service 4

Wednesday Mar. 13th

Meal by: Missions

Potato Bar

Service: *Is Anything too Hard for Me?*

Lent Service 5

Wednesday Mar. 20th

Meal by: Bell Choir

Soup & Sandwiches

Service: *Who Made Man's Mouth?*

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Maundy Thursday

Thursday Mar. 28th

6:30pm

Service: *Do You Understand?*

Good Friday

Friday Mar. 29th

6:30pm

Service: *Why Have You Forsaken Me?*

Easter Sunrise

Sunday Mar. 31st

6:30am

Easter Breakfast

Sunday Mar. 31st

7:30am

Service: *Can These Bones Live?*

Easter Sunday

Sunday Mar. 31st

9:00am

EASTER EGG HUNT



EASTER EGG HUNT

Sponsored by Immanuel's Board of Ed.

Palm Sunday ~ March 24th~

following the morning service.

Serving ~ Donuts, Milk, Juice & Coffee

Please Join Us!

Everyone is welcome!

If you would like to **help by donating candy**,
please leave in the kitchen **by Sunday, March 17th**.

If you are willing to help us fill eggs,
please come join us **Tuesday, March 19th at 5:30pm**.

Thank you.



St. Patrick's Day Corn Beef Dinner at

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 361 W Summit, Marshall, MO

Friday, March 15th from 5-7pm or until sold out!

Dine in, Carry out, or Drive through

Free-Will Donation. All proceeds from this dinner go to support the activities of the LWML. May God bless you during this Lenten season.