



# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*Caring for Our Community Through Christ  
for 125 Years!*

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**REV. DAVID CASEY-MOTLEY, PASTOR**

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## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- **Restrooms** are located downstairs. An elevator is available in the narthex.
- A **nursery room** is available at the rear of the Sanctuary for young children and their parents. The nursery room is equipped with a speaker so you can hear the service.
- **Registration cards** are placed in the back of the pews for worshipers to use for: 1) Visitor registration; 2) Communion registration for communion services; 3) Prayer requests may be written on the back of the card; after filling out the card, please place it in the offering plate.
- **Preprinted offering envelopes** are available in the pews for special offerings and Special Funds donations. Visitors are welcome to use these envelopes as well as members. Members, please make sure to note your envelope number on these special envelopes and place in the offering plate.
- **Kids Worship** - We love having children in church! It is so important for the kids to be welcomed and loved in God's house. Kids Worship is offered during the service, after the Bible Readings. Kids ages 3 through 10 can come downstairs where we offer an age appropriate lesson on the readings, snack and sometimes a craft. Children will return to the sanctuary at end of service and on communion Sundays just before communion. For more information contact Rene Langwost at 410-253-8735.

***We kindly request that all cell phones be silenced***

# THE ORDER OF SERVICE

## *The Fourth Sunday in Lent*

March 27, 2022 ~ 10:30 a.m.

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### **WELCOME TO IMMANUEL!**

God invites us through Isaiah: “All you who are thirsty, come to the waters” (55:1, NIV). Jesus, the Living Water, is eager to quench your parched soul.

### **WORDS OF PREPARATION**

O God, “earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you” (Psalm 63:1, NIV).

### **Divine Service, Setting Three**

*Lutheran Service Book (LSB) 184-202*

♪ = *congregation sings response*

**Prelude**    Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow

(John Stainer/Arr. Robert J. Powell)

### **Gathering Prayer Concerns**

### **Welcome**

### **The Call to Worship**

P     This is the day the Lord has made.

C     **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

P     We pause silently to prepare ourselves for worship.

### **Sharing of the Peace**

P     The Lord says to you as Paul wrote to the church at Colossae: “Put on then, as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.”

C     **We come to the Lord to hear His Word, to receive His forgiveness, and present our tithes and offerings at the altar. It is my desire to be reconciled – to make things right – with you my sisters and brothers (Matthew 5:23-24). Receive the “peace” I share with you as I receive the peace of God through Jesus.**

*Stand*

**Opening Hymn      Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty**

**LSB 901**

## **Confession and Absolution**

*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    Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P    Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C    **who made heaven and earth.**

P    I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C    **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Stand*

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

P    O almighty God, merciful Father,

C    **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P    Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C    **Amen.**

# ~ Service of the Word ~

## Introit

*Psalm 51:2–6; antiphon: v. 1*

P: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

**C: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin!**

P: For I know my transgressions  
and my sin is ever before me.

**C: Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.**

P: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,  
and in sin did my mother conceive me.

**C: Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,  
and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.**

♪C *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the  
beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

Kyrie LSB 186

♪C *Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.  
♪C *And with thy spirit*

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*

<sup>1</sup>You will say in that day:  
“I will give thanks to you, O LORD,  
for though you were angry with me,  
your anger turned away,  
that you might comfort me.  
<sup>2</sup>“Behold, God is my salvation;  
I will trust, and will not be afraid;  
for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song,  
and he has become my salvation.”  
<sup>3</sup>With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. <sup>4</sup>And you will say in that day:  
“Give thanks to the LORD,  
call upon his name,  
make known his deeds among the peoples,  
proclaim that his name is exalted.  
<sup>5</sup>“Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously;  
let this be made known in all the earth.  
<sup>6</sup>Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,  
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

*2 Corinthians 5:16–21*

<sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer.  
<sup>17</sup>Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. <sup>18</sup>All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; <sup>19</sup>that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. <sup>20</sup>Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

*Stand*

**Holy Gospel**

***Luke 15:1–3, 11b–32***

**P            The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.**

**♪ C            *Glory to Thee, O Lord***

<sup>1</sup>Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear [Jesus]. <sup>2</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

<sup>3</sup>So he told them this parable: . . .

“There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup>And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them. <sup>13</sup>Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. <sup>14</sup>And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup>So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. <sup>16</sup>And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

<sup>17</sup>“But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! <sup>18</sup>I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. <sup>19</sup>I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.”’” <sup>20</sup>And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup>And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ <sup>22</sup>But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. <sup>23</sup>And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. <sup>24</sup>For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

<sup>25</sup>“Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup>And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. <sup>27</sup>And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ <sup>28</sup>But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, <sup>29</sup>but he answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup>But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’ <sup>31</sup>And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is

mine is yours. <sup>32</sup>It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.””

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
♪ C *Praise to Thee, O Christ.*

### Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life + everlasting. Amen

*Sit*

### Kids' Worship

Hymn of the Day                      Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus                      LSB 685

Sermon: Witnesses To Christ: Barabbas                      Text: John 18:33-40

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in  
Christ Jesus.

C Amen

*Stand*

## Offertory

LSB 192

♩C *Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.  
Amen.*

*Sit*

**Offering**      Come, Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing      (Arr. Charles Callahan)

*Stand*

## Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

♩C      *We give thee but thine own, Whatever the gift may be  
All that we have to Thine alone, a trust O Lord from Thee*

## Prayer of the Church

P      In peace, let us pray to the Lord  
C      **Lord, have mercy**

P      For contrition over our sin and joy in confession and absolution, that God would  
give us a proper knowledge of the evil we have done and deal with us according  
to His steadfast love, let us pray to the Lord:  
C      **Lord, have mercy**

P      For confidence in Christ alone, that God our Father would call us to repentance  
whenever we wander into sin or believe we have earned a place in His household  
by our works, and that He would return us to the certainty that we are found alive  
in His Son, let us pray to the Lord:  
C      **Lord, have mercy**

P      For pastors, teachers, musicians and all church workers, that God would bless  
their daily labors to make known His deeds among the peoples, let us pray to the  
Lord:  
C      **Lord, have mercy**

P      For hearts ever grateful that, in Holy Baptism, the Lord washes us thoroughly



C from our iniquity and cleanses us from our sin, let us pray to the Lord  
**Lord, have mercy**

P For our nation and all in authority, that God would make them prudent and wise so that we might live in peace and freely make known His message of reconciliation, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy**

P For those in need of mercy, healing and help, [*including \_\_\_\_\_*,] that the Lord would deliver them according to His will and remind them of the day when sorrow and sickness will be no more, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy**

P All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever

C **Amen**

### Lord's Prayer

C **Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

### Closing Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through the gift of your word, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us

through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another;  
through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the  
Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

♬C **Amen.**

## **Benediction**

*LSB 202*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

♬C *Amen, amen, amen*

## **Closing Hymn Almighty Father, Bless the Word**

**LSB 923**

*Sit*

## **Announcements**

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# SERVICE INFORMATION

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## THOSE SERVING IMMANUEL TODAY

<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. David Casey-Motley
<b>Administrative Assistant</b>	Sharon Gutz
<b>Director of Music, Emeritus</b>	Dennis L. Janko, M.M.
<b>Director of Music &amp; Organist</b>	Lynn Short
<b>Director of Hand Bells</b>	Janice Isenberg
<b>Ushers</b>	Todd Butler & Jack Collins
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Chrissy Frase
<b>Greeter</b>	
<b>Assisting Elder</b>	
<b>Kids Worship</b>	Rene Langwost
<b>Acolyte</b>	Pastor/Elder
<b>Sound Operator</b>	Jim Harris
<b>Camera Operator</b>	Ruth Thomas
<b>Tellers</b>	David & Kathy Schmidt & Julie Schmidt

## THOSE SERVING IMMANUEL NEXT SUNDAY

<b>Ushers</b>	Glen Plutschak & Mark Frase
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Katie Frase
<b>Greeter</b>	
<b>Assisting Elder</b>	Todd Butler
<b>Kids Worship</b>	Rene Langwost
<b>Acolyte</b>	Catie Casey-Motley
<b>Sound Operator</b>	David Schmidt
<b>Camera Operator</b>	Janice Isenberg
<b>Tellers</b>	Janice Isenberg, Shelly Kapitan, John Crampton

*The flowers on the piano today are from Glen Plutschak, Gail Karge, and their families, in memories, honor of their father, Buddy Plutschak, who would have been 100 years old on March 26<sup>th</sup>. He was baptized, confirmed, and had his funeral at here at Immanuel Lutheran Church.*

# ADMINISTRATION

## THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday -Friday	Church Office Open	8:00 – 12:00 noon
Monday-Thursday	Nursery School	8:50 a.m. – 3:25 p.m.
Monday	Board of Education	6:30p.m.
Wednesday	Bells Practice	6:30 p.m.
	Choir Practice	7:40 p.m.
Thursday	Women’s Bible Study	8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
Sunday	Divine Service with Holy Communion	10:30 a.m.
	A.A. Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Monday	Elders Meeting	6:30p.m.

*Be sure to check the church calendar for events happening at Immanuel Lutheran this month. Check with the church office before scheduling meetings or activities so they can be put on the calendar.*

## STATISTICS March 13, 2022

### WORSHIP SERVICE *Attendance: 63*

*Goal Income Per Week: \$3,587.00*

*Offering: \$ 2645.00*

## TREASURER’S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2022

Goal income per month	\$16,475.17
Actual Offerings	13,031.50
Total Disbursements	<u>-12,128.21</u>
Checking account balance, end of month	\$51,929.85

# PRAYER LIST & CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS

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**SHUT-INS – RETIREMENT FACILITIES – NURSING HOMES:** June Elzey, Jimmy Fuchs, Bobby Hopkins, Lee Roesti, Lawrence & Viola Schmick, Martha Ann Schmick

**SPECIAL PRAYERS** – Wyatt Ewing, Jennifer Flanagan, Butch Frase, Linda Frase, Pete Hitchens, Cheryl Hochmuth, Dennis Janko, Bob Lorenz, Rev. Donald Meyer, Charlene Robbins, Ellen Thress, Pastor Nuss, Mary Yopes, and Desiree Casey-Motley, and Charles Garmin Jr

## **ACTIVE-DUTY SERVICE PERSONNEL & FIRST-RESPONDERS**

Ryan Andrew, Heather Blake, Matthew Harris, Shelby Hochmuth, Michael Jantz Jr., Robbie Phillips, Eric Stacey, Jerry Stivers, Amber Thamert

## **BIRTHDAYS**

Molly Plutschak	March 27
Chris Schanken	March 27
Dale Thomas	March 28
Carson Hicks	March 29
David Schmidt	March 30
Jessica Wittemen	March 30
Olga MacDonald	March 31
Abby Andrews	April 1
Robin Bowman-Smith	April 2

Apologies for missing Hugh and Joanne’s anniversary on last week’s bulletin.

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Hugh & Joanne Smith	3/24
Doug & Jennifer Phillips	4/5
Kevin & Jennifer Stevens	4/5
Michael & Amanda Knorr	4/6

## **Sunday School News**

This Sunday, the lesson, is called, “The Standing Trial.” This studies the week of the crucifixion, the false accusers of Jesus during his trial. .Next Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, is on “The living Wonder.” After mocking and beating Jesus the Roman Guards take him to be crucified. Jesus, is buried in a Tomb but the tomb is found empty.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**WELCOME VISITORS!** Before leaving, please stop in the Narthex to sign the guest book and pick up your Welcome Bag. We hope to see you again!

**There are dates on the Flower Chart which are open.** Please sign up for a Sunday.

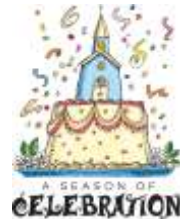
**ADULT BIBLE STUDY:** Sundays 9:15 a.m. in the Geiger hall. All are welcome to attend.

**The Portals of Prayer** booklets are available for the months of April – June in the Narthex. Feel free to pick up a copy. It is also available in Large Print.

**Resurrection Orchestra forming for Easter:** Do you play an instrument? Be a part of our Easter Worship service as an instrumentalist in the Resurrection Orchestra. All instruments are welcome. One rehearsal after the service on April 10. We will play three hymns during the April 17th Easter service. If you would like to participate, please contact Lynn Short so we have the appropriate music score for your instrument.

## **125th Anniversary Commemoration**

Thank you to all who participated in last Sundays activities.



Easter Egg pick up takes place today after church and also March 28<sup>th</sup> through the 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am through 11:00 am and on the 30<sup>th</sup> 5pm – 6:30 pm. Thank you for your participation in the great event. Proceeds from this year's fund raiser will go to Immanuel Youth Group, CASA, and Preston Volunteer Fire Company.

# EASTER LILIES

Easter lilies for the Altar and Chancel will be available again this year, at a cost of \$9.50.

To order please fill out the blanks below, include your cash or check (made out to Immanuel Lutheran Church) and give to Gail Whealton, Julie Schmidt or Kathy Schmidt, or you may drop off the form/money during the week to Sharon in the church office by April 5th.

Number	Amount
_____	\$ _____
Total Enclosed	\$ _____
Donor's name	_____
In Memory of	_____



# SERMON NOTES

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