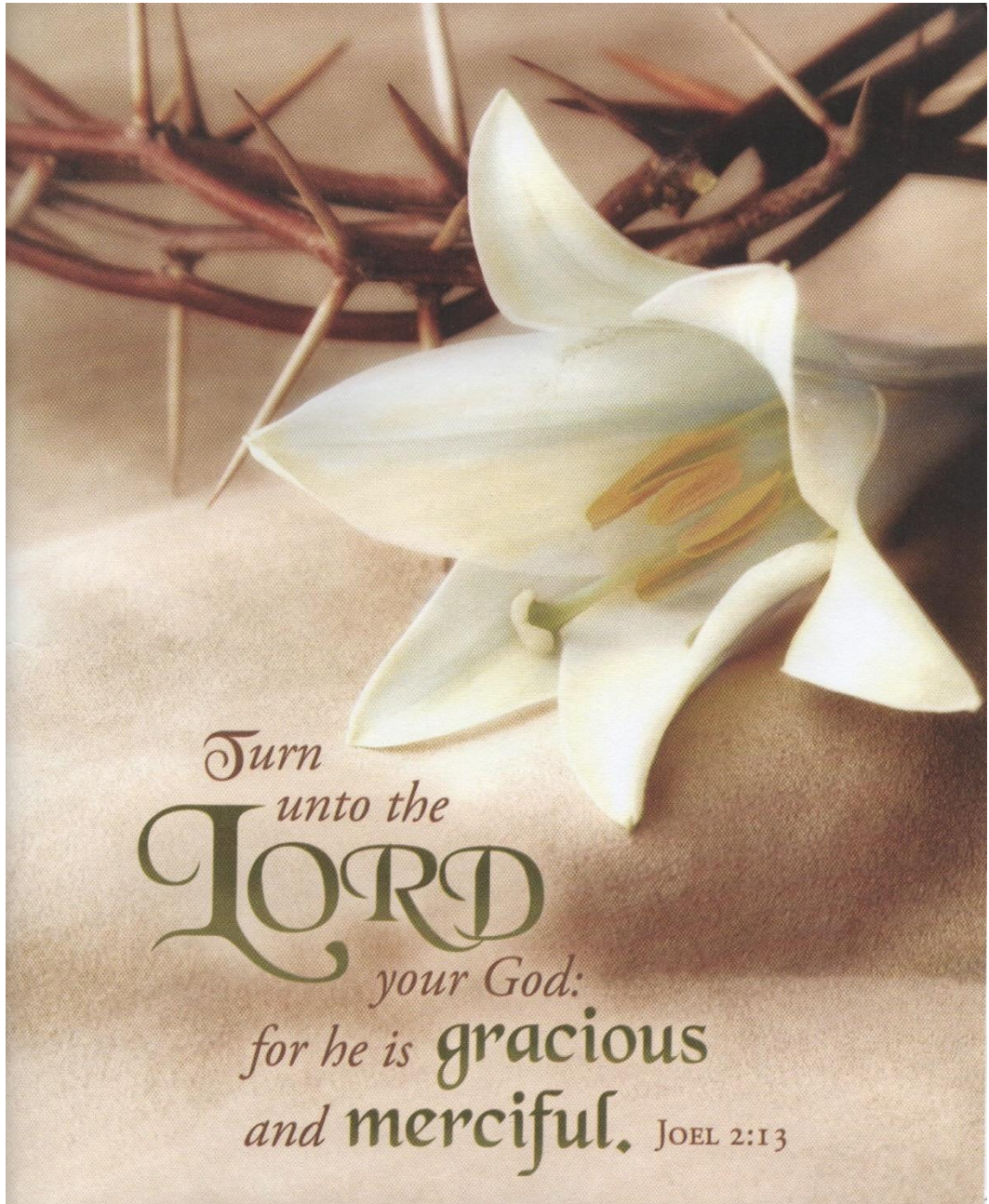


Fourth Sunday in Lent



Turn
unto the
LORD
your God:
for he is gracious
and merciful. JOEL 2:13

Sunday, March 10, 2024

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Sunday Worship

9:00 am

with

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Monday Worship

6:30 pm



A Stephen
Ministry Congregation

Lent

March 10, 2024

PSALM 96:11

...Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the seas resound, and all that is in it.

EXERCISE YOUR FAITH

...The Stewardship Board invites you to “Exercise Your Faith” and Read the Bible in a year! Each week a schedule of dates and verses will be listed; follow along to complete the Bible in 2024.

- March 11 – Ephesians 4:1-16, Exodus 34-36
- March 12 – Ephesians 4:17-5:33, Exodus 37-38
- March 13 – Ephesians 6, Exodus 39-40
- March 14 – 1 John 1-3, Leviticus 1-3
- March 15 – 1 John 4-5, Leviticus 4-6
- March 16 – Proverbs 6:1-8, Psalm 37-38
- March 17 – Home Devotion

LIVING PASSION DRAMA

...You are invited to St. Michael’s Church of Richville to learn about Christ’s last hours on earth. You’ll “watch the path of Jesus Christ” and see and hear live action scenes of what our Lord endured before He gave his life for us on the cross. March 22 at 6:00 & 7:30 PM, March 23 at 4:30, 6:00 & 7:30 PM.

THE EVANGELISM BOARD

...will be having Amy Paten, Social Worker from Crossroads Ministry come to speak on anxiety and mostly on depression. This will take place on TODAY at 2:00pm in the Great Room of the church. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

CEMETERY DECORATIONS

...Spring cleanup of the cemetery has begun. Please remove all decorations you want to save by Monday, April 1. After that date anything left on the cemetery will be disposed of. Thank you!

BULLETIN COVERS

...for today were given in glory to God by Mike & Lynette Walz in celebration of their 35 years of marriage.

MEAGER MEAL

...this Wednesday, March 13 will be chili and white chicken chili with donations going to help send CTK’s 5th and 6th grade classes to Howell Nature Center next fall.

OWLS

...are planning a trip to the Holocaust Museum in July 2024. Sign up in the church office.

IN OUR PRAYERS

+ SPECIAL NEEDS

...Nancy Pommerenke, Gary Volz, Nelda Gnagey, Chuck Dutcher, Emily Smith, Donna Klaus, Sandy Gross, Shirley Sherman, LoAnn Rieman, Ernie Sbresney III, Sue McGathy, Jim & Shirley Simmet, Barb Nitz, Collin Nitz, Frank Gunsell, Randy Forbing, Ian Faist, Wayne Morris, Karen Swartzendruber, Stephen Sprague, Grayson Cohn, Carl Brandt, Scott Smith, Brenda Chambers, Rick Chambers, Carl Brandt and Pastor Phil Burkett.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

...Sunday, March 3, 2024; 9:00 – 175, 6:30 – 38; March 6, 6:30 – 76

RADIO

...There have been a couple times where our 9am radio broadcast had technical problems. If that happens again and we are not on-air at 9am, 103.7 FM will rebroadcast our worship service at 11am that same day.

HOLY WEEK

...is coming soon! Mark these special dates and times on your calendar:

Palm Sunday, March 24 – 9am worship/c,

Maundy Thursday, March 28 – 6:30pm worship/c,

Good Friday, March 29 – 1:30pm & 6:30pm worship,

Easter Sunday, March 31 – 6:00am Sunrise worship/c, (breakfast), 8:00 worship/c, (breakfast), 10:30am worship/c.

EASTER BREAKFAST

...Breakfasts are being planned between the Easter services again this year. If you are interested in helping out, please get in touch with Chuck McGathy or Ken Walz.

BULLETIN COVERS

Anyone who would like to provide bulletin covers in memory of someone or for an anniversary, please contact Traci in the office a minimum of three weeks in advance. Four weeks is even better. She will help you select a bulletin. The cost runs about \$30.00 plus shipping for a Sunday. We have a beautiful sanctuary, beautiful music, beautiful vestments. Let's beautify our services a bit more with beautiful bulletin covers. Barbara Bleck

School News

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

...**Academic Fair** - All are invited to our Sebawaing gym on Wednesday, March 13 from 2:00-6:00 p.m. Grades 2-8 have been working on science projects to display, the 8th graders will have their Washington DC projects on display, and our art classes will display some great art. Make plans to come and check it out.

...Lutheran Schools week is now complete. We had many fun dress up days and activities. We are so grateful to be Connected in Christ and have the opportunity to share the love of Christ each and every day. Thank you for keeping us in your prayers.

...**Raise Right App for Scrip Cards:** All gift cards have a percentage that is given back to CTK for tuition. Stop by the church office to purchase gift cards that would be great for Easter Baskets!

Our Lord's Business this Week

March 10 – March 17

SUNDAY:	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:15 AM	WORSHIP/Communion K-8 sing at Immanuel Sunday School & Bible Study
MONDAY:	5:00 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM 7:15 PM 7:45 PM	Finance WORSHIP/Communion Trustees & Stewardship Evangelism Church Council
TUESDAY:	9:00 AM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Quilters Public School Confirmation Christ's Messengers Adoration Choir YABS
WEDNESDAY:	7:00 AM 8:05 AM 6:30 PM 7:15 PM	Men's Bible Study at Lamplighter CTK Chapel WORSHIP – group 4 ushers Glory Ringers
THURSDAY:	12:00 PM 4:00 PM	Bulletin Deadline Mary Martha Guild
FRIDAY:	4:00 PM	Newsletter Deadline
NEXT SUNDAY:	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:15 AM	WORSHIP/Communion 2 nd & 6 th grade handbells at Immanuel Sunday School & Bible Study

SERVING NEXT WEEK (MARCH 17)

Acolytes: 9:00-Lydia Irion & Lance Haag

Greeters: 9:00-Joan Walz & Darlene Werschky

Scrip: 9:00-Sandy Irion

Ushers: 9:00-GROUP 5: Jim Engelhardt, Mike Wildner, Dave Wildner, Drew Rievert, Chase Rievert, Warren Volz, Evan Volz, Roger Bloomfield

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sebewaing

Fourth Sunday in Lent

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9:00 am

Divine Service 3

Announcements

Hymn – ***Lift High the Cross*** – Hazel Scharf, chimes

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Invocation, Confession and Absolution

Introit

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;

though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.

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.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Kyrie

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Salutation and Collect

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. **Amen.**

The First Reading – *Numbers 21:4-9*

Here We Are Now – CTK K-8 grade students

Here We Are Now – 4th & 5th grade, percussion

The Gradual

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

The Epistle – *Ephesians 2:1-10*

Children's Sermon

The Gospel – *John 3:14-21*

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The Words of Our Lord

Agnus Dei



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Salutation

Benediction

Closing Hymn – *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* – Hazel Scharf, chimes

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Numbers 21:4-9

From 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.

Ephesians 2:1-10

And 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.

John 3:14-21

[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.”

PREACHER: Rev Michael Boyer
ELDERS: Jeff Williamson & John Kemp
ORGANIST: Sheree Goebel
ACOLYTES: Bentley & Jersey Bumhoffer
GREETERS: Brent & Holli Vogel
SCRIP: Lori Kemp
USHERS: GROUP 3: Tom Sting, Floyd Winchell, Ryan Kuhl, Gerald Gross, David Dufty, Austin Dufty

Who Should Commune?

In the Sacrament of the Altar we receive, as Christ says, His true body and His true blood for the forgiveness of our sins. Those who come to the Lord's Supper at this altar, are those who: 1 **Repent** of their sins, and earnestly seek to live according to God's will. 2 **Trust** the Word of Christ that His body and blood are truly present and received here for forgiveness. 3 **Confess** the faith of the Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod, as a member of this congregation or a member of another LCMS congregation. If you have questions about our communion practice, please speak to the pastor or an elder.



Our Congregation at Prayer
Daily Scripture and Prayer
To be Used in the Home
Getting Ready for Lent 5 B
Immanuel Lutheran Church

Theme for Sunday: A new covenant is made. God serves man as Jesus dies for us.
He has come and given His life as a ransom for many... for you.

The following short order may be used for devotions at home during the week or Daily Prayer for individuals and families may be used in the hymnal (LSB page 294 and following).

Invocation

In the Name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Introit *Psalm 116.1-4, 8; antiphon Psalm 43.1*

Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people,

From the deceitful and unjust man deliver me!

I love the LORD, because he has heard

My voice and my pleas for mercy.

Because he inclined his ear to me,

Therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;

I suffered distress and anguish.

Then I called on the name of the LORD;

“O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!”

For you have delivered my soul from death,

My eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

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.

Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people,

From the deceitful and unjust man deliver me!



Collect

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Gradual

Hebrews 12.2

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,

The founder and perfecter of our faith,

Who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

And is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

The Psalm for Lent 5 B may be read (Psalm 119.9-16) or those printed below.

Daily Psalms	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	84	119.73-80	34	5	38	22	43
Evening	42; 32	121; 6	25; 91	27; 51	126; 102	107; 130	31; 143

Readings for next Sunday (see below) or these daily readings may be used

Lent 4 (Sunday)	Genesis 41.28-57	Mark 11.20-33
Monday	Genesis 42.1-34, 38	Mark 12.1-12
Tuesday	Genesis 43.1-28	Mark 12.13-27
Wednesday	Genesis 44.1-18, 32-34	Mark 12.28-44
Thursday	Genesis 45.1-20, 24-28	Mark 13.1-23
Friday	Genesis 47.1-31 (48.1-49.28)	Mark 13.24-37
Saturday	Genesis 49.29-50.7, 14-26	Mark 14.1-11

Talk About Next Sunday's Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 31.31-34

Why would God make this new covenant?

How would this covenant be different than the old?

How could God forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more?

Talk About Next Sunday's Epistle Reading: Hebrews 5.1-10

Why was every Old Testament High Priest chosen among men?

What was the High Priest's job?

How is Jesus *the* High Priest?

Talk About Next Sunday's Gospel Reading: Mark 10.(32-34) 35-45

What did James and John want?

What were they asking!

Why does Jesus talk about serving?

Catechism Selection (this may be read, recited, or spoken responsively)

The Apostles' Creed Continued

The Second Article

Redemption

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.

What does this mean?

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.



Bake Sale!

Wednesday, March 13

2:00 – 6:00 pm

Christ the King cafeteria
during the Academic Fair

Proceeds to help send CTK
5th & 6th grade students to
Howell Nature Center.