Third Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 3, 2024



Immanuel Lutheran Church

SEBEWAING, MICHIGAN



The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

Faithful to God's Word - We receive, celebrate and share Jesus Christ.

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Sunday Worship

9:00 am
with
LIVESTREAM –
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and RADIO – 103.7 FM

Monday Worship

6:30 pm



A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Lent

March 3, 2024

PSALM 96:10

...Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns." The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity.

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 4 Galatians 3:1-4:7, Exodus 23-24
- March 5 Galatians 4:8-31, Exodus 25-26
- March 6 Galatians 5-6, Exodus 27-28
- March 7 Ephesians 1, Exodus 29-31
- March 8 Ephesians 2-3, Exodus 32-33
- March 9 Proverbs 5, Psalm 34-36
- March 10 Home Devotion

THE BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP

...is excited to share that *FORGIVING*, the third book in the Red Letter Living series, has arrived at Immanuel. Stop by the church office to sign up for this at-home bible study and to pick up your book. Cost is \$10 per book.

HOT TURKEY LUNCH

...at Trinity United Methodist Church in Sebewaing today from 11:30-1:30. Meal includes: hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes and gravy, coleslaw and dessert. Drive Up carry-out only. Free will offering.

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 March 10 at 2:00pm in the Great Room of the church. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

ELF BREAKFAST

...Next Sunday, March 10 is the next Enriching Lutheran Fellowship pot-luck breakfast at 8:00 in the Great Room. Bring a dish to share and enjoy some morning fellowship to get you ready for worship.

BAKE SALE

...Christ the King 5th and 6th Grade students are hosting a bake sale during the academic fair Wednesday, March 13, 2-6 pm to help raise money to offset the cost of their camping trip to Howell Nature Center in the fall.

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, Scott Smith, Brenda Chambers and Rick Chambers.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

...Sunday, February 25, 2024; 9:00 – 183, 6:30 – 45; February 28, 6:30 – 69

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!

TODAY'S CHIMER

...on the opening hymn and the sermon hymn is Oaklynn Bumhoffer.

MEAGER MEAL

...join Collide this Wednesday, March 6 for a sloppy joe supper beginning at 5:00pm and then stay for Midweek Lent worship at 6:30.

School News

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

- ...Basketball Teams at State We ask you to keep our boys and girls basketball teams in your prayers this weekend as they participate in the statewide Lutheran School tournament. We are proud of our students and the hard work they, and their coaches, put in.
- ...Lutheran Schools Week at CTK starts today! Our K-8 is participating in worship at St. Paul and next Sunday will participate at Immanuel. There are many fun dress up days and activities and we are collecting coins for the penny war which will go towards Jimmy Jam. It is such a blessing to be a part of Lutheran Schools.
- ...Grandparents or Special Persons are invited to chapel next week (as they are every week). Mr. Al Kaul from Valley Lutheran High School will be giving the message at chapel. Afterwards we invite you to stay for a board game time in our gyms to continue to celebrate Lutheran Schools Week.
 - Sebewaing chapel 8:05; Games 8:45-9:30
 - Unionville chapel 9:30; Games 9:45-10:30
- ...Spelling Bee Our CTK students did very well at the Area Lutheran Schools Spelling Bee. We are very proud of them and their hard work. Hazel Scharf, a 5th grader, actually was the winner of the 5th grade spellers. Great job Hazel.
- ...Raise Right App for Scrip Cards: All gift cards have a percentage that is given back to CTK for tuition. Consider purchasing and supporting our school. enrollment code: CLA43143638

Our Lord's Business this Week March 3 – March 10

SUNDAY: 9:00 AM WORSHIP/Communion

9:00 AM K-8 sing at St Paul

10:15 AM Sunday School & Bible Study

MONDAY: 10:00 AM OWLs

5:00 PM Finance

6:30 PM WORSHIP/Communion

TUESDAY: 9:00 AM Quilters

6:00 PM Public School Confirmation

6:00 PM Christ's Messengers 7:00 PM Adoration Choir

WEDNESDAY: 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study at Lamplighter

8:05 AM CTK Chapel

6:30 PM WORSHIP – group 2 ushers

7:15 PM Glory Ringers

THURDAY: 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline

FRIDAY: 11:30 AM CTK Early Release

NEXT SUNDAY: 8:00 AM ELF breakfast

9:00 AM WORSHIP/Communion 9:00 AM K-8 sing at Immanuel

10:15 AM Sunday School & Bible Study

SERVING NEXT WEEK (MARCH 10)

Acolytes: 9:00-Bentley & Jersey Bumhoffer

Greeters: 9:00-Brent & Holli Vogel

Scrip: 9:00-Lori Kemp

Ushers: 9:00-GROUP 3: Tom Sting, Floyd Winchell, Ryan Kuhl, Gerald Gross, David Dufty, Austin Dufty

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sebewaing

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Divine Service 3

Announcements

Hymn – *Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow*

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Baptism of Alexander John Schwartz

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Introit

For zeal for your house has consumed me, and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me. Deliver me from sinking in the mire; let me be delivered from my enemies and from the deep waters. Let not the flood sweep over me, or the deep swallow me up, or the pit close its mouth over me.

Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast love is good; according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.

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.

For zeal for your house has consumed me, and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.

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Salutation and Collect

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; 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 – *Exodus 20:1-17*

Help Us to Be Like Them - Adoration Choir - Anne Bell, flute

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 – 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

The Gospel – *John 2:13-22*

Hymn – May God Bestow on Us His Grace LSB 824

Sermon

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Offering – *In the Hour of Trial* – Christ's Messengers

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Preface

Sanctus

The Words of Our Lord

Agnus Dei

Distribution Hymns

Oh, How Great Is Your Compassion	LSB 559
Built on the Rock	LSB 645
I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table	LSB 618

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Thanksgiving

Salutation

Benediction

Closing Hymn – When I Survey the Wondrous Cross LSB 425

Exodus 20:1-17

And God spoke all these words, saying, ²"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

³"You shall have no other gods before me.

⁴"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷"You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

⁸"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, ¹⁰but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

¹²"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³"You shall not murder.

¹⁴"You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵"You shall not steal.

¹⁶"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

²⁶For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. ³¹Therefore, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

John 2:13-22

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. ¹⁵And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the

money-changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

¹⁸So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" ¹⁹Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹But he was speaking about the temple of his body. ²²When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

PREACHER: Rev Michael Boyer

ELDERS: Jeff Williamson & John Kemp

ORGANIST: Barbara Bleck

ACOLYTES: Allison Zuzga & Jacob Boyer

GREETERS: Pat & Kari Stecker

SCRIP: Anne Bell

USHERS: GROUP 1: Warren Reithel, Jim Reithel, Mark Reithel, Joel Gremel, Shaun Gremel, Seth Gremel, Dave Lutz,

Michael Lutz, Matt Bumhoffer, Doug Elston

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 4 B Immanuel Lutheran Church

Theme for Sunday: Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, Jesus bears our sins in His body on the cross.

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 27.3-5, antiphon Psalm 27.1

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 lit 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?



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.



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 4 B may be read (Psalm 107.1-9) 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 3 (Sunday)	Genesis 27.30-45; 28.10-22	Mark 9.1-13
Monday	Genesis 29.1-30 (29.31-34-31)	Mark 9.14-32
Tuesday	Genesis 35.1-29	Mark 9.33-50
Wednesday	Genesis 37.1-36	Mark 10.1-12
Thursday	Genesis 39.1-23	Mark 10.13-31
Friday	Genesis 40.1-23	Mark 10.32-52
Saturday	Genesis 41.1-27	Mark 11.1-19

Talk About Next Sunday's Old Testament Reading: Numbers 21.4-9

Why would God bring fiery serpents among the people?

What did serpents make the people realize?

How were the people saved?

Talk About Next Sunday's Epistle Reading: Ephesians 2.1-10

How were we dead in our trespasses?

How were you made alive?

Is this living a result of your works? What is it a result of?

Talk About Next Sunday's Gospel Reading: John 3.14-21

What does Jesus tell us about that time in Numbers 21.4-9?

What is the proof that God loves the world?

Who is this light that has come into the world?

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

The Apostles' Creed

The First Article

Creation

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

What does this mean?

I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

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