



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Ash Wednesday



Wednesday, February 22, 2023
9:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

*“Making more and stronger disciples of Jesus Christ
through the power of the Holy Spirit.”*

Welcome to Immanuel!

Please turn off your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you!

If you are a guest, please fill out a guests' card located in the cardholder on the back of each pew and then place it in the offering plate. We look forward to meeting you!

Members, please help us love and care for one another by filling out an attendance card. Remember to include all the members of your family who are present in worship today. If you are communing, please check in the appropriate place. Thank you for filling out an Attendance-Communion card every time you attend Church.

We celebrate Holy Communion today! In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. This Holy Communion is also a sign of our shared confession of the Christian faith. If you have not communed with us before, please speak with one of our pastors before doing so.

During the communion service: If you're not able to drink wine, the lighter colored glasses in the center of the tray of individual cups contain water with a drop of wine. These special glasses allow communicants to celebrate the Lord's Supper according to Christ's institution, but have a very small amount of alcohol.

Worship at Immanuel is...

Christ Centered. We believe that at the heart of worship is the Good News that God has rescued us from our sins through Jesus' death on the cross and rising to life again.

Trinitarian. We believe that the object of worship is the only true God—The Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Multigenerational. We believe that it is a great blessing for family members to worship together. Taking seriously Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and so not forbid them" (Mark 10:14), we encourage children to worship with their parents and grandparents and provide resources such as children's bulletins and children's sermons.

Eclectic. Eclectic means, "selecting what seems best of various sources." We believe that we should strive to use the best hymns and practices that the church has to offer. Our worship may include hymns written 500 years ago as well as pieces written 5 months ago.

In preparation for worship we ask that you silence your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you. The time before service begins can be a good time to pray and prepare your heart and mind for worship. You will find helpful prayers on the inside cover of the hymnal located in the pew in front of you.

Divine Service, Setting One

(Lutheran Service Book, pg. 151)

Preservice Music

Bells

Welcome

Opening Hymn, LSB 610, “Lord Jesus, Think on Me”

Invocation

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

C **Amen.** (Matthew 28:19b; [18:20])

Imposition of Ashes

Ashes have been a symbol of contrition since biblical times: “I repent in dust and ashes” (Job 42:6b). They are also vivid reminders of mortality: “For dust you are and to dust you shall return” (Genesis 3:19). Therefore the imposition of ashes has been a fitting beginning for the season of Lent. Ashes usually consist of the remains of the previous Palm Sunday’s burned palms, and are applied to the forehead in the sign of the cross. Although powerfully speaking the law (contrition and mortality), ashes also speak the Gospel—applied in the shape of the cross, where sin and death were conquered, and we are cleansed of our sin.

Please stand

Confession and Absolution

(1 John 1:8-9)

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. (John 20:19-23)

C Amen.

+ Service of the Word +

Introit of the Day (Psalm 51:1-3, 10-12; antiphon: v. 17)

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;

a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;

according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,

and cleanse me from my sin!

For I know my transgressions,

and my sin is ever before me.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence,

and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,

and uphold me with a willing spirit.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

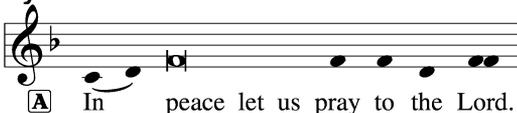
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;

a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Kyrie

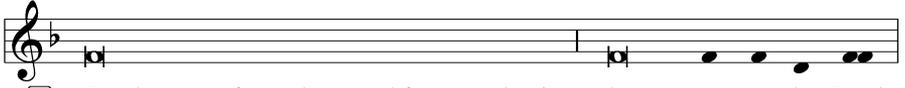
(Mark 10:47)



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.



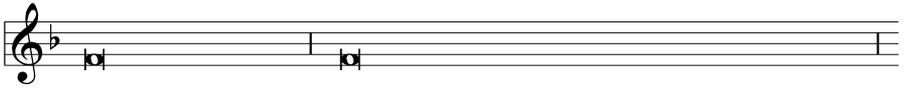
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



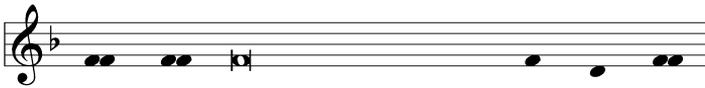
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

righteousness of God. ¹Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For he says, “In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. ³We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; ⁷by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Lenten Verse

(Joel 2:13)

C Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and

mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in

stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

Holy Gospel, Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 6th chapter.

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] “Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven. ²“Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ³But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand

Prayer of the Church

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P (*Special petitions...*) Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated

Offering (*During our 9:00 a.m. service, please feel free to place your offerings and attendance cards in the plate in the narthex.*) [6:30 p.m. – Choir Anthem, “To Dust” (K. Marroli)]

Please stand

Offertory

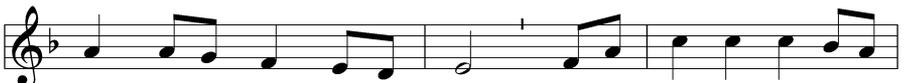
(Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19)



C 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



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also a sign of how we commonly confess the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

Preface

P The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1)

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. (Psalm 136)

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Proper Preface

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -

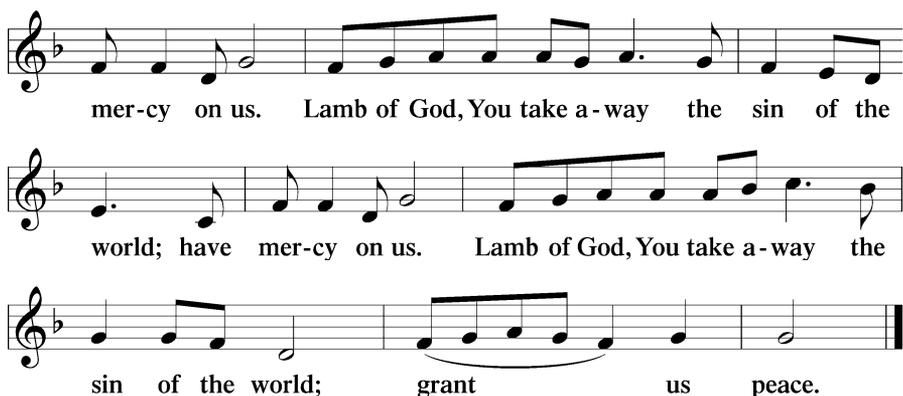


san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

(*Hosanna* is a Hebrew word of praise meaning "save us now.")



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please be seated

Distribution

LSB 609, "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive"

LSB 419, "Savior, When in Dust to Thee"

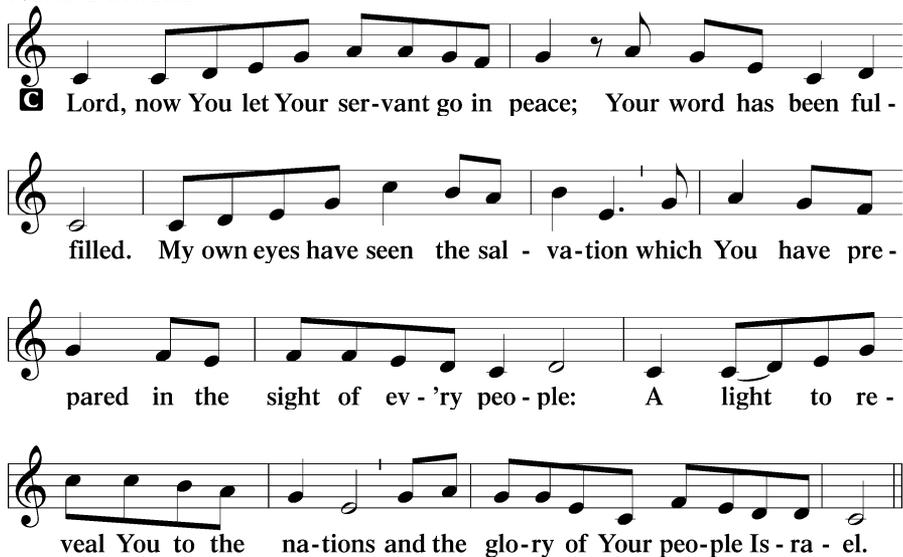
Please stand

Dismissal

P Now may this... Go in peace.

C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis



C Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful-
 filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre-
 pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -
 veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

Post-Communion Collect

P

Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; 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

(Numbers 6:24-26)

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.

Closing Hymn, LSB 919, "Abide, O Dearest Jesus"

Bells / Postlude

We invite you to take the service folder home with you as you leave today so you can see meditate on the Scriptures, prayers, and hymns from today's service as you go through the week. You can also find helpful information on our church website: immanuelwaterloo.org.

Worship Helpers

Pastor – Rev. Merritt Demski

Music Director – Ann Frank

Servers - (9:00 a.m.) Paul Broske; (6:30 p.m.) Dean Harbison

Acolytes (6:30 p.m.) – Jacob Dethrow & Clark Deptula

Ushers (6:30 p.m.) – Larry Taake, Dawn Rubemeyer, Collin Dethrow

Altar Guild - (9:00 a.m.) Marilyn Collette; (6:30 p.m.) Susan Hargrave

Media Team – (9:00 a.m.) Lisa Clamors; (6:30 p.m.) Carson Filipiak

In Our Prayers...

We Pray for our Fellow Parishioners: Millie Menke, Sandy Moore (MS), Iva Mesnarich (shut in), Alvera Jacobs, Marie Dietzel, Chris Morris (ALS & Non-Hodgkin lymphoma), Ken Schanz (leukemia), Brenda Schreder (hip replacement), Bernell Bachelier (broken ankle), Nede Bachelier (cancer), Wendy Maag, Carolyn Henry, Sharon Osterhage, Pat Jones (recovering at home), Helen Clamors (recovering at home), Randy Wetzler (cancer), Sue Bradshaw

We Pray for Friends and Relatives of Parishioners: Michael Washausen, Nina Van Kamp (recovering from surgery), Ken Horn (cancer), Sarah Castelli, Glenda Manion, Daryl Bense (dementia), Brian Kreher (brain tumor), Elsa Wiemerslage (leukemia relapse), Kevin Williams (Non-Hodgkin lymphoma), Gary Sorensen (foot surgery), Roger Wild (cancer), Dorothy Hagemeyer, Carroll Hagemeyer, Chris Urquhart (ongoing health issues), Marsha Ehlers (pancreatic cancer), Greg Colbert (hospitalized), Cathy Scott (cancer), Steve Scott (cancer)

We Pray for Those in the Service of Our Nation: Alicia Gunn, Dustin Bender, Aaron Bommarito, Alex Naumann, Paul Doty

We Pray for Our Missionaries and Special Missions: Immanuel's Preschool, Immanuel's Mission Team, Unity Lutheran Elementary School (E. St. Louis, IL), Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School (Evansville, IL)

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Every Wednesday in March



5-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday
Lenten

SERVICES

6:30 p.m.



Now Enrolling
Preschool

FOR THE 2023-24
SCHOOL YEAR!

3-5 YR. OLD
2-3-5 DAYS / WEEK



CONTACT THE OFFICE FOR DETAILS!



Mission Quilt Tying Day
Sunday, March 19th

*Sign up sheet will be in
the narthex soon!*



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IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
PRESCHOOL'S 3RD
ANNUAL SCAVENGER HUNT



You're Invited

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL'S
ANNUAL SCAVENGER HUNT!

Date: April 1, 2023

Time: 1-5 p.m.

Location: Parking Lot of Waterloo
Automotive (622 N. Market St.)

Pre-register: \$10 per vehicle/team

Register day of: \$15

Basket drawings and 50-50 drawings

Cash Prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place!

Come early to check out baskets and
prizes!

Pre-register or Questions?

Contact Deborah Joellenbeck (618-340-5262).

Cardinals Game... Let's Go!

Immanuel Lutheran Preschool has reserved 300 tickets for all interested family & friends for a Cardinals' game during the 2023 season. Want to join us at Busch Stadium for an afternoon of baseball, fun & fellowship? **Better yet—you will receive a free hot dog & soda, and there's a free giveaway too...**An adult mystery nickname jersey will be given to the first 25,000 adults (16 & older).



Sunday, April 16, 2023

1:15 p.m.

vs. Pittsburgh Pirates

Sections 363 & 365

\$35.00 each

(\$60.00 value including hot dog & soda)

This is a fundraiser to benefit the Preschool's general classroom needs and the Before & After Care Program, but

it's also a great fellowship event, too! *(A portion of each ticket is tax-deductible.)* Tickets will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. **Payment is due at the time of your order**, and your tickets will be given to you soon after. *Checks can be made payable to Immanuel Lutheran Preschool. Venmo or credit cards* will work too. *There will be an additional 3% fee for all credit card payments.*

Questions? Please call or text Lisa Clamors (618-719-4954). **Please use the order form below.** Thank you!

Cardinals Game' Tickets Order Form

Sunday, April 16, 2023 – 1:15 pm

Name _____ Phone _____

E-mail address _____

I would like to order _____ tickets for the April 16th Cardinals game!

Included in my order, I will need _____ handicap seats, if possible.

Total due = \$35.00 x _____ tickets = \$ _____ .00

Checks can be made payable to Immanuel Lutheran Preschool. If using Venmo or credit card, please contact Lisa Clamors directly.*

LIVING LAST SUPPER:

We will be presenting this drama in the afternoon on Palm Sunday, April 2. To do this, **we are still in need of 2 men**. We plan to have 3 or 4 rehearsals (1 per week) prior to Palm Sunday. There is only one short monologue for each disciple to recite. Last year, we fell short by 2 men to present this drama. Let's make it happen this year! Please contact Don Birrittier at 314-724-2690 so that we may schedule our rehearsals as soon as possible; including those of you interested who were previously involved.