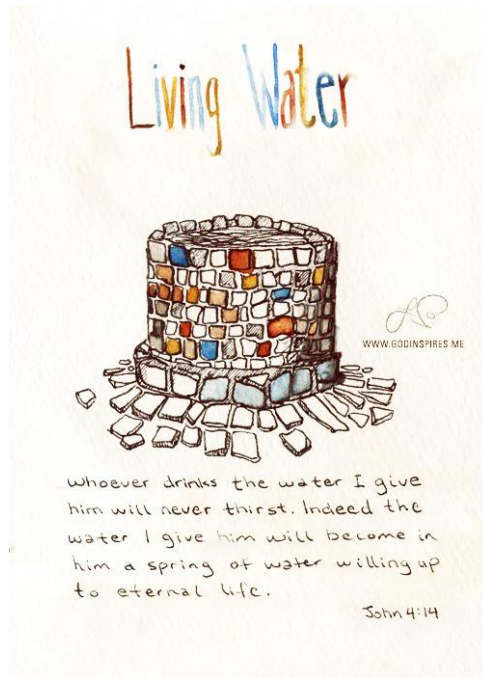




IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

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**Third Sunday in Lent**



**Saturday, March 11, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.**  
**Sunday, March 12, 2023 – 7:45 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.**

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“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 our pastor 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 Four

(Lutheran Service Book, pg. 203)

### Preservice Music / Bells / Welcome

### Opening Hymn, LSB 761, “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

#### ✠ Confession and Absolution ✠

*Please stand*

#### Invocation

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

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

#### Confession and Absolution

(Psalm 124:8; 30:3-4)

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 84:1-4; antiphon: v. 5)

Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,

**in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

How lovely is your dwelling place,

**O LORD of hosts!**

My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;

**my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.**

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,

**at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.**

Blessèd are those who dwell in your house,

**ever singing your praise!**

**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.**

Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,

**in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

### Kyrie

(Mark 10:47)



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you!

(2 Timothy 4:22)

**C** And also with you!

**P** Let us pray...

**C** 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.

*Please be seated*

(10:15 a.m.) **Agape Ringers**, “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” (Mason/Keller)

### Old Testament Reading, Exodus 17:1-7

<sup>1</sup>All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. <sup>2</sup>Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” And Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?” <sup>3</sup>But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?”

<sup>4</sup>So Moses cried to the LORD, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” <sup>5</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, “Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. <sup>6</sup>Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink.” And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. <sup>7</sup>And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

*After the reading:*

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### **Epistle, Romans 5:1-8**

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. <sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—<sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

*After the reading:*

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand*

### **Holy Gospel, John 4:5-30, 39-42**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>5</sup>[Jesus] came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup>Jacob’s well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. <sup>7</sup>There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, “Give me a drink.” <sup>8</sup>(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) <sup>9</sup>The Samaritan woman said to him, “How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?” (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.” <sup>11</sup>The woman said to him, “Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do

you get that living water? <sup>12</sup>Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock.” <sup>13</sup>Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup>but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” <sup>15</sup>The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water.” <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.” <sup>17</sup>The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; <sup>18</sup>for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true.” <sup>19</sup>The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup>Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship.” <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. <sup>22</sup>You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup>But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. <sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” <sup>25</sup>The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.” <sup>26</sup>Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.” <sup>27</sup>Just then his disciples came back. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you seek?” or, “Why are you talking with her?” <sup>28</sup>So the woman left her water jar and went away into town and said to the people, <sup>29</sup>“Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?” <sup>30</sup>They went out of the town and were coming to him.... <sup>39</sup>Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me all that I ever did.” <sup>40</sup>So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. <sup>41</sup>And many more believed because of his word. <sup>42</sup>They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world.”

*After the reading:*

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, 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.**

*Please be seated*

**Children’s Message** (Parents of young children may also come forward with their children.)

**Hymn of the Day**, *LSB* 433, “Glory Be to Jesus”

### Sermon

*Please stand*

**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 Saturday evening service, please feel free to place your offerings and attendance cards in the plate in the narthex.*) [10:15 a.m. – Agape Ringers, “There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood” (J. Leavitt)]

*Please stand*

**Offertory**, *LSB* 956, “Create in Me a Clean Heart”

Text: Psalm 51:10–12. Tune: Johann Georg Winer, 1583–1651, adapt. Text and tune: Public domain

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new  
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way



from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;  
 and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

✠ **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 Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
 Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
 Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;  
 Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

# The Lord's Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13)

**All:** 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.

# Words of Our Lord (Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

# The Peace of the Lord

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always. (John 20:19)  
**C** Amen.

# Agnus Dei

(John 1:29)

**C** 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 You take the sin of the world a - way;  
 You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*Please be seated*

**Distribution**

*LSB 618, "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"*

*LSB 571, "God Loved the World So That He Gave"*

*Please stand*

**Dismissal**

**P** Now...Go in peace.

**C** Amen.

**Nunc Dimittis**

(Luke 2:29-32)

**C** 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
 A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -



**Post-Communion Collect**

- P** Let us pray.  
 We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, 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.**

**Benedicamus and Benediction**

- P** Let us bless the Lord. (Psalm 103:1)
- C** **Thanks be to God.**
- P** The Lord bless you and keep you. (Numbers 6:24-26)  
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord lift up His countenance on you and + give you peace.
- C** **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn, LSB 824, “May God Bestow on Us His Grace”**

**Bells / Postlude**

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## Worship Helpers

**Saturday, March 11, 2023 - 5:30 p.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Ken Sievers  
 Server/Lector - Bob Polansky  
 Altar Guild - Cally Killian

Organist - Joan Ruwald  
 Acolyte - Liam Garner  
 Media - Clark Deptula

**Sunday, March 12, 2023 - 7:45 a.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Merritt Demski  
 Server/Lector - Warren Frank  
 Acolytes - Tyler Major & Carson Filipiak  
 Ushers - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras, Lilly Prather

Music Director - Ann Frank  
 Altar Guild - Debbie Olsson  
 Media - Don Birrittter

**Sunday, March 12, 2023 - 10:15 a.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Merritt Demski  
 Server - Dean Harbison  
 Acolytes - Ayda & Myla Eggemeyer  
 Ushers - Lee Eggemeyer, Adam Eggemeyer, Trinity Drewes, Evan Williams  
 Media/Facebook Live - Jensyn Collmeyer

Music Director - Ann Frank  
 Lector - Rodney Clamors  
 Altar Guild - Chris Michael

**Ushers - Sunday, March 19, 2023**

7:45 a.m. - Jason Valerius, Jeriah Fink, Trinity Drewes, Evan Williams  
 10:15 a.m. - Rodney Clamors, Jenna & Nicholas Hoeffken, Wyatt & Masson Fink

**Acolytes - Sunday, March 19, 2023**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Gwen Wiegand  
 Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Jacob Dethrow & Clark Deptula  
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Brielle & Jeriah Fink

**Lectors - Sunday, March 19, 2023**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - n/a  
 Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Daniel Niemeyer  
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Bob Polansky

**Servers - Sunday, March 19, 2023**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Greg Wiegand  
 Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Dean Harbison  
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Bob Polansky

**Altar Guild - Sunday, March 19, 2023**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Susan Starbuck  
 Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Sandy Thompson  
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Susan Hargrave

**Media - Sunday, March 19, 2023**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Melissa Wiegand  
 Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Carson Filipiak  
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