

# *Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran!*



**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent – March 11, 2018  
8:30 a.m.**

# Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**



*Worship leader reads* regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**



# Gathering Song – “What Wondrous Love is This” *ELW 666*

1 What wondrous love is this,  
O my soul, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this  
that caused the Lord of bliss  
to bear the dreadful curse  
for my soul, for my soul,  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?



# Gathering Song – “What Wondrous Love is This” *ELW 666*

2 When I was sinking down,  
sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down  
beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside his crown  
for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.





# Gathering Song – “What Wondrous Love is This” *ELW 666*

3 To God and to the Lamb  
I will sing, I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb,  
who is the great I AM,  
while millions join the theme,  
I will sing, I will sing,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing.



# Gathering Song – “What Wondrous Love is This” *ELW 666*

4 And when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;  
and when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing God's love for me,  
and through eternity  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
and through eternity I'll sing on.





# Welcome

- A warm welcome to ***Rev. David Nelson*** who is leading worship this week while Pastor Jeff & Theresa are in MN for her brother's wedding.
- Please take a moment to sign the ***Friendship Pads***.
- We will be celebrating ***holy communion***. All are welcome.



***Living in God's Grace as a Neighbor to the World***

# Dialog

Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Praised be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of all mercies, and the God of all consolation.**

Seek the Lord while he may be found.

**Call upon him while he is near.**

Let the wicked abandon their ways,  
**and the unrighteous their thoughts.**



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# Dialog

Let them turn to the Lord for mercy,  
**to our God, who is generous in  
forgiving.**

All you who are thirsty, come to the water.  
You who have no money, come, receive  
bread, and eat. Come, without paying and  
without cost, drink wine and milk.

**Praised be God, the Father of our Lord  
Jesus Christ, the Father of all mercies,  
and the God of all consolation.**



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# Apostles' Creed

We are made God's people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father  
almighty, creator of heaven and  
earth.**



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# Apostles' Creed

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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# Apostles' Creed

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**



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# Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. O God,

**rich in mercy, by the humiliation of  
your Son you lifted up this fallen world  
and rescued us from the hopelessness  
of death.**

*continued...*



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# Prayer of the Day

Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**



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# Old Testament Canticle *(see insert)*

## *Refrain*

Listen! you nations of the world:  
listen to the Word of the Lord.  
Announce it from coast to coast;  
declare it to distant islands.

- 1 The Lord who scattered Israel  
will gather his people again;  
and he will keep watch over them  
as a shepherd watches his flock.



# Old Testament Canticle *(see insert)*

## *Refrain*

Listen! you nations of the world:  
listen to the Word of the Lord.

Announce it from coast to coast;  
declare it to distant islands.

- 2 With shouts of joy they will come,  
their faces radiantly happy,  
for the Lord is so gen'rous to them;  
he showers his people with gifts.





# Old Testament Canticle *(see insert)*

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# Old Testament Canticle *(see insert)*

- 3 Young women will dance for joy,  
and men young and old will make merry.  
Like a garden refreshed by the rain,  
they will never be in want again.  
Break into shouts of great joy:  
Jacob is free again!  
Teach nations to sing the song:  
“The Lord has saved his people!”





# Lessons

**1<sup>st</sup> Lesson** – Numbers 21:4-9

**Psalm** – Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

**2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson** – Ephesians 2:1-10

*You are encouraged to practice the art of listening as the lessons are read - the way in which the gospel was originally passed on.*

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# Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

<sup>1</sup> Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good, for God's mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup> **Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,**

<sup>3</sup> gathering them in from the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

<sup>17</sup> **Some were fools and took rebellious paths; through their sins they were afflicted.**

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# Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

<sup>18</sup> They loathed all manner of food and drew near to death's door.

<sup>19</sup> **Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD and you delivered them from their distress.**

<sup>20</sup> You sent forth your word and healed them and rescued them from the grave.

<sup>21</sup> **Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.**

<sup>22</sup> Let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving and tell of your deeds with shouts of joy.

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# Children's Time

*All those young (and young at heart) are welcome to come forward for a special time with the Pastor*



# **New Testament Canticle – “Lord, Let My Heart be Good Soil” *ELW 512***

*please join in singing...*

**Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word. Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood.**

**When my heart is hard, break the stone away. When my heart is cold, warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.**

**Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,  
Lord, let my heart be good soil.**



# Sermon



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## “Mark – Act IV”

(Mark 8:22- 10:52)

*Pastor Jeff Schlesinger*

*During the season of Lent, we will be **hearing** the Gospel of Mark in its entirety. The gospels were originally shared orally, probably by an evangelist with a flair for the dramatic. As Pastor Jeff offers his interpretation of this amazing story, you are invited to sit back and listen as if you've never heard it before.*



# Song of the Day – “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love” *ELW 708*

## Refrain

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve, the neighbors  
we have from you.

- 1 Kneels at the feet of his friends,  
silently washes their feet,  
master who acts as a slave to them.





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## Refrain

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve, the neighbors  
we have from you.

- 2 Neighbors are wealthy and poor,  
varied in color and race,  
neighbors are near us and far away



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## Refrain

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve, the neighbors  
we have from you.

- 3 These are the ones we will serve,  
these are the ones we will love;  
all these are neighbors to us and you.





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## Refrain

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve, the neighbors  
we have from you.

- 4 Kneel at the feet of our friends,  
silently washing their feet:  
this is the way we will live with you.



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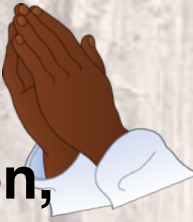
## Refrain

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we have from you.





# Immanuel Lutheran Prayer Concerns



- Members – **Cindy Schlesinger, Fountain Neal, Joel Johnson, Gene Williams**
- Friends & Family – **Ron Yenerich** (*Connie Williams' brother*); **Hannah York** (*LuAnn Kromm's niece*); **Robert Hornung** (*LuAnn Kromm's brother*)
- Please remember in your prayers Sharon Kellen and Family on the death of **Robert “Buck” Kellen**
- Our Leaders - *ELCA Bishop - Elizabeth Eaton; NIS Bishop - Jeffrey Clements; Heart of Illinois Lutheran Parish Pastor Jeff Schlesinger*

*Are there additional prayer requests?*

# Prayers of Intercession

Renewed in the promises of baptism, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*Each petition concludes:*

Lord in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

*Worship leader reads* regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**



# Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you  
always.

**And also with you.**

*Please turn to those around you and  
share a sign of God's peace.*



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# Offering

*We respond to God's grace by offering what God has first given us so that the good news of Jesus may continue to be proclaimed through the ministries of Immanuel Lutheran Church. **Thank you** for your generous response.*





# Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Merciful God,  
**receive the sacrifice of our praise  
and thanksgiving and the offering of  
our lives, that following in the way  
of the cross, we may know the joy of  
the resurrection; through Christ our  
Lord. Amen.**



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# Communion

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and  
praise.**



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# Communion

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.



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# Communion

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.



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# Communion

**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.**

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# Communion

The table is set. The gifts are ready. Come and receive God's grace.



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# Communion Distribution

*As we receive the bread and cup today,  
we receive grace upon grace from  
Jesus: forgiveness, new life and  
salvation.*

*Come and hold your hands out and  
receive God's goodness with the holy  
word of thanks: "**Amen!**"*



# Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**Amen.**



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# Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Compassionate God,  
**you have fed us with the bread of  
heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten  
pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger  
for justice, our alms, a making of  
peace, and our prayer, the song of  
grateful hearts; through Christ our  
Lord. Amen.**



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# Announcements - *Upcoming Activities*

- **Sunday 3/11/18** – LYO @ Immanuel, 6:00 p.m.
- **Wednesday 3/14/18**
  - 6:00 p.m. – Lenten Supper @ First
  - 7:00 p.m. – Lenten Worship @ First
- **Friday 3/16/18** – Bible Study @ Immanuel, 9:00 a.m.
- **Saturday 3/17/18** - Immanuel Volunteer @ NICE, 8:00 a.m.
- **Sunday 3/18/18**
  - 8:30 a.m. – Worship @ Immanuel
  - 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School @ Immanuel
  - 10:30 a.m. – Worship @ First
  - 10:45 a.m. – Egg-stra Special Easter Event @ Immanuel
  - 11:35 a.m. – Joint Council @ First
  - 6:30 p.m. – Confirmation @ Immanuel



# Immanuel Lutheran Church



*March 11, 2018*

## Announcements

### Lent – 2018

#### Midweek Services

**6:00 Dinner • 7:00 Worship**

- ~~February 21 – Immanuel~~
- ~~February 28 – First~~
- ~~March 7 – Immanuel~~
- March 14 – First
- March 21 - Immanuel

# Immanuel Lutheran Church



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## Announcements

# Lent Offerings



***Our “noisy offering” and midweek offerings will be designated for hurricane relief in Puerto Rico. Please give generously.***



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### **Holy Week – 2018**

#### **Maundy Thursday – 3/29/18**

6:30 p.m. – First

8:00 p.m. – Immanuel

#### **Good Friday – 3/30/18**

1:00 p.m. – Immanuel

7:00 p.m. - First

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### **Easter Sunday**

**April 1, 2018**

7:00 a.m. – Immanuel  
***Sunrise Service***

8:15 a.m. – Immanuel  
***Easter Breakfast***

9:00 a.m. – First  
***Easter Breakfast***

10:30 a.m. – First  
***Resurrection Service***

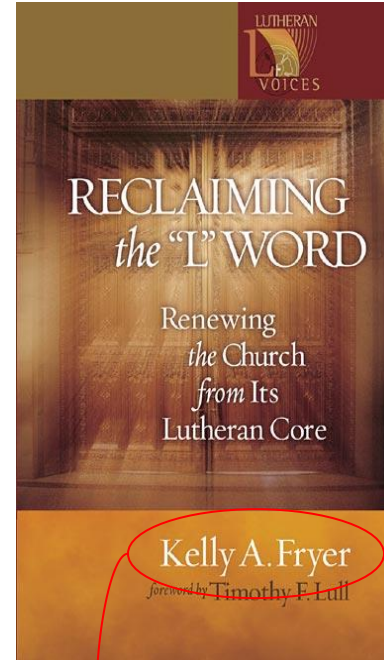


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*March 11, 2018*

## Announcements



*Pastor of Immanuel  
from 1989-1993*

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
Readers**

**March 25<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 p.m.**

*Reserve your  
book today!*

# Immanuel Lutheran Church



*March 11, 2018*

## Announcements

March is Immanuel's...

# NICE Center Volunteer Month

Please sign up to help one or more of the Saturdays during the month. This is a very important ministry of the area congregations to reach out to those with food instability.

***(Sign up sheet is in overflow area)***



# Benediction

May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed.

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you ☩ peace.

**Amen.**



# **Sending Song** – “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here” *ELW 443 (v. 1-3)*

1 Dearest Jesus, we are here,  
gladly your command obeying.  
With this child we now draw near  
in response to your own saying  
that to you it shall be given  
as a child and heir of heaven.





# Sending Song – “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here” *ELW 443* (v. 1-3)

2 Your command is clear and plain,  
and we would obey it it duly:  
“You must all be born again,  
heart and life renewing truly,  
born of water and the Spirit,  
and my kingdom thus inherit.”



# Sending Song – “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here” *ELW 443 (v. 1-3)*

3 Therefore we have come to you,  
in our arms this infant bearing;  
truly here your grace we view;  
may this child, your mercy sharing,  
in your arms be shielded ever,  
yours on earth and yours forever.





# Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God!**



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