

-WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD-

Blessing

*Congregational Hymn“You Are My Vision”

Dismissal

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

You may have noticed these words in front of the sanctuary

“Helighet hofves ditt hus, Herre”

What do they mean? This is Swedish for

“Holiness becometh thy house O’ Lord” Psalm 93:5

Worship Assistants

LectorPat Walsh

AcolyteTeri Evenson

Remembering in Our Prayers

James & Carol Sacks- our missionaries in Japan

Taylor Frericks-healing

John Holm-healing

Chet Johnson-healing

Danny Herdina-healing

Bob Kirk-continued healing

Elaine Wothel-continued healing

Darlene Kirk- continued healing

Linda Burns-continued healing

Bill Hutchinson-on Hospice

All Immanuel Shut Ins

*(People will only be listed with their permission. Please contact
Pastor Christa if you would like to be listed in Immanuel prayers.)*

Immanuel Lutheran Church - Atwater, MN

SAVED By Grace, CALLED To serve

March 30th 2014 - 4th Sunday in Lent

Pastor Christa Forsythe

All Members: Ministers

* indicates the items projected up front

-WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP-

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Carpenter’s Tools“You Are Good”

“All Because of Jesus”

“Marvelous Light”

-WE PRAISE GOD-

*Prayer of the Day - *Read in Unison*

Bend your ear to our prayers, Lord Christ, and come among us. By your gracious life and death for us, bring light into the darkness of our hearts, and anoint us with your Spirit, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Carpenter’s Tools SharingPresident Gabriella Funk

Carpenter’s Tools“My Soul Longs For You”

-GOD SPEAKS TO US-

Psalm (*read responsively*)Psalm 23

¹ The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

² ***He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;***

³ he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name’s sake.

⁴ ***Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil for you are with me; your rod and your staff— they comfort me.***

⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

⁶ **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.**

L: The Word of the Lord
C: **Thanks Be to God**

Children's Message

Holy Gospel John 9:1-15 & 24-39

*P: The Gospel according to John the 9th chapter

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

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. ²His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" ³Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." ⁶When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, ⁷saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. ⁸The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" ⁹Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." ¹⁰But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" ¹¹He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." ¹²They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know. ¹³They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. ²⁴So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." ²⁵He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." ²⁶They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" ²⁷He answered them, "I have

told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?"

²⁸Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. ²⁹We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from."

³⁰The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. ³¹We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. ³²Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. ³³If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." ³⁴They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

³⁵Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" ³⁶He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." ³⁷Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." ³⁸He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. ³⁹Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind."

*P: The Gospel of the Lord

*C: **Praise to You, O Christ**

Sermon

*Response Song "How Great Thou Art"
(Carpenter's Tools & Congregation)

-WE RESPOND TO GOD-

*Apostle's CreedPg. 33 (Blue)
Sharing of the Peace

Offering "Brokenness Aside"
(Carpenter's Tools)

*The Lord's Prayer

Carpenter's Tools SharingBecca Gardner
Offering for Carpenter Tools (Baskets in back of church)

Welcome to Worship at Immanuel!

We invite visitors to sign our guest book in the entry of the church. We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today, and hope you will be back to worship with us again. If you would like more information about Immanuel, contact the pastor or a Council member. We invite you for coffee, juice and treats in the Fellowship Hall (basement) following worship.

Carpenter's Tools - We welcome the group, Carpenter's Tools (with our very own Erica Borchert) to worship! Thank you to Carpenter's Tools for their music and message this morning.

20/20 Club - Congratulations to these Sunday School youth who have reached the 10/10 level in the 20/20 Club: Kelsie, Kylie, & Cael Blom. At the 15/15 level: Gavin Garcia, Steven & Travys Lawver. PreK-6th graders, keep filling out your 20/20 cards and putting them in the offering plate to record your attendance.

Food Share Month - March is Food Share Month! Bring in non-perishable food items during March to help fill the grocery cart.

Volunteers Needed - we are looking for some people to refill the children's church activity bags each week. If you are able to do this please leave your name in the office.

Lenten Service Project - We are collecting items to pack Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief. The Rugged Cross in the Narthex has tags hanging on it with various items that we need. Pick up a tag of an item you could provide, purchase the item, and bring it back to Immanuel by April 13. Our Confirmation class will be assembling the kits. There are several single items needed, or you can choose to provide a complete kit, or money to help cover the shipping costs. An informational flyer is also available at the foot of the cross. We would love to be able to provide 30 kits!

Atwater Baseball Association - Will be holding it's Annual Supper & Silent Auction on Friday, April 4th, 2014 from 5:30-8pm at the Atwater Community Center. Serving: Brats, Hot Dogs, Burgers, Chips, & Beans. Free will donation with proceeds benefiting local baseball including: ACGC Falcons, Tri-Town Black Sox, Atwater Chuckers, and improvements to Kingery field.

Choir Rehearsal - choir will not be meeting on Wednesday, April 2 we will meet again on Wednesday, April 9 at 6:15pm.

Email Addresses - We are still looking for email addresses. We use the addresses to send out various church info and reminders. Please leave a note with your email address or send a message to imman@frontiernet.net

Camper Book Sale - Our book area has a new look. Browse through the bookcases, there are books for all ages. Price is the same, only \$1 for hardcover and \$0.50 for paperback. Thanks for supporting Immanuel's Bible Campers!

This Week At Immanuel

Today - March 30

9:00 a.m.Worship
Carpenter's Tools
10:00 a.m.Fellowship
10:15 a.m.Sunday School/ Confirmation
10:45 a.m.Lenten Book Discussion
5-7 p.m.Family Game Night

Monday, March 31Pastor Christa's Sabbath

Tuesday, April 1

10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.Pastors' Text Study
5:30 p.m.1st Communion Class
9:15 p.m. -10:00 p.m.Online Lenten Book Discussion

Wednesday, April 2

5:30 p.m.Lenten Supper@Bethlehem
7:00 p.m.Lenten Worship @Bethlehem

Thursday, April 3

9:00 a.m.Women's Bible Study@Peaceful Thymes

Next Sunday, April 6

9:00 a.m.Worship/Holy Communion
10:00 a.m.Fellowship
10:15 a.m.Sunday School/ Confirmation
10:45 a.m.Lenten Book Discussion

Financial Report

Total Offering (March 23, 2014) \$1649.00
Total Attendance (March 23, 2014) 105
Proposed Monthly Ministry Goal \$14,807.00
Needed to Meet March Financial Commitments \$5738.00