

-ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION-

Communion Invitation - All baptized Christians, who believe that Jesus Christ comes to us in and through the bread and wine of Holy Communion are invited to participate in the Lord's Supper. Young persons not yet communing are asked to fold their hands and receive a blessing from the pastor. Those communing are asked to hold out their hand, palm up. Grape juice is available for those who prefer it; simply cover your hand over the cup, and the pastor will serve you grape juice. Welcome to the Lord's Table!

- Great ThanksgivingPg. 129 (Red)
- Sanctus #525 "You Are Holy, You Are Whole" (Red)
- Words of InstitutionPg. 130 - #11 (Red)
- The Lord's PrayerCongregation Sings ("Debts," "Debtors")

Distribution of the Lord's Supper

- Lamb of GodPg. 135 (Red)
- Hymns During Communion #751 (3 times), 462, 479 (Red)
- Post-Communion PrayerPg. 136 (Red)

-WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD-

Announcements

Blessing

Pastor: As the earth keeps turning, hurtling through space, and night falls and day breaks from land to land, Let us remember that in waking, sleeping, being born and dying we are part of one world, one humanity. Let us go from here in peace and serve the Lord.

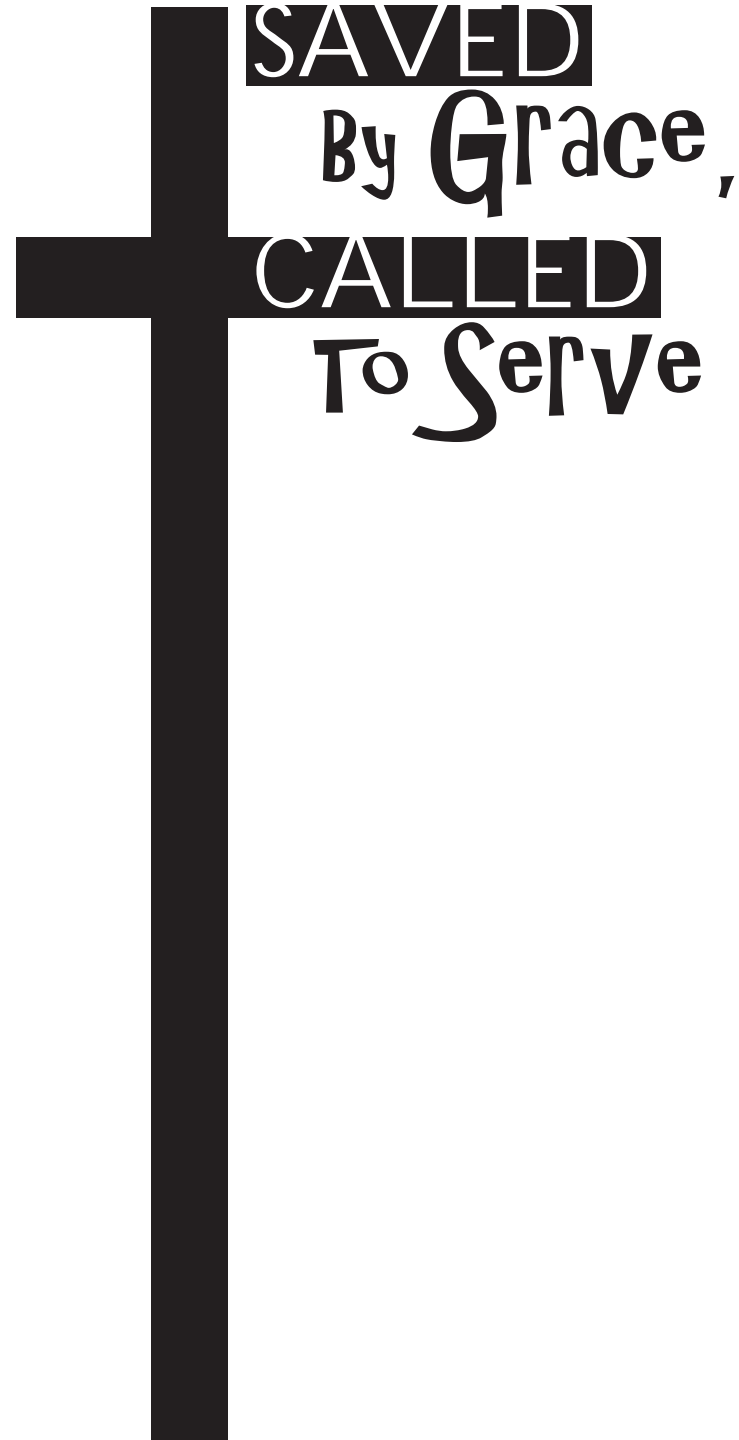
Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Closing Hymn #798 "Will You Come and Follow Me" - Verses 1, 5 (Red)

Postlude

ENABLING OUR MINISTRY

Ministers All Members	Communion Assistant John Hagstrom
Presiding Minister Daniel Belgum-Blad	Lector Julie Madsen
Council President Bob Starz	Acolyte Mark Pirsig
Organist Marion Kingery	Ushers Pat & Sandy Walsh
Secretary Janelle Eisenbacher Roger & Janet Rossell
Sextons Paul & Rolayne Beerman family	Greeters Dan & Sandy Petersen
Offering Counter Harlan Madsen	Coffee Servers Bob & Yvonne Thomsen
Altar Guild ... Marty Kragenbring, Tracey Kalkbrenner Jim & Connie Halvorson



All Members: Ministers

3rd Sunday of Lent
February 24, 2008 - 9:00 a.m.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

*As we enter the Sanctuary, let us speak to God.
As we worship, let God speak to us.
As we leave, let us speak to each other.*

-WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP-

Prelude Music
Confession & ForgivenessPg. 116 (Red)
Gathering Song#723 “Canticle of the Turning” - Verses 1-2 (Red)

-WE PRAISE GOD-

KyriePg. 120 (Red)
Hymn of PraisePg.121 (Red)
Prayer of the Day - Read in Unison

Eternal Lord, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your Word and obey it, so that we become instruments of your redeeming love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

-GOD SPEAKS TO US-

First Lesson Exodus 17:1-7

^{17:1} From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ^{17:2} The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" ^{17:3} But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" ^{17:4} So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." ^{17:5} The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ^{17:6} I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ^{17:7} He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

Second Lesson Romans 5:1-11

^{5:1} Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ^{5:2} through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ^{5:3} And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance,

^{5:4} and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ^{5:5} and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. ^{5:6} For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ^{5:7} Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person--though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ^{5:8} But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ^{5:9} Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ^{5:10} For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ^{5:11} But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Gospel AcclamationPg. 216 “Return to the Lord, your God...” (Red)

Holy Gospel John 4:5-42

Congregation Responds“Glory to You, O Lord”

Following Gospel Reading Congregation Responds“Praise to You, O Christ”

Sermon“Home is Church, Too”

We pause to reflect on how God is at work in the Word and Sacraments, in our lives, and in the world. You may wish to pray, or simply be silent before God.

-WE RESPOND TO GOD-

Hymn of the Month#641 “All Are Welcome” - Verses 1,3,5 (Red)

Apostles' CreedPg. 127 (Red)

Installation of Council Members

Offering

Offertory#184 “Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord...” (Red)

*“Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.*

*Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer.
Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.”*

Prayers of the Church

Sharing of the Peace

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

Today-Sunday-February 24 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m.Worship/Holy Communion
 10:00 a.m.Fellowship
 10:15 a.m.Sunday School
 10:30 a.m.Frogs Without Legs Book Study

Tuesday 8:00 a.m.Women's Morning Bible Study @ UMC

Wednesday 9:00 a.m.Fold Outreach
 5:30 p.m.Lenten Supper
 7:00 p.m.Lenten Worship @ Immanuel

Thursday 8:00 a.m.Men's Morning Bible Study @ UMC
 3:15 p.m.1st Communion Instruction

Next Sunday-March 2 - 4th Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m.Worship/Holy Communion
 10:00 a.m.Fellowship
 10:15 a.m.Sunday School
 10:30 a.m.Frogs Without Legs Book Study

FINANCIAL REPORT

Offering from Wed., February 13, 2008 - 7:00 p.m.

Attendance90
 Regular Offering\$650.50
 TOTAL\$650.50

February Ministry Goal*\$10,897.47
 Needed (To Date) To Meet Feb. Ministry Goal\$3062.90

Offering from Sun., February 17, 2008 - 9:00 a.m.

Attendance110
 Regular Offering\$2109.00
 Building Fund\$110.00
 Sunday School\$9.50
 Pony Express\$10.00
 TOTAL\$2238.50

February Ministry Goal*\$10,897.47
 Needed (To Date) To Meet Feb. Ministry Goal\$824.40

*Our Ministry Goal is the amount we need each month to undertake & accomplish the ministries & mission we have agreed to as God's called and sent people.

Chocolate for a Sweetheart or Sweet Tooth?

We will have Fair Trade chocolate available today. Immanuel mission trip youth will be selling these as a fund raiser for their summer mission trip. Your purchase will benefit both cocoa farmers in Ghana (who get a fair price -- see brochures on this project of Lutheran World Relief) and our youth, who are trying to raise money for their trip. Thank you and enjoy!

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 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.

Prayer Concerns

Our church and other area churches; our community; our Synod Bishop, Jon Anderson, and Synod staff, the SW Minnesota and the ELCA Synod; our nation; our companion synod: The South Eastern Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Southern Africa; we remember the people of Palestine and Israel; those serving in the armed services; and that all people on earth may lay down their arms and work for peace and justice for all; our missionaries: James and Carol Sack, serving in Japan; (Please let us know if you have specific prayer requests).

Pray for our Congregation - and Lenten series!

We invite you to pray for our entire congregation during this Lenten series of teaching and preaching. On the table in the narthex, you may pick up a card that reminds you to pray each day. Please take the card with you as a reminder of your commitment to pray.

Lenten Adult Study Today at 10:30 a.m.

We continue our Study of the book "Frogs without Legs Can't Hear". Anyone is welcome to join in this study at any time. We will meet in the library.

Musical Performance at Calvary Lutheran Church Today

"Lost and Found," the musical duo, is at Calvary Lutheran Church in Willmar at 4 p.m. today. They have sung/performed at the National Lutheran Youth gatherings. Tickets are \$10.

Midweek Lenten Service & Supper

Our Lenten service this week is at Immanuel at 7:00 p.m. Supper is served from 5:30-6:45 p.m. before the service. We will be serving BBQ's.

Lutheran Men in Mission Retreat

This retreat is March 14-15 At Green Lake Bible Camp. The keynote speaker this year is Patrick Moore of Montevideo.

Faith Talk Cards Available

We have a few sets of "Faith Talk" cards available for purchase. One set is for use with children (\$20), and one set is the more traditional version (\$30). Contact the church office if you would like to purchase a set.