



# 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.*

## **-THE GATHERING TIME-**

Gathering Music

Greeting .....Pg. 4 (Chicago Folk Service Booklet)

Prayer of the Day - Read in Unison

**O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us with the king heirs of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Song of Praise .....Pg. 5 (Chicago Folk Service Booklet)

## **-THE SERVICE OF THE HEARERS-**

Old Testament Reading ..... **Exodus 24:12-18**

<sup>24:12</sup> The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." <sup>24:13</sup> So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. <sup>24:14</sup> To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." <sup>24:15</sup> Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>24:16</sup> The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. <sup>24:17</sup> Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. <sup>24:18</sup> Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

New Testament Reading ..... **2 Peter 1:16-21**

<sup>1:16</sup> For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>1:17</sup> For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." <sup>1:18</sup> We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>1:19</sup> So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. <sup>1:20</sup> First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, <sup>1:21</sup> because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Al-le-lu-le, Alleluia .....Pg. 6 (Chicago Folk Service Booklet)

Reading from the Good News .....Matthew 17:1-9

Congregation Responds .....**"Glory to You, O Lord"**

<sup>17:1</sup> Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. <sup>17:2</sup> And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>17:3</sup> Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>17:4</sup> Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>17:5</sup> While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" <sup>17:6</sup> When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. <sup>17:7</sup> But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." <sup>17:8</sup> And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. <sup>17:9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Congregation Responds .....**"Praise to You, O Christ"**

Sermon

Hymn ..... **#815 "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" (Red)**

## **-THE SERVICE OF THE DOERS-**

Creed (Sung in Unison) .....Pg. 7-9 (Chicago Folk Service Booklet)

Act of Reconciliation .....Pg. 9-10 (Chicago Folk Service Booklet)

Sharing of the Peace

Deacon's Prayer .....Pg. 10-11 (Chicago Folk Service Booklet)

Offering

Offertory .....Pg. 11-12 (Chicago Folk Service Booklet)

Offertory Prayer .....Pg. 12 (Chicago Folk Service Booklet)

## THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

### Today-Sunday-February 3 - Transfiguration of Our Lord

9:00 a.m. ....Worship/Holy Communion  
 10:00 a.m. ....Fellowship  
 10:15 a.m. ....Sunday School  
 10:30 a.m. ....Adult Study

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

**Wednesday** After School ....Good News Bearers (until 5 p.m.)  
 5:30 p.m. ....Lenten Supper  
 7:00 p.m. ....Ash Wednesday Worship/Holy Communion  
 Following Worship ....8th-9th Grade Mentor/Mentee Orientation

**Thursday** 8:00 a.m. ....Men's Morning Bible Study @ UMC

**Saturday** 4:30 p.m. ....Contemporary Team Music Rehearsal

### Next Sunday-February 10 - 1st Sunday of Lent - CAMP SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. ....Contemporary Worship  
 10:00 a.m. ....Fellowship  
 10:15 a.m. ....Sunday School  
 10:30 a.m. ....Adult Study  
 5:00 p.m. ....Christian Education Team Meets

### Bible Camp Fundraisers

If you are planning to attend Bible Camp this summer and would like to help with the camp fundraisers, please contact the church office. We will be serving Lenten suppers, beginning Feb. 6, and will also be selling Tastefully Simple food products later in the spring. You must participate in the fundraisers to be eligible for the funds. *This fundraiser money is in addition to the camp tuition money provided by Immanuel.*

## FINANCIAL REPORT

### Offering from Sunday, January 27, 2008 - 9:00 a.m.

Attendance .....	101
Regular Offering .....	\$1955.00
Building Fund .....	\$35.00
Pony Express .....	\$10.00
Sunday School .....	\$4.00
Confirmation Bibles .....	\$30.00
Timothy Project .....	\$150.00
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$2184.00</b>

January Ministry Goal\* .....\$15,305.55  
 Needed (To Date) To Meet Jan. Ministry Goal .....\$4009.40

\*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.

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### Waffle Brunch Today

The Atwater Lions Club is hosting an all-you-can-eat Belgian Waffle Brunch at the Atwater Community Center February 3 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Cost is \$6.50/adult. Children age 5 and under eat free. Proceeds will be used to support Early Childhood Education at ACGC North Elementary.

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Welcome To Worship At Immanuel!

We invite all visitors to sign our guest book at the entry of the church. We hope that you will find Christian friendliness which brings you back to worship with us again.

### 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 and sign the sheet next to the cards to indicate your commitment to pray.

### Lent Begins February 6

Ash Wednesday is this coming Wednesday, and we begin our Lenten pilgrimage to the Cross of Jesus (and the empty tomb). Join us for worship as we are reminded of the depth of God's love, and of our own mortality, and the hope in which we live. Our theme is "Frogs Without Legs For Lent." Weekly topics are as follows:

Feb. 6 (Immanuel) ... "The Disciplines of Lent"	Feb. 27 (Immanuel) ... "Praying Church Frogs"
Feb. 13 (Immanuel) ... "Hopping Frogs"	Mar. 5 (Bethlehem) ... "Frogs for the Pond"
Feb. 20 (Bethlehem) ... "Croaking Frogs"	Mar. 12 (Immanuel) "Frog Habits & Habitats"

### Lenten Suppers Begin February 6

A Lenten supper will be served from 5:30 - 6:45 p.m. before our Ash Wednesday worship. The menu this week is spaghetti, salad, and garlic bread. The suppers this year are being served by our Bible campers. The free will offering collected will help fund summer Bible camp. Please support our campers by attending these suppers!

### Small Group Lenten Study Begins Today

How is faith formed in our lives - and the lives of our children? How can we pass on the precious gift of a living faith to our children? Would you like to learn some easy-to-apply tools for sharing faith conversations with your children? A good opportunity to learn more and grow in this area, with other parents, is this Lenten season. We are organizing small groups using the book: "Frogs Without Legs Can't Hear: Nurturing Disciples in Home and Congregation." There is a sign up sheet in the narthex for this study. One group will be meeting at 10:00 after the worship service in the room across from the kitchen each Sunday of Lent. Other groups can meet at a time/place that works for their members. Or, you can read the book on your own, if you prefer. We hope you will consider this as a way to fellowship with other parents and to discuss parenting, 'growing faith' among our children, and to support one another as parents!