

-WE RESPOND TO GOD-

Hymn of the Day #805 "Lead On, O King Eternal!" (Red)

The Prayers of the Church
The Lord's Prayer

Offering
Offertory #186 "Create in Me a Clean Heart" (Red)
*"Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit."*

Offertory Prayer
Pastor: Let us pray
Pastor: Merciful God,
Congregation: in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you embrace our lives with your great love for humanity. With joy and gladness we ask that these gifts may be for many a sign of that love, and that we may continue to share in your divine life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

-WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD-

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Hymn #661 "I Love to Tell the Story" - Verses 1 & 3 (Red)

Postlude

ENABLING OUR MINISTRY

Ministers All Members	Lector Pat Heining
Presiding Minister Daniel Belgum-Blad	Acolyte Kendra Bengston
Council President Bob Starz	Ushers Harlan & Jennifer Davenport
Organist Marion Kingery	Vivian Nelson
Secretary Janelle Eisenbacher	Doris Thompson
Sextons Paul & Rolayne Beerman family	Greeters Pat Heining
Offering Counter Dan Pirsig	Coffee Servers Roger & Robin Johnson
Altar Guild Jolene Garberich	JJ. & Kristin Straumann

SAVED
By Grace,
CALLED
To Serve



Lazarus, come out!
JN. 11:43

All Members: Ministers

5th Sunday of Lent
March 9, 2008 - 9:00 a.m.

Immanuel Lutheran Church
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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
Welcome & Invocation
Gathering Hymn **#660 "Lift High the Cross"-Verses 1-2 (Red)**

Holy Baptism **Pg. 227 (Red)**
Post-Baptism Hymn **#660 "Lift High the Cross"-Verses 3-4 (Red)**

-WE PRAISE GOD-

Greeting & Kyrie **Pg. 120 (Red)**

Prayer of the Day - *Read in Unison*
Almighty God, our redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope in the world. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of 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 **Ezekiel 37:1-14**
^{37:1} The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ^{37:2} He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ^{37:3} He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." ^{37:4} Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ^{37:5} Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ^{37:6} I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD." ^{37:7} So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ^{37:8} I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. ^{37:9} Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." ^{37:10} I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. ^{37:11} Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel.

They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' ^{37:12} Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ^{37:13} And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ^{37:14} I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

Psalm (*Read Responsively*) **Psalm 130**
^{130:1} Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.
^{130:2} **Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!**
^{130:3} If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?
^{130:4} **But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.**
^{130:5} I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;
^{130:6} **my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.**
^{130:7} O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.
^{130:8} **It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.**

Second Lesson **Romans 8:6-11**
^{8:6} To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ^{8:7} For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, ^{8:8} and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. ^{8:9} But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ^{8:10} But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ^{8:11} If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Gospel Acclamation **Pg. 125 "Let your steadfast love..." (Red)**

Holy Gospel **John 11:1-45**
Congregation Responds **"Glory to You, O Lord"**
Congregation Responds (*following Gospel reading*) **"Praise to You, O Christ"**

Children's Message

Hymn **#515 "Break Now the Bread of Life" (Red)**

Sermon **"Spacious Life"**

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

Today-Sunday-March 9 - 5th Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m.Worship - *Baptism of Joslyn Fluck & Ethan Rossell*
 10:00 a.m.Fellowship
 10:15 a.m.Sunday School
 10:30 a.m.Frogs Without Legs Book Study
 11:00 a.m.Fellowship Hall Reserved for Rossell Family
 5:00 p.m.Christian Education Team Meets

Tuesday 8:00 a.m.Women's Morning Bible Study @ Immanuel
 1:00 p.m.Women's Afternoon Bible Study @ Marion Kingery's

Wednesday 5:30 p.m.Lenten Supper
 5:45 p.m.Ministry Teams Meet
 6:00 p.m.Women's Chorus Rehearsal
 7:00 p.m.Lenten Worship @ Immanuel
 8:00 p.m.Council Meets

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

Saturday 9:00 a.m.Altar Guild Cleaning Day

Next Sunday-March 16 - Palm Sunday

9:00 a.m.Worship - *Children's Palm Procession*
 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 27, 2008 - 7:00 p.m.

Attendance69
 Regular Offering \$450.00
 TOTAL \$450.00

February Ministry Goal* \$10,897.47
 Needed (To Date) To Meet Feb. Ministry Goal \$-2169.85

Offering from Sun., March 2, 2008 - 9:00 a.m.

Attendance92
 Regular Offering \$3235.00
 Building Fund \$80.00
 Sunday School \$25.80
 Pony Express \$10.00
 Organ \$10.00
 TOTAL \$3360.80

March Ministry Goal* \$10,897.47
 Needed (To Date) To Meet March Ministry Goal \$7536.67

ELCA Human Sexuality Draft

The ELCA Human Sexuality Draft is scheduled to be released on the following date. If you are unable to download your own copy by computer, please contact the church office and we can see that you get a copy. March 13, 1:00 p.m., EDT - DRAFT social statement on human sexuality is released. It will be available at www.elca.org/faithfuljourney and a copy will be mailed to every rostered leader.

*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.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome To Worship At Immanuel!

God's grace and peace be with you today. We welcome visitors, and invite you to sign our guest book in the entry of the church. Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the basement Fellowship Hall following worship. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

OUTREACH ARTICLES DUE NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 16

Holy Baptism Celebrated Today

God's blessings be upon the parents of Joslyn Rose Fluck, daughter of Jenneil Lennes and Stephen Fluck, and Ethan James Rossell, son of Stacy and Brittany Rossell - and upon these newly baptized infants -- both of whom are being baptized this morning. Joslyn's sponsors are Richard Lennes, Aaron Lennes, Karla Rick, and Jannelle Vought. Ethan's sponsors are Micheal & Debra Levinski and Jackie Nelson & Jeffery Stegeman.

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

Our Adult Study this morning continues the theme from our "Frogs Without Legs Can't Hear," series. Today's topic is "From Church Frogs Come Tadpoles: It takes Christian parents & other adults to raise Christian youth." We meet in the library at 10:30 a.m.

Women's Chorus for Easter Sunday

All women of Immanuel are invited to come to the rehearsal for a Women's Chorus which will sing Easter Sunday (March 23). The rehearsals will be Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in the sanctuary. If you have questions contact Deb Mickle (974-3320).

Tastefully Simple Camper Fundraiser

Our Bible Campers are selling Tastefully Simple Food items through March 30. If you would like to purchase items, please contact a camper or the church office.

Midweek Lenten Service & Supper

Our Lenten service this week is at Immanuel at 7:00 p.m. Supper is from 5:30-6:45 p.m. Our Bible campers and parents will be serving a variety of soups and sandwiches.

Fair Trade Chocolate

Fair Trade chocolate is still available today. Your purchase will benefit both cocoa farmers in Ghana and our youth, who are trying to raise money for their summer mission trip. Thank you and enjoy!

Still Time To Sign Up For Youth Mission Trip

Sign up today for the Summer Mission Trip (for all 7th-12 graders) to Idaho in the Narthex. Deposit is \$50.

Palm Sunday Concert

There will be a Palm Sunday Community Concert Sunday, March 16 at 2 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Grove City. A free will offering will be taken. Refreshments and social hour will follow. Everyone welcome!

St. John's Lutheran Church Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 15, at 9:30 a.m.