

# Fourth Sunday in Lent



<sup>14</sup> "And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so it is necessary for the Son of Man to be lifted up;"

## Immanuel Lutheran Church

March 10, 2024



**Welcome to our guests** – Welcome to our Divine Service at Immanuel. We are sincerely pleased to have you with us today. You are about to have a conversation with God, in God's own words. If you are familiar with the Bible, you will recognize the words that go into your ears and come out of your mouth. This is the Historic Liturgy, the structure of which goes all the way back

to the days of Moses. We call it Divine Service, because the Lord Himself bestows on us His gifts of grace that Jesus earned for us through His righteous life and atoning death through His Word and Sacraments. Please read our Communion statement below.

Please sign your name in our guest register found in the narthex .

**Families worshipping together** – We encourage families to worship together. A nursery equipped with a video feed of the church service is located near the sanctuary. If your child becomes restless during worship, you are welcome to use this facility. An usher would be happy to help you.

**Cell phones** – Please turn off your cell phones and other electronic devices before you enter the sanctuary.

**Reverence in the Sanctuary** –During the Service, the quiet times are an intentional part of the liturgy, such as during the playing of the prelude, communion, and times of prayer. Please help us maintain a reverent atmosphere by not talking in the sanctuary before or during the service. Thank you.

**Keep Communion cups visible** – During Communion, if you use an individual cup, please keep it uncovered and visible so that Pastor Colageo can see who is waiting for the common cup.

**Communion Statement:** This morning, we prayerfully partake of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. We believe that when we receive the bread and wine, we receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, we know not how. As we receive this holy mystery, we also give public confession to our unity in the Christian faith. We therefore invite all communicant members of any congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod to commune. Guests are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. As it was with the very first disciples of Jesus, our practice is to receive instruction in the Faith leading to Holy Communion. If you would like to join our instruction class, Pastor would *love* to instruct you.

## Worship Folder

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*Divine Service, Setting Three*

**Prelude:** *Hear, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face*

*S. Eartherton*

*(Please stand.)*

**Opening Hymn:** "My Faith Looks Up To Thee" **702**

**The Preparation**

**Invocation**

P: In the name of the Father and the + Son and the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**The Confession of Sins**

*(Hebrews 4:16, 10:23)*

P: Beloved in the Lord. Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, imploring Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

*(Psalm 124:8)*

**C: who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,

**C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*(Psalm 32:5)*

*(We kneel.)*

P: O almighty God,

**C: merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**

*(Ezekiel 18:20 , 1 John 1:8 , Isaiah 6:1-7)*

**+ The Absolution +**

*(John 20:18-23)*

**C: Amen.**

+ **The Service of the Word** +

**Introit**

*Ps. 27:3–5; antiphon: Ps. 27:1*

P: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?\*

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?

C: **Though an army encamp against me, my heart | shall not fear;\***  
**though war arise against me, yet I will be | confident.**

**One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek | after:\***  
**that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,**  
**to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in His | temple.**

**For He will hide me in His shelter in the day of | trouble;\***  
**He will conceal me under the cover of His tent;**  
**He will lift me high up- | on a rock.**

P: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?\*

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?

**Kyrie**

*LSB p. 186*

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

**Collect**

*(Philippians 4:6)*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with your spirit.**

P: Let us pray:

**C: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
Your mercies are new every morning;  
and though we deserve only punishment,  
You receive us as Your children**

**and provide for all our needs of body and soul.**

**Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness,  
give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience;  
through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns  
with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.)*

**+ The Old Testament Lesson +** *Numbers 21:4–9*

<sup>4</sup>From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup>And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” <sup>6</sup>Then the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. <sup>7</sup>And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord and against you. Pray to the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup>And the Lord said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” <sup>9</sup>So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

L: This is the word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**+ The Epistle Lesson +** *Ephesians 2:1–10*

<sup>1</sup>And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup>in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup>among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. <sup>4</sup>But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— <sup>6</sup>and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup>not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

L: This is the word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.)*

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## **The Gospel**

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*John 3:14-21*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

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

<sup>14</sup> “And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so it is necessary for the Son of Man to be lifted up; <sup>15</sup> in order that whoever believes in Him have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup> “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

<sup>17</sup> “For God did not send the Son into the world in order to condemn the world, rather in order that the world be saved through Him.

<sup>18</sup> “Whoever believes in Him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup> And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup> For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. <sup>21</sup> But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

### **The Apostles' Creed**

**C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy Christian Church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*(Please be seated.)*

# Children's Message

Sermon Hymn: "God Loved the World So That He Gave"

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## + *The Sermon* +

The Offertory *LSB p. 192 (Ps. 51:10-12) (Please stand.)*



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Offering (Psalm 116:12-14, 17-19)

*(Please be seated.)*

Offertory: "Abide With Me" *D. Cherwien*

Prayer of the Church

(1 Timothy 2:1-6)

*(Please stand.)*

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

# + The Service of The Lord's Supper +

## Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)

**C: And with your spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

(Colossians 3:1)

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

(Psalm 136)

## Proper Preface

P: It is truly good, right, and good for us to give thanks always and everywhere to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. For on the tree of the cross You gave salvation to mankind so that just as death originally came by that tree in the garden, now life comes from the tree of Golgotha. Likewise, just as the devil once overcame Adam and Eve by a tree, now the devil himself is overcome by the tree of the cross, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## The Sanctus

LSB p. 195 (Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:4)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,  
bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



# The Lord's Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13)

Let us pray together in Jesus' name:

**C: 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.**

## + **The Words of Institution** +

LSB p. 217 (1Corinthians 11:23-26)

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "*Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.*"

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying: "*Drink of it, all of you; this cup is My blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.*"

## Pax Domini

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

## Agnus Dei

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.**

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the  
world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

*Please be seated.)*

## + **The Holy Communion** +

*(Please see our Communion Statement on page 2.)*

### Distribution Hymns:

**Choir Anthem:** "From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee"

**Congregation:** "What Wondrous Love Is This"      **543**

*(Please stand.)*

**Post Communion Cantic:** "On My Heart Imprint Your Image"      **422**

### Post Communion Collect

P: Let us pray:

**C: We give thanks to You, almighty God,  
that You have refreshed us through this healing gift of life,  
and we implore You that of Your mercy  
You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and  
in fervent love toward one another;  
through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### The Benediction

*(Numbers 6:22-27)*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance on you and + give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

**Closing Hymn:** "Glory Be to Jesus"      **433**

### Announcements *(Please be seated.)*

**Postlude:** "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"      *R. Powell*



*Dear friends and guests,*  
We are delighted to have you with us this Lord's day.  
We invite you to visit again and receive the grace of our  
Lord Jesus Christ with us.

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