

Heavenly Father, You sent Your Son into the world, as a man, in order to make a journey. This journey was a three year trek to a cross. He came onto earth to complete a ministry, His ministry of grace. This culminated in His taking upon Himself our sins and suffering our punishment. Open our hearts Lord to understand more fully His sacrifice and open our lips to share this truth. In Jesus' name we ask this. Amen.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH 3rd Sunday in Lent
Church Phone: 812-867-5088 Pastor's Cell Phone: 812-760-1854
March 8, 2026 --- 8:00 am Morning Worship

Opening Prayer **Opening Hymn:** *"Come Let us Join our Cheerful Hearts"* 812

Invocation: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C:** *Amen.*

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.	C: <i>Who made the heavens and earth.</i>
P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.	C: <i>Make haste to help me, O Lord.</i>
P: Jesus began His walk to the cross	C: <i>When He was baptized in the Jordan</i>
P: He placed His own righteousness	C: <i>Upon this Sacrament to the church</i>
P: Jesus walked the path	C: <i>Laid out for Him by the Father.</i>
P: He shared the Father's grace	C: <i>With those who were hurting</i>
P: Jesus walked the path	C: <i>Of the Sacrificial Lamb</i>
P: Jesus willingly placed Himself	C: <i>In the position to be sacrificed</i>
P: This is the day the Lord has made.	C: <i>Let us rejoice and be glad in it.</i>

Confession and Absolution: pg. 184 /// **The Introit:** *Psalm 95: 1-9*

P: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. **C:** *Let us come before Him with thanksgiving and extol Him with music and song.*

P: For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods. **C:** *In His hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to Him.*

P: The sea is His, for He made it, and His hands formed the dry land. **C:** *Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for He is our God and we are the people of His pasture, the flock under His care.*

P: Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts as you did at Meribah, as you did that day at Massah in the desert, **C:** *Where your fathers tested and tried Me, though they had seen what I did.*

Gloria Patri: Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to the God the Son, Glory be to God the Spirit, Great Jehovah Three in One! Glory, Glory, While eternal ages run. (LSB 506)

Kyrie: Have mercy on Your people, Lord. Have mercy Christ, Our King (LSB 733) Renew us by Your mercy, Lord; Accept the prayers we bring.

P: The Lord be with you. **C:** *And with your spirit.*

Collect: O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C:** *Amen.*

Hymn: “*Rock of Ages*” 761

(Prefatory Remarks) **O.T. Lesson:** *Exodus 17: 1-7* /// **Epistle Lesson:** *Romans 5: 1-8*

Hymn: *Tune 434 “Lamb of God Pure and Holy”*

Hear us Lord when we seek You Grant us hearts that are caring
Help us bring Your blessings! To others who are hurting.
Guide us through all life’s burdens Your strength be boldly on us.
So we may always Seek Your grace, In Your name! Amen!

Holy Gospel: *John 4: 5-26* /// **Confession of Faith:** *Apostle’s Creed (back of hymnal)*

Sermon Hymn: “*Christ the Word of God Incarnate*” 540

Children’s Sermon /// **Sermon** /// **Confessional Hymn:** “*In God We Believe*” (802)

In God we believe: the Creator whose pow’r In mercy has brought us renewal this hour
In Jesus, the Savior, our hope is secure True God and True Man once the cross He endured

God’s Spirit at work in our lives we confess: With power and truth the church now He does bless
As saints, God’s forgiven, one day we shall then Be living in glory forever. Amen.

Offering brought to the Altar

Prayers: The families of Johnson, Markus, Kadie, Peyton and Paige; Johnson, Sarah, Shane, Sadie and Sofie; and Jones, Aaron, Hadley and Elliot.

Lord’s Prayer

Closing Hymn: “*How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds*” 524 vs. 1-4

Closing Collect: *Heavenly Father, You grant us Your Spirit to open our eyes and enlighten our minds to serve You and fellow believers; lead us by Your Spirit to enable us to witness of Your love, live according to Your will, bring Your Word of life to others, rejoice in the goodness You have showered upon us, and reflect Your love in how we reach out to others; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

Benediction

Kirk Horstmeyer , Pastor
Karen Whitehead, Organist

THIS WEEK

TODAY: Worship 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am
TUESDAY: Confirmation 6 pm
WEDNESDAY: LENTEN Meal 6:10 pm, and Worship
THURSDAY: Bible Study 9:30 am & 6 pm
Next SATURDAY: Confirmation 9:30 am, Worship w/HC 5:30
Next SUNDAY: Worship w/HC 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship w/HC 10:15 am, Council Meeting

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Sat, Feb 28: 54 LS: 46; Sun, Mar 1: 8 am: 67 LS: 49; 10:15 am: 56 LS: 37; Lent #3: 67

MEMBER PRAYER LIST: Next Sat and Sun we will be praying for the following: Jones, Karl, Theresa and Marshal; Juncker, Brian; and Karch, Allen, Christine and Allen.

LENTEN MEALS: Please join us for some great food and fellowship as we enter into the Lenten Season on Wednesday evenings at 6:10 pm.



We wish a very Happy Birthday to our members born this week in March:

7 – Debby Heitzman, 8 - Gayle Betulius, 8 – Jessa Clairday, 9 - Beckett Mills,
9 - Jaize Mills, 10 - Beverly Racine, 10 – Jamie Ames, 10 – Cedric Flood,
11 – Sarah Wittenbraker, 12 - Darlene Welte, 13 – Warren Hill, 13 – Samuel Belt

We wish a very Happy Baptismal Birthday to our members that were baptized this week: Kimberly Korff, Cedric Flood, Bryan Mason,

COUNCIL MEETING: Sunday, March 15 following the 10:15 am service.

LWML Indiana District Convention on June 26 – 28, 2026: Vanderburgh County 4-H Center, 201 E. Boonville-New Harmony Road, Evansville, IN for - Lutheran ladies coming together as God's children *united in faith* to proclaim the Gospel. **Knowing** the eternal gifts of God's grace and mercy received in His Word, baptism, and communion.

(Convention registration information is on-line at lwmlindiana.org)



June 26-28, 2026 Convention Communication

Convention registration on lwmlindiana.org.

Some Convention Happenings: Speaker –Rev. Gene Ernst, Orphan Grain Train; Silent Auction – your church or LWML group can donate an item or a gift basket for this event, proceeds will help fund requests for mission opportunities, for information contact Krista Newmaster (newmastersix@hotmail.com).

Needed – Chairman and Co-Chairman for: News Media, Ushers, and Pages.

Committee Chairmen meeting–March 21 at Shepherd of the Hills, Georgetown, IN, (CT) 9a.m.-1p.m.

The Lutheran Cemetery of Evansville is actively encouraging Lutherans to join the Cemetery's Trustee Board. If you are community-minded and have the talents to plan for the future we have a spot for you!

The Trustee Board meets six times a year on alternating months beginning in January. Meetings are held at the Cemetery office at 4:30 pm. The office is located at 1305 North St. Joseph Avenue.

Come join us for a meeting, check us out, and see if you would like to join. Despite all rumors, we do not bite and some consider us nice folks!

If you have any questions or would like more information, please feel free to contact President Jim Lutterman at jlafret2@gmail.com or call and leave a message at the Cemetery office at 812-422-2748.