

*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 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent**  
**Church Phone: 812-867-5088 Pastor's Cell Phone: 812-760-1854**  
**March 22, 2026 --- 8:00 am Morning Worship**

**Opening Prayer**      **Opening Hymn: "My Hope is Built" 575**

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

**Confession and Absolution:** pg. 184      */// The Introit: Psalm 130*

P: Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord; **C:** *O Lord, hear my voice. Let Your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.*

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand? **C:** *But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.*

P: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in His Word I put my hope. **C:** *My soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning.*

P: O Israel, put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord is unfailing love and with Him is full redemption. **C:** *He Himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.*

**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:** Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

**Hymn:** *“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”* 686

*(Prefatory Remarks)* **O.T. Lesson:** *Ezekiel 37: 1-14* /// **Epistle Lesson:** *Romans 8: 1-11*

**Hymn Prayer:** *Tune 434*

Lord give us eyes to see now The needs of others always  
Guide direct and guide us So we bring You praise all days  
Help us to honor and proclaim Your grace You’ve freely given  
We ask Your blessing On our work. For Your praise! Amen.

**Holy Gospel:** *John 11: 1-45* /// **Confession of Faith:** *Apostle’s Creed (back of hymnal)*

**Sermon Hymn:** *“Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good”* 819

**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: Karch, Kurt and Waverlyn; Kellner, Ethan, Emily and Gracie; and  
Kellner, Mike, Sue and Jacob.

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Closing Hymn:** *“My Song Is Love Unknown”* 430 vs 1-3,7

**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**

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**Kirk Horstmeyer, Pastor**  
**Karen Whitehead, Organist**

**THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY:** 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 8 am, SS-Easter Egg Hunt 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am

**WEEKLY ATTENDANCE:** Sat, Mar 14: 52 LS: 46; Sun, Mar 15: 8 am: 81 LS: 63; 10:15 am: 79 LS: 56; Lent #5: 62

**MEMBER PRAYER LIST:** Next Sat and Sun we will be praying for the following Knecht, Courtney, Joshua and Mia Racine; Kohlman, Paul and Charlotte; and Korff, Brent and Megan.

**THANK YOU:** *A heartfelt thanks and so much gratitude to my church family for the monetary gift, cards, love and kindness. It truly left me speechless. Each one of you is what makes Immanuel the special place that it is. With that serving to me has always felt like a privilege given, never a job. I pray God continues to bless each one of you and Immanuel as we continue to serve, work and move forward together. Debbie Snow*



**WEDDING/RECEPTION RSVPS NEEDED:** Many thanks to those who have already RSVPed to attend Pastor and Shelly's wedding and reception on Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. If you have not done so, please call 812-457-8515 no later than Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. Due to large numbers anticipated to attend, we need an accurate count for seating and food. Many Thanks! If you have any questions please contact Darlene Moog 812-916-2056



**We wish a very Happy Birthday to our members born this week in March:**  
21 – Nash Wittenbraker, 22 – Lauren Taylor, 22 – Tim Brauer, 22 – Johnathan Mans, 23 - Judy Wittman, 23 – Ruth Carrier, 25 - Allen Karch, 26 - Josie Newmaster, 27 – Addison Tharp, 27 – Grayson Lane

**We wish a very Happy Baptismal Birthday to our members that were baptized this week:** Clayton Lane, Matt Lane, Hadley Thiem, Bryan Snow, – Christopher Heilman, Jared Newmaster

**FROM THE CEMETERY BOARD: Mowing season is here, and the Cemetery Board wanted to remind everyone that we have to start following the rules for the cemetery during this mowing season.**

**\*The Immanuel Lutheran Church Cemetery Board revised the rules regarding decorations on graves effective July 1, 2021\*.**

**Floral decorations (both real and artificial) are permitted but must be placed in permanently installed flower vases or saddled on top of the headstone.**

**Shepherd hooks, statues, glass objects/containers, toys, stuffed animals, balloons, solar lights, among other things are not permitted. If you have questions, check with Cemetery Board for a copy of our Cemetery Rules and Regulations.**

