

# First Sunday in Lent

10:30 A.M. Worship with Eucharist March 1, 2020

### Welcome!

Immanuel Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.

We welcome people of every age and size, color and culture, every sexual orientation and gender identity, socio-economic status and marital status, every ability and challenge.

We welcome believers and questioners, and questioning believers.

We're glad God has called you here today! If you're a guest, please feel free to introduce yourself to our pastor or assisting minister. If you would, sign the guest book in the Gathering Area or fill in a guest card, and we'll be happy to send information on how you can get involved at Immanuel.

### **Facilities**

- Our parking lot is located on the south side of the church off Sherman Avenue. You may park in the lot at any time, whether for church events or for shopping or other errands in downtown Evanston; weekdays, see the church office at the Lake St. entrance to get a parking pass. On Sundays, additional parking is available across the street at the Holiday Inn or in Lot 6 on Lake St. across from the Police and Fire Headquarters. Parking meters are free until 1:00 P.M. on Sunday.
- The parking lot entrance is an accessible entrance. An elevator is located just inside that door.
- Restrooms are downstairs near the meeting of the two hallways. Accessible restrooms are located near
  the elevator on both upper and lower levels. A gender-neutral restroom is located on the lower level by
  the elevator.
- We love having children in worship! Activity bags are available from the greeters. There is a nursery and changing/crying room for parents to use, if needed, located downstairs. There are also changing tables in both restrooms on this level, by the elevator. An usher will be happy to direct you.
- Hearing assistance is available. Ask an usher for equipment.
- Wi-Fi is available throughout most of the building. The network is "Immanuel," password "allarewelcome". Please use the Internet responsibly!

### **About Our Worship**

Our Sunday worship is organized around the proclamation of the Word of God and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. It has a familiar form each week, but the content changes for each service according to a calendar shared with many other Christians. Our hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, is organized so that page numbers for the liturgy are in the front part of the book, while hymn numbers are in the second part. The liturgy and hymns are printed in this bulletin, but page numbers are provided for those who wish to follow along in the hymnal.

### **Receiving Holy Communion**

We invite you to share with us in the sacramental meal, because Christ himself invites you! There is no specific age requirement for Communion. If you would like your child to commune, please let the pastor know. At the direction of the usher, come forward if you are able, and kneel or stand at the altar rail, starting at the walls. Receive the bread in the palm of your hand. (Gluten-free wafers are available. Just ask the pastor.) You may eat it immediately, then take the silver chalice and drink from it or, if you prefer, take a small cup from the tray. The cups in the outer ring contain wine. The cups in the center contain grape juice. As you return to your seat, place your empty cup in the trays provided at the ends of the front pews. Return to your place via the side aisles after you have communed. If you need to have Communion brought to you, please sit on or near the aisle, and let either the pastor or an usher know before the service that you would like to commune at your seat. If you desire a blessing but not the sacrament, you are invited to come forward with everyone else and fold your arms over your chest to indicate this.

Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead.

**P:** Presiding Minister **L:** Leader/Assisting Minister **R:** Reader **A:** Assembly + All may make the sign of the cross.

### **Pre-Service Music**

"Settings of CWM RHONDDA" by Gerard Krapf, John Hughes and Wilbur Held "Settings of Lasset uns mit Jesu ziehen" by Melvin Rotermund and Paul Manz

The Assembly stands when directed and turns toward the font.

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the Presiding Minister begins.

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who gathers us in the wilderness to redeem us, anoint us, and make us new.
- A Amen.
- P In these forty days, let us be honest, confess our sin, and receive God's promise of mercy.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

- P God at the margins,
- A you have shown us what is good,
  We have wandered far from your home;
  again and again, we lose our way.
  We turn inward, afraid of the world around us.
  We forget that you have saved your people before and promise to do so again.
  Do not remember the deeds of our past, but turn our faces toward the future, where your forgiveness is sure, your welcome is clear, and your love overflows. Amen
- P Like a hen who gathers her chicks,
  God embraces you in tender care.
  Like manna in the desert,
  God feeds you with surprising mercy.
  Like a loving parent,
  God runs to meet you again this day,
  forgiving your sins for the sake of 

  ← Christ,
  leading you from death into life.

#### A Amen.

# **Gathering Song**

You may reverence the cross as it passes, then turn to face the front of the worship space.



# Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- A And also with you!

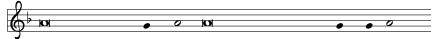






For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-va-tion, let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







For this ho-ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor-ship and praise,









# **Prayer of the Day**

P Let us pray. Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

A Amen.

The Assembly is seated.

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures**

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

R A reading from the Book of Genesis.

Human beings were formed with great care, to be in relationship with the creator, creation, and one another. The serpent's promise to the first couple that their eyes would be opened led, ironically, to the discovery only that they were naked.

<sup>15</sup>The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

<sup>3:1</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup>but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; <sup>5</sup>for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

- R Word of God, word of life.
- A Thanks be to God!

### Psalm 32

During this season of Lent, we will read the Psalm responsively, rather than sing it. The right side of the Assembly will speak the lightface verses, and the left will speak the boldface verses

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven, and whose sin is | put away!

<sup>2</sup>Happy are they to whom the LORD im- | putes no guilt, and in whose spirit there | is no guile!

<sup>3</sup>While I held my tongue, my bones with- | ered away, because of my groaning | all day long.

<sup>4</sup>For your hand was heavy upon me | day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the | heat of summer.

<sup>5</sup>Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not con- | ceal my guilt.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt | of my sin.

<sup>6</sup>Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in | time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they | shall not reach them.

<sup>7</sup>You are my hiding-place; you preserve | me from trouble; you surround me with shouts | of deliverance.

<sup>8</sup>"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that | you should go; I will guide you | with my eye.

<sup>9</sup>Do not be like horse or mule, which have no | understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will | not stay near you."

<sup>10</sup>Great are the tribulations | of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust | in the LORD.

<sup>11</sup>Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice | in the LORD; shout for joy, all who are | true of heart.

### **Reading from the New Testament**

Romans 5:12-19

R A reading from the Letter to the Romans.

Through Adam's disobedience, humanity came under bondage to sin and death, from which we cannot free ourselves. In Christ's obedient death, God graciously showers on us the free gift of liberation and life.

<sup>12</sup>Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—<sup>13</sup>sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. <sup>14</sup>Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

<sup>15</sup>But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. <sup>16</sup>And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. <sup>17</sup>If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

<sup>18</sup>Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. <sup>19</sup>For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

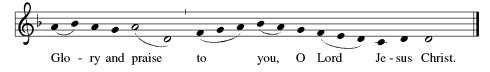
R Word of God, word of life.

### A Thanks be to God!

The Assembly stands to greet the Good News of Jesus.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

Hymnal p. 160b





One does not live by | bread alone,;\* but by every word | mouth of God. that comes from the

Gospel Matthew 4:1–11

P This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

### A Glory to you, O Lord!

Jesus experiences anew the temptations that Israel faced in the wilderness. As the Son of God, he endures the testing of the evil one.

<sup>1</sup>Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. <sup>3</sup>The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." <sup>4</sup>But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.""

<sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup>saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,'

and 'On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

<sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; <sup>9</sup>and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,

and serve only him."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

### A Praise to you, O Christ!

#### Sermon

### Time of Silence

A bell will sound to signal a time of silence for reflection.

During this time, you may want to meditate on one word from the scriptures or from the sermon that stands out to you, asking the Spirit to show you how it applies to your own life.

When the bell sounds a second time, the Assembly stands to respond to the Word with song.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

### Hymn of the Day



### **Prayers of the People**

- L Turning our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- L God of the wilderness, we pray for the church. We pray for our bishops, Elizabeth and Yehiel; for our president, Scott; for our Council; and for all those you have gathered here in your name. Lead us in showing grace and hospitality to all who struggle with doubt or shame. Make your church holy ground where all people can be seen and loved for who you have created them to be. Hear us, O God.

### A Your mercy is great.

L We pray for creation. Show your glory in deserts and on mountaintops. Nourish gardens and orchards and bless those who tend them. Forgive us for our desire to dominate creation instead of serving as faithful stewards and caretakers. Hear us, O God.

### A Your mercy is great.

L We pray for the nations. Liberate leaders and governments from the temptation to exercise unjust dominion over those whom they are called to lead and serve. Hear us, O God.

# A Your mercy is great.

L We pray for those in need. Sustain those who are hungry and alone, those who are anxious, those facing difficult decisions, and those facing a recent diagnosis or new grief, especially Rebecca Bernstein, Serena Bernstein, Margaret Carlson, Babs Deacon, Lucas Forzley, Bob Fried, Kim Gann, Jennifer Grethe, Judith Kratochvil, Richard Lewis, Elaine Nelson, Andy Sheer, Darryl Simchak, Alyssa Steinberg, Doris Strom, and those we name now aloud or in the silence of our hearts [...]. Hear us, O God.

### A Your mercy is great.

L We thank you for putting new songs on our lips and in our hearts. Hear our voices as we join in songs of lament and praise. We give thanks for musicians, composers, and poets. Hear us, O God.

### A Your mercy is great.

- L And now, sisters and brothers, for what else shall we pray?

  The petitions and thanksgivings of the Assembly, silent or spoken aloud, are invited.
- L Hear us, O God.

### A Your mercy is great.

L God of life, you reveal your saving love to us through the power of your Spirit. Give us that power during this time of waiting as we discern your will concerning the next pastor who will come to journey with us here. Hear us, O God.

### A Your mercy is great.

L We praise you for bringing us through the desert into the promised land of your kingdom. We give thanks for saints who have guided us in times of trial and joy, especially George Herbert, John Wesley, Charles Wesley, Perpetua, and Felicity. Hear us, O God.

### A Your mercy is great.

P According to your steadfast love, O God, hear these and all our prayers as we commend them to you; through Christ our Lord.

### A Amen.

### **Peace**

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

### A And also with you.

Greet one another in the peace of the Risen Christ, saying "Peace be with you," "The peace of the Lord," or similar words.

If you prefer not to shake hands, you might raise your hand in a gesture of blessing
as you speak peace to your neighbors. After the Peace, all return to their seats.

**Meal:** God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ ...

**Offering** An offering is gathered for doing God's mission, including the care of those in need.

# **Offering Music**

Adam lay ybounden, Bounden in a bond; Four thousand winter Thought he not too long. And all was for an apple, An apple that he took. As <u>clerkës</u> finden written In their book. "Adam Lay Unbounden" by Frank Ferko

Ne had the apple taken been, The apple taken been, Ne had never Our Lady, A-been <u>heaven-e queen</u>. Blessed be the time That apple taken was! Therefore we may singen Deo gratias! The Assembly stands and sings as the gifts are brought forward.

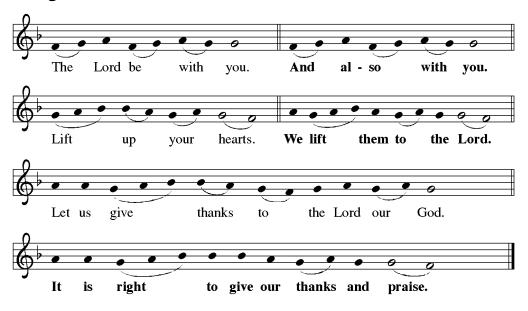


# **Offering Prayer**

- L Let us pray.
- A God of wonder,
  you have not fed us with bread alone,
  but with words of grace and life.
  Bless us, and these your gifts,
  which we receive from your bounty.
  through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **The Great Thanksgiving**

# **Dialogue**

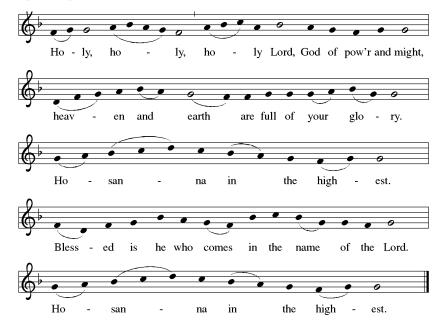


# **Preface** The Presiding Minister begins the prayer:



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# **Holy, Holy** The Assembly joins in singing:



## Thanksgiving at the Table

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

### A Amen.

### The Lord's Prayer

- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- A Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

# The Breaking of the Bread and Invitation

L Christ has prepared the feast!
Come to the table where all are welcomed home

### A Thanks be to God!

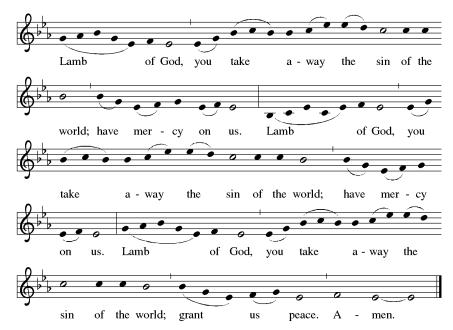
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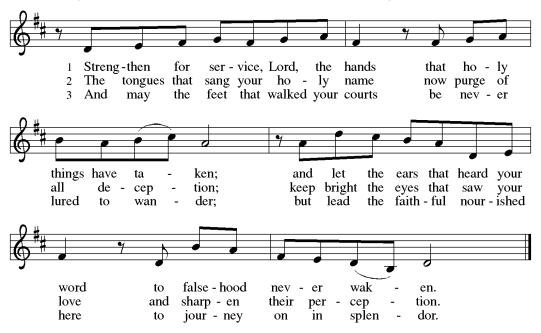
The Assembly is seated. Please come forward as the ushers direct, and as you are able.

See the inside front cover for instructions concerning Holy Communion.

### **Communion Song**

"Lamb of God" Hymnal p. 164





The Assembly stands when directed by the Presiding Minister.

# **Blessing after Communion**

P May the body and blood of our + Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you, and keep you in his grace.

### A Amen.

### **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray. Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

### A Amen.

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# **Sending of Communion**

P Let us pray. Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are *sick, homebound, and imprisoned*. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

### A Amen.

### **Sending Song**

"Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" [printed on next page] Hymnal 618

Please turn as the cross passes you to face the doors through which you will be sent out in mission.

### **Blessing**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

### A Amen.

### **Dismissal**

L Go in peace. Share the Good News!

### A Thanks be to God!

**Postlude** "Sortie" by Cesar Franck

Please stay for a time of fellowship immediately following the service in Fellowship Hall.

Refreshments are provided by Linda Edlund.

Come enjoy one another's company and hear about all the opportunities for service and community!

# Serving in worship today...

Presiding Minister	The Rev. John Lang
Assisting Minister	Kim Miller
Acolyte	Caroline Nakic
Lector	Susan Ross
Communion Minister	Anne Heider
Organist	James Morehead
Music Director	James Morehead
Table Preparation	Katherine Skelton
Communion Bread	Linda Edlund
Ushers	

# Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer



### This Week's Commemorations

# George Herbert, hymnwriter, d. 1633 Sunday, March 1, 2020

An excellent scholar, Herbert served briefly in the English parliament, then became a parish priest. He was known for devoted care of his parishioners, as well as for writing poetry and hymns, including "Come, my way, my truth, my life." He died at age 40.

# John Wesley, d. 1791; Charles Wesley, d. 1788; renewers of the church Monday, March 2, 2020

These brothers led a revival originally intended to remain within the Church of England, one that involved frequent communion and advocacy for the poor. Except for a brief time in America, they worked in England. Charles was also a prolific hymn writer. After their deaths, their work led to the formation of the Methodist Church.

# Perpetua and Felicity and companions, martyrs at Carthage, d. 202 Saturday, March 7, 2020

Vibia Perpetua was a noblewoman, and Felicity her slave, who were catechumens at Carthage, northern Africa. They, with four other catechumens, had defied the Roman emperor who had forbidden conversions to Christianity, and were put to death in the amphitheater.

# **Upcoming Events**

Wednesday, March 4	Dinner Church	6:30 PM
Thursday, March 5	Daytime Quilters	10:00 AM
Friday, March 6	Community Warming Center	2:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Saturday, March 7	Indoor Farmers' Market	8:30 AM - 1:00 PM
Sunday, March 8	DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME STARTS	
	Adult Spiritual Growth	9:00 AM
	Worship with Eucharist	10:30 AM
	Lenten Study at Grace Lutheran: "Making Sense of the Cross"	3:30 PM

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