

Immanuel

"God With Us"



February 16, 1852 - February 16, 2024

Happy Birthday Immanuel!
172 years

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Sunday Worship

9:00 am

with

LIVESTREAM –

FB & YOUTUBE

and RADIO – 103.7 FM

Monday Worship

6:30 pm



A Stephen
Ministry Congregation

Lent

February 18, 2024

PSALM 96:8

...Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts.

EXERCISE YOUR FAITH

...The Stewardship Board invites you to “Exercise Your Faith” and Read the Bible in a year! Each week a schedule of dates and verses will be listed; follow along to complete the Bible in 2024.

- February 19 – Romans 9, Isaiah 59-63
- February 20 – Romans 10, Isaiah 64-66
- February 21 – Romans 11, Exodus 1-3
- February 22 – Romans 12, Exodus 4:1-6:12
- February 23 – Romans 13, Exodus 6:13-8:32
- February 24 – Proverbs 4:1-19, Psalm 28-31
- February 25 – Home Devotion

THE BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP

...is excited to share that *FORGIVING*, the third book in the Red Letter Living series, has arrived at Immanuel. Stop by the church office to sign up for this at-home bible study and to pick up your book. Cost is \$10 per book.

CIRCULATE THE LOVE

...The American Red Cross is having a blood drive at Son's Life Missionary Church on Tuesday, February 27 from 1-5:45pm. To schedule an appointment, log on to RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code USA or call 1-800-Red Cross (733-2767).

TODAY'S RADIO BROADCAST

...is sponsored by Ken & Janet Rink.

BENEFIT BREAKFAST

...February 25 at the Sportsmans VFW from 8am-1pm. Come enjoy eggs, sausage, pancakes, toast, fruit, coffee, juice and milk. Adults \$12, Children 5-12 \$6, under 5 eat free. Proceeds to assist Paul & Beth Schnitker for medical and travel expenses.

A BIG SHOUT OUT

...to Dale Truemner, Wayne Goebel, Joel Gremel, Christopher Gangler, Dave Mammel, Chuck McGathy and Tim Smith! Your help was greatly appreciated Tuesday night in putting up the big wooden cross. God's Blessings, Ursula

MONDAY EVENING WORSHIP

...will be in the church all through Lent, not in the Great Room.

IN OUR PRAYERS

+ **Dan & Sue (Wiese) Monville** who were united in marriage Saturday, February 10.

+ **SPECIAL NEEDS**

...Nancy Pommerenke, Gary Volz, Nelda Gnagey, Chuck Dutcher, Emily Smith, Donna Klaus, Sandy Gross, Shirley Sherman, LoAnn Rieman, Ernie Sbresney III, Sue McGathy, Jim & Shirley Simmet, Barb Nitz, Collin Nitz, Frank Gunsell, Randy Forbing, Ian Faist, Wayne Morris, Karen Swartzendruber, Stephen Sprague, Grayson Cohn, Carl Brandt, Scott Smith, Brenda Chambers and Rick Chambers.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

...Sunday, February 11, 2024; 9:00 – 210; Monday 6:30 – 43; Ash Wednesday 6:30 – 118

THANK YOU

...to everyone that supported Collide's Super Bowl Sub sales...we sold out!!

School News

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

...Long Term Kitchen Help Needed - CTK's Unionville Campus is in need of a cook from Mid-February to Mid May. If interested please contact the school office or Ursula Gangler.

...Preschool Now Enrolling -Enrollment is open for preschool. Call Director Laura Nimtze with questions or to set up a tour. 989-674-8691.

...Munch and Mingle - CTK's Preschool and Kindergarten are having an open house on Thursday, February 22 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. We invite all those who may be considering CTK to join us for an informational evening.

...Read to Them - During the month of February students and families of CTK will read together *The Lemonade War* by Jacqueline Davies. It's all part of a unique, national family literacy program designed to strengthen the educational connection between home and school. We are excited to work with families to create a greater love for learning and reading.

...Raise Right App for Scrip Cards: All gift cards have a percentage that is given back to CTK for tuition. Consider purchasing and supporting our school. enrollment code: CLA43143638

Officers of Immanuel

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Our Lord's Business this Week

February 18 – February 25

SUNDAY:	9:00 AM	WORSHIP/Communion
	10:15 AM	Sunday School & Bible Study
	2:00 PM	OWLS Trivia Day
MONDAY:	5:00 PM	Finance
	6:30 PM	WORSHIP/Communion
TUESDAY:	9:00 AM	Quilters
	6:00 PM	Public School Confirmation
	6:00 PM	Christ's Messengers
	7:00 PM	Adoration Choir
	7:00 PM	Y.A.B.S.
WEDNESDAY:	7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study at Lamplighter
	8:05 AM	CTK Chapel
	6:30 PM	WORSHIP – group 7 ushers
	7:15 PM	Glory Ringers
THURSDAY:	12:00 PM	Bulletin Deadline
NEXT SUNDAY:	9:00 AM	WORSHIP/Communion
	10:15 AM	Sunday School & Bible Study

SERVING NEXT WEEK (FEBRUARY 25)

Acolytes: 9:00-Willow Truemner & Griffin Bloomer

Greeters: 9:00-Janet Sharpsteen & Carol Truemner

Scrip: 9:00-Stephanie Boyer

Ushers: 9:00-GROUP 8: Dave Wiltse, Mark Janke, George Eurich, Noah Eurich, Joshua Eurich, Dean Kuhl, Brian Rievert, Michael Rievert, Bruce Jubar, Gary Wissner, Ben Abke

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sebewaing

First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024

9:00 am

Divine Service 3

Announcements

Hymn – *In Silent Pain the Eternal Son*

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Divine Service 3

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Invocation, Confession and Absolution

Introit

When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;

I will rescue him and honor him.

With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.

Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—

the Most High, who is my refuge—

no evil shall be allowed to befall you,

no plague come near your tent.

For he will command his angels concerning you

to guard you in all your ways.

On their hands they will bear you up,

lest you strike your foot against a stone.

You will tread on the lion and the adder;

the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;

I will rescue him and honor him.

With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.

Kyrie

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Salutation and Collect

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The First Reading – ***Genesis 22:1-18***

Blessed Assurance - Christ's Messengers

The Gradual

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

The Epistle – ***James 1:12-18***

Children's Sermon

The Gospel – ***Mark 1:9-15***

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The Words of Our Lord

Agnus Dei



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Jesus, I Will Ponder Now

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Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

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Salutation

Benediction

Closing Hymn – ***Glory Be to Jesus***

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Genesis 22:1-18

After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ²He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." ⁶And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

⁹When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ¹²He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³And Abraham lifted

up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

¹⁵And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven ¹⁶and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, ¹⁸and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

James 1:12-18

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. ¹³Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

Mark 1:9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.

¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

¹²The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

PREACHER: Rev Michael Boyer

ELDERS: Ken Walz & Chuck McGathy

ORGANIST: Barbara Bleck

ACOLYTES: Abigail & Madison Reithel

GREETERS: Barb Neuman & Virginia Nitz

SCRIP: Holli Vogel

USHERS: GROUP 6: Rodney Bohn, James Bohn, Ethan Bohn, Troy Strieter, Tom Williamson, Jim Calopisis

Who Should Commune?

In the Sacrament of the Altar we receive, as Christ says, His true body and His true blood for the forgiveness of our sins. Those who come to the Lord's Supper at this altar, are those who: 1 **Repent** of their sins, and earnestly seek to live according to God's will. 2 **Trust** the Word of Christ that His body and blood are truly present and received here for forgiveness. 3 **Confess** the faith of the Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod, as a member of this congregation or a member of another LCMS congregation. If you have questions about our communion practice, please speak to the pastor or an elder.



Our Congregation at Prayer
Daily Scripture and Prayer
To be Used in the Home
Getting Ready for Lent 2 B
Immanuel Lutheran Church

Theme for Sunday: Great blessings were promised Abram; great blessings are promised to you through Jesus' suffering and death.

The following short order may be used for devotions at home during the week or Daily Prayer for individuals and families may be used in the hymnal (LSB page 294 and following).

Invocation

In the Name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Introit *Psalm 115.11-13, 18; antiphon Psalm 25.6*

Remember you mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,

For they have been from of old.

You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD!

He is their help and their shield.

The LORD has remembered us; he will bless us;

He will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron;

He will bless those who fear the LORD,

Both the small and the great.

We will bless the LORD

From this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son,

And to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning,

Is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Remember you mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,

For they have been from of old.



Collect

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Gradual

Hebrews 12.2

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,

The founder and perfecter of our faith,

Who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

And is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

The Psalm for Lent 2 B may be read (Psalm 22.23-31) or those printed below.

Daily Psalms	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	84	119.73-80	34	5	38	22	43
Evening	42; 32	121; 6	25; 91	27; 51	126; 102	107; 130	31; 143

Readings for next Sunday (see below) or these daily readings may be used

Lent 1 (Sunday)	Genesis 4.1-26	Mark 2.18-28
Monday	Genesis 6.1-7.5	Mark 3.1-19
Tuesday	Genesis 7.11-8.12	Mark 3.20-35
Wednesday	Genesis 8.13-9.17 (9.18-11.26)	Mark 4.1-20
Thursday	Genesis 11.27-12.20	Mark 4.21-41
Friday	Genesis 13.1-18 (14.1-24)	Mark 5.1-20
Saturday	Genesis 15.1-21	Mark 5.21-43

Talk About Next Sunday's Old Testament Reading: Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16

What does this covenant mean?

Why would it be unusual for God to promise Abram to be the father of many nations.

Why was Sarai's name changed?

Talk About Next Sunday's Epistle Reading: Romans 5.1-11

How do sinners have peace with God?

Why would Paul say that we rejoice in sufferings?

What does Paul mean that we are reconciled to God?

Talk About Next Sunday's Gospel Reading: Mark 8.27-38

Who did people think that Jesus was? Why?

Who did Peter say that Jesus was?

What must the Son of Man do?

Catechism Selection (this may be read, recited, or spoken responsively)

The Ten Commandments Continued

The Seventh Commandment

You shall not steal.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor's money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income.

The Eighth Commandment

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

The Ninth Commandment

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not scheme to get our neighbor's inheritance or house, or get it in a way which only appears right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it.