

# Fourth *Sunday in Lent*



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*In response to the call of Jesus Christ,  
we the people of  
Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church  
are committed to:*

**Celebrating** *the excitement of God's influence in life by being visible witnesses of Christ and*

**Ministering** *to the spiritual and physical needs of our community and the world, through our God given talents.*

**Welcome to Immanuel! Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please sign the worship welcome pad (red binder) during the offering. Thank you!**

**Worship with Holy Communion  
8:15 AM and 11:00 AM.**

**Sunday Church School  
For all ages 9:30 AM**

The nursery is available for children in kindergarten and younger following the Children's Message.

Office Hours 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
Monday ó Friday

Prior to the start of worship, please turn off **cellular phones, pagers** or **watch alarms** that may sound during the worship service.

### **Invitation to Holy Communion**

We welcome to the Lord's communion table all baptized Christians who have been admitted to the Lord's Table in their own church and acknowledge the real presence of Jesus Christ in the gift of his body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and renewal of life. It is our practice to offer white grape juice to those not desiring red wine. Pre-filled white grape juice glasses are next to the communion assistants. Please indicate your desire for grape juice to the communion assistant. Empty communion glasses are deposited on the end of the front pews. All who commune are asked to check the "will commune" box in the red worship welcome pad.

\*Please stand if you are able.

**FM hearing loops** and **large print hymnals** are available at the back of the church. Please see an usher to assist you. The church is equipped for hearing aids with TØ (telephone) switches.

**This week's Memory Verse is  
Psalm 121:1-2.**

**The April Memory Verse is  
Colossians 3:14-17.**

**The Service of Holy Communion**  
**April 3, 2011 8:15 and 11:00 AM**  
**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

**GATHERING**

**PRELUDE**                    *Prelude and Fugue in C minor, BWV 549 - J.S. Bach*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#29 of 52 Great Verses - Psalm 121:1-2 (Pew Bible, Old Testament pp 633)

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the pastor begins.*

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

**C: Amen**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Gracious God,

**C: we confess that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Forgive us and give us strength to turn from sin and to serve you in newness of life. Amen**

P: By water and the Holy Spirit, God gives us new birth, and through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God forgives us all our sins. Almighty God strengthen us in all goodness and keep us in eternal life.

**C: Amen**

**ENTRANCE HYMN**

*Christ, the Life of All the Living*

**ELW #339**

**GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

## KYRIE *(Spoken)*

A: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**

A: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**

A: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**

A: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. C: **Amen**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you. C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

C: **Bend your ear to our prayers, Lord Christ, and come among us. By your gracious life and death for us, bring light into the darkness of our hearts, and anoint us with your Spirit, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen** *(Please be seated.)*

## WORD

### FIRST LESSON 1 Samuel 16:1-13

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." <sup>2</sup>Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' <sup>3</sup>Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." <sup>4</sup>Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" <sup>5</sup>He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

<sup>6</sup>When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is now before the LORD." <sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." <sup>8</sup>Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." <sup>9</sup>Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one."

<sup>10</sup>Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." <sup>11</sup>Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." <sup>12</sup>He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." <sup>13</sup>Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM** Psalm 23 *(The psalm is spoken responsively by whole verse.)*

The LORD is my shepherd;  
I shall not be in want.

**<sup>2</sup>He makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.**

<sup>3</sup>He revives my soul  
and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake.

**<sup>4</sup>Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no  
evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

<sup>5</sup>You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;  
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

**<sup>6</sup>Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

**SECOND LESSON Ephesians 5:8-14**

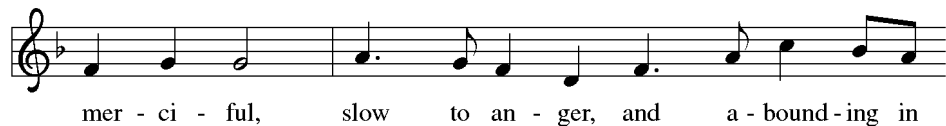
<sup>8</sup>For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light <sup>9</sup>for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. <sup>10</sup>Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup>Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup>For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; <sup>13</sup>but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, <sup>14</sup>for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

"Sleeper, awake!  
Rise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you."

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**\*LENTEN VERSE**



**GOSPEL**

John 9:1-41

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

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

As [Jesus] walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup>His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. <sup>4</sup>We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. <sup>5</sup>As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." <sup>6</sup>When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, <sup>7</sup>saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. <sup>8</sup>The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" <sup>9</sup>Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." <sup>10</sup>But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" <sup>11</sup>He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." <sup>12</sup>They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

<sup>13</sup>They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. <sup>14</sup>Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. <sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." <sup>16</sup>Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. <sup>17</sup>So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

<sup>18</sup>The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight <sup>19</sup>and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" <sup>20</sup>His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; <sup>21</sup>but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." <sup>22</sup>His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. <sup>23</sup>Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

<sup>24</sup>So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." <sup>25</sup>He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." <sup>26</sup>They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" <sup>27</sup>He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" <sup>28</sup>Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. <sup>29</sup>We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." <sup>30</sup>The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. <sup>31</sup>We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. <sup>32</sup>Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. <sup>33</sup>If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." <sup>34</sup>They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

<sup>35</sup>Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" <sup>36</sup>He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." <sup>37</sup>Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." <sup>38</sup>He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." <sup>40</sup>Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" <sup>41</sup>Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.    **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT**    At this time the children are invited forward for a message from Pastor Paul. The nursery is available after the message for children 5 and younger.

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Christ, Be Our Light*

ELW #715

**SERMON**

**\*NICENE CREED**

**C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

A: God of mercy,    **Respond: hear our prayer.**

**MEAL**

**OFFERING**    (8:15)

*Psalm 23* - arr. Marion Vree

Gathering Choir

(11:00)

*The Lord My Faithful Shepherd Is* - Bach, arr. Jennings

Senior Choir

*(Please sign the worship welcome pad, red binder, in your pew during the offering.)*





**IMMANUEL PRAYS:** Jim White, Dan Klauck, Bill Oad, Helen Tice, David & Kressa Sweezy, Naomi Gregory, George Freese, Pastor John Kroschel, Nancy King, Sandy Badura, Esther Huehn, Monique Rendon, Rev. Garth E. Brokaw, Dale Raymond, Faith Venetti, Lisa Fox, Lyn Krauss, Sandi Melos, Chuck Styles, Elfrida Dey, Barb Shortz, Nina Painton, Stacy Tripp, Vanmany Banks and Mark Butterfield.

If you have a prayer request, please contact the church office (immanev@frontiernet.net or 872-5180). We will pray for those requests for two or three weeks.

### **MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICES**

Plan to attend Immanuel's Mid-Week Lenten Services each Wednesday evening during Lent beginning with Ash Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM. Soup and Bread supper is at 6:00 PM.



Join us for **Wellness on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM!** Come and enjoy fun, food and friendship, with a program, chair exercise, blood pressure check and a delicious lunch.

The program schedule is:

- April 6** -Topics and Tales - Choose a topic and hear the tales, as we get to know each other just a little bit better.
- April 13** -All About Lollipop Farm / Pet Assisted Therapy - Joet Hartman, presenter; (this time we promise some animalsí )
- April 20** NO WOW (HOLY WEEK)
- April 27** Cobblestone Society Museum - Curator, Deborah Brundage will give a PowerPoint presentation on this amazing little museum, not too far from Webster.

**Immanuel will provide cans of pork gravy to help fill the Easter Food Baskets for the Webster Council of Churches .** We need 40 cans of pork gravy. Please consider bringing a can of pork gravy to the blue tote in the entryway before April 10. Thank you.

### **Easter Egg Hunt - Saturday, April 23, 2011 at 10:00 am**

Please join us for an Easter Egg Hunt at Immanuel. If you are in 5<sup>th</sup> grade or younger, you are welcome to join us as we look for Easter surprises. Please bring your Easter basket to collect your treasures from the hunt.

After the Easter egg hunt, there will be egg coloring, a light snack and Veggie Tales - It Was the Night Before Easter. Hope to see you there. A sign up sheet will be posted in the hall.

**Sunday, April 24th is Easter! Brunch will be provided between services for the congregation. Come and join us and celebrate the Resurrection! A craft table will be available for children and crafters. Come early, stay late, and enjoy the day!!**

### **CHURCH CALENDAR April 3 - 10**

Sunday Articles for The Open Door are due  
7:30 am Gathering Choir  
8:15 & 11:00 am Worship with Holy Communion  
9:30 am Sunday School for all ages

Monday  
6:30 pm Property Committee Meeting  
7:00 pm Bible Study (Ezra & Nehemiah)  
8:00 pm AA in Fellowship Hall, Al-Anon in Library,  
Alateen in Sr. High room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

Tuesday  
6:00 pm Confirmation Dinner and Class  
7:00 pm ImmanuBells Concert at Bay Winde

Wednesday  
10:30 am Wellness on Wednesday  
6:00 pm Soup Supper  
7:00 pm Lenten Service  
7:40 pm Senior Choir

Thursday  
10:30 am Bible Study (Ezra & Nehemiah)  
7:00 pm Girl Scouts  
7:00 pm Worship and Music Meeting

Friday  
9:00 am Quilters Group  
9:00 am Office Helpers

Saturday  
1:00 pm Fellowship Group

Sunday  
8:15 & 11:00 am Worship with Holy Communion  
9:30 am Sunday School for all ages

**God's Global Barnyard - offering boxes for use during Lent - are available on the table in the lower hallway, along with suggestions for sacrificial giving during Lent (March 9 - April 23).** The boxes may be returned to church either in the offering plate or to the church office during Holy Week (April 17-24). If you wish to have your contribution recorded, please put your envelope number clearly on the box. All gifts will be sent to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal, which sponsors God's Global Barnyard.

## Serving God and God's Church

April 3, 2011		Next Sunday, April 10, 2011		
8:15		11:00	8:15	11:00
<b>Assisting Ministers</b>	Kris Maier	Bernie Russell	Charlie Klauck	Bruce Kulp
<b>Reader</b>	Benjamin Derleth	Ian Russell	Doris Baranello	Kathy Bannon
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Dave Derleth	Lori Russell	Sherry Klauck	Jim Guderian
<b>Acolyte</b>	Allison Barnes	Jared Russell	Jessica Hewlett	Aideen Foster
<b>Crucifer</b>	Rebecca Barnes	Joshua Riggi	Michael Cawley	Emily Ruffell
<b>Greeters</b>	Bob & Nancy Sponable	The Boyatzies Family	Bill & Linda Saucke	Kathy Morgan, Amy Crosby
<b>Ushers</b>	Lori Derleth, Cheryl Davies, Barb Stam, Martha Styles	Frank & Lisa Riggi, Jay & Arline Taber	Linda Belmont, Betty Tisa, Josh Baranello, Don O'Mara	Bill, Judi, Natalli and Corrin Bogart
<b>Nursery</b>	Carol Dittberner	Heidi Smith	Nan Nesbitt	Lisa Foster
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Susan & Amy Hughes	Sheri Williams	Susan & Amy Hughes	Sheri Williams
<b>Counters</b>				

Members of Immanuel	Ministers
Paul E. Shoop (Residence 6 585/216-2167)	Pastor
Dave Ekimoff	Assoc. for Congregational Ministries
John F. Beeg	Pastor Emeritus
Barb Rafferty	Administrative Associate
Thatcher Lyman	Director of Music
Marguerite Manning	Handbell Director
Ron Corey, Jr.	Sexton
Tom Lombardo	Congregational President

Don't forget to have your blood pressure checked the first and third Sunday of each month between services in the library.

Parish Nurse Leslie Schwartz (265-9229) is available for medical questions or concerns.

**Judy Brederson is the April shepherd.**  
Please contact her (872-3806) if you know of a member