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 Phone: 812-760-1854 March 23, 2025 – 8:00 am

Opening Prayer /// Opening Hymn: "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" 761

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

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

Confession and Absolution pg 184-185

Introit: Psalm 85

- P: Lord, You were favorable to Your land, O Lord; You restored the fortunes of Jacob. **C:** *You forgave the iniquity of Your people and covered all their sin.*
- P: You withdrew all Your wrath; You turned from Your hot anger. C: Restore us again, O God our Salvation, and put away Your indignation toward us.
- P: Will You be angry with us forever? Will You prolong Your anger through all generations? C: Will You not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?
- P: Show us Your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us Your salvation. C: Let me hear what God the Lord will speak; for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints but let them not turn back.
- P: Surely His salvation is near those who fear Him, that His glory may dwell in our land. C: Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.
- P: Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky. **C:** *The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest.*
- P: Righteousness will go before Him C: And make His footsteps a way.

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

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: "The Law of God Is Good and Wise" 579

O.T. Lesson: Ezekiel 33: 7-20 /// **Epistle Lesson:** 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Holy Gospel: Luke 13:1-9 /// **Confession of Faith**: Apostle's Creed (back of hymnal)

Sermon Hymn: "Renew Me, O Eternal Light" 704 /// 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 Parkers, Bob and Karen; Parker, Taylor, Jennifer, Paxton and

Teagen; and Patterson, Julie, Matt, Garrett Wyatt and Lydia/

Lord's Prayer (back of hymnal)

Closing Hymn: "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise" 917

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.

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Kirk Horstmeyer, Pastor Beth Vance, Organist

THIS WEEK

TODAY: Worship 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am

TUESDAY: Confirmation 6 pm

WEDNESDAY: Choir Practice 6 pm, Lenten Meal 6:10 pm, Mid -Week Lenten Service

7 pm

THURSDAY: Bible Study 9:30 am and 6 pm

Next SATURDAY: Confirmation 9:30 am, Worship w/HC 5:30 **Next SUNDAY:** Worship 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Sat, Mar 15: LS:; Sun, Mar 16:

8am: LS; 10:15 am: LS:; Lent Service:

MEMBER PRAYER LIST: Next Sat and Sun we will be praying for the following: Paul, Doris, Mike and Samantha; Puertzer, Jim; and Racine, Jeremy, Jill, Lauren and Corinne.

THANK YOU... What a wonderful blessing your cards have been to me as I celebrated my 90th birthday. I've enjoyed reading every one of them so very much. May God bless you in return for your kindness and thoughtfulness. Together in Christ, Gayle Betulius

To Members of Immanuel Church, Thank you so much for the love and how you cared about my sister, Marcia Diane Huett; for Pastor Kirk doing her service, it was beautiful, and the people who came to her funeral and the lunch you had for our family. The meal was delicious. I know almost everyone at Immanuel must have an Angle Keychain from my sister, Diane. Thank you so much, Mayetta Champion and Margie Spruell

We would like to give our thanks to all that helped with the last two funeral lunches. The ones that set and put up table and chairs, cleaned the gym afterward and to all that brought food in. Your help was very appreciated! Bev Racine

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS: The children's Egg Hunt will be during Sunday School on Sunday, April 13th.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: We are looking for volunteers who would like to work one day a week, in the Office. The volunteer(s) would be folding/stuffing bulletins, on Wednesday from 10am to Noon. We are hoping to find several people to spread the work around. Please call Kellie Wittman at 440-915-5777, if you'd be interested.

ORGANIST NEEDED: Immanuel is looking for an experienced organist, preferably familiar with Lutheran liturgy and order of service, to play for our 8:00 a.m. worship services. This is a paid position. Members of Immanuel can forward any organist prospects to Warren Korff at 812-550-7662 or wmkorff@gmail.com.

TRINITY LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL is enrolling for the 2025-2026 school year. We have openings for ages 2-5. Visit www.trinitylutheranpreschooldarmstadt.com for more information. Schedule a tour today! Yours in Christ, Breenna Smith

LWML Indiana District Convention: Another BIG EVENT is happening at the 4-H Center, June 26-28, 2026, our District Convention. We will need A LOT OF HELP, men and women, with the work leading up to the event. Carol Grimm from St. Paul's is the District Vice President. She will be coming to Immanuel in the near future to talk to all of us.

