

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Jesus said: "Go to the people of all nations and make them My disciples. Baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to do everything that I have told you. I will be with you always, even to the end of the world."

Matthew 28:19-20



Go and be **RECONCILED**

ASH WEDNESDAY
MARCH 5, 2025, 7:00 PM

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REMEMBER WHOSE YOU ARE

AS YOU WORSHIP WITH US

- **Assisted Listening Devices** are available from an Elder or Usher.
- **If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion but would like a blessing**, simply come forward during the distribution, cross your arms when you approach the Pastor and he will speak a blessing.
- **Holy Communion** is offered to those who have been instructed in what the Scriptures teach about Communion. We believe the Bible teaches:
 - 1) Jesus Christ is our only Lord and Savior from all sin, death, and the power of evil;
 - 2) The Risen Christ is really present in the Sacrament and that with the bread and wine we receive His Body and Blood; and
 - 3) We resolve to dedicate our lives to the service of our Lord in His Body, the Church, through worship, sacrificial giving, and thankful living.
- **Non-alcoholic wine** is available for those who prefer this substitute. **Gluten-free wafers** are also available. Please inform the pastor of your preference when you approach.

GATHERING SONG

“All Christians Who Have Been Baptized”

LSB 596, Sts. 1-4

All Christians who have been baptized, Who know the God of heaven,
And in whose daily life is prized The name of Christ once given:
Consider now what God has done, The gifts He gives to ev'ryone
Baptized into Christ Jesus!

You were before your day of birth, Indeed, from your conception,
Condemned and lost with all the earth, None good, without exception.
For like your parents' flesh and blood, Turned inward from the highest good,
You constantly denied Him.

But all of that was washed away Immersed and drowned forever.
The water of your Baptism day Restored again whatever.
Old Adam and his sin destroyed And all our sinful selves employed
According to our nature.

In Baptism we now put on Christ Our shame is fully covered
With all that He once sacrificed And freely for us suffered
For here the flood of His own blood Now makes us holy right, and good
Before our heav'nly Father.

CALLING ON GOD'S NAME

SEEKING FORGIVENESS

Psalms 51:1-9

Pastor: Let us humbly go to God, confessing our sins. Almighty, eternal, loving Father,

People: **we confess to You and one another not only that we have sinned in our thoughts, words, and actions but that each failing has been a symptom of our sinful condition. We have tried to overlook our faults but realize the truth of our fallenness. We have tried to do better by our own strength but have fallen back into sin again. We are helpless to change by ourselves.**

Pastor: We mirror the sins of our spiritual ancestor, whom You, gracious God, guided to write in the Psalms: Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

People: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Pastor: Against You, You only, have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight,

People: so that You may be justified in Your words and blameless in Your judgment.

Pastor: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

People: Behold, You delight in truth in the inward being, and You teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

Pastor: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;

People: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Pastor: Let me hear joy and gladness;

People: let the bones that You have broken rejoice.

Pastor: Hide Your face from my sins,

People: and blot out all my iniquities.

Pastor: Let us go to our gracious God, asking for mercy.

People: We are not the people You would have us be; we are not what we had hoped for; we throw ourselves on the mercy of Your holy court, asking Your forgiveness and renewal of life for the sake of our Savior, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

RECEIVING FORGIVENESS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent.

People: Create in us new and contrite hearts that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness we may receive from You full pardon and forgiveness;

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 64:5b-9

SECOND READING

Romans 7:14-25

MESSAGE TEXT

1 John 3:1-3

CONNECTING SONG

“Baptized into Your Name Most Holy”

LSB 590

Baptized into Your name most holy, O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
I claim a place, though weak and lowly, Among Your saints, Your chosen host.
Buried with Christ and dead to sin, Your Spirit now shall live within.

My loving Father, here You take me To be henceforth Your child and heir.
My faithful Savior, here You make me The fruit of all Your sorrows share.
O Holy Spirit, comfort me When threat'ning clouds around I see.

My faithful God, You fail me never; Your promise surely will endure.
O Cast me not away forever If words and deeds become impure.
Have mercy when O come defiled; Forgive, lift up, restore Your child.

All that I am and love most dearly Receive it all, O Lord, from me.
let me confess my faith sincerely; Help me Your faithful child to be!
Let nothing that I am or own Serve any will but Yours alone.

MESSAGE

“Remember Whose You Are”

Pastor Donald

CONFESSING OUR FAITH

Apostles' Creed

TALKING WITH GOD

(Need prayer? Text 224-801-2902)

Pastor: ...let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

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THE WORDS OF JESUS

LORD'S PRAYER

(forgive us our sins)

THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES and COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

(Participants are invited to come forward during Holy Communion to receive a mark of ashes.)

COMMUNION SONGS

"To Dust" by Karen Marrolli

Adult Choir

"I Lay My Sins on Jesus"

LSB 606

"Father Welcomes"

LSB 605

LEAVING WITH A BLESSING

SENDING SONG

"Abide, O Dearest Jesus"

LSB 919, Sts. 1-4

Abide, O dearest Jesus, Among us with Your grace
That Satan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.

Abide, O dear Redeemer, Among us with Your Word,
And thus now and hereafter True peace and joy afford.

Abide with heav'nly brightness Among us, precious Light;
Your truth direct and keep us From error's gloomy night.

Abide with richest blessing Among us, bounteous Lord;
Let us in grace and wisdom Grow daily through Your Word.

Marilyn Kosmella, Piano/Organ



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