## Immanuel Lutheran Church 7 p.m. Worship Live Stream / Conference Call In Person Sanctuary Worship March 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>

# SEASON OF LENT COMPLINE ~ NIGHT PRAYER



## Wednesdays, February 24, March 3, 10, 17, and 24, 2021

Welcome to worship at Immanuel Lutheran Church! We are glad you are here. Immanuel Lutheran Church is an inclusive congregation extending God's love and grace to all people. There is a welcome place for you here!

## God's Grace and Peace to YOU through our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ!

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## Hear Love. Eat Love. Share Christ's Love.

We gather in silence.

## **GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.



#### **OPENING**

- P: Almighty God grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.
- C: Amen.
- P: By day, O God,
- C: you grant your steadfast love,
- P: and at night your song is with me,
- **C:** a prayer to the God of my life.

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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



C: I confess that I have sinned against you this day. Some of my sin I know— the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed— but some is known only to you. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me, that I may rest in peace.

P: By the mercy of God we are united with Jesus Christ, in whom we are forgiven. We rest now in the peace of Christ and rise in the morning to serve.

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## Second Wednesday of Lent; February 24, 2021

## WORD

God speaks to us in scripture readings.



#### PSALMODY

Psalm 4

<sup>1</sup>Answer me when I call, O God of my right! You gave me room when I was in distress. Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer. <sup>2</sup>How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame? How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies? <sup>3</sup>But know that the LORD has set apart the faithful for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him. <sup>4</sup>When you are disturbed, do not sin; ponder it on your beds, and be silent. <sup>5</sup>Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD. <sup>6</sup>There are many who say, "O that we might see some good! Let the light of your face shine on us, O LORD!" <sup>7</sup>You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound. <sup>8</sup>I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O LORD, make me lie down in safety.

#### READING

Jeremiah 14:9

The reading of scripture is followed by extended silence for reflection and meditation.

- P: Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.
- C: Into your hands I commend my spirit.
- P: You have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.
- C: Into your hands I commend my spirit.
- P: Glory to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
- C: Into your hands, I commend my spirit.

#### NIGHT PRAYER SONG OF SIMEON



P: Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep may rest in peace.

C: Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people: a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of

your people Israel. Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

#### PRAYERS

- P: Hear my prayer, O Lord;
- C: listen to my cry.
- P: Keep me as the apple of your eye;
- **C:** hide me in the shadow of your wings.
- P: In righteousness I shall see you;
- C: when I awake, your presence will give me joy.
- P: Let us pray. ... Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- **C: Our Father, who art in heaven,** 
  - hallowed be thy name,
  - thy kingdom come,
  - thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

- Give us this day our daily bread;
- and forgive us our trespasses,
  - as we forgive those

who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### EXTINQUISHING THE LENTEN WREATH



- P: Let us call on God to show us how to live.
- C: Show us the truth, O God, and teach us every day.
- P: Our God is good. Our God is sure.
- **C:** For he shows us the right way.

A reading from 1 Peter 3:18-22

P: As we extinguish the first Lenten candle, we are reminded that when the body of Christ was killed, he was made alive in the Spirit and preached to the imprisoned spirits to set them free. As in the time of Noah when God waited patiently for this people, God also waits for us to turn to him. In so doing, we will be washed clean and be made right with him—this is his promise to us.

- P: Let us pray. O God, ... that we may be saved.
- C: Amen.

#### BLESSING



P: Almighty and merciful God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep us, this night and forevermore.

C: Now in peace I will lie down and sleep; you alone, O God, make me secure.

- P: Let us bless the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

#### PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

#### **C:** And also with you.

## Third Wednesday of Lent; March 3, 2021

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture readings.



#### **PSALMODY**

Psalm 34

<sup>1</sup>I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. <sup>2</sup>My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. <sup>3</sup>O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together. <sup>4</sup>I sought the LORD, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. <sup>5</sup>Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed. <sup>6</sup>This poor soul cried, and was heard by the LORD, and was saved from every trouble. <sup>7</sup>The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. <sup>8</sup>O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him. <sup>9</sup>O fear the LORD, you his holy ones, for those who fear him have no want. <sup>10</sup>The young lions suffer want and hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing. <sup>11</sup>Come. O children. listen to me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD. <sup>12</sup>Which of you desires life, and covets many days to enjoy good? <sup>13</sup>Keep vour tongue from evil. and your lips from speaking deceit. <sup>14</sup>Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it. <sup>15</sup>The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry.

<sup>16</sup>The face of the LORD is against evildoers, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.
<sup>17</sup>When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears, and rescues them from all their troubles.
<sup>18</sup>The LORD is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit.
<sup>19</sup>Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD rescues them from them all.
<sup>20</sup>He keeps all their bones; not one of them will be broken.
<sup>21</sup>Evil brings death to the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.
<sup>22</sup>The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

#### READING

Matthew 6:31-34

The reading of scripture is followed by extended silence for reflection and meditation.

- P: Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.
- C: Into your hands I commend my spirit.
- P: You have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.
- C: Into your hands I commend my spirit.
- P: Glory to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
- C: Into your hands, I commend my spirit.

#### NIGHT PRAYER SONG OF SIMEON



P: Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep may rest in peace.

C: Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people: a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel. Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard

us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

#### PRAYERS

- P: Hear my prayer, O Lord;
- C: listen to my cry.
- P: Keep me as the apple of your eye;
- **C:** hide me in the shadow of your wings.
- P: In righteousness I shall see you;
- C: when I awake, your presence will give me joy.
- P: Let us pray. .... Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### EXTINQUISHING THE LENTEN WREATH



- P: The Lord does not ignore us or hide from us when we are troubled.C: God hears our every cry.
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- P: Whatever we need, God will satisfy.
- C: Therefore, we give God the praise.

A reading from Romans 4:13-25

As we extinguish the second Lenten candle, we are reminded of

God's promise to Abraham and Abraham's faithful trust in God. God's promise to us, if we believe, is that we will be accepted by him. What is it we believe? We believe that Jesus died for our sins and was raised up from death so we can be right with God. Praise God for his matchless gift!

- P: Let us pray. O God, ... but help us in our unbelief.
- C: Amen.

#### BLESSING



P: Almighty and merciful God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep us, this night and forevermore.

C: Now in peace I will lie down and sleep; you alone, O God, make me secure.

- P: Let us bless the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

#### PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

#### **C:** And also with you.

# Fourth Wednesday of Lent; March 10, 2021 WORD God speaks to us in scripture readings.



#### **PSALMODY**

Psalm 91

<sup>1</sup>You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, <sup>2</sup>will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust." <sup>3</sup>For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence; <sup>4</sup>he will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler. <sup>5</sup>You will not fear the terror of the night. or the arrow that flies by day, <sup>6</sup>or the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at noonday. <sup>7</sup>A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. <sup>8</sup>You will only look with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked. <sup>9</sup>Because you have made the LORD your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place, <sup>10</sup>no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent. <sup>11</sup>For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. <sup>12</sup>On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone. <sup>13</sup>You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot. <sup>14</sup>Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. <sup>15</sup>When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue them and honor them.

#### <sup>16</sup>With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

#### READING

Matthew 11:28-30

The reading of scripture is followed by extended silence for reflection and meditation.

- P: Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.
- C: Into your hands I commend my spirit.
- P: You have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.
- C: Into your hands I commend my spirit.
- P: Glory to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
- C: Into your hands, I commend my spirit.

#### NIGHT PRAYER SONG OF SIMEON



P: Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep may rest in peace.

C: Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people: a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel. Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard

us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

#### PRAYERS

- P: Hear my prayer, O Lord;
- C: listen to my cry.
- P: Keep me as the apple of your eye;
- **C:** hide me in the shadow of your wings.
- P: In righteousness I shall see you;
- C: when I awake, your presence will give me joy.
- P: Let us pray. .... Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### EXTINQUISHING THE LENTEN WREATH



- P: Every day as we face the creation of God.C: we are reminded of what God has done.
- P: Day after day—night after night
- C: we are reminded of God's glory.

A reading from 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

P: As we extinguish the third Lenten candle, we are reminded that though we believe that we may be wish, we are only foolish in the eyes of

God. To get even a small understanding of the mind of God, we need to understand the meaning of the cross. In so doing, we realize that even God's foolishness is wiser than all humanity.

- P: Let us pray, O God, ... through your power.
- C: Amen.

#### BLESSING



P: Almighty and merciful God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep us, this night and forevermore.

C: Now in peace I will lie down and sleep; you alone, O God, make me secure.

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

#### C: And also with you.

# Fífth Wednesday of Lent; March 17, 2021 WORD God speaks to us in scripture readings.



#### **PSALMODY**

Psalm 130

<sup>1</sup>Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD. <sup>2</sup>LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications! <sup>3</sup>If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, LORD, who could stand? <sup>4</sup>But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. <sup>5</sup>I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; <sup>6</sup>my soul waits for the LORD more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning. <sup>7</sup>O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. <sup>8</sup>It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

#### READING

John 14:27

The reading of scripture is followed by extended silence for reflection and meditation.

- P: Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.
- **C**: Into your hands I commend my spirit.
- P: You have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.
- **C**: Into your hands I commend my spirit.
- P: Glory to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
- Into your hands, I commend my spirit. **C**:

#### NIGHT PRAYER SONG OF SIMEON



P: Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep may rest in peace.

C: Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people: a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of

your people Israel. Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

#### PRAYERS

- P: Hear my prayer, O Lord;
- C: listen to my cry.
- P: Keep me as the apple of your eye;
- C: hide me in the shadow of your wings.
- P: In righteousness I shall see you;
- C: when I awake, your presence will give me joy.
- P: Let us pray. .... Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- **C: Our Father, who art in heaven,** 
  - hallowed be thy name,
  - thy kingdom come,
  - thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

- Give us this day our daily bread;
- and forgive us our trespasses,
  - as we forgive those

who trespass against us;

#### and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

## For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### EXTINQUISHING THE LENTEN WREATH



- P: Give thanks for the goodness of God.
- **C:** For God's love is everlasting.

P: Let us give of ourselves to show our thanksgiving.
C: Let our joy proclaim what God has done through Jesus Christ.

A reading from Ephesians 2:1-10

P: As we extinguish the fourth Lenten candle, we are reminded that though we are spiritually dead, God has given us new life through Jesus Christ. Despite all the wrong we have done against God, God has forgiven us through his grace as long as we believe in him.

P: Let us pray. O God, ... love that makes it possible.

C: Amen.

#### BLESSING



P: Almighty and merciful God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep us, this night and forevermore.

C: Now in peace I will lie down and sleep; you alone, O God, make me secure.

P: Let us bless the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

#### PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

#### C: And also with you.

## Sixth Wednesday of Lent; March 24, 2021

### WORL

God speaks to us in scripture readings.



PSALMODY

<sup>1</sup>Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD, who stand by night in the house of the LORD!
<sup>2</sup>Lift up your hands to the holy place, and bless the LORD.

<sup>3</sup>May the LORD, maker of heaven and earth, bless you from Zion.

#### READING

The reading of scripture is followed by extended silence for reflection and meditation.

- P: Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.
- C: Into your hands I commend my spirit.
- P: You have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.
- C: Into your hands I commend my spirit.
- P: Glory to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
- C: Into your hands, I commend my spirit.

#### NIGHT PRAYER SONG OF SIMEON



P: Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep may rest in peace.

C: Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people: a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel. Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard

us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ and asleep we may rest in peace.

Psalm 134

Romans 8:38-39

#### PRAYERS

- P: Hear my prayer, O Lord;
- C: listen to my cry.
- P: Keep me as the apple of your eye;
- **C:** hide me in the shadow of your wings.
- P: In righteousness I shall see you;
- C: when I awake, your presence will give me joy.
- P: Let us pray. .... Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### EXTINQUISHING THE LENTEN WREATH

P:

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**C**:



It is time for our sins to be washed away

that we may be as clean as the fresh-driven snow.

May God make our hearts pure

and our spirits right with him.

A reading from Hebrews 5:5-10

P: As we extinguish the fifth Lenten candle, we are reminded that Christ is the great high priest chosen by God. Through his suffering he learned to obey God and his eternal salvation is for us as well if we only obey.

P: Let us pray. O God, ... We give you praise.

C: Amen.

#### BLESSING



P: Almighty and merciful God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep us, this night and forevermore.

C: Now in peace I will lie down and sleep; you alone, O God, make me secure.

P: Let us bless the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

#### PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

#### C: And also with you.

God's people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

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