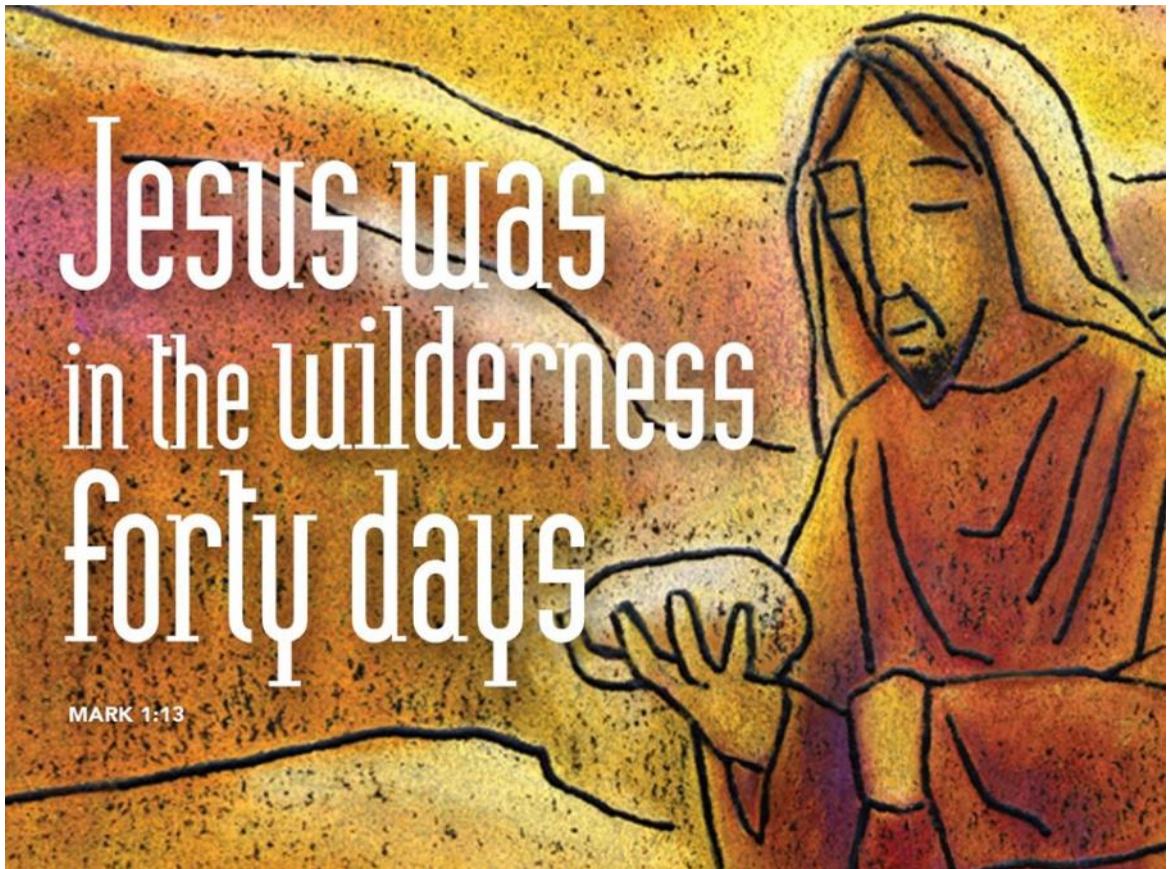


*Second Sunday in Lent*  
*February 25, 2018*



**WELCOME TO EMANUEL**

If you have any questions or need assistance of any kind,  
please see an usher or ask any of Emanuel's parishioners.

For recycling, you may leave this bulletin and any inserts on your seat.

**WELCOME VISITORS!** If you are visiting with family or friends, we pray that your time together is filled with joy and love. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to become part of our community of faith here at Emanuel Lutheran. Please consider filling out one of our “blue forms” back on the usher’s table, if you would like to receive more information about Emanuel.

**HYMNS** are taken from the Evangelical Lutheran Worship Service Book & Hymnal (the red book in the pew rack), unless otherwise indicated.

**PLEASE TURN OFF** cell phones and all electronic devices during the Service.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** can be submitted to the Church Office using a “**blue form**” which can be found on the back Usher’s table. These forms can also be used for address changes, and other information. You can also call the Church Office with your request.

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Assistant Music Director .....Katie Cox  
Sound & Recording ..... Rhiannon Kiersznowski  
Coffee Hour Hosts..... Alan and Eleanor Meeds, Rae Ann Gremel, Ellen Anderson

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God.*

## Second Sunday of Lent

February 25, 2018

*On Ash Wednesday the church began its journey toward baptismal immersion in the death and resurrection of Christ. This year, the Sundays in Lent lead us to focus on five covenants God makes in the Hebrew Scriptures and to use them as lenses through which to view baptism. First Peter connects the way God saved Noah's family in the flood with the way God saves us through the water of baptism. The baptismal covenant is made with us individually, but the new life we are given in baptism is for the sake of the whole world.*

### PRELUDE

#### *Triptych on "Erhalt, Uns Herr" (Walter Pelz)*

*During the prelude, the congregation is invited into a time of silent prayer.*

### WELCOME

*The congregation is invited to stand for the parts of the Service that are marked with an asterisk "\*". If you are unable to stand you may remain seated.*

### \* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*The confession provides extended silence for listening, pondering, and self-reflection.*

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins*

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

C: **Amen.**

P: God of heaven and earth,  
you come in close and make us yours.  
Equip us by your Spirit to confess our sin,  
embrace your forgiveness,  
and seek the way you set before us in your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: With honesty of heart, let us confess our sin.

### **Silence**

P: Merciful God,

**C:**       **forgive us.**  
**Our will is handcuffed to sin, and we cannot break free.**  
**We have spoken when we should have kept quiet.**

*Silence.*

**C:**       **We were silent when we should have said something.**

*Silence.*

**C:**       **We acted when we knew better.**

*Silence.*

**C:**       **We were still when we know we should have moved.**

*Silence.*

**C:**       **For the wrong we have done,  
for the good we have failed to do,  
have mercy on us,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.**

**P:**       People of God, look to the ✝ Son,  
given to heal you and set you free  
because God loved the world so much.  
Take hold of life—eternal life!

**C:**       **Amen.**

**\* OPENING HYMN**

*Bless now, O God, the Journey*

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**\* 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**



Verse 1, 3 Ky - ri-e e - le-i - son. Ky - ri-e e - le-i - son.  
Verse 2 Chris - te e - le-i - son. Chris - te e - le-i - son.



Ky - ri-e e - le-i -son. Ky - ri-e e - le - i-son.  
Chris - te e - le-i -son. Chris - te e - le - i-son.

**\* PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen

*The assembly may be seated.  
The children are invited to come forward.*

**ACCLAMATION** *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me  
I want Jesus to walk with me  
All along my pilgrim journey  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me*

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**ACCLAMATION** *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me  
I want Jesus to walk with me  
All along my pilgrim journey  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me*

**FIRST READING: Genesis 9:8-17**

*Today's reading is the conclusion to the flood story. Because of human sin, the Lord destroys the earth by flood, saving only Noah, his family, and the animals on the ark. Yet divine destruction gives way to divine commitment. As in the first creation, God blesses humanity and establishes a covenant with all creatures.*

<sup>8</sup>God said to Noah and to his sons with him, <sup>9</sup>“As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, <sup>10</sup>and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. <sup>11</sup>I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” <sup>12</sup>God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: <sup>13</sup>I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. <sup>14</sup>When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, <sup>15</sup>I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. <sup>16</sup>When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” <sup>17</sup>God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

Word of God. Word of Life

**PSALM: Psalm 25:1-10**

The image shows musical notation for Psalm 25:1-10. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The lyrics are: "To you, O Lord, I lift my soul, to you, I lift my soul." The first staff contains the first line of the melody. The second staff contains the second line, with a long note on "soul" that spans across the end of the staff and the beginning of the third staff. The third staff contains the final line of the melody, ending with a double bar line.

<sup>1</sup>To | you, O LORD,  
I lift | up my soul.

<sup>2</sup>**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be | put to shame,  
nor let my enemies triumph | over me.**

<sup>3</sup>Let none who look to you be | put to shame;  
rather let those be put to shame | who are treacherous.

<sup>4</sup>**Show me your | ways, O LORD,  
and teach | me your paths. R**

<sup>5</sup>Lead me in your | truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all | the day long.

<sup>6</sup>**Remember, O LORD, your compas- | sion and love,  
for they are from | everlasting.**

<sup>7</sup>Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions;  
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your good  
- | ness, O LORD.

<sup>8</sup>**You are gracious and up- | right, O LORD;  
therefore you teach sinners | in your way. R**

<sup>9</sup>You lead the low- | ly in justice  
and teach the low- | ly your way.

<sup>10</sup>All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast | love and faithfulness  
to those who keep your covenant and your | testimonies. R

### \* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Re - turn to the Lord your God, re -

3 turn to the Lord your God \_\_\_\_\_ who is gra-cious and mer-ci-ful,

6 slow to an - ger and a - bound-ing in stead-fast love.

## GOSPEL: Mark 1:9-15

*The Spirit that comes upon Jesus at his baptism sustains him when he is tested by Satan so that he might proclaim the good news of God's reign.*

P: The holy gospel according to Mark

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

<sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

<sup>12</sup>And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. <sup>13</sup>He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

<sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ**

## SERMON

### \* HYMN OF THE DAY

*Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*

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### \* THE APOSTLES' CREED

P: Let us confess our faith, in the words of the Apostles Creed.

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,**

**he is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**



give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts  
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,  
that, renewed in the gift of baptism,  
we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**\* HOLY, HOLY**

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

**\* WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**\* LORD'S PRAYER**

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

**\* INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

*All are welcome*

P: Return to God with all your heart.  
Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

**LAMB OF GOD**

Christ, thou Lamb of God, who takes a - way the  
sin of the world, have mer-cy on us. grant us your peace.

## **DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

*The sacrament is offered using the practice of **intinction**. Please dip the bread into either the red wine or white grape juice.*

*Gluten-free wafers are offered on a special tray, along with contaminant-free glasses of wine and grape juice. Please indicate your need to the Communion Servers.*

*If you are unable to come forward, please let the usher know and we will be happy to bring communion to you.*

*Those who prefer not to commune are invited to come forward for a blessing.*

*Children will receive a goldfish cracker as a reminder of God's love for them.*

## **COMMUNION MUSIC**

*Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery*

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**V 1,2, General, Lent 1, 3**

## **\* TABLE BLESSING**

**P:** May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **\* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**P:** Compassionate God,  
you have fed us with the bread of heaven.  
Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage:  
may our fasting be hunger for justice,  
our alms, a making of peace,  
and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts;  
through Christ our Lord

**C:** **Amen.**

## **\* BLESSING**

**P:** May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth,  
and claimed us as children of the light,  
strengthen you on your journey into life renewed.  
The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor  
and give you ✝ peace.

**C:** **Amen**

**\* SENDING HYMN**

*Lead Me, Guide Me*

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**\* DISMISSAL**

P: Marked with the cross of Christ,  
go forth to love and serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Please join us downstairs in Luther Hall for coffee and fellowship.  
All are welcome!*



## PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Mal Doyle † Hailey Johnson † Dr. Candi Carroccia † Gail Duek † Melanie Sinche † Karin Gottier † Rudy Peterson † Carol Johnson † Dick Johnson † Elaine Wilson † Joan Feldmann † Doris Barron † Betty-Lois Benson



### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FRIDAY NIGHT PROGRAM

The Friday Night Program needs Volunteers! There are two time slots available each Friday, one from 3:30—6:00 PM and one from 6:00 PM—9:00 PM. A sign up sheet is available in Luther Hall and online at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e45ada82aa7fc1-friday>



### LENTEN WORSHIP

Each Wednesday during Lent, we will have a simple soup meal from 6:15 to 6:45 PM, followed by a presentation from Pastor Paula on a faith related issue from 6:45 to 7:15 PM. This week the faith related issue is "**Prayer**". The practice of personal spirituality through personal prayer on a daily basis, including prayer for the staff, leadership, members, and ministry of Emanuel. [I Thess. 5:16-19]. The presentation will be followed by a Service at 7:30 PM.

This year, in addition to coming to worship during Lent, we are also encouraged to live out our faith through concrete acts of giving. The "faith action" items for last week was deodorant, this week is **Reading Glasses**.

There is Service each Thursday during Lent at 11:15 AM immediately following Bible Study.



### BIKE HELP NEEDED FOR SPROUT

Every Spring for the last two years we have given all of the children who attend our SPROUT program a bike and new helmet and bike lock. We look for donations of bikes in good working order, and Bob and Matthew Graulich have worked on the bikes to get them street ready for the kids. What we need this year are donations of adult sized bikes (we have plenty of smaller bikes) in good working order, and a few people who know the mechanics of simple bike repair to help Bob and Matthew get all the bikes donated safe and ready to go. If you are willing to help out in either of these two areas, please email Bob at [bobgraulich@gmail.com](mailto:bobgraulich@gmail.com)



**YOUTH GROUP PANCAKE BRUNCH FUND RAISER** will be held on Sunday, March 4 after the 10:00 AM Service. A cash donation to the Youth Group will entitle you to all of the pancakes that you can eat!

In addition to your donation to the Youth Group please also bring a box of cereal that will be donated to *Hands on Hartford*.

# February/March 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>February</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b> • Services at 8:00 and 10:00 am • 12:00 – 2:00 PM 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Mini Retreat	<b>26</b> 7:00 – 9:00 PM Mission & Ministry: - Brodnicki Residence	<b>27</b> • 7:00 PM Council Meeting	<b>28</b> • 6:15 – 6:45 PM Soup • 6:45 – 7:15 PM "Prayer" † 7:30 Service	<b>March</b> <b>1</b> • 9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry • 10:00 AM Bible Study † 11:15 AM Service • 6:30 – 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal • 7:00 – 9:00 PM Mission & Ministry at Graulich Home Rehearsal	<b>2</b> • 3:30 – 9:00 PM Friday Night Program	<b>3</b> • 10:00 – 12:00 Noon Sprout
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b> • Services at 8:00 and 10:00 am • Loose Change for Noisy Offering • 11:30 Pancake Brunch • 11:30 Sandberg Mission Fund Committee in Conference Room • 11:30 – 1:30 PM Mission & Ministry: Lounge	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> • 7:00 PM Neonatal Bereavement • 7:00 PM Opera Rehearsal	<b>7</b> • Pastor's Conference • 6:15 – 6:45 PM Soup • 6:45 – 7:15 PM "Worship" † 7:30 Service	<b>8</b> • 9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry • 10:00 AM Bible Study † 11:15 AM Service • 6:30 – 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal • 7:00 PM Opera Rehearsal • 7:00 – 9:00 PM Mission & Ministry at Franzis Home	<b>9</b> • 3:30 – 9:00 PM Friday Night Program • 7:00 PM Opera Rehearsal	<b>10</b> • No Sprout • 7:00 PM Opera Performance
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b> • Services at 8:00 and 10:00 am	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> • 7:00 PM Property Committee	<b>14</b> • 6:15 – 6:45 PM Soup • 6:45 – 7:15 PM "Spiritual Growth" † 7:30 Service	<b>15</b> • 9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry • 10:00 AM Bible Study † 11:15 AM Service • 6:30 – 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	<b>16</b> • 3:30 – 9:00 PM Friday Night Program • Confirmation Banquet	<b>17</b> • 10:00 – 12:00 Noon Sprout • Confirmation Retreat
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b> • Services at 8:00 and 10:00 am	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> • 6:15 – 6:45 PM Soup • 6:45 – 7:15 PM "Giving" † 7:30 Service	<b>22</b> • 9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry • 10:00 AM Bible Study † 11:15 AM Service • 6:30 – 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	<b>23</b> • 3:30 – 9:00 PM Friday Night Program	<b>24</b> • 10:00 – 12:00 Noon Sprout
<b>Passion/Palm Sunday</b> • Services at 8:00 and 10:00 am • Communion 101 Class 11:30 am – 1:30 pm	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> <b>29</b> • 9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry • 10:00 AM Bible Study † 12:00 Noon Service † 7:30 PM Service	<b>Good Friday</b> <b>30</b> † 7:30 PM Service	<b>Easter Vigil</b> <b>31</b> • 10:00 – 12:00 Noon Sprout † 7:00 PM Service

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