



Third Sunday of Lent
March 3, 2024
10:30 am

Pastor Matthew Groenke
Assisting Minister – Bob Lovett
Altar Guild – Sherry Wukasch & Peggy Parker
Greeter – Marta Gregory
Chapel Greeter – NEEDED
Praise Band – Sotaria



IMMANUEL
LUTHERAN
CHURCH

All Are Welcome!

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*To thank, praise, honor and serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as we **GATHER** and worship, **GROW** in the Word, and **SERVE** God by serving people.*

Worship Protocol

- ❖ Please stay home if you are sick.
- ❖ Face masks are **a choice**.
- ❖ Masks and large print bulletins are available at the entry table.
- ❖ You are encouraged to converse with each other OUTSIDE.
- ❖ Ushers will direct you to your seat.
- ❖ Worshipers in the same household may sit together.
- ❖ Communion elements are prepackaged.

After the benediction, please follow instructions for dismissal.

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HOLY COMMUNION

The sacrament of communion is celebrated at all worship services every Sunday. All are welcome, believing that our Lord is present offering grace and forgiveness. Currently, we are offering communion at the communion rail. Pre-packaged communion supplies are still available upon request. ✚

Gluten-free wafers and/or white grape juice are available at all services.

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Please silence cell phones

GATHERING SONG There's Power in the Blood

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There is power power
Wonder working power
In the blood of the Lamb
There is power power
Wonder working power
In the precious blood of the Lamb

Would you be whiter
Much whiter than snow
There's power in the blood
Power in the blood
Sin stains are lost
In its life giving flow
There's wonderful power in the blood

There is power power
Wonder working power
In the blood of the Lamb
There is power power
Wonder working power
In the precious blood of the Lamb

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WELCOME

TEMPLE TALK

Lutheran Foundation of the Southwest

Signe Frederickson

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who writes the law on our hearts,
who draws all people together through Jesus.

Amen.

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin

in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,

**We confess that we are caught in snares of sin
and cannot break free.**

**We hoard resources while our neighbors
are hungry and cold.**

We speak in ways that silence others.

We are silent when we should speak up.

We keep score in our hearts.

We let hurts grow into hatred.

**For all these things and for sins only you know,
forgive us, Lord.**

Amen.

Here is a flood of grace:

Out of love for the whole world,

God draws near to us,

breaks every snare of sin,

washes away our wrongs,

and restores the promise of life through ✠ Jesus Christ.

Amen.

OPENING SONG

Nothing But The Blood

What can wash away my sin
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
What can make me whole again
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Nothing can for sin atone
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
Naught of good that I have done
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

O precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow
No other fount I know
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

This is all my hope and peace
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
This is all my righteousness
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

O precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow
No other fount I know
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Exodus 20:1-17

¹God spoke all these words:

²I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³you shall have no other gods before me.

⁴You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

⁸Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁰But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

¹²Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³You shall not murder.

¹⁴You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵You shall not steal.

¹⁶You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 19

¹The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork.

²**One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

³Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,

⁴**their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world, where God has pitched a tent for the sun.**

⁵It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

⁶**It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

⁸**The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

¹⁰**More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹²**Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

¹⁸The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL John 2:13-22

¹³The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." ¹⁸The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" ¹⁹Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²²After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

SONG OF THE DAY

The Wonderful Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride

See from His head His hands His feet
Sorrow and love flow mingled down
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
Or thorns compose so rich a crown

O the wonderful cross
O the wonderful cross
Bids me come and die and find
That I may truly live
O the wonderful cross
O the wonderful cross
All who gather here by grace
Draw near and bless Your name

Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were an offering far too small
Love so amazing so divine
Demands my soul my life my all

O the wonderful cross
O the wonderful cross
Bids me come and die and find
That I may truly live
O the wonderful cross
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All who gather here by grace
Draw near and bless Your name

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APOSTLES' CREED

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.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

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SHARING OF THE PEACE OF THE LORD

OFFERTORY HYMN **Tree of Life & Awesome Mystery**

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verse 1, Lent 3

Tree of Life and awesome myst'ry,
in your death we are reborn;
though you die in all of hist'ry,
still you rise with ev'ry morn,
still you rise with ev'ry morn.

Living Water of salvation,
be the fountain of each soul;
springing up in new creation,
flow in us and make us whole.
flow in us and make us whole.

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OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace.

We pray this in your name.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise

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THE 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.

COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONGS **Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)**

Father let your kingdom come

Father let your will be done

On Earth as in Heaven

Right here in my heart

Father let your kingdom come

Father let your will be done

On Earth as in Heaven

Right here in my heart

Give us this day our daily bread

Forgive us, forgive us

As we forgive the ones who sinned

Against us, forgive them

And lead us not into temptation

But deliver us from the evil one

Let your kingdom come

Father let your kingdom come

Father let your will be done

On Earth as in Heaven

Right here in my heart

Father let your kingdom come
Father let your will be done
On Earth as in Heaven
Right here in my heart

Give us this day our daily bread
Forgive us, forgive us
As we forgive the ones who sinned
Against us, forgive them
And lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from the evil one
Let your kingdom come

It's Yours, it's Yours
All Yours, all Yours
The kingdom, the power,
The glory are Yours
It's Yours, it's Yours
All Yours, all Yours
Forever and ever
The kingdom is Yours

It's Yours, it's Yours
All Yours, all Yours
The kingdom, the power,
The glory are Yours
It's Yours, it's Yours
All Yours, all Yours
Forever and ever
The kingdom is Yours

Father let your kingdom come
Father let your will be done
On Earth as in Heaven
Right here in my heart

Father let your kingdom come
Father let your will be done
On Earth as in Heaven
Right here in my heart

On Earth as in Heaven
Right here in my heart

You Are My King (Amazing Love)

I'm forgiven
Because You were forsaken
I'm accepted
You were condemned
I'm alive and well
Your Spirit is within me
Because You died
And rose again

Amazing love
How can it be
That You my King
Would die for me
Amazing love
I know it's true
It's my joy to honor You
In all I do I honor You

You are my King
You are my King
Jesus You are my King
Jesus You are my King

I'm forgiven
Because You were forsaken
I'm accepted
You were condemned
I'm alive and well
Your Spirit is within me
Because You died
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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace.
As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to
feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

Amen.

BLESSING

Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed. God bless
you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and ✠
give you peace. **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG **Are You Washed in the Blood**

Have you been to Jesus for the cleansing power
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb
Are you fully trusting in His grace this hour
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

Are you washed in the blood
In the soul cleansing blood of the Lamb
Are your garments spotless are they white as snow
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

Are you walking daily by the Savior's side
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb
Do you rest each moment in the Crucified
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

Are you washed in the blood
In the soul cleansing blood of the Lamb
Are your garments spotless are they white as snow
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

When the Bridegroom cometh will your robes be white
Pure and white in the blood of the Lamb
Will your soul be ready for the mansions bright
And be washed in the blood of the Lamb

Are you washed in the blood
In the soul cleansing blood of the Lamb
Are your garments spotless are they white as snow
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

Lay aside the garments that are stained with sin
And be washed in the blood of the Lamb
There's a fountain flowing for the soul unclean
O be washed in the blood of the Lamb

Are you washed in the blood
In the soul cleansing blood of the Lamb
Are your garments spotless are they white as snow
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

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Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb

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GOOD NEWS

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share your bread.
Thanks be to God.

Next Week's Volunteer:

Assisting Minister – Steve Barczy

Greeters – Marta Gregory

Chapel Greeter – NEEDED

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY

Traditional Worship 8:00 am,
Sanctuary

ALL Ages Sunday School 9:15
am

Contemporary Service 10:30
am, Parish Hall

1st Sunday of the Month

Parish Ed Meeting, 11:30a in
the Conference Room

3rd Sunday of the Month

Food Pantry Distribution,
12-2p

MONDAY

Youth, 6p Youth Room

2nd Monday of the Month

Justice Ministry, 7p Zoom

TUESDAY

1st Tuesday of the Month

Elizabeth Circle, 2p Gather
Room

Rebecca Circle, 10a
Grow Room

Mary Circle, 10a Parlor

2nd Tuesday of the Month

Stewardship Committee, 5p
Gather Room/Zoom

ILDS Board Meeting 6:10 p,
Conference Room

Music & Worship Meeting 7p
Long Range Committee
Meeting, 7p

WEDNESDAY

Sotaria, 7p Parish Hall

2nd Wednesday of the Month

Tired and Retired, 11:30a
Parish Hall

3rd Wednesday of the Month

Men's Breakfast, 6:30a
Parish Hall

Quilters, 8:30a WELCA Room

THURSDAY

Bible Study with Pastor
Matthew, 11a Gather Room &
4:45p via Zoom

SATURDAY

2nd Saturday of the Month

Prayer Shawl Ministry, 9a
Gather Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDNESDAY LENT MEALS

Join us every Wednesday in Lent Feb. 21st – March 20th for Soup
& Sandwich meals at 5 pm in the Parish Hall.

WEDNESDAY LENT SERVICES

Join us every Wednesday in Lent Feb. 21st – March 20th at either
10:00 AM in the Chapel or at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary.

150TH LUNCHEON TICKETS ARE ON SALE

Via the Church Office or on Realm.



JOIN IMMANUEL'S SERVANT TEAM

Volunteers are needed to help with LuMin's Tailgate Tuesday
on March 5th. Be the reason a young adult is able to enjoy a
hot meal and find a deeper connection to God. Call Jessica in
the Church office to sign up.

EASTER EGG HUNT DONATIONS

We are accepting donations for the Easter Egg Hunt. Plastic
Eggs // Candy // Small Trinkets please look for the
collection bins outside the Parish Hall or Church Offices.

SPIRIT NIGHT AT P.TERRY'S

Join us on Tuesday, March 12, 4 to 10 PM. 18801 FM 685
Pflugerville 10% of ALL sales will go to helping the Youth with
NOLA!

We Lift These Names Up In Prayer

*Sandra Noton, Virginia Weiss, Wilbert & Billie Becker, Judy
Tawater, Betty Wolf, Gail Hammett, LaVerne Scott, Betty
Wicklund, Hal Kuempel, Gloria Allmon, Marie Davis, Nathzele
Pfluger, Robert Boehm, Mary Hufstedler, Linda Lane, Catharine
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