

**FOURTH SUNDAY
AFTER EPIPHANY
FEBRUARY 3, 2019
IMMANUEL
LUTHERAN
CHURCH
Missouri Synod**



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***Sunday*
9:00 AM
Worship Service**

**10:00 am
Adult Bible Class
Sunday School**

**Holy Communion:
1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday**

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Then they were all amazed and spoke among themselves, saying, "What a word this is! For with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits, and they come out." (Luke 4:36)



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WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this morning. It is our hope that you will benefit by your worship here with us, and that you will return again soon. We would greatly appreciate it if everyone would fill out an Attendance/Communion card so that we can keep track of our attendance. They are the 3x5 white cards located in the pew racks in front of you.

This week we celebrate Holy Communion. We teach that in the receiving of the Lord's Supper each person receives the real presence of the Body and Blood of Christ for the forgiveness of their sins. If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and desire to partake of Communion, please ask to speak with Pastor Weber or one of the elders prior to the service.

A Prayer Upon Entering Church - God of love, You knew the prophet Jeremiah while he was still in the womb, and You appointed him to a purpose with which he struggled. So, too, You have known me and appointed me from the beginning, and You promise to deliver me in my struggles and fears. Help me to trust Your promises, that with my lips and my life I show forth Your love to all people; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, my Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

AS WE GATHER - All three Readings today declare the depth, breadth, and height of God's love for the world. When God's people were drifting away, God sent prophets, such as Jeremiah, to speak God's Word and call the people back to faithfulness. God declares His love for Jeremiah: "I formed you in the womb . . . I consecrated you; I appointed you . . . I am with you to deliver you" (Jeremiah 1:5, 8). God's love is shown forth in Jesus in the Gospel. Jesus casts out a demon from a man, thereby restoring his life. Jesus heals Peter's mother-in-law, and He casts out even more demons and heals more diseases. This all points to the restoration of all creation in God's coming kingdom. The Epistle, often read at weddings, calls us toward lives shaped by the depth, breadth, and height of God's love for us.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

(A quiet time for prayer and meditation in preparation for worship)

DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING ONE

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OPENING HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

LSB 700

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(We take a moment of silence to reflect on our sin and our need for the Savior.)

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
(John 20:19-23)

C Amen.

INTROIT *Psalm 10:16-18; antiphon: v. 12*

P Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up Your hand; forget not the afflicted.

C The LORD is king forever and ever; the nations perish from His land.

P O LORD, You hear the desire of the afflicted; You will strengthen their heart;

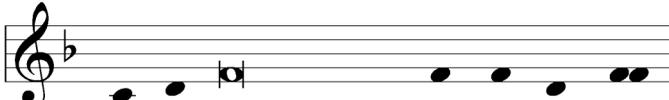
C You will incline your ear to do justice to the fatherless and the oppressed,

P so that man who is of the earth may strike terror no more.

All Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up Your hand; forget not the afflicted.

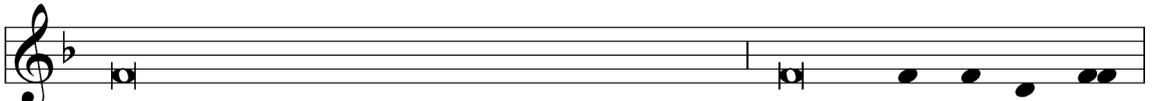
KYRIE



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



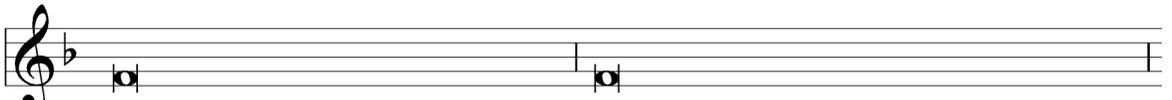
C Lord, have mer - cy.



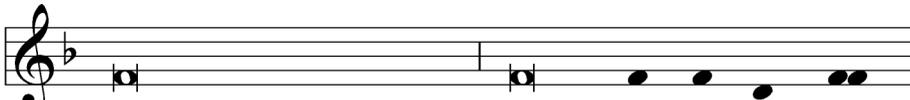
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



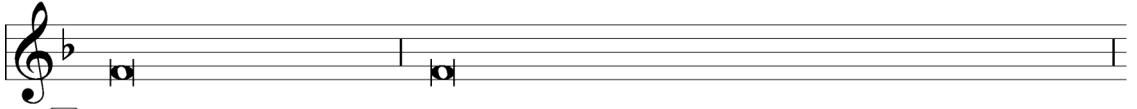
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



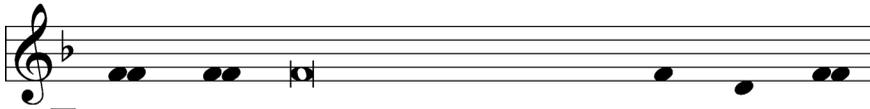
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

THIS IS THE FEAST



Refrain

☐ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb _____ who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



6 Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SALUTATION



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. O Lord, You showed Your love for humanity through Jesus, Your beloved Son, who cast out demons and healed the sick. Empower us by Your Spirit to love You with our whole heart, and to love our neighbors as ourselves, so that the light of Your love may so shine before others through us that they glorify You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 1:4-10 (17-19)

(The Lord calms Jeremiah's fear with a promise.)

4 Then the word of the Lord came to me, saying:

5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations."

6 Then said I:

"Ah, Lord God! Behold, I cannot speak, for I am a youth."

7 But the Lord said to me:

"Do not say, 'I am a youth,' For you shall go to all to whom I send you, And whatever I command you, you shall speak.

8 Do not be afraid of their faces, For I am with you to deliver you," says the Lord.

9 Then the Lord put forth His hand and touched my mouth, and the Lord said to me:

"Behold, I have put My words in your mouth. 10 See, I have this day set you over the nations and over the kingdoms, To root out and to pull down, To destroy and to throw down, To build and to plant."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God**

PSALM *Psalm 71:1–6; antiphon: v. 12*

P O God, be not far from me; O my God, make haste to help me!

C In You, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame!

P In Your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline Your ear to me, and save me!

C Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come; You have given the command to save me, for You are my rock and my fortress.

P Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel man.

C For You, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth.

P Upon You I have leaned from before my birth; You are He who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of You.

C O God, be not far from me; O my God, make haste to help me!

All Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P O God, be not far from me; O my God, make haste to help me!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 12:31b–13:13*
(All about love)

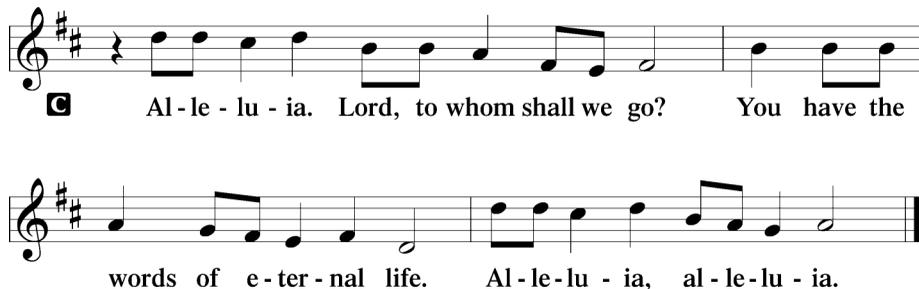
31 But earnestly desire the best gifts. And yet I show you a more excellent way. 1 Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. 2 And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 3 And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing. 4 Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; 5 does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; 6 does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; 7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8 Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away. 9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part. 10 But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away. 11 When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. 12 For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.

13 And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 4:31-44

(Jesus casts out a demon and heals Peter's mother-in-law.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth chapter.



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

31 Then He went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and was teaching them on the Sabbaths. 32 And they were astonished at His teaching, for His word was with authority. 33 Now in the synagogue there was a man who had a spirit of an unclean demon. And he cried out with a loud voice, 34 saying, "Let us alone! What have we to do with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know who You are—the Holy One of God!" 35 But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be quiet, and come out of him!" And when the demon had thrown him in their midst, it came out of him and did not hurt him. 36 Then they were all amazed and spoke among themselves, saying, "What a word this is! For with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits, and they come out." 37 And the report about Him went out into every place in the surrounding region. 38 Now He arose from the synagogue and entered Simon's house. But Simon's wife's mother was sick with a high fever, and they made request of Him concerning her. 39 So He stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. And immediately she arose and served them. 40 When the sun was setting, all those who had any that were sick with various diseases brought them to Him; and He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them. 41 And demons also came out of many, crying out and saying, "You are the Christ, the Son of God!" And He, rebuking them, did not allow them to speak, for they knew that He was the Christ. 42 Now when it was day, He departed and went into a deserted place. And the crowd sought Him and came to Him, and tried to keep Him from leaving them; 43 but He said to them, "I must preach the kingdom of God to the other cities also, because for this purpose I

have been sent.”⁴⁴ And He was preaching in the synagogues of Galilee.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

All: *I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.*

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide

LSB 585

SERMON

“Who Is This Holy One of God”

(Luke 4:34)

OFFERTORY



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

OFFERING

SHARING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Embraced by the love of God for us in Jesus, let us bring our prayers to God, trusting in His promise to deliver us in the midst of trouble.

God, whose love is patient and kind, empower Your Church throughout the world to show forth the Gospel everywhere with patience and kindness. Give the leaders, pastors, teachers, and all the people of the Synod a full measure of patience and kindness in our interactions with one another. Preserve us from discord and public arguments that bring out the worst in us. Let the love You have shown us so embrace our lives that the world may notice and turn to You. God of love,

C **hear our prayer.**

P God, whose love is not envious or boastful, bless the leaders of nations, our president and congress, our governors, and local leaders. Move all leaders to cease envy and boastfulness, injustice and corruption. Guide our leaders to be honorable people who do not neglect the poor and who strive toward the flourishing of all human beings. Bless those who serve in our armed forces, and lift up refugees and all victims of war.

Bring peace between us and our enemies, and let Your peace in Christ reign over this broken world. God of love,

C hear our prayer.

P God, whose love is not arrogant or rude, come to the aid of all who are in need. As Jesus humbly entered this world as a vulnerable baby, help all of us to humbly enter the lives of those who are sick, facing surgery, or dying to offer comfort and hope, [especially . . .]. Bring healing according to Your will and peace to those whose suffering endures. Thank You for the work of doctors, nurses, and other medical professionals who work toward healing and restoration of wholeness. Guide scientists searching for cures for diseases that bring so much suffering to the world, that their work lead to healing for many. God of love,

C hear our prayer.

P God, whose love is not irritable or resentful, let Your joy, forgiveness, and peace flow freely in and among both the families of this congregation and all families. Empower parents and grandparents to love their children and children to love their parents. Watch over all who travel, and comfort families who are separated by many miles. Guide families, that their homes be places where Your love is demonstrated to strangers as well as to friends. God of love,

C hear our prayer.

P God, whose love rejoices with the truth, preserve this church both from error and from using truth against others like a weapon. Guide us as the Body of Christ in the world to live in ways that surprise the world with Your love, so that ears will be opened to hear the truth of Jesus. God of love,

C hear our prayer.

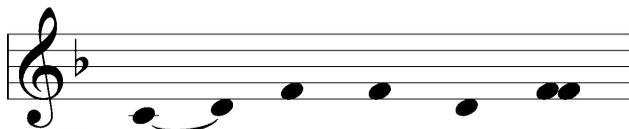
P God, whose love abides into all eternity through our Lord Jesus, You deliver Your people even from the grip of death. Comfort those who mourn, and use us to express Your abiding love to them. We thank You for the life and witness of those who, having abided in Your love in this life, have now died and abide in Your eternal love. Bring us one day to be with them; and until that day give us grace to endure life's difficulties, while also abiding in Your love. God of love,

C hear our prayer.

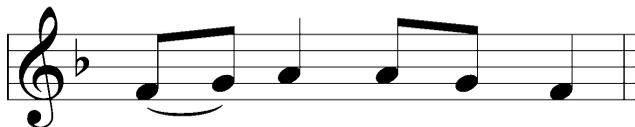
P In addition to these prayers that we have spoken, we know that You, O Lord, know the thoughts of our hearts, and hear also those prayers that come to You in sighs too deep for words. All of our prayer we entrust to Your abiding love in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

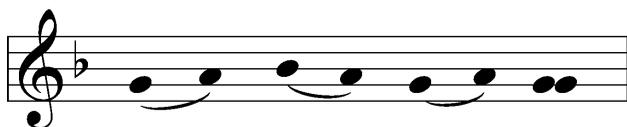
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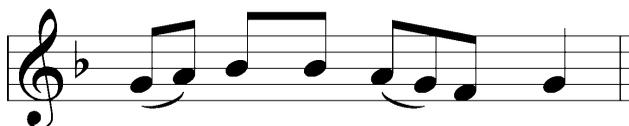
P The Lord be with you.



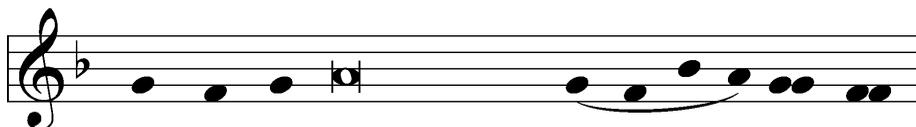
C And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who shone forth Your kingdom in this world by teaching, casting out demons,

healing the sick, and proclaiming the kingdom from town to town. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



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



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Thank You, Lord of all creation, for Your constant, abiding, seeking love, given to us now in the Supper of our Lord. In love You created the heavens, the earth, all creatures, and human beings. In love You promised a Savior when Adam and Eve rebelled against You. In love You made Your covenant with Abraham and Sarah to bless the world through their offspring. In love You saved the Israelites from slavery in Egypt and guided them through the wilderness. In love You sent prophets such as Jeremiah to people who had again rebelled against You. In love You sent to us Jesus, Your Son. In love Jesus proclaimed, taught, and demonstrated the coming kingdom. In love Jesus suffered, died, rose, and ascended. In love You provide for us the body and blood of Christ to forgive our sins, empowering us to love the world as You first loved us. For Your love—so deep, so broad, so high: We thank You. We praise You. We adore You. Amen

LORD'S PRAYER (*Matthew 6:9-13*)

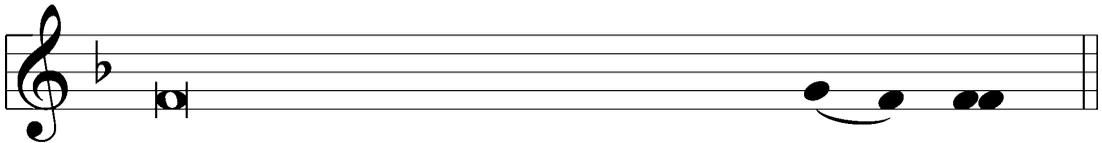
C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is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

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

AGNUS DEI



☐ Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

LSB 394

Thank the Lord



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re - calls His prom - is - es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy

TO ASSIST YOU IN WORSHIP

- Large print Worship Bulletins for those who are sight impaired.
- Personal Wireless Listening devices for those with hearing difficulties.
- Prayer requests forms are located in a black binder in the Pew Hymnal Rack as well as with an usher.

Please print the request and place the form in the collection plate or give to a usher!

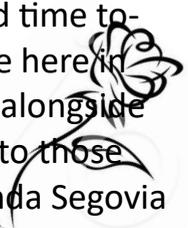
PLEASE ASK AN USHER FOR ANY ASSISTANCE

A REMINDER - THE PASTOR IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE FOLLOWING WORSHIP TO SPEAK AND PRAY WITH WORSHIPERS WHO HAVE CONCERNS FOR THEMSELVES OR OTHERS.

- *PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO SEEK HIM OUT.*

FOR THOSE IN OUR WORSHIPING CONGREGATION WHO MAY BE PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO STAND FOR EXTENDED PERIODS OF TIME, OR WHO FIND IT DIFFICULT TO RISE AND SIT ON EVERY OCCASION DURING THE WORSHIP. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SIT OR REMAIN SEATED EVEN THOUGH THE CONGREGATION HAS BEEN DIRECTED TO STAND.

"*Thank you* Immanuel friends for the housewarming, gifts, and time together this past Sunday. You all have made me feel so welcome here in Mercedes and at Immanuel! I cannot wait to continue serving alongside you as we reach out to our community here together! Thanks to those who made it to our Game Night last week as well!" -DCE Brenda Segovia





Portals of Prayer for January to March are now available in the Narthrex.

You are lovingly and prayerfully asked to **join us for**
Sunday School and Bible Study at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
You have fellowship with one another and also enrich your spiritual life with the
Word. **Pastor Weber** will be leading the Bible Study.

Confirmation Class
on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Pastor's Office

Notice: There is a sign up sheet on the church door to sign up if you will be joining in
for lunch at Cortino's on Sunday, February 10th after Bible Study. (a count is needed)

Hay Ride: Saturday, February 16th at 3 p.m. at the Neuhaus'

Game Night: Friday, February 22, 2019 at 5 p.m. Don't forget bring food and
games.

We would like to acknowledge and thank
Bob Kaemmerer
from Hillsboro, TX for sharing his God given
talent in playing the flute during our Sunday
Service. Praise God!



Jesus Has Authority to Forgive Your Sins and Give You Life

Jesus was sent to “preach the good news of the kingdom of God” (Luke 4:43). His preaching is an epiphany, or manifestation, of God because His Word reveals the authority of His cross and resurrection, by which He has atoned for the sins of the world. By the preaching of His Gospel in every place, He silences the unclean spirits and casts out demons, heals the diseases of body and soul, and restores life and health to His creation (Luke 4:40–41). For the sake of His divine love, He is “patient and kind” toward us; He “bears all things,” “endures all things” and delivers up His body to save us (1 Cor. 13:3–4, 7). So also for the sake of His love, He calls and sends His prophets, as ministers of His Word, “to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant” (Jer. 1:10).

1/27/2019

Sunday Worship	61	
Plate:		\$ 350.00
Envelopes:		\$ 5,427.00
Donation:		
Memorial:		
Total:		\$ 5,777.00
Bible Class:	NA	NA

*Fifth Sunday
after Epiphany*

Readings :

(Lesson 15)

Isaiah 6:1-8 (9-13)

Psalm 138

1 Corinthians 14:12b-20

Luke 5:1-11



Elders' Meeting

Tuesday, February 5, 2019

7:30 p.m.