

**MID-WEEK 4  
LENTEN SERVICE  
MARCH 23, 2022  
IMMANUEL  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH  
Missouri Synod**



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

***Adult Bible Class*  
*Sunday School*  
10:30 am**

**Holy Communion:  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday**

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seeing that He had been  
condemned, was remorseful  
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by betraying innocent blood.”  
(Matthew 27:3-4)**

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## WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors here today. 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 located in the pew racks in front of you.

### PRELUDE

#### OPENING HYMN

*The Law of God Is Good and Wise*

LSB 579



1 The Law of God is good and wise And sets His  
2 Its light of ho - li - ness im - parts The knowl - edge  
3 To those who help in Christ have found And would in  
4 But those who scorn - ful - ly dis - dain God's Law shall



will be - fore our eyes, Shows us the way of righ - teous -  
of our sin - ful hearts That we may see our lost es -  
works of love a - bound It shows what deeds are His de -  
then in sin re - main; Its ter - ror in their ear re -



ness, And dooms to death when we trans - gress.  
tate And turn from sin be - fore too late.  
light And should be done as good and right.  
sounds And keeps their wick - ed - ness in bounds.

5 The Law is good; but since the fall  
Its holiness condemns us all;  
It dooms us for our sin to die  
And has no pow'r to justify.

6 To Jesus we for refuge flee,  
Who from the curse has set us free,  
And humbly worship at His throne,  
Saved by His grace through faith alone.

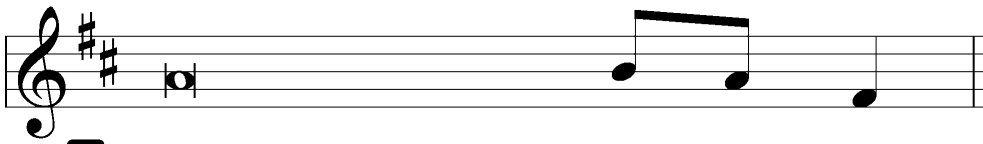
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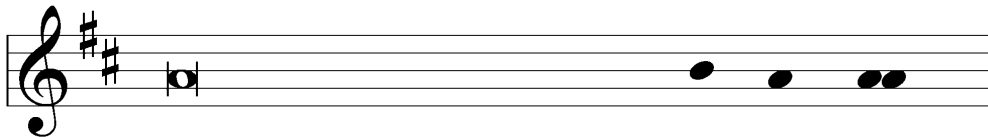
## VESPERS



**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



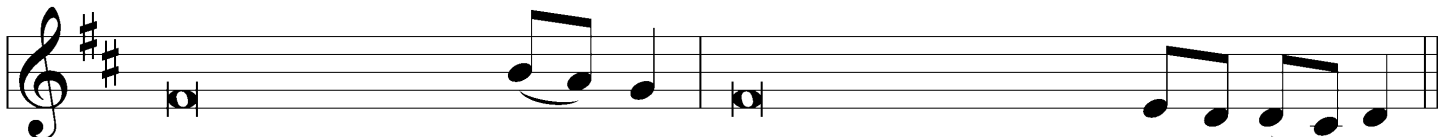
**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



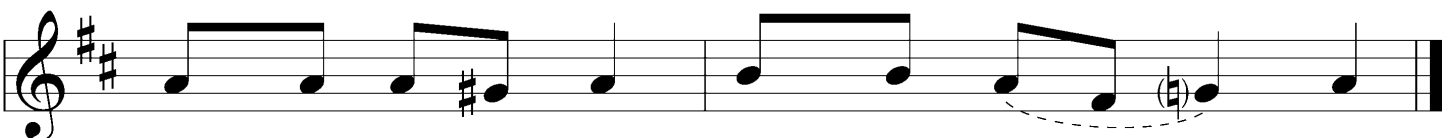
**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Lent: : Praise to You, O Christ. Lamb of our sal—va—tion.

**PSALM**      *Psalm 27:1–5, 11–14*

P    The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be  
afraid?

**C    When the wicked came against me to eat up my flesh,  
my enemies and foes, they stumbled and fell.**

P    Though an army may encamp against me, my heart shall  
not fear; though war may rise against me, in this I will  
be confident.

**C    One thing I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek:  
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of  
my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to  
inquire in His temple.**

P    For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion;  
in the secret place of His tabernacle He shall hide me; He  
shall set me high upon a rock.

**C    Teach me Your way, O Lord, and lead me in a smooth  
path, because of my enemies.**

P    Do not deliver me to the will of my adversaries; for false  
witnesses have risen against me, and such as breathe out  
violence.

**C    I would have lost heart, unless I had believed that I  
would see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the  
living.**

P    Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall  
strengthen your heart; wait, I say, on the Lord!

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**HYMN OF THE DAY**    *Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace*    **LSB 613**



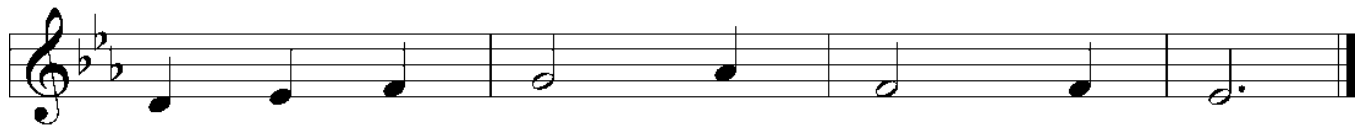
1 Lord of all na - tions, grant me grace  
 2 Break down the wall that would di - vide  
 3 For - give me, Lord, where I have erred  
 4 Give me Thy cour - age, Lord, to speak



To love all peo - ple, ev - 'ry race;  
 Thy chil - dren, Lord, on ev - 'ry side.  
 By love - less act and thought - less word.  
 When - ev - er strong op - press the weak.



And in each per - son may I see  
 My neigh - bor's good let me pur - sue;  
 Make me to see the wrong I do  
 Should I my - self the vic - tim be,



My kin - dred, loved, re - deemed by Thee.  
 Let Chris - tian love bind warm and true.  
 Will grieve my wound - ed Lord a - new.  
 Help me for - give, re - mem - b'ring Thee.

5 With Thine own love may I be filled  
 And by Thy Holy Spirit willed,  
 That all I touch, where'er I be,  
 May be divinely touched by Thee.

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## FIRST READING *Luke 23:1-12*

1 Then the whole multitude of them arose and led Him to Pilate. 2 And they began to accuse Him, saying, "We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to pay taxes to Caesar, saying that He Himself is Christ, a King."

3 Then Pilate asked Him, saying, "Are You the King of the Jews?" He answered him and said, "It is as you say."

4 So Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowd, "I find no fault in this Man."

5 But they were the more fierce, saying, "He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee to this place."

6 When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked if the Man were a Galilean. 7 And as soon as he knew that He belonged to Herod's jurisdiction, he sent Him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time. 8 Now when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceedingly glad; for he had desired for a long time to see Him, because he had heard many things about Him, and he hoped to see some miracle done by Him. 9 Then he questioned Him with many words, but He answered him nothing. 10 And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused Him. 11 Then Herod, with his men of war, treated Him with contempt and mocked Him, arrayed Him in a gorgeous robe, and sent Him back to Pilate. 12 That very day Pilate and Herod became friends with each other, for previously they had been at enmity with each other.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **SECOND READING**

*Matthew 27:3-10*

3 Then Judas, His betrayer, seeing that He had been condemned, was remorseful and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, 4 saying, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood."

And they said, "What is that to us? You see to it!"

5 Then he threw down the pieces of silver in the temple and departed, and went and hanged himself.

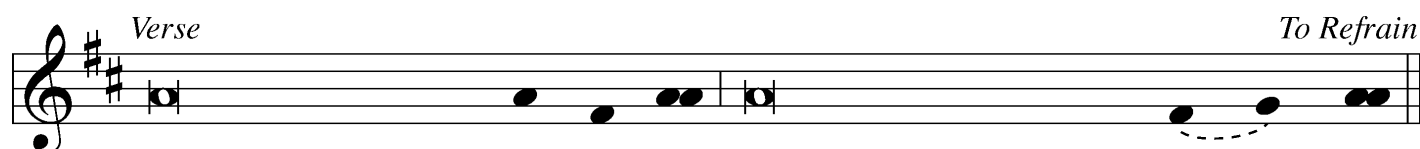
6 But the chief priests took the silver pieces and said, "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, because they are the price of blood." 7 And they consulted together and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in. 8 Therefore that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day.

9 Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the value of Him who was priced, whom they of the children of Israel priced, 10 and gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord directed me."

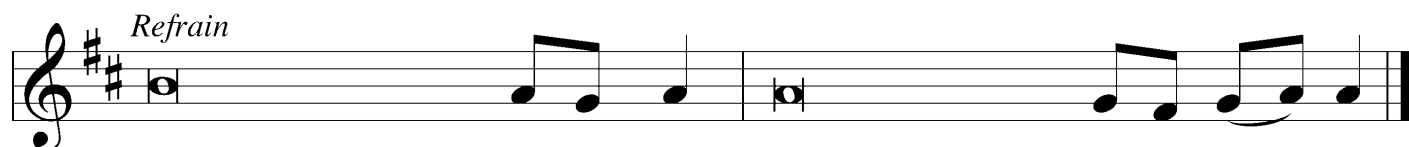
**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORY



- L** 1 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are  
the God of my sal - va - tion.
- 2 In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.
- 3 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are  
the God of my sal - va - tion.



- C** Rescue me from my en - e - mies, protect me  
from those who rise a - gainst me.

## SERMON

### *"Judas and the High Priests"*

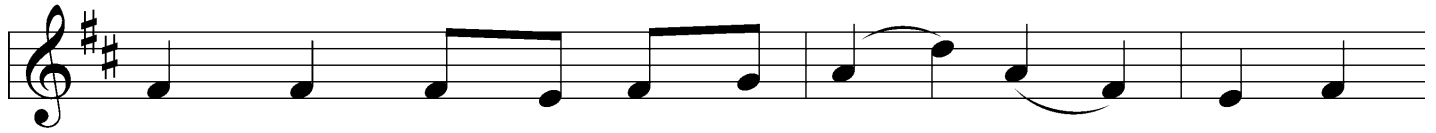
(Matthew 27:3-10)

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**CANTICLE**

*Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*

**LSB 711**



1 Sav - ior, like a shep - herd lead us; Much we  
2 We are Yours; in love be - friend us, Be the  
3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, Poor and  
4 Ear - ly let us seek Your fa - vor, Ear - ly



need Your ten - der care. In Your pleas - ant pas - tures  
guard - ian of our way; Keep Your flock, from sin de -  
sin - ful though we be; You have mer - cy to re -  
let us do Your will; Bless - ed Lord and on - ly



feed us, For our use Your fold pre - pare.  
fend us, Seek us when we go a - stray.  
lieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
Sav - ior, With Your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, You have  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, You have



bought us; we are Yours. Bless - ed Je - sus,  
chil - dren when we pray. Bless - ed Je - sus,  
let us turn to You. Bless - ed Je - sus,  
loved us, love us still. Bless - ed Je - sus,





bless - ed Je - sus, You have bought us; we are Yours.  
bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly let us turn to You.  
bless - ed Je - sus, You have loved us, love us still.

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## OFFERING

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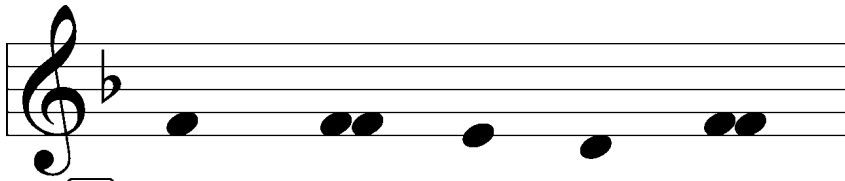
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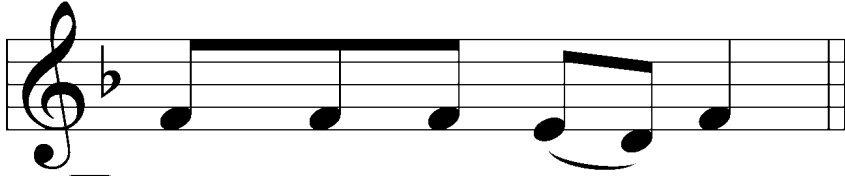
**C** Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

## LORD'S PRAYER

**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.



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with your spir - it.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, broken by this world of sin, we are an impatient people. In our times of seeking justice, facing distress, and struggling with situations, help us to patiently hope in You and Your promises made, promises fulfilled, and promises yet to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer as we wait for Your salvation.**

**P** Gracious Lord, Your ways are not our ways, nor are Your thoughts our thoughts, nor Your time our time. As You are with us in time of trial and need, You work good through our waiting in faith. So also grant to us, by Your Holy Spirit, faith that holds to You at all times. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer as we wait for Your salvation.**

**P** We lift up those who cry out to You in distress and despair, [including . . .]. As they wait for healing, peace, and comfort, be the rock of their salvation and hope in times of need. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer as we wait for Your salvation.**

**P** Halfway through this Lenten journey, we wait to walk with Jesus in the culmination of His passion—His suffering, crucifixion, and death for the sins of the world. Grant us repentant hearts to know our need for a Savior, what You have given in Your one and only Son, and the forgiveness of sins and eternal good worked for the sake of the world through the one sacrifice needed. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer as we wait for Your salvation.**

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

### **LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER**

**C** **I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

### **COLLECT FOR PEACE**

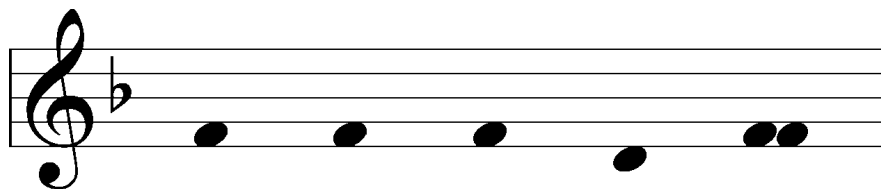
**P** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just words, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the word cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## BENEDICAMUS

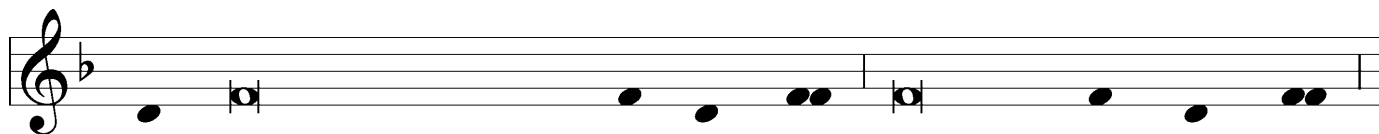


**L** Let us bless the Lord.

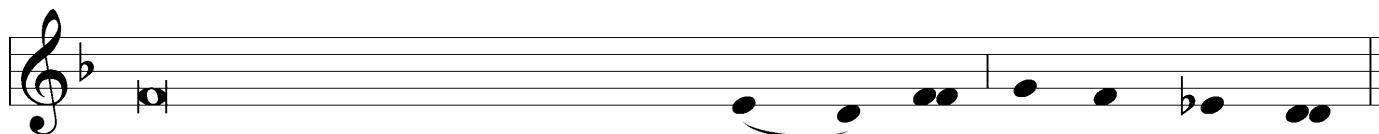


**C** Thanks be to God.

## BENEDICTION



**P** The grace of our Lord ✠ Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



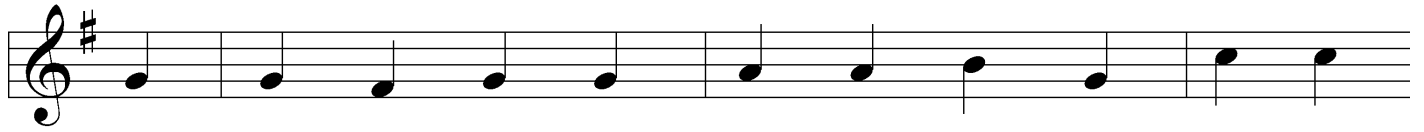
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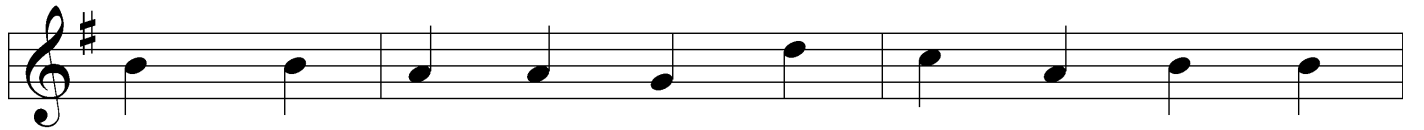
**SENDING HYMN**

*All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night*

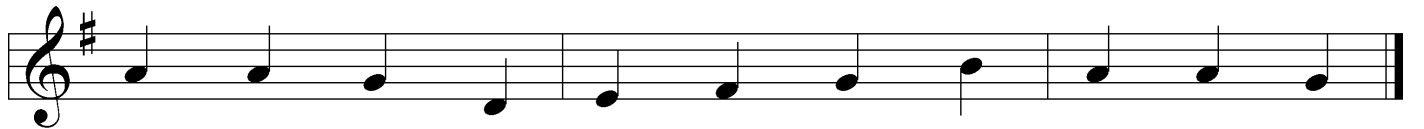
**LSB 883**



1 All praise to Thee, my God, this night For all the  
2 For - give me, Lord, for Thy dear Son, The ill that  
3 Teach me to live that I may dread The grave as  
4 Oh, may my soul in Thee re - pose, And may sweet



bless - ings of the light. Keep me, O keep me,  
I this day have done, That with the world, my -  
lit - tle as my bed. Teach me to die that  
sleep mine eye - lids close, Sleep that shall me more



King of kings, Be - neath Thine own al - might - y wings.  
self, and Thee, I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.  
so I may Rise glo - rious at the awe - full day.  
vig - 'rous make To serve my God when I a - wake!

5 When in the night I sleepless lie,  
My soul with heav'nly thoughts supply;  
Let no ill dreams disturb my rest,  
No pow'rs of darkness me molest.



6 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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