
4TH SUNDAY IN LENT MARCH 14, 2021

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC + WELCOME

SONG: "Come and Rejoice" (*Don Moen/Gerrit Gustafson*)

**Come with rejoicing, the Father is calling,
those who would worship in spirit and truth;
Come with your singing, come with thanksgiving,
Jesus, our Savior, has made all things new.
Come and rejoice, O holy nation,
come and sing praises to Him;
Come and bow down, worship before Him,
Jesus, the King of all kings,
Jesus, the King of all kings.**

**The Lord of creation is full of compassion,
seated in splendor adorned with all grace;
Majestic and glorious, reigning victorious,
now and forever enthroned on our praise.
Come and rejoice, O holy nation,
come and sing praises to Him;
Come and bow down, worship before Him,
Jesus, the King of all kings,
Jesus, the King of all kings.**

**With the sound of the trumpet He summons the nations,
Calling a priesthood to go in His name;
To show forth His power to this generation,
to worship before him, a kingdom of praise.
Come and rejoice, O holy nation,
come and sing praises to Him;
Come and bow down, worship before Him,
Jesus, the King of all kings,
Jesus, the King of all kings.**

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INVOCATION

REFLECTION ON GOD'S WORD: (*Spoken together*)
You shall have no other gods before me.
You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God.
Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
Honor your father and mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.



You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

CONFESSION OF SIN:

Pastor: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters in Christ, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

People: **The almighty and merciful Lord grants you pardon, forgiveness of all your sins, and everlasting peace in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.**

Pastor: Thanks be to God. Amen.

People: **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters in Christ, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I too pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**

Pastor: The almighty and merciful Lord grants you pardon, forgiveness of all your sins, and everlasting peace in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

People: **Thanks be to our gracious and merciful God! Amen.**

VERSES:

Pastor: O Lord, open my lips

People: **And my mouth will declare Your praise.**

Pastor: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

People: **Make haste to help me, O Lord. 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. Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.**

Pastor: Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: **O Come, let us worship Him.**

HYMN: "My Hope is Built On Nothing Less" (LSB #575)

**My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
No merit of my own I claim
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**His oath, His covenant and blood
Support me in the raging flood;
When ev'ry earthly prop give way,
He then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Redeemed to stand before His throne!
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.**

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EPISTLE READING: Ephesians 2:1-10

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, ²in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. ³All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our sinful nature and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature objects of wrath. ⁴But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, ⁵made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. ⁶And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, ⁷in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— ⁹not by works, so that no one can boast. ¹⁰For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

GOSPEL READING: John 3:14-21

¹⁴Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, ¹⁵that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. ¹⁹This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. ²¹But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what he has done has been done through God.”

RESPONSE: (Spoken)

Pastor: Oh, come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

People: The author and perfecter of our faith,

Pastor: Who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame,

People: And sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SONG: "There is a Redeemer" (Keith Green)

**There is a Redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God,
Messiah, Holy One.
Thank You, O my Father,
for giving us Your Son;
And leaving Your Spirit
'til the work on earth is done.**

**Jesus, my Redeemer,
Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
hope for sinners slain.
Thank You, O my Father,
for giving us Your Son;
And leaving Your Spirit
'til the work on earth is done.**

**When I stand in glory
I will see His face,
and there I'll serve my King forever,
in that holy place.
Thank You, O my Father,
for giving us Your Son;
And leaving Your Spirit
'til the work on earth is done.**

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SERMON: Numbers 21:4-9 "Helped by the Lord"

HYMN: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (LSB #425)

**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?**

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a tribute far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all!

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PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

People: 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.

BLESSING

HYMN: "How Great Thou Art" (LSB #801)

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in.
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin;
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

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BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday Morning at 10:45 in the Sanctuary

LOOKING AHEAD IN OUR SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS: "The End and Revelation!"

To access via Zoom.

Topic: Holy Emmanuel - Sunday Bible Study

Time: This is a recurring meeting Sunday's 10:45am

Join Zoom Meeting

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Dear Holy Emmanuel Members & friends:

With warmer days ahead of us, VEAP is pleased to officially kick off our annual springtime March Food & Fund Drive!

Please consider donating the following items..

- Personal care and household items: shampoo, toothpaste, soap, shaving cream, toiletries, etc.
- Paper bags (We'll always take your extra paper grocery bags.

Note that financial contributions allows VEAP to respond the most flexibly to changing needs. Every \$30 donated allows us to feed an individual for an entire month (a total of 90 meals!). Please consider making a donation in support of this critical drive.

Thank you and best wishes for a warm spring!

Thank You for your continued support of VEAP.

Gayle Cedergren

VEAP Representative

Easter Flowers

Sunday, March 21st following the 9:30 Service is the last day to place your order.

Order forms are in the church office

Flowers may be taken home after the Easter service

Easter Lily	\$8.00	Mum (White)	\$8.00
Tulips (Red)	\$7.50	Hydrangeas (Pink)	\$15.25
Tulips (Purple)	\$7.50	10" Pansy Bowl (Mixed Colors)	\$10.00
Tulips (Yellow)	\$7.50	12" Pansy Bowl (Mixed Colors)	\$15.00
Mum (Lavender)	\$8.00		
Mum (Yellow)	\$8.00		



ARE YOU A FAN OF COFFEE? SNACKS? AND OTHER DELICIOUS FLAVORS?

The Youth of Holy Emmanuel are partnering with DRIVEN COFFEE ROASTERS to raise money for the next National Lutheran Youth Gathering, next summer in Houston, Texas!

Driven Coffee Roasters is a Minnesota based coffee company! In addition to working with us for this fundraiser a percentage of all their profits go to some of our own local missions like Second Harvest Heartland and Feed My Starving Children! Awesome!

SOUNDS GREAT!!! HOW DO I ORDER??

There are two ways you can place an order:

1. IN PERSON BEFORE/AFTER WORSHIP ON AN ORDER SHEET.

Order sheets will be located on the Welcome Center Table from Sun. Feb. 28th-Sun. Mar 14th. Your items will then be placed in a mass order on the 15th of March, and will arrive by Palm Sunday!

2. ORDER ONLINE.

Copy and paste the link into your online browser and start shopping!

Your items will be shipped directly to YOU!

<https://www.drivencoffeefundraising.com/ref/holy-emmanuel-youth/>

Please note: In order for our group to get credit for the sales, supporters must use the link provided!



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH!!

If you have any questions about the Fundraiser, or need assistance with an order, please contact Brittany!

Email: brittany@holyemmanuel.org. Office Phone: 952-888-2345

SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 14, 2021

Numbers 21:4-9

“Helped by the Lord”

⁴They traveled from Mount Hor along the route to the Red Sea, to go around Edom. But the people grew impatient on the way; ⁵ they spoke against God and against Moses, and said, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the desert? There is no bread! There is no water! And we detest this miserable food!” ⁶ Then the LORD sent venomous snakes among them; they bit the people and many Israelites died. ⁷ The people came to Moses and said, “We sinned when we spoke against the LORD and against you. Pray that the LORD will take the snakes away from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸ The LORD said to Moses, “Make a snake and put it up on a pole; anyone who is bitten can look at it and live.” ⁹ So Moses made a bronze snake and put it up on a pole. Then when anyone was bitten by a snake and looked at the bronze snake, he lived.

1. How had the Lord helped his people prior to their grumbling?
2. What slavery has Jesus delivered us from?
3. In what ways does Jesus deliver us from the devil?
4. How are we feed by God’s hand today?
5. What does discontent with God lead us to do?
6. Why was God’s discipline with the Israelites so harsh?
7. What can we be sure God will always do in the midst of our sin?
8. Where does God’s discipline come from?
9. How does God’s discipline help us?
10. What does the bronze serpent point us to?
11. What happened with the snakes once Moses put the bronze serpent on the pole?
12. What might we have to bear even when forgiven?
13. Why do we have hope when facing the consequences of sin?