
MIDWEEK LENT SERVICE MARCH 23, 2022



WELCOME

HYMN: “Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing” (LSB #737)

**Rejoice, my heart, be glad and sing,
A cheerful trust maintain;
For God, the source of ev’rything,
Your portion shall remain.**

**He is your treasure, He your joy,
Your life and light and Lord,
Your counselor when doubts annoy,
Your shield and great reward.**

**He only will with patience chide,
His rod falls gently down;
And all your sins He casts aside
In ocean depths to drown.**

**His wisdom never plans in vain
Nor falters nor mistakes.
All that His counsels may ordain
A blessed ending makes.**

**Upon your lips, then, lay your hand,
And trust his guiding love;
Then like a rock your peace shall stand
Here and in heav’n above.**

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INVOCATION

REFLECTION ON GOD’S WORD:

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

People: The name of the Lord is to be praised.

Pastor: Rend your hearts and not your garments.

**People: Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger
and abounding in steadfast love.**

Pastor: Jesus said, “If any man would come after Me,”

People: “Let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.”

Pastor: Christ was wounded for our transgressions.

People: He was bruised for our iniquities.

Pastor: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

People: The name of the Lord is to be praised. Amen.



CONFESSION OF SIN: *(Spoken together)*

O Lord, our God, we acknowledge Your great goodness toward us and praise You for the mercy and grace that our eyes have seen, our ears have heard, and our hearts have known. We sincerely repent of the sins of this day, and of those in the past. Pardon our offenses, correct and reform what is lacking in us, and help us grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE:

Pastor: In the forgiveness won for us by our Savior,

People: We have been washed clean of our sin and are now called sons of the living God.

Pastor: You are a hiding place for me O Lord,

People: You preserve me from trouble. You surround me with shouts of deliverance, to the glory and honor of Your holy name.

THE PASSION HISTORY READING

HYMN: “Jesus Sinners Doth Receive” (LSB #609)

Jesus sinners doth receive;
Oh, may all this saying ponder
Who in sin’s delusions live
And from God and heaven wander!
Here is hope for all who grieve:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

We deserve but grief and shame,
Yet His words, rich grace revealing,
Pardon, peace, and life proclaim;
Here our ills have perfect healing.
Firmly in these words believe:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

I, a sinner, come to Thee
With a penitent confession.
Savior, mercy show to me;
Grant for all my sins remission.
Let these words my soul relieve:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

Now my conscience is at peace:
From the Law I stand acquitted.
Christ hath purchased my release
And my ev’ry sin remitted.
Naught remains my soul to grieve:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

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SERMON: Luke 22:54-62 “The Courtyard: A Place of Renewal” or “What’s in a Look?”

OFFERING

KYRIE:

Pastor: Lord,

People: Have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Christ,

People: Have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Lord,

People: Have mercy upon us and grant us Your peace.

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 Can I Thank You, Lord” (LSB #703)

**How can I thank You, Lord,
For all your lovingkindness,
That You have patiently
Borne with me in my blindness!
When dead in many sins
And trespasses I lay,
I kindled, holy God,
Your anger ev’ry day.**

**Lord, You have raised me up
To joy and exultation
And clearly shown the way
That leads me to salvation.
My sins are washed away;
For this I thank You, Lord.
Now with my heart and soul
All evil I abhor.**

**Grant that Your Spirit's help
To me be always given
Lest I should fall again
And lose the way to heaven.
Grant that He give me strength
In my infirmity;
May He renew my heart
To serve You willingly.**

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Scripture References March 23, 2022

Luke 22:54-62

⁵⁴ Then seizing him, they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance. ⁵⁵ But when they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and had sat down together, Peter sat down with them. ⁵⁶ A servant girl saw him seated there in the firelight. She looked closely at him and said, "This man was with him." ⁵⁷ But he denied it. "Woman, I don't know him," he said. ⁵⁸ A little later someone else saw him and said, "You also are one of them." "Man, I am not!" Peter replied. ⁵⁹ About an hour later another asserted, "Certainly this fellow was with him, for he is a Galilean." ⁶⁰ Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. ⁶¹ The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times." ⁶² And he went outside and wept bitterly.

Luke 22:61

⁶¹ The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter.

1 Samuel 16:7

⁷...The LORD does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."

Revelation 6:16,17

¹⁶..."Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! ¹⁷ For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?"

James 2:10

¹⁰...whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it.

John 21:17

¹⁷ The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep.

Luke 22:54-62

“The Courtyard: A Place of Renewal” or “What’s in a Look?”

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1. What does Jesus look at as God?
2. Why is it scary to realize Jesus knows everything about us?
3. What would happen if Jesus didn’t know about all our sin?
4. How is it comforting that Jesus knows all our sin?
5. How was Jesus’ look at Peter one of condemnation?
6. Why was Jesus’ look at Peter also one of grace?
7. What does Jesus’ look always end up being for us when we put our trust in him as the Savior?



Ukraine Assistance through the LCMS

Please take time to read this Reporter article regarding the help that is needed for Ukraine. It outlines the partnerships with churches overseas and the need for prayer.

If you would like to support by means of a financial gift, here are some alternatives:

- Text LCMSUKRAINE to 41-444
- Give online via LCMS Mission Advancement
- Call the LCMS at 888-930-4438
- Give online via Mission Central
- Call Mission Central (Mapleton, Iowa) at 712-882-1029
- By mail, make your check out to "The LCMS," and write "Ukraine Relief" in the memo line. Mail to: The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861

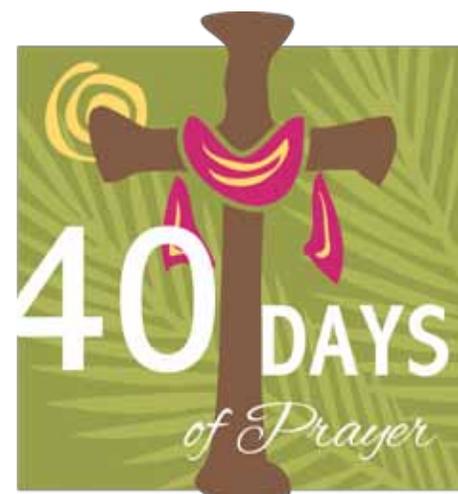


VEAP has experienced an unprecedented level of support in ensuring we have basic food staples in our pantry, but there are many items we cannot easily procure. Note that financial contributions allow us to respond the most flexibly to changing needs. Every \$30 donated allows us to feed an individual for an entire month.

Please consider donating Personal care items. Shampoo, toothpaste, soap, shaving cream, toiletries.

A donation bin is in the Narthex to place your donations. Items collected will be brought to VEAP March 31st.

Thank You
Gayle Cedergren
Holy Emmanuel VEAP Representative



Starting on Ash Wednesday we are asking all members to spend 15 minutes of prayer each day, praying for our church. A general list of prayer needs will be provided.

Prayers of The Righteous: The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James 5:16.

Let's seek God's face together.

Thank you,
The Prayer Team

SHOE AWAY HUNGER DRIVE

Shoe Away Hunger is a partnering program where footwear is turned around to provide an eco-friendly means of support for those in need.

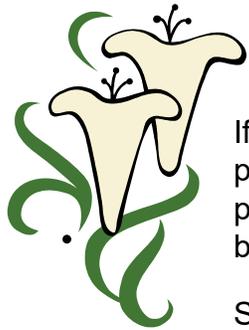
4 years ago, Holy Emmanuel and Open Arms collected shoes to help those in need. The Drive was very successful, and we will do a second drive starting in February through March 31st. Please bring new or gently-used footwear including sneakers, sport shoes, casual shoes, boots, ice skates, flip flops, etc. Please tie them together and place them in a plastic bag to keep them together and dry. Donated footwear will be given to the Shoe Away Hunger Program to support hunger relief efforts.

Collection boxes will be in both the church narthex and Open Arms administrative area. Questions? Ask John or Sandy Carlson.

Thank you for support.

John and Sandy Carlson

ENDS
MARCH 31ST



Easter Flowers

If you would like to order Easter flowers to decorate the sanctuary for Easter morning, please fill out the form below and send or bring it in with your check. Place orders and payments in the Easter Flower Folder on the counter in the Church Office. The flowers may be taken home on Easter Sunday, following the service.

Sunday, March 27TH following the 9:30 Service is the last day to place your order.

6" Lily - \$9.00 Tulips (Red, Purple or Yellow)- \$8.50
12" Lily (Lavender, Yellow or White) - \$9.00 Hydrangeas (Pink) - \$16.25
12" Pansy Bowl (Mixed Colors) - \$16.00



BIBLE STUDY OPTIONS

Adult Bible Class:

Meets on Sundays at 8:30am-9:15am.

Also meets on Tuesdays at 11am-noon.

Location: Church fellowship hall.

Topic: Both classes are the same.

We are studying the book of Ester



2022 Lent Series ***Holy Emmanuel***

Each Lent we remember the events that took place during the last week of Jesus' life leading up to the cross. The season of Lent isn't just a history lesson though. Those events tell us something about the Savior of the world, and the life we live when we trust in Jesus for forgiveness and salvation.

Come and join us this Lent as we look at Jesus' life, and find new meaning for our own lives under the theme: "Midweek Meditations."

3/23/22	Lent III	Luke 22:54-62	"The Courtyard: A Place of Renewal" or "What's in a Look?"
3/30/22	Lent IV	Matthew 27:11-19	"What Wonderful Love - Before Pilate"
4/6/22	Lent V	John 19:25-27	"Behold Your Son. Behold Your Mother"
4/14/22	Maundy Thursday	Matthew 26:17-30	"The King's Feast" or "The Only Passover That Didn't Work!"
4/15/22	Good Friday	Misc. passages	"Love Hurts"