

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC + WELCOME

HYMN: “Blessed Jesus, at Your Word” (LSB #904)

**Blessed Jesus, at Your Word
We are gathered all to hear You.
Let our hearts and souls be stirred
Now to seek and love and fear You,
By Your teachings, sweet and holy,
Drawn from earth to love You solely.**

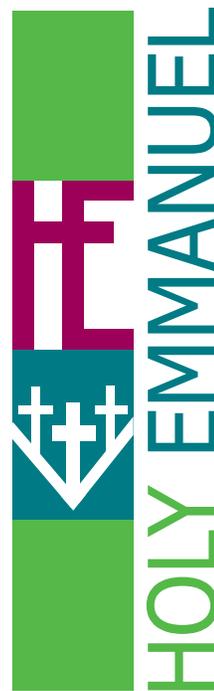
**Gracious Savior, good and kind,
Light of Light, from God proceeding,
Open now our heart and mind;
Help us by Your Spirit’s pleading.
Hear the cry Your Church now raises;
Hear and bless our prayers and praises.**

**Father, Son, and Spirit, Lord,
Praise to You and adoration!
Grant that we may trust Your Word,
Confident of our salvation,
While we here below must wander,
Till we sing Your praises yonder.**
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INVOCATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 20:1-17

¹And God spoke all these words: ²“I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. ³“You shall have no other gods before me. ⁴“You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments. ⁷“You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name. ⁸“Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁰but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your manservant or maidservant, nor your animals, nor the alien within your gates. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. ¹²“Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you. ¹³“You shall not murder. ¹⁴“You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵“You shall not steal. ¹⁶“You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. ¹⁷“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: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

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

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: 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 neighbor as ourself. 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.

ABSOLUTION

SONG: "Forever Grateful" (Mark Altrogge)

**You did not wait for me to draw near to You,
but You clothed Yourself with frail humanity.**

**You did not wait for me to cry out to You,
but You let me hear Your voice calling me.**

And I'm forever grateful to You,

I'm forever grateful for the cross;

I'm forever grateful to You

that You came to seek and save the lost. (Repeat)

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EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

²² Jews demand miraculous signs and Greeks look for wisdom, ²³ but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴ but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ For the foolishness of God is wiser than man's wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man's strength.

GOSPEL READING: John 2:13-25

Pastor: The Gospel according to John, chapter 2

People: Glory to You, O Lord. (Sung, LSB p. 157)

¹³ When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴ In the temple courts he found men selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. ¹⁵ So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple area, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶ To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here! How dare you turn my Father's house into a market!"

¹⁷ His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me." ¹⁸ Then the Jews demanded of him, "What miraculous sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?" ¹⁹ Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days." ²⁰ The Jews replied, "It has taken

forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?" ²¹ But the temple he had spoken of was his body. ²² After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the Scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken. ²³ Now while he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many people saw the miraculous signs he was doing and believed in his name. ²⁴ But Jesus would not entrust himself to them, for he knew all men. ²⁵ He did not need man's testimony about man, for he knew what was in a man.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ. (*Sung*)

SONG: "Come and See" (Lenny LeBlanc)

**Come and see the glory of the Lord,
Come, behold the Lamb.
Come and see the mercy of the King,
Bowing down before Him.**

**For He is Lord above the heavens,
Lord in all the earth.
Lord of all the angels,
Worthy to be served.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Come and give thanks unto the Lord,
Come, behold the Lamb.
Come and sing the praises of the King,
Bowing down before Him.
For He is Lord above the heavens,
Lord in all the earth.
Lord of all the angels,
Worthy to be served.**

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SERMON: John 2:13-22 "What Would Jesus Find?"

CONFESSION OF FAITH: "The Nicene Creed"

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 worshipped 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.

THE OFFERING

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.

CALL TO THANKS AND PRAISE

HYMN OF ADORATION: *(Sung, LSB p. 161)*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

HYMN OF ASSURANCE: *(Sung, LSB p. 163)*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

IN THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION WE BELIEVE *our Lord Jesus Christ comes to us with His body and blood given and shed for the forgiveness of sins (Matt 26:26-28). In it we are united with him and with the whole Church. Baptized and confirmed Christians who believe, by the guidance of the Holy Spirit, that Christ's body and blood are present in the bread and wine of the Sacrament, who acknowledge their sin, set aside any refusal to forgive (Matt 6:15), are sorry, repent (Mark 1:15) and look to Christ alone for forgiveness and strength*

to live the new life, are welcome to eat and drink at the Lord's table in remembrance of Him. (1 Cor 11:25-25) You may register for Communion as the Friendship Folder is passed to you in the pew. If you have any questions, please speak to the Pastor or a Lay Minister before communing.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(Instrumental music during Communion)

BENEDICTION

HYMN: "Christ be my Leader" (LSB #861)

**Christ be my Leader by night as by day;
Safe through the darkness, for Jesus is there.
Gladly I follow, my future His care,
Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.**

**Christ be my Teacher in age as in youth,
Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.
Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand,
Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.**

**Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife;
Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain
Can, touch my salvation; with Jesus I reign.**
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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

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

<https://fielding-edu.zoom.us/j/3033135695>

Meeting ID: 303 313 5695

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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
Tulips (Red)	\$7.50
Tulips (Purple)	\$7.50
Tulips (Yellow)	\$7.50
Mum (Lavender)	\$8.00
Mum (Yellow)	\$8.00

Mum (White)	\$8.00
Hydrangeas (Pink)	\$15.25
10" Pansy Bowl (Mixed Colors)	\$10.00
12" Pansy Bowl (Mixed Colors)	\$15.00



**Our new website is
now open**

Please check it out at

www.holyemmanuel.org



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

3RD SUNDAY IN LENT
John 2:13-22

MARCH 7, 2021
“What Would Jesus Find?”

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1. What was the temple really for?
2. Why don't we use this Sanctuary for anything we want to?
3. When do we dishonor the temple of the Holy Spirit?
4. Why do we have a hard time seeing Jesus use a whip?
5. Jesus is our Savior, but he is also _____.
6. What will Jesus do at the end of this age?
7. What was Jesus' main desire in life?
8. How was Jesus consumed with the Temple?
9. How was Jesus' grace displayed when cleansing the Temple?
10. How might we respond when Jesus reveals our sin?
 - A.
 - B.
11. What will God NOT do when we turn to him for help with sin?