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Emmanuel Lutheran
CHURCH & SCHOOL
ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

Sunday March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday

8:30am Traditional Worship

11:00am Blended Worship

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Our Vision:

Fully Engaged, Biblically Passionate,
Driven to Serve

Weekly Calendar

Monday, March 25
10:00am VRQ Lunch
5:30pm Schallhorn Small Group (Candler)
7:00pm Southside Bible Group

Tuesday, March 26
2:00pm Hardesty Small Group (East Asheville)
6:30pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 27
8:10am & 10am School & ECE Chapels (Sanctuary)
> **NO WEDNESDAY CHURCH SERVICES**
6:45pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday, March 28—Maundy Thursday
> **12pm & 7pm Holy Thursday Services**

Friday, March 29—Good Friday
All School Programs closed—Spring Break begins
> **12pm & 7pm Good Friday Services**

Saturday, March 30
9am-12pm Hospitality Team decorate for Easter Breakfast

Sunday, March 31 — EASTER SUNDAY
> **7:00am Sunrise Traditional Service**
8:00am Easter Breakfast Buffet (Fellowship Hall)
> **8:30am Traditional Worship Service**
9:45am Easter Egg Hunt!
9:45am Adult Bible Studies (Rm# 111 & Fellowship Hall)
9:45am Confirmation Class (church conference room)
> **11:00am Blended Worship Service**
Post-service: Praying Ministry support (alter/lectern)
Food Pantry Closed

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Skopak
Director of Christian Education: Alexi Lundquist
Church Office Administrator: Leigh Horsley
Hospitality Ministry Coordinator: Shirley Parker
Traditional Music—Choir & Handbell Director: A.L. Brown
Praise & Worship Music/Band Director: Heather Meulenberg
Organist: Lula Meulenberg
School Principal: Mark Edmiston
School Admin. Assistant: Shari Reaves
Early Childhood Education Director: Christine Smith

Today's Servers

	8:30am	11:00am
Acolytes:	Eli Allen	Ivana Lopez
Lectors:	Mary Hufnagle	Joel Helms*
Ushers:	Mike Rush & Stephanie Hanson	Joel Helms* & David Meyer
Communion:	Debbie Reiling & Bill Hufnagle	Dale Pioch & Ron Pepin
Elders:	Susan Roby	Joel Helms*

Today's Prayer Team: Christi and Kevin Lorenz

Today's Tech /Sound Crew
8:30am: Steve Taylor and Peter Linton
11:00am: Justin Pruitt and Lorenzo Lopez

March Altar Guild
8:30am: Martha Greene
11:00am: Elaine Tonne

March Offering Counters: Stephanie Hanson & Lori Allen

Member Celebrations!

Birthdays: 3/26: Heather Meulenberg; 3/27: Doug Piercy; 3/30: Jessica Kearley; 3/30: Lula Meulenberg
> **90+ Birthdays:**
3/26 Ruth Jean Metcalf; 3/27 Gerry Hardesty

Anniversaries: 3/24: Peter & Heather Renner; 3/28: Richard & Cymantha Clough; 3/29: Samuel Waites; 3/30: Justin & Heather Hodges

Last Week's Services Attendance & Stats

On-Campus Attendance
Last Sunday: **8:30am**— 54 persons; **11am**— 110 persons
Last Wednesday: **12pm**— 32 persons & **7pm**— 19 persons

Website & FaceBook Hits:
Website— 44 attenders; Facebook— 164 views

Last Week's Food Pantry (Grad N Go, VRQ, & Costello)

Sunday 03/10 served: 448 homes & 701 individuals
Total Feb/March: 945 homes & 1,778 individuals

Last Week's Offerings

Last week General Offering received: \$ 11,361.85
Building Funds Received: \$ 100.00
*General Weekly Offering needed: (\$ 12,817.31)

“And So the Crowds Gather”



JOHN 12: 12-19

March 24, 2024— PALM SUNDAY

Sunday School/Bible Study Schedule

In between services at 9:45am:

- Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
- Lent Easter Adult Bible Study (Room #111)
- Pre-K thru 5th Grade (Room #017)
- Confirmation Class (church conf. room)

Prayer Ministry Support, after the 11am service (Altar)

Grab-n-Go Food Pantry is OPEN today.

8:30am Traditional Worship Outline (DS2)

Call to Worship:

Palm Sunday Processional arr. Anna Laura Page
Tracey Carpenter & Ed Schalhorn, *handbells*
Students: Ella Capodiferro, Addy Hastings,
Thea Hastings, Everett Lund, Benjamin Noel,
Caroline Noel, Chloe Salomon, Lucas & Samantha Munn

Welcome and Announcements

~ Procession of Palms ~

GREETING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Hosanna to the Son of David.

PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray. Help us, Lord our God, so that it may be with joy that we begin our contemplation of all the mighty things; You have done to give us eternal life; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Holy Gospel: John 12:12-19

Opening Hymn: LSB 442 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

Invocation: page 167

Confession and Absolution: page 167

Kyrie: Page 168, 169

Salutation and Collect: Page 172

Old Testament: Jeremiah 31:31-34 (pg 172)

Epistle: Hebrews 5:1-10 (page 172)

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn: LSB 425

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Sermon: "And So the Crowds Gather"
(John 12: 12-19)

Apostles' Creed: 175

Prayers of the Church

Offering

Offertory: Page 176

Preface: Page 177

Proper Preface

Sanctus: Page 178

Lord's Prayer: Page 179 (Right hand Column)

Words of Institution: Pg. 179 (Right hand Column)

Pax Domini: Page 180

Agnus Dei: Page 180

Distribution

Communion Hymns:

LSB 443 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

LSB 631 "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"

Post-Communion Canticle: Page 182

Post-Communion Collect: Page 183

Benediction: Page 183

Closing Hymn: LSB 662 "Onward, Christian Soldiers"

Altar Guild Team is in need of your help!

We especially need 11am Sunday people for
Communion set-up & clean-up.

Please call Debbie Reiling
if you are interested, (720) 238-2262 . Thank you!



Please join us. You are invited!

**HOLY WEEK &
EASTER SERVICES**
Emmanuel Lutheran Church

"...HE IS RISEN!"

Holy Thursday 3/28: Noon & 7pm

Good Friday 3/29: Noon & 7pm

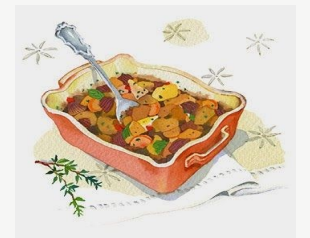
Easter Sunday 3/31:

7am, 8:30am, & 11am

*Easter Egg hunt at 9:45am

Easter Church Opportunities to support!

1. Make a Breakfast Casserole for Easter morning (sign-up in Narthex)
2. Donate candy for the Easter Egg Hunt! (bring to church office soon)



And So The Crowds Gather (3/24/24)

John 12:12-19

We _____; we _____; we try to escape it. But it can only be _____. This is why Lazarus was such a curiosity. He's been the other side. This is why large crowds gather

I. Word Spreads _____

A. John _____

1. Word about _____ spreads like wildfire
2. Every time Jesus performed a _____, healed a sick person, or taught with authority, word spread

B. Some crowds gathered to _____ against Jesus

1. John _____
2. The _____ Memorial in Washington, DC
 - a. _____ on a wall; _____ in stone
 - b. Flowers placed; _____ shared; and then one day it will just be a _____ on a wall

II. _____ is Not the End

A. Just ask _____

1. Hebrews _____
2. Families are taken _____ by grief and sadness
 - a. Jesus came into the world to show us that Satan's grasp of fear is _____
 - b. The _____...the _____ tomb... the Resurrection

B. Jesus conquers _____

1. The boy in _____; the _____ of a dead girl
2. Lazarus lay in the tomb _____ days
 - a. Was this _____?
 - b. John _____

C. Little has _____

1. Why are you here in the _____?
2. What is that you _____?
 - a. We seek _____ in the face of death

b. We seek _____ beyond this life

III. So the _____ Gather

A. Riding on the back side of a donkey is _____ incarnate

1. Hope from sins _____ and sins _____
2. Hope from the power of the _____
3. Hope in the face of _____

B. And so the crowds _____ and wave palm branches and spread cloaks because Jesus offers _____ when death _____

C. So why have you _____?

1. There is only one right _____
2. We come to _____ Jesus
 - a. We come to worship the One who brings _____ and _____ and _____ to our lives
 - b. We come to worship the one who _____ death for you and me

D. Karl Barth: "Our position is such that we can be _____ from eternal death and translated into life only be the total and _____ substitution which God Himself undertakes on our behalf"

The cross was before Jesus waiting at the end of the road strewn with _____ branches and cloaks.

His _____ was troubled. But it was for this reason He came – the Son of Man must be lived up on the cross for only then would Satan's grasp of fear on the hearts of men be shattered



EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

March 24, 2024 Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion 11:00am

AS WE GATHER

Today's processional Gospel looks at the first day of Holy Week, and the Passion carries us on to Jesus' tomb. Throughout the entire week, and since His transfiguration, our Lord has moved toward the cross step by step. Despite opposition from crowds and His circle of friends, He has been determined to love us to death so that He might open heaven to us by the grace of God. Zechariah had written about the procession centuries earlier, and Paul proclaims that God the Father has exalted Jesus for His steadfast commitment to our salvation. But this is no mere history! We also are called to follow, to live through each day, step by step, faithful under various circumstances yet confident of mercy, grace, and forgiveness.

CALL TO WORSHIP Palm Sunday Processional arr. Anna Laura Page

Handbells: Tracey Carpenter & Ed Schalhorn;

Students: Ella Capodiferro, Addy Hastings, Thea Hastings, Everett Lund, Benjamin Noel, Caroline Noel, Chloe Salomon, Lucas Munn, and Samantha Munn

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ PROCESSION OF PALMS ✠

GREETING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Hosanna to the Son of David.

PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray. Help us, Lord our God, so that it may be with joy that we begin our contemplation of all the mighty things You have done to give us eternal life; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

HOLY GOSPEL *John 12: 12–19*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹²The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. ¹³So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" ¹⁴And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, ¹⁵"Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"¹⁶ His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. ¹⁷The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. ¹⁸The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. ¹⁹So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PRAYER

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, heavenly Father. Today we especially thank You for the love You showed as Your Son redeemed us. Step by step our Savior followed Your will so that by His glorious death He would redeem us and draw us to Himself. When Jesus entered Jerusalem, those who greeted Him cut palm branches to lay before Him.

People: We ask that You bless these palms and all who bear them this day. Grant that we may always hail Him as our Lord and King;

Pastor: through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OPENING SONG O Worship The King

(Verse 1)

O worship the King all glorious above
O gratefully sing His wonderful love
Our Shield and Defender the Ancient of Days
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise

(Verse 2)

O tell of His might O sing of His grace
Whose robe is the light and canopy space
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm

(Chorus)

You alone are the matchless King, to You alone be all majesty

Your glories and wonders, what tongue can recite

You breathe in the air, You shine in the light

(Verse 3)

O measureless might ineffable love
While angels delight to worship above
Thy mercies how tender how firm to the end
Our Maker Defender Redeemer and Friend

(Sing Chorus)

(Sing Verse 1 Again)

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Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
People: **Hosanna in the highest.**

✠ PREPARATION ✠

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Today is the beginning of Holy Week. During it we shall recall how our Savior gave His life so that our sins may all be forgiven, and heaven opened to us.

People: **Even during worship, our minds wander to other concerns.**

Pastor: These concerns are already known to God. Give them into His loving hands for resolution, but turn your hearts and minds to focus on our Lord's step-by-step determination to free us from every sin. Confident of the forgiveness He won through His glorious death and resurrection, let us then admit our sinful condition to Him and to one another.

People: **I confess to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in my thinking, speaking, and acting. I am mired in sin and incapable of saving myself. Heavenly Father, for Jesus' sake and because of His sacrifice for us fallen creatures, we beg You to forgive, strengthen, and turn us to Your will so that we may follow our Savior in loving service to You and to one another.**

Pastor: As a called and ordained servant of Christ, who gave Himself over to death that we might have eternal life, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

✠ WORD ✠

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross.
Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Zechariah 9:9–12*

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰ I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River^[a] to the ends of the earth. ¹¹ As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹² Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *Philippians 2: 5–11*

⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,^[a] ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,^[b] ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant,^[c] being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON SONG He's Coming (based on LSB 343) *Tune/Additional lyrics by Heather Meulenber*
(VERSE 1)

Prepare the royal highway, the King of kings is near;
Let every hill and valley a level road appear.

Then greet the king of glory foretold in sacred story:
Hosanna to the Lord, for He fulfills God's word!

(CHORUS)

**He's Coming, He's Coming, make way for the Lord
With saints and with angels, we praise and adore
From manger to highway, to earth again one day,
Our king is coming, prepare the Way!**

(VERSE 2)

God's people, see him coming: your own eternal king!
Palm branches strew before him; spread garments; shout and sing.
God's promise will not fail you; no more shall doubt assail you:
Hosanna to the Lord, for He fulfills God's word!

(Sing Chorus)

(VERSE 3)

His is no earthly kingdom;

It comes from heaven above.
His rule is peace and freedom,
And justice, truth, and love.
So let your praise be sounding
for kindness so abounding:
Hosanna to the Lord, for He fulfills God's word!

(Sing Chorus)

(BRIDGE)

From robes of white to stable low
We look for Him, our King and Lord
He took our pain, rules from His throne,
All praise is His, and His alone!

(Sing Chorus)

SERMON "And So the Crowds Gather" (John 12: 12-19)

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. 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

☩ 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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SONG Jesus Is My Healer

(VERSE 1)

Oh that rugged cross the selfless pain He bore
He breathed His final breath
That I would be restored
By His body that was broken
Precious blood freely shed
The spotless Lamb of heaven
Has forever conquered death

(CHORUS)

**Jesus is my healer He's everything I need
He alone has triumphed over sickness and disease
Fear where is your power
The cross is your defeat
Jesus is my healer He has won the victory**

(VERSE 2)

Oh how great a love I'm held by perfect peace
He walks with me through valleys
Understands my suffering
Every joy and every sorrow every triumph every loss
I know everything is covered
By the shadow of the cross
Everything is covered by the shadow of the cross

(Chorus 2)

**Jesus is my healer He's everything I need
He alone has triumphed over sickness and disease
Fear where is your power
The cross is your defeat
Jesus is my healer He has won the victory
Jesus is my healer He has won the victory**

(Bridge)

Everything bows at His name
Everything bows at His name
Sickness darkness chains break at the name of Jesus

(REPEAT BRIDGE)

(SING CHORUS 2 TWICE)

(Ending)

Jesus is my healer He has won the victory

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✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for in love and compassion You sent Your Son into our flesh so that He would obediently go, step by step, to the cross, whereby His glorious death He would accomplish salvation for us. We ask You for His sake to forgive, renew, and strengthen us as we gather now and when we join the faithful at the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. To You alone, O Father, be all glory with the Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pastor: 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.”
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.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

443 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

- 1 Hosanna, loud hosanna, The little children sang; Through pillared court and temple
The lovely anthem rang. To Jesus, who had blessed them,
Close folded to His breast, The children sang their praises,
The simplest and the best.
- 2 From Olivet they followed
Mid an exultant crowd, The victor palm branch waving.
And chanting clear and loud. The Lord of earth and
heaven, Rode on in lowly state, Nor scorned that little
children, Should on His bidding wait.

- 3 “Hosanna in the highest!”
That ancient song we sing;
For Christ is our Redeemer,
The Lord of heav’n our King.
Oh, may we ever praise Him
With heart and life and voice
And in His blissful presence
Eternally rejoice!

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LSB 631 Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

1. Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;
Here would I touch and handle things unseen;
Here grasp with firmer hand the eternal grace,
And all my weariness upon Thee lean.
2. Here would I feed upon the bread of God,
Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heav’n;
Here would I lay aside each earthly load,
Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv’n.
3. This is the hour of banquet and of song;
This is the heav’nly table spread for me;
Here let me feast and, feasting, still prolong
The brief bright hour of fellowship with Thee.
4. I have no help but Thine; nor do I need
Another arm but Thine to lean upon.

It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed; My strength is in Thy might,
Thy might alone.

5. Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness; Mine is the guilt,
but Thine the cleansing blood; Here is my robe, my refuge, and
my peace: Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God.
6. Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear;
The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;
The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here;
Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.
7. Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,
Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,
Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
The Lamb’s great marriage feast of bliss and love.

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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN Praise Him Forever

(Verse 1)

Praise Him you stars above Galaxies all in motion

Praise Him you thunderclouds Ringing throughout the heavens

From ev'ry mountaintop To ev'ry wild ocean

Oh hear all the universe sing praise

(Chorus)

Oh sing praise Let everything that breathes

Let all the earth proclaim! Great is the Lord our God

Praise Him forever

Let all that is within me magnify His name Great is the Lord our God

Praise Him forever

Praise Him forever

(Verse 2)

Praise Him you beating hearts Sing for the life He's given

Praise Him you rescued ones Join in the sound of heaven

From ev'ry mountaintop To ev'ry wild ocean

Oh hear all the universe sing praise

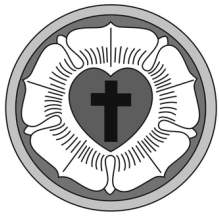
(Sing the Chorus) > (Bridge, Repeat 4 times)

Hear the holy roar Hear this anthem rise

In the house of God All creation cries

(Sing the Chorus)

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Emmanuel Lutheran Prayer List The Week of March 24, 2024

These are people in need of prayers this week. "Lord Jesus we commend into Your hands the needs of people that go through challenges of many kinds. You know their joys, troubles, illnesses, and fears. We now commend them to You."

Prayers are continual and for good HEALTH, swift HEALING, & FAVOR, for the afflicted, their families, and friends:

LaToya Burpo (S. Edward, family friend) At Univ. of Alabama hospital. Bleeding in brain.

Robert (Anonymous) In the Hospital

- ◇ Ray Bailey (G. Bailey, wife) He is waiting on a pacemaker
- Greg Hutchins (R & G Bailey, friend) Long term illness
- ◇ John Jennejahn Shoulder pain is worsening; Surgery scheduled 4/22
- Pat Bolling (H. Renner, friend) Diagnosed with cancer; prayers for healing & peace.
- ◇ Julia Kearley (self) Surgery was on 3/11; to be released from Hospital 3/12.
- ◇ Lary Schulhof (self) Health Issues
- ◇ Elsie Lankford (J. Pruett, grandmother) Her strength is weak after rehab.
- Jessica Fisher (Hufnagle, daughter in law) She returned home Tuesday (3/5) evening from 3 weeks in the hospital. Bill & Mary give thanks for all our thoughts & prayers. (updated 3/7)

Davenport Family (B. Swatzell/ECE teacher, brother-in-law) Alan Davenport passed away after being very sick since Christmas. Prayers for his wife & kids as they grieve.

Ralph Ector (S. Edward, father) Aging Issues, Prayers for sharp senses & sound mind.

Katelyn Sullivan (B. Sullivan, daughter) Desperate for safe housing in Asheville; Her current living situation is not good. Pray she does not live in car.

Marleen & Jack (B. Sullivan, friend of friend) Elderly couple involved in severe car accident Friday 2/23, in Mission ICU. (2/25)

Bruce Buzogany (D. Meyer, friend) Health issues, waiting for diagnosis. (2/25)

THOSE WITH CANCER OR LONG-TERM ILLNESSES/CONDITIONS ON BACK >>>

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Healing Scripture and Prayer for this week:

"Ask, and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks will receive, and anyone who seeks will find, and the door will be opened to those who knock...How much more, then, will your heavenly Father give good things to those who ask Him!"

(Matthew 7:7-8, 11b)

Dear Father, come to our homebound brothers and sisters. Encourage them every day and give Your peace that passes all understanding. May they experience Your great love for them again and again. Fill them with the hope of everlasting life in Jesus. Be the Encourager and the Helper to their families and caregivers. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WITH CANCER OR LONG-TERM ILLNESSES/CONDITIONS:

- ◇ Marilyn Saylor
- ◇ Emily Nieting
- ◇ Cynthia Cline
- ◇ Helen Cline
- ◇ Marjorie Locke
- ◇ Ken Treadway
- ◇ Mike Walker
- ◇ Julia Kearley
- ◇ C.J. Reece
- ◇ Dale Wooten
- ◇ Pastor Art Gillespie
- ◇ Mike Fastenau
- ◇ Tommy Ridgeway
- ◇ Gloria Spude
- ◇ Ray Bailey
- Elsie Lankford (S. Pruett's mother)
- Debbie Henderson (J.Groh, friend)
- Jan Williams (C.Waites Mother)
- Janice (L.Giese's friend)
- Lynn Case-Scott (S.Buckner's friend)
- Ralph Ector, Snr (S.Edward's father)
- Sam Leder (V.Stinson's cousin)
- Muriel Williams (S.Edward's friend)
- Don Young (P/CJ Reece)
- Hubert Hicks (C.Cline's friend)
- Ann Melious (P/H McCarthy family)
- Jenny Buckner (C.Cline's neighbor)
- Carol Harris (S.Ude's friend)
- Robin Worley (J.Kearley's friend)
- Min Soo Lee (E.Bailey's friend)
- Antonia Simpson (L.Meulenberg's friend)
- Bob Frey (D.Wooten's friend)
- Keith Haynes (R.Rush's friend)
- Virginia Lopez (E.Lopez's mother)
- Melinda Condrey (Hufnagle's friend)
- Chris Alstrin (L.Schulhof's friend)
- Garret Reiser (R/Dee Gordon's family)
- Becky Presley (S.Brock's friend)
- Greg Hutchins (R & G Bailey, friend)

◇ PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBER BROTHERS & SISTERS

- * Dot Fastenau
- * Ruth Jean Metcalf
- * Marilyn Saylor
- * Teenie Smathers
- * Marjorie Locke
- * Diana & Isabelle Hempel
- * Bertha Mertens
- * Helen Cline
- * Ray & Glenda Bailey

◇ PRAYERS FOR OUR SEMINARIAN

Adam Nieting & his wife Emily (Concordia Theological Seminary)

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Emmanuel Lutheran Church is a praying community.

We believe the promise of God regarding His Word.

Our new prayer request cards are located on the bottom of our new attendance cards in the sanctuary on the back on the pews.

You may also call or email your request to the church office at anytime!



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