"Three Words of Truth"

Midweek Lent Worship

March 6 (Ash Wednesday) "Is It I?" (Matthew 26:20-25)



March 13 "Love One Another" (John 13:31-35)

March 20 "Watch and Pray" (Matthew 26:35-41)

March 27 "I Am He" (John 18:3-9)

April 3 "What Is Truth" (John 18:33-40)

April 10 "Take Him Away" (John 19:14-18)

Holy Week Schedule:

April 14 - Palm Sunday regular services
April 18 - Maundy Thursday w/ Holy Communion – 6:30 pm
April 19 - Good Friday Tenebrae service – 6:30 pm
April 21 - Easter Sunday with Holy Communion Sunrise – 6:30 am; 2nd service 9:00 am

"The Lord feeds His people"



Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church March 31, 2019 Fourth Sunday in Lent 2

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE BEFORE HIM

OPENING HYMN "Upon the Cross Extended" (CW #113), verses 1-3

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, (+) and of the Holy Spirit. **Congregation: Amen.**

- P: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, pleading with Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.
- P: Our help is in the name of the Lord
- C: Who made heaven and earth.
- P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.
- C: And you forgave the guilt of my sin.
- P: Almighty God our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and action. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- All: O most merciful God, who has given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us and for His sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, for this purpose, that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those that believe on His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this Lord to us all.
- C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

- P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.
- C: Sings "Upon the Cross Extended" (CW #113, verses 4-5)

A crown of thorns you're wearing, My shame and scorn you're bearing That I might ransomed be. My bondsman, ever willing, My place with patience filling, From sin and guilt has made me free. **Scholastic Book Fair** - Emmaus Lutheran School is holding a book fair this week. This morning, before and after Bible Study, you are welcome and encouraged to browse through the books and purchase if you would like to. You can also go online starting this Wednesday, April 3rd, through Tuesday, April 23rd, to browse and purchase. We have a link on our Facebook page or you can go to <u>http://www.scholastic.com/bf/emmauslutheranschool1</u> Books make great Easter gifts! All proceeds benefit Emmaus Lutheran School. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Monica Assaker in the Fellowship Hall or contact the office.

<u>Fellowship Hall Roof Replacement:</u> The Board of Church Properties has accepted a bid to replace the fellowship hall roof. That bid came in at about \$15,000. The work is tentatively scheduled to begin this May. The other list of building projects/repairs/improvement that need doing will continue to be addressed as funds remain and become available, and in order of priority set by the Board. If you have any questions, please speak with our board chairman, Mr. Nathan Brekken.

<u>Lenten Season</u> - Mid-week Lenten worship services are held 6:30pm on the following dates - 4/3, & 4/10. A fellowship dinner will precede each service at 5:45 pm.

<u>Lenten Suppers</u> - Prior to the Lenten Service there will be a Soup/Sandwich Supper. Please bring a soup, casserole, salad, cookies or a dessert. There are sign-up sheets in the Fellowship hallway.

<u>LWMS Rallies</u> - Ladies of Emmaus, Sisters in Christ, are you ready for a get-away weekend or two? The LWMS International Rally will be held June 27-30 in Des Moines, Iowa, under the theme: Let us ever WALK WITH JESUS in the Heartland. Listen to home and world missionaries tell about their joys and frustrations as they carry out the great commission. For more information and registration form go to www.lwms.org. Check it out! A little closer to home is the LWMS Grand Canyon West Circuit Rally, April 6th at Cross of Christ Lutheran in Kingman, AZ. The bulletin insert gives you all the information. Grab a friend, and make it a week-end get away. You will also learn about missions from our mission counsellor, Pastor Matt Vogt, and learn things about Katy Luther that you've never heard before from Debbie Dietrich. Mail your registration sheet by March 25th.

<u>Children's Bulletins and Books</u> - We have special bulletins for our children each Sunday. The ushers will have them when they are handing out the weekly bulletins. Please feel free to ask them for this bulletin. Crayons are also available from the ushers. Christian books are also available for ages 0 to 10 + to look at or read during the service! Please ask an usher to direct you to the books so you or your child may pick out an age appropriate book bag or book.

Bathrooms/Baby Changing Tables - are located in the Fellowship Hall, which is the large building in front of the church. (The building closest to the parking lot) There are changing tables in both bathrooms for your convenience. The bathrooms are located on the east end of the building.

Worship Attendance

Wednesday, March 20 – 77 Sunday, March 24 - 160 (118 - 8:00 am, 42 - 10:30am)

Income from week ending Mar. 24, 2019 Month Total Monthly Budget

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First Fruits Offering	\$6699	\$23,486.17	\$26,177
School	\$480.74	\$9571.77	\$37,734
Preschool/Extended Care	\$739.33	\$2261.08	\$3,667

Worship Leader: Pastor Ross Else Organist: Mrs. Janean Plocher

	<u>This Week at Emmaus</u>	
TODAY	Worship w/Lord's Supper Bible Study and Sunday School Worship w/Lord's Supper	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am
MONDAY	Board of Education	6:00 pm
TUESDAY	Board of Elders	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	Fellowship Dinner Mid-week Lenten Worship	5:45 pm 6:30 pm
NEXT SUNDAY	Worship w/Lord's Supper Bible Study and Sunday School Worship	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am

Lord's Supper - is celebrated today in the 8:00 and 10:30 am services. Our Savior gives us his body and blood along with the bread and wine for our forgiveness in this Blessed Sacrament. Because he also wants us to examine ourselves prior to communing (1 Corinthians 11:23-29), and that those who commune with one another be united in doctrine and practice (1 Corinthians 10:16-17; Romans 16:1-17; 2 John 9-11), we respectfully ask that those who commune with us this morning are members of Emmaus, or members of congregations in fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. If you are not a member and would like to join us for communion, please speak with Pastor Else, so we can set up a time to study what God's Word has to say to us concerning Lord's Supper and church fellowship. Thank you for your understanding.

Announcements

<u>Those with ongoing health and other struggles</u> - Lilly Ventura; Kelley Koroch's brother, Bobby Johns (heart); Polly Mackenzie (surgery); Linda Thompson (surgery); Katie Conklin; Richard & Linda Toetz's brother-in-law, Dave Jagdfeld (bone cancer); Phyllis Baltisburger; Daryll Wondrak; Linda Thompson; Tamara Yazzie; Barb Osborn; Barb Wendt; Barb Widmann; Brad Anderson's cousin Butch Fahler; Rich Tollefson; Kimberly Fritz (cancer); Shaun Eversole; Chuck Widmann; Brad Anderson; Roger Wilde's wife, Carol; Vince Wallenberg; Ellen King; Diane Scheel; Linda Thompson's sister Kathy Desch (cancer)

<u>**Giving Thanks</u>** - along with Tuffy and Lauretta Walker as they celebrate their 60^{th} Wedding Anniversary on April 4^{th} . May God continue to bless you both.</u>

Also giving thanks with Anthony and Shannon Urban at the birth of their son, Alexander. We commend Alexander to his Savior's care until he is born again of water and the Spirit through Baptism.

<u>Those who are</u> - sick, unemployed, traveling, celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, serving in the military, single, married, parents, children.

<u>ALA Job Opening</u> - AZ Lutheran Academy (ALA) is looking for a Building and Grounds Supervisor. For more information or to apply, contact ALA at 602-268-8686.

P: The LORD be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, we confess that we deserve to be punished for our evil deeds. But we ask You graciously to cleanse us from all sin and to comfort us with Your salvation; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 16:11-17

11 The LORD spoke to Moses: 12 "I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Say to them, 'At evening you will eat meat, and in the morning you will eat bread until you are full. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God." 13 So in the evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning a layer of dew surrounded the camp. 14 When the layer of dew was gone, there were thin flakes on the surface of the wilderness, thin as frost on the ground. 15 When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" because they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "This is the bread which the LORD has given to you as food to eat. 16 This is what the LORD has commanded: All of them are to gather as much of it as they need to eat. You are to take an omer per person based on the number of people each of you has in your tents." 17 The Israelites did this, and some gathered more, some less. (EHV)

PSALM 145 (p.119 in front section of hymnal)

SECOND LESSON

Galatians 4:21-31

21 Tell me, you who want to be under the law, are you really listening to the law? 22 For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by the slave woman, and one by the free woman. 23 However, the son by the slave woman was born according to the flesh, but the son by the free woman was born through a promise. 24 These things can be used as an illustration; namely, the women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children into slavery. This is Hagar. 25 You see, this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and she corresponds to present-day Jerusalem, because Jerusalem is in slavery along with her children. 26 But the Jerusalem that is above is free. She is our mother. 27 For it is written: Rejoice, barren woman who does not give birth. Break forth and shout for joy, woman who does not suffer birth pains, because the barren woman has more children than does the woman who has a husband. 28 Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of the promise. 29 But just as back then the one who was born according to the flesh persecuted the one who was born according to the Spirit, so this is also the case now. 30 But what does the Scripture say? "Throw out the slave woman and her son, because the son of the slave woman will certainly not receive the inheritance with the son of the free woman." 31 For this same reason, brothers, we are not children of a slave woman, but of the free woman. (EHV)

VERSE OF THE DAY

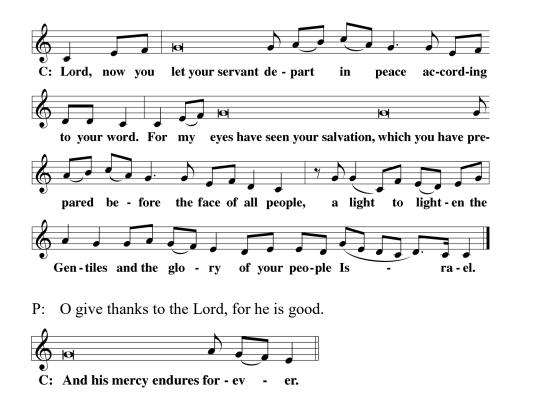
P: For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

GOSPEL LESSON

John 6:1-15

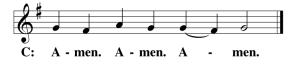
After this, Jesus crossed over to the other side of the Sea of Galilee (or Tiberias). 2 A large crowd followed him because they saw the miraculous signs he was performing on those who were sick. 3 Jesus went up on the hillside and sat down there with his disciples. 4 The Jewish Passover Festival was near. 5 When Jesus looked up and saw a huge crowd coming toward him, he asked Philip, "Where can we buy bread for these people to eat?" 6 But Jesus was saying this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. 7 Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to have just a little." 8 One of his disciples,



P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.





"Christ, the Life of All the Living" (CW #114), verses 6-7



5. O well for me that, strengthened With heav'nly food and comfort here, Howe'er my course be lengthened, I now may serve Thee free from fear! Away, then, earthly pleasure! All earthly gifts are vain; I seek a heav'nly treasure, My home I long to gain, My God, where I shall praise Thee, Where none my peace destroy, And where my soul shall raise Thee Glad songs in endless joy. Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 9 "There's a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what is that for so many people?" 10 Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, so they sat down. There were about five thousand men. 11 Then Jesus took the loaves and, after giving thanks, he distributed pieces to those who were seated. He also did the same with the fish—as much as they wanted. 12 When the people were full, he told his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over so that nothing is wasted." 13 So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with pieces from the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten. 14 When the people saw the miraculous sign Jesus did, they said, "This really is the Prophet who is coming into the world." 15 When Jesus realized that they intended to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. (EHV)



THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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 is seated 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 worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe 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.

Please be seated

HYMN "Jesus, Priceless Treasure" (CW #349)

SERMON

John 6:1-15

"The Bread of Life Abundantly Supplies the Food we Need"

1.He fully knows the needs of the hungry 2.He knows the best way to nourish the hungry



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

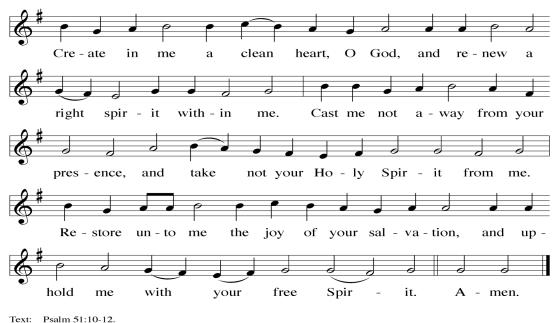
Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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



DISTRIBUTION (During the distribution the congregation will sing O Living Bread from Heaven)

272 Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God



Tune: SCHAFFE IN MIR, GOTT (PM) Johann G. Winer, 1583–1651, adapt

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P: Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to liberate us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.
- C: We confess that without your love we are lost.
- P: Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.
- :C: Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.
- P: Let us pray for those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and their values as Christians.

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- C: By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.
- P: Let us pray for those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, those victimized by war and injustice, and all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.
- C: Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.
- P: Let us pray for those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.
- C: Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

P: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

- P: Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts.



P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by His death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

