

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Forest City, Iowa Pastors: Rod Hopp, Zech Anderson, Intern Elizabeth Carr www.immanuelfamily.com in person | live stream March 28, 2024 6:30pm

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WITH MY OUTSIDE VOICE Poem by Rev. Sarah Speed We've been taught to wait our turn, to ask politely— We do not want to appear greedy. We've been taught: Just a pinch of salt, just a dash of sugar, nothing in excess. We've been taught: Raise your hand, keep your voice down, no talking in church. We've been taught to never make a scene, but I simply cannot abide. I am one part questions, two parts hunger. I am a million prayers and deep hope wrapped up in one. I am famished and hopeful, eager and humbled. I am using my outdoor voice inside. I am saying. Not just my feet, but my head and my hands! I want to go where you go.

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PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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L: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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 neighbors as ourselves. 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.

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ALL: Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PSALM 116:1-2, 12-19 [read responsively]

¹I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

²for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.

¹²How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things God has done for me?

¹³I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.

- ¹⁴I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people.
- ¹⁵Precious in your sight, O LORD, is the death of your servants.
- ¹⁶O LORD, truly I am your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

¹⁷I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD.

¹⁸I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people,

¹⁹in the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

READING: John 13:1-20, 31-35

MESSAGE	Intern Elizabeth Carr		
HYMN OF THE DAY: "To Be Your Presence"	#546		
FOOTWASHING "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" "Where Charity and Love Prevail"	#708 #359		
PRAYERS: L: Merciful God, C: receive our prayer.			
PEACE: L: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.			
OFFERING: "10,000 Reasons" 5 th Grade			
WORDS OF INSTITUTION / LORD'S PRAYER			
COMMUNION: "Now We Join in Celebration" "In the Singing"	#462 #466		
POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER			
STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR: reading of Psalm 22			

Depart in silence.

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Worship Participants:

Piano: Antonio Lopes Song Leader: Zech Anderson, Steve Olmstead Sound/Video Techs: Geno Lopes/Tammy Krieger Ushers: Landon Severson, Olivia, Silas, and Alaina Banta Communion Servers: Marlene Faircloth, Emily Walker

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

FRIDAY:	6:30pm	Good Friday Tenebrae Service
SUNDAY:	7:30am	EASTER WORSHIP, communion
	8-9am	EASTER BREAKFAST, HS Youth hosting
		(freewill fundraiser for Youth Gathering trip)
	9:15am	EASTER WORSHIP, communion, Choirs

Fifth Graders who completed "What is Communion" Class

- Brody Abels Tatum Arentson Haden Aukes Ella Beenken Grayson Benson Uriah Faugstad Harlow Frederick Harper Harriman
- Ryder Herka Ellie Holland Isaac Porter Laynie Severson Makenna Welp Harper Wilson Brinlynn Zrostlik

These are the words that the parents will be speaking to their child during the footwashing: (Child's name),

We were blessed to receive you as a gift from God. When you were baptized God reminded us that you belong to him. We wash your feet tonight as an act of love imitating Jesus' love that lead him to wash his disciple's feet. We encourage you now to imitate Jesus, living a life of loving service to others. As you partake in Holy Communion you will be nourished and strengthened for this life. Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.



The bread that we are using for Holy Communion tonight was prepared by the 5th graders at their Communion Class.