

EMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Mission: "To Share God's Salvation with Everyone!"

Third Sunday in Lent

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March 4, 2018

WELCOME VISITORS! *We are glad to have you with us today and pray our service is a blessing to you. It is our sincere hope that you will come to worship with us again.*

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

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Exodus 8:16–24

Ephesians 5:1–9

Luke 11:14–28

Jesus Overcomes the Strong Man

Jeremiah was charged with speaking evil when he spoke the Word of the Lord (Jer. 26:1–15). So also, Jesus is accused of doing evil when in fact He is doing good. He casts out a demon from a mute man so that he is able to speak (Luke 11:14–28). But some said Jesus did this by the power of Beelzebub, Satan. Like Pharaoh of old, their hearts were hard (Ex. 8:16–24). They did not recognize the finger of God, the power of the Holy Spirit at work in and through Jesus. Jesus is the Stronger Man who overcomes the strong man. He takes the devil's armor of sin and death and destroys it from the inside out by the holy cross. He exorcizes and frees us by water and the Word. We were once darkness, but now we are light in Christ the Lord (Eph. 5:1–9). As children of light, our tongues are loosed to give thanks to Him who saved us.

THOSE NEEDING OUR DAILY PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Deaths: Family & friends of Roland Hix who died on Mon., 2/26; Ill: Kurt Chione; Recovery: Jean Meyer; On-Going Care: Steven Fahnestock, Mary Flatt, Susan Gordon, Lois Hacker, Alex & Alma Schmalz; Homebound: Lois Moser, Louise Reim; Mission: LCMS missions around the world; our sister LCMS congregations; Emmanuel; Radio Ministry.

FLOWERS are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Amy Lyn Neuenkirchen Galarza's birthday on March 3rd from Mom and Dad. The bud vase is given in loving memory of Amy Lyn Neuenkirchen Galarza's birthday on March 3rd from Joey, Elizabeth and Xander.

Classes

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS- Undercroft-10:30 am

Topic:

TUESDAY BIBLE CLASS - Undercroft-9:30 am

Topic:

Emmanuel News & Events

EMMANUEL WEBSITE: Check out our website for all the latest, news, photos, bulletins, sermons, and links to other Lutheran sites at www.emmanuellutheranaurora.com.

WHEN YOU TRAVEL ANYWHERE– you may listen to the service online at <http://www.wbig1280.com>. Click on the *Listen Live* button in the upper right hand corner of the page.

FELLOWSHIP AFTER CHURCH: Join us after the worship service for coffee and fellowship in the Undercroft.

PLEASE SUBMIT ITEMS & PRAYER REQUESTS for the bulletin by **11:00 am** on **THURSDAY**.

VOLUNTEERS needed for the candle oil committee. We have to replace people who are unable to continue serving this year. We ask for service in this role for a month during the year. A team for one month can be one or two people. For more information, see or call Art Cooper @ 630 896 9151.

PLEASE NOTE: Next Sunday is our LWML mite collection day. Monies donated are used by our Lutheran Women in Mission group at Emmanuel for mission projects both here and abroad. Please consider supporting this important ministry.

VOLUNTEERS needed for Altar and Flower Guild - we have to replace people who are unable to continue serving. We need both altar care workers and flower care workers. Training will be provided. Please see Jan Pittman, or call or text her @ 331-425-1452 for more information.

IMAGINE that a friend or family member who is unfamiliar with your Christian faith asks you to summarize the gospel. She isn't looking for a list of doctrines. "In seven words or less," she says, "tell me what you believe as a Christian." What would you say? During this season of Lent, we're going to prepare to celebrate Holy Week by sharing why Holy Week is so important. During our midweek worship services, we will be considering the many ways in which Scriptures proclaim Jesus. During the week, you will be working on a summary with the hopes of being more prepared to share the good news of Jesus. Come and join us this Lent!

From Miriam & Dan Prieto: We want to thank all the Emmanuel members who upheld us by their faith in the everlasting life which has been granted to Joe and by their works in helping with the service and the luncheon on Saturday. The service officiated by Pastor Beckmann with Steve McGraw as organist was beautiful and the luncheon (arranged by our Altar & Flower Guild) provided a wonderful time for sharing memories. Thank you to all involved.

Those serving in today's service: 3/4/2018

Preacher: Rev. William Beckmann

Elder: Art Cooper

Organist: Gwen Carlson

Radio Announcer: Elijah Moser

Oil Candle Care: Dennis & Lois Patzer

Altar Care: Janice Pittman

Flower Care:

Ushers: Mark Moser, captain; Jack Hauser,
Karli Moore, Charles Strode, Shirley Strode

Those serving in next Sunday's service: 3/11/2018

Preacher: Rev. William Beckmann

Elder: Gary Moore

Organist: Rob Clow

Radio Announcer: Paul Odean

Oil Candle Care: Dennis & Lois Patzer

Altar Care: Janice Pittman

Flower Care:

Ushers: David Moser, captain; Gary Moore,
Elijah Moser, Jeremiah Moser, Benjamin Seppelfrick

THIS WEEK AT EMMANUEL

March 4, through March 11, 2018

TODAY	9:00 am	Divine Service w/Communion
	10:30 am	Bible Class
Tuesday	9:30 am	Bible Class
	12:00 pm	Helping Hands
	6:00 pm	Church Council Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 am	Lenten Service
Sunday	9:00 am	Divine Service w/Communion
	10:30 am	Bible Class

LWML Mites Sunday

Next Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Lent (Laetare)

Readings: Exodus 16:2-21, Galatians 4:21-31, John 6:1-15

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