Emmanuel Ev. Lutheran Church

Sunday Divine Service is at 9:15 a.m.

Sunday School & Bible Class begin at 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Evening Service is at 6:30 p.m. in the Church.

**Thursday Morning Bible** Class is at 9:15 a.m. in Memorial Hall.

-Maundy Thursday (w/communion): April 1 -Good Friday (without communion): April 2

-Easter Divine Service (w/communion): April 4

Souper Dinner XXII was held on January 31. Approximately \$1,549 was raised and 200 people were served. The money will be put into our fundraising account.



"And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, And establish the work of our hands for us; Yes, establish the work of our hands." Psalm 90:17 (Bible reference inscribed on our church cornerstone, circa 1916)



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# **Emmanuel News**

# Jerusalem and the Cross...

Transfiguration marked the end of the Epiphany season and ushered us into the season of Lent. Before the dawning of Lent, the three Disciples saw Jesus' glory. And by that event, points us to the reason for Jesus coming to this sinful world. In Luke 9:51, immediately after the Transfiguration event, St. Luke tells that Jesus "has His face set toward Jerusalem." He's on a mission now...more than ever. Salvation is in sight...full speed ahead.

There is nothing blocking His way. Jesus' face is set toward Jerusalem to suffer and die for the sins of the world, including yours and mine. That is what our Lenten Journey is all about...recognizing who we are as sinners and seeing who Jesus is as the Savior from sin. Jesus "has His face set toward Jerusalem." And we journey with Him to Jerusalem during Lent.

There was never a doubt...ever since we all fell with Adam & Eve in the Garden of Eden...Jesus had His face set toward Jerusalem. Since the time of Israel's captivity in Egypt...Jesus had His face set toward Jerusalem. Since His birth in Bethlehem...Jesus had His face set toward Jerusalem. And now, from the time of His transfiguration...Jesus has His face set toward Jerusalem.

What drives Jesus to that destination of His cross? It is His love for you.... It is His love for you.... IT IS HIS LOVE FOR YOU! Setting His face toward Jerusalem...and dying for you, sets your entire body and soul toward Heaven. You are freed from sin and Heaven is your eternal home. There is a light at the end of our dark Lenten journey.... But first there is the entry into Jerusalem and the cross...

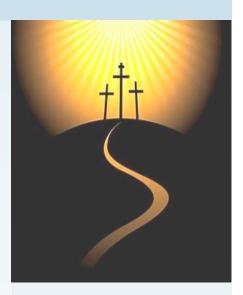
> *Ride on, ride on majesty!* In lowly pomp ride on to die. O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin O'er captive death and conquered sin.

> > (LSB #441:2)

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### **Thursday Morning Bible Class**

We will NOT have Thursday Morning Bible Class in March.

### **Sunday School** Lessons

3/07—The Young Man of Nain 3/14—The Parable of the Sower and the Seed 3/21—Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand 3/28—Jesus Walks on the Sea

### **Sunday School Snack Schedule**

3/07—Dolezal 3/14—Neumann 3/21—Mumme 3/28—Fischer

# Liturgy Parts — LCMS Worship

### Meaning of Liturgy Part: Agnus Dei

Turning again to the Revelation to St. John, at one point John sees a scroll in the right hand of the One who was sitting on the throne. A "strong angel" puts forth the challenge, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?"

Then, between the throne and the elders, the Lamb comes into view. Undoubtedly the most significant feature in John's description of this Lamb is that it is a lamb who appears to have been slain.

When we sing the Agnus Dei, "Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us," we are preaching and praying all at once. It was, after all, with these very words that John the Baptizer pointed his disciples to Jesus (John 1:29, 36).

As we prepare to feast on the Lamb of our salvation, we do indeed proclaim him who gave his life for us. Here is the Lamb of God! Yet we also pray to him who is now present in his body and blood.

We pray for mercy, mercy from the One who showed the true depths of mercy and compassion as he was silently led to slaughter, dying like a lamb shorn of all its honor.

Returning one more time to the apostle John's vision of heaven, we later hear his description of the saints in white robes.

"Who are they?" John is asked. The answer: "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb" (Revelation 7:13-14).

This is the blood of our redemption, the propitiatory sacrifice that was foreshadowed at the first Passover when the blood of the year-old lambs was sprinkled on the doorpost as a sign that blood had already been shed in that house.

In his Easter hymn, Martin Luther applies that incident to us, thus revealing our standing before the Father:

See, his blood now marks our door; Faith points to it; Death passes o'er, And Satan cannot harm us. (Lutheran Service Book, 458)

So it is at every celebration of the Lord's Supper. The blood of the Lamb is poured out for our drinking and his flesh for our eating. Clearly, God's mercy is shown, and his peace rests on us.

# May God continue to reform our church to His Word and bless our March!

# Mission of the Month—March

The Mission of the Month for March is A Place of Refuge. A Place of Refuge was established by the South Wisconsin District over 25 years ago. In this time, God has provided the means through His church to help mothers and their babies. The Blessed Again Resale Shop averages 1,000 customers a month, and their work also includes delivering layettes, car seats, cribs, and Bibles to women in need. Many women are struggling every day with things we take for granted. When we or our children are sick, we get in our cars and go to the doctor. When their kids are sick, they have to take them on the bus or walk because there is no car or no bus money. Help APOR to share Christ's hope with them with a gift on the mission line of your weekly envelopes in March. To see APOR's newsletter and to look for ways to volunteer at the resale shop go to www.aplaceofrefuge.org

# Create in me a clean heart, Oh God, and renew a right spirit within me. **Psalm 51:10**

# **News, Notes & Numbers**

• January Mission, Sheboygan County Hispanic Outreach, raised \$470. We thank you for your gifts that supported this mission.

• We received a letter from Anchor of Hope thanking Emmanuel for our sustained financial support over the past 5 years! That support from Emmanuel totals over \$4,000! Our financial partnership in this ministry has resulted in over 150 decisions for life made by women after receiving services at Anchor of Hope.

 Lutheran Heritage Foundation writes, "Thank you so much, Emmanuel Lutheran, for your generous support of LHF missions. Thank you for sharing God's Word with the nations! God bless you!"

The Siberian Lutheran Mission Society (SLMS) writes, "what a joy it was to receive your generous gift for the work of SLMS! Our gracious Lord has mercifully blessed the Siberian Evangelical Lutheran Church through your gift. Thank you for your help."

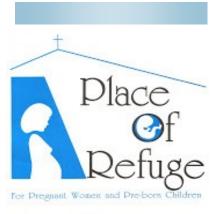
 Thank you so much for your prayers, support and partnership. POBLO International thanks the Lord for Emmanuel being their partners in missions.

 The congregation continues to be blessed by our daily Bible reading schedule. Join us for the 31 days of March reading The Psalms, chapters 73-106, for our chapter-aday challenge (use the inserted Bible Challenge bookmark to help you keep track).

 Didn't get to church last Sunday? Emmanuel is offering its divine services on YouTube each week. Be sure to check it out and be enriched by God's Word. Watch for the YouTube link in your weekly email. God bless us all! If you don't get our weekly email, contact the church secretary (secretary@emmanueladell.org) with your email address to be put on the list.

+ Inclement Weather Information. For weather-related closings, turn to television station WTMJ 4 or Fox 6 Storm Center for information about cancellations at Emmanuel. If you have internet access, you can find the closings on both of these channels' websites, or download their app for notifications.

Lenten/Easter Schedule: -Midweek Lent 2-Lent 5 (without communion): March 3, 10, 17 & 24 -Palm Sunday (with communion): March 28



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### Moments

Happy moments, praise God. Difficult moments, seek God. Quiet moments, worship God. Painful moments, trust God. Every moment, thank God.