

Third Sunday in Lent

Luke 13:3

I tell you, no! But
unless you repent,
you too will all
perish.

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Radio Broadcast - Sundays at 7:30 AM on WTCH 960 AM or 96.1 FM

We welcome you to our worship today!

Please remember to sign the fellowship pad each week. Thank you.

There are large print hymnals available in the narthex.

The Mission Statement of Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, White Clay Lake, is to provide for the Christian welfare of all God's people through the administering of the Sacraments, worship services, gatherings of Christ-centered groups, caring for the sick and needy, offering the forgiveness of sins through the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, and reaching out to the unchurched, showing love and concern.

CHURCH CALENDAR & SCHEDULE

<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday, March 23</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Youth Sunday School 10 AM Worship (SP) 3 PM Private Confession 4 PM Adult Education 5:45 PM Evening Prayer 6:00 PM Confirmation Class <i>Greeters - Brusky's & Angie Smith</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday, March 30</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Youth & Adult Sunday School 10 AM Worship (SP) 3 PM Private Confession 4 PM Adult Education 5:45 PM Evening Prayer 6:00 PM Confirmation Class <i>Greeters - Daskam's</i> <i>Acolyte: Logan Brede</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday, March 24</p> <p>9 AM Matins 6 PM Chimes 7 PM Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u><i>Upcoming Greeter Schedule</i></u> April 2 - Genke's April 6 - Marilyn & Corinne April 9 - Nehring's</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday, March 25</p> <p>8-Noon Pastor in office 6 PM Romans (SP)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u><i>Upcoming Acolyte Schedule</i></u> April 6 - Cheyann Smith April 20 - Cannon Kowalczyk</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, March 26</p> <p>8:30 AM Matins 9:00 AM Romans 11 AM Worship & meal (SP) 7 PM Worship & dinner (LWML) <i>Greeter - Froemming's</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Elder Steve Daskam Attendance: March 6 - 32 March 9 - 69 March 12 - 24 March 16 - 84</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday, March 27</p> <p>8-Noon Pastor at SP 9 AM Matins</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u><i>Upcoming Lent Meals</i></u> April 2 - Arvey's April 9 - Youth Group</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday, March 28</p> <p>9 AM Matins</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Stewardship - March 16 General - 1235 Roof/Furnace - 533 Mission - 309 TIM - 20 Radio Broadcast - 360 Roy Fischer Memorial Roof/Furnace - 150 Sunday School - 50 Gene Schreiber Memorial Radio - 300 Roof/Furnace - 43</p>

We are now in the season of Lent, these 40 days where we strip away aspects of our worship in order that all that remains is Christ and the death and resurrection He underwent for our salvation. With that, our worship will look different. We will begin each week with praying the Litany, where we remind ourselves, in our prayer to God, of our need for His constant mercy. Gone will be any song of praise or thanksgiving, drawing us to reflect on the need for God's mercy. We will not take the Doxology on our lips, leading to a longing to sing of God's glory. Instead of using the ashes from last year's palms on Ash Wednesday, they will be found throughout Lent in a bowl at the entrance to the Nave. You are invited to make a cross in the bowl as you enter, allowing the dust to remain and dirty your fingers, drawing to mind your constant need to turn to your God for your forgiveness. In all these things, what is hoped is that your thoughts and prayers will be held only onto the form of our crucified Savior who laid down His life for your sake.

Today's Worship Service

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Opening Hymn	#824	<i>May God Bestow on Us His Grace</i>
Sermon Hymn	#437	<i>Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed</i>
Closing Hymn	#606	<i>I Lay My Sins on Jesus</i>

To reflect the penitential nature of Lent, we begin each service in silence, rising as the pastor processes in, moving to the confession of sins in the Litany, followed by the opening hymn and collect.

TIME OF CONFESSION & REPENTANCE

P: In the Name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Litany (pew sheet)

P: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you, and for His sake, forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of your sins, in the Name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Opening Hymn

Collect (sung by Pastor)

Lenten Verse (before Gospel): Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

Church Prayers

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Immanuel Members: Rebecca Bonnin, Mary Ellen Fischer, Judy Manthei, Steve Olson, Al & Tammy Manthei, Bob Hoppe, Brice Huntington, Glenn Schreiber, Betsy Stanke, Carol Brede, Ed Stanek, Ron Muck, Ralph Torbeck & Tim Treptow

LCMS Presidents: Rev. Dr. Matthew & Kathy Harrison, Rev. Dr. Dwayne & Cheryl Lueck

St. Paul Members: David Korth, Dan Schutt, Judy Specht, Lois Weisnicht & Chuck Milis

Expectant Mothers: Megan Steinke

Friends: Ernie Pelky, Pam Beilfuss, Lucille Tess, Marvin & Judy Kostka, Parker Koeppin, Bo Halla, Carissa Baker, Ginger Heller, Bryan Poirier, Terri Kowalczyk & Lorraine Wolf

The season of Lent began on Wednesday, March 5, where we picked up our Lenten services at St Paul (11 am) & Immanuel (7 pm). This year we are participating in a round-robin with Circuit 13. Pastor will lead services on Ash Wed and one other Wednesday, with another pastor leading the worship the other weeks. The theme is "Faith in the Midst of Darkness." We will be holding a lunch/snack after worship at SP and dinner at IM. Please sign up at each congregation.

March 26-Pastor Kleinschmidt, St. Jakobi "Falling into Darkness"

April 2-Pastor Zobel/Kaiser, St. James "Hiding in Darkness"

April 9-Pastor Conradt, Hermansfort & Stony Hill "Living in Darkness"



Church Announcements

With Lent upon us, Pastor will be offering time for **Private Confession & Absolution** as a means of pastoral care, on Sunday's from 3-3:45 pm at IM, or by appointment.

Thank you for the cards, prayers, and Pastor visits during my surgery and recovery. ~ Bill Voelz

Congratulations to **Elliott Arvey** who received his internship placement. He will be going to Camp Luther and Our Savior Lutheran Church in Eagle River.

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for Easter flowers.

Immanuel & St. Paul are sponsoring a 15 minute **radio broadcast** weekly on WTCH 960 AM or 96.1 FM at 7:30 AM on Sunday Mornings. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex, along with sponsor envelopes, if you wish to sponsor a Sunday for \$60. Don't forget to tune in!

Pastor Craig will be gone for a quick 3 day jaunt to OKC, April 10-12. Pastor Buhrke (414-807-5571) is on call if anything should arise that needs a pastor.

There will be **NO** Spring Potato Pancake Dinner this year.

Immanuel will be serving at **Charlie's Red Barn** August 21, 22, 23. Sign ups will be out soon. We are also on the reserved list for another spot if it opens. Thanks to Lynn Wickesberg for heading this up. Please have bulletin information turned in by Noon on Thursday. You can email the information to IMWCLsec@gmail.com or tashatreptow@gmail.com, or they can be left on my desk or in my mailbox. Thanks!

FREE RESOURCES: Check out the **Weekly Devotions** for the week for you to use at home in the narthex, produced from Around the Word Journal. There is a **monthly calendar** produced by CPH that is great for all ages. If anyone is interested in a **Lenten Devotional booklet**, let Tasha or PC know and we will get you a copy.

The Lutheran Hour for March 30 "The Difference Between Anger and Contempt" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler - God gets angry at sin, but behind that anger, God is love. We believe this only because of Jesus. (John 11:35) The Lutheran Hour can be heard on Sundays at 10 AM on 102.7 FM WRVM.

WRLHS NEWS

2025-2026 SCHOOL REGISTRATION - Register your child(ren) today by visiting our website wrlhs.org or call the office for assistance 715-745-2400, Mrs. B is here to help! Financial assistance is available. School Choice opened Feb. 3, 2025.

SHEEPSHEAD CARD PARTY - Sunday, April 13, from 1-3 PM, \$3 per person.

WR FISH FRY - Friday, April 4th & 18th Fish Frys from 4-7:00 p.m.

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