



**1st Sunday in  
Lent**

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Sunday, Feb. 26, 2023, 9:30 am/Monday Feb. 27, 2023, 6:00 pm

Welcome to  
worship! Please  
complete a  
Connection Card  
and place the card  
in the offering plate.  
Thank you!

Today's gospel tells  
of Jesus' temptation  
in the desert. His  
forty-day fast be-  
comes the basis of  
our Lenten pilgrim-  
age. In the early  
church Lent was a  
time of intense  
preparation for  
those to be baptized  
at the Easter Vigil.  
This catechetical  
focus on the mean-  
ing of faith is at the  
heart of our Lenten  
journey to the bap-  
tismal waters of  
Easter. Hungry for  
God's mercy, we  
receive the bread of  
life to nourish us for  
the days ahead.

## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Lord I Need You*

**Kaitrin Raymond**

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS *(Please stand as you are comfortable.)*

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who journeys with us these forty days, and sustains us with the gift of grace. **Amen.**

Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for repentance and God's mercy.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy God, **we confess to you our faults and failings. Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word; we take for ourselves instead of giving to others; we spoil rather than steward your creation; we cause hurt though you call us to heal; we choose fear over compassion. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, as we seek to follow in your way of life. Amen.**

Hear the good news: God so loved the world that God gave the only Son, so that all may receive life. This promise is for you! God embraces you with divine mercy, † forgives you in Christ's name, and revives you in the Spirit's power. **Amen.**

### GATHERING SONG

*The Glory of These 40 Days*

**#320**

### 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

Lord God, our strength, **the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*(please be seated.)*

## WORD

### FIRST READING: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

<sup>15</sup>The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

<sup>3:1</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" <sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup>but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the

*Human beings were formed with great care, to be in relationship with the creator, creation, and one another. The serpent's promise to the first couple that their eyes would be opened led, ironically, to the discovery only that they were naked.*

*Mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.  
(Ps. 32:10)*

*Through Adam's disobedience, humanity came under bondage to sin and death, from which we cannot free ourselves. In Christ's obedient death, God graciously showers on us the free gift of liberation and life.*

garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; <sup>5</sup>for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 32

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

**<sup>2</sup>Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

<sup>3</sup>While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

**<sup>4</sup>For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

<sup>5</sup>Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD."

Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

**<sup>6</sup>Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

<sup>7</sup>You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

**<sup>8</sup>I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.**

<sup>9</sup>Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

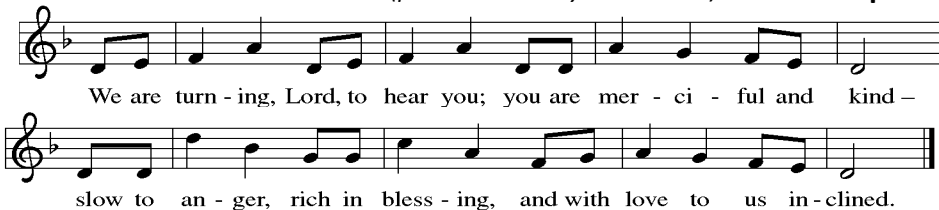
**<sup>10</sup>Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**

<sup>11</sup>Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

## SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-19

<sup>12</sup>Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—<sup>13</sup>sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. <sup>14</sup>Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. <sup>15</sup>But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. <sup>16</sup>And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. <sup>17</sup>If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup>Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. <sup>19</sup>For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11**

The holy gospel according to...

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. <sup>3</sup>The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." <sup>4</sup>But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" <sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup>saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" <sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; <sup>9</sup>and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" <sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

(please be seated.)

**SERMON**

**Pastor Bre Kinnunen**

(please stand as you are able.)

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

***I Want Jesus to Walk With Me***

**#325**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

You alone are God. Sustain your church in times of wilderness. Give vision and wisdom to bishops, their staff, and all entrusted with the ministry of administration. Counsel all who faithfully lead your people into the future. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

*Jesus experiences anew the temptations that Israel faced in the wilderness. As the Son of God, he endures the testing of the evil one.*

*Renew our lives that we may welcome and care for one another and that we may live and serve within the greater community of Negaanee and the world, witnessing to others your abundant love, grace, and welcome.*

All baptized  
Christians who  
believe this  
true presence  
are welcome  
and encour-  
aged to receive  
Holy  
Communion  
today.  
Parents, please  
assist your  
child(ren) if you  
wish them  
communed.

You create verdant gardens and expansive deserts. Tend to the needs of every living creature. Bless those who work in fields and orchards, that the world is nourished by the fruits of their labor. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You know our temptations. Sustain those who govern and legislate. Instill in them a sense of your justice and righteousness, that equity and peace would pervade all the regions and nations of the world. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You are a hiding place for all in distress. Draw near to exiles, and accompany all refugees and immigrants, especially children who travel alone. In times of trouble, trauma, or illness, surround your people with your steadfast love. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You offer abundance to all. Bless the ministries of hospitality in this place. Care for those who tend to the needs of others, especially worship greeters, coffee hour hosts, and nursery attendants. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

You alone are God. We praise you for the faithful departed in every age. Unite our prayers with theirs, until our wilderness journey is complete, and we rest in you. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

## SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## MEAL

*(please be seated.)*

## OFFERING

### OFFERING HYMN

*Create in Me*

#188

### OFFERING PRAYER

*(please stand as you are able.)*

God of good gifts, **receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life.**

**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise ..... We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*The risen Christ dwells with us here:  
All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.*

### COMMUNION

*(please be seated.)*

### LAMB OF GOD

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1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

you suf - fered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer - cy now, we pray.  
e - ter - nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

### COMMUNION HYMNS

*When Peace Like a River* #785

*Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song* #808

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*(please stand as you are able.)*

Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love. **Amen.**

### SENDING

### BLESSING

God, the giver of love, + Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in this Lenten journey. **Amen.**

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve in love.

Thanks be to God.

### POSTLUDE



## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF, February 26-March 5, 2023

\* **BIRTHDAYS:** Happy 81st Birthday to **Deanna Johnson** on February 27th.

\* **LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS** will be starting Wednesday, March 1st. We will be needing soups, breads, & desserts. There will be a sign-up sheet posted near the Fellowship Hall door. Please sign-up for the dates and items you can provide. Your cooperation & volunteerism are greatly appreciated. The suppers start at 5:30 pm, followed by Lenten worship service at 6:15 - 6:45 pm in the sanctuary. Any monies donated during the supper will support Immanuel's Youth travel. Come and participate and enjoy!



\* **FORTUNE LAKE SUMMER CAMP** Fortune Lake Registration is open for Summer Camp! Camp offers an early bird discount through April 1st and Immanuel offers scholarships to campers of all ages. Contact Stacy McEachern by April 1st for scholarship details! Call or text: (906) 361-9123 or [stacymc6@gmail.com](mailto:stacymc6@gmail.com). *Hurry, Hurry. Get your registrations in!*



\* **FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Are you willing to help with Fellowship hour? Donations are needed such as bakery, crackers, cheese, fruit, or whatever suits your fancy, & cleanup! Your Fellowship Hour committee for February is FORTUNE LAKE YOUTH. If it fits your schedule to bring items before Sunday morning, there are shelves in the refrigerator tagged for **Coffee hour**. Or leave on the counter marked "Coffee Hour". Please contact **Stacy McEachern (361-9123)** with your date and any item you wish to bring.



\* **SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CONVERSATION** A Sunday morning Bible Conversation Group meets after the 9:30 am worship service, at 11:00 am in the Youth Room for 1 hour. This is an opportunity for a discussion on the Bible lessons from the morning's worship service. There is a team of people who have volunteered to share the leadership for this group. The members of the leadership team consists of Pastor Tom Skrenes, Luanne Skrenes, Martha Hayward, Dan Collins, Andrew Crow-Roberts, Walter Scanlon, Mike Frustaglio, Jim Hayward, and Pastor Terry Cathcart. Here is the list of leaders and their dates: **Feb. 26** - Mike Frustaglio; **Mar. 5** - Dan Collins; **Mar. 12** - Jim Hayward; **Mar. 19** - Andrew Crow-Roberts, **Mar. 16** - Terry Cathcart. *Mark your calendars and plan to come.*



\* **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)** The beginning date for Vacation Bible School will be June 12th, 2023. Watch for more details. We will be in need of enrollment helpers. For more information, contact Paulette Patron @ (906) 475-4776.



\* **PROJECT KEEP KIDS WARM (PKKW)**. This Project, *Keep Kids Warm*, runs through the winter months. This fall over 300 youth have been given warm winter clothing and the need continues to grow. Desperately needed are warm winter coats sizes 6-12 and water repellent gloves/mittens. Your donations can be placed in the boxes located at the West entrance. If you have questions, please contact Linda Sjolund (242-5020) or Westley United Methodist Church.



\* **BAR CHURCH, 'Ruthless Elimination of Hurry', by John Mark Comer** This group will be meeting on the following Thursdays: March 9, 23, April 13, 27, May 11,25, 2023. There is also a Facebook group at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/841985297052095/>, or scan the QR code. If you have any questions, please call Kaitrin Raymond at (540) 435-4915.



\* **WEEKLY MEN'S LENTEN PRAYER BREAKFAST:** The weekly men's Lenten prayer breakfast will resume. It will be meeting on March 4, 11, 18, 25, and April 1st. There will be breakfast and coffee provided, followed by a 1/2 hour Bible study, discussing the lessons and gospel for Sunday. The time is 8 am to 9 am. For any questions or more information, please call or text Walter Scanlon at 906-235-2294.



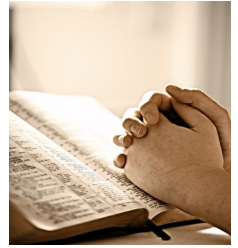
## KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pray For: *Betty Carilli, Kevin Carlson, Renae Carlson, Sue Cohan, Dan Hendrickson, Michael Holman, Peggy Jackson, Betty Kinnunen, Michael Kjellman, Marian Kulju, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Diane Nault, Gerald Neldon, Don Palomaki, Stephanie Penhale, Joyce Peterson, Shirley Pizziola (Sue Cohan's mother), Jim Ritzenhein, Jessica Roberts, Tim Romback, Louise Spickerman, Debbie Thornberg, and all COVID patients.*

Our Shut-ins: *Bettie Ahola, Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, Charlene Kivisto, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Leo Nirva, Butch Pynnonen, Dolores Reichel, Lillian Rivers, Paul Alan Smith, Lynne Tossava.*

Members in the Armed Service: *Luke DeWitt, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Spencer Harvala, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Dennis Koski, Tanner Romback, Trevor Romback, Michael Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, and all Armed Services Families.*

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## **VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN SERVICE**

SERVING IN WORSHIP: *Pastor Bre Kinnunen*

ORGANIST/PIANIST/MUSICIAN: *Connie Scanlon*

Worship Services: Sun. @ 9:30 am / Mon. @ 6 pm

Office Hours: 8 am-2 pm, Monday-Thursday (or by appt.)

### ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE:

|                         |                                                                         |                                                       |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 9:30 am USHERS/GREETERS | - <i>Dean Patron</i><br>- <i>Jim Hayward</i>                            | 6 pm - <i>Diana Bergh-Hetrick</i><br><i>Deb Hicks</i> |
| 9:30 am LECTOR          | - <i>Noreen Collins</i>                                                 | 6 pm - <i>Rory Smith</i>                              |
| 9:30 am COMM. ASST.'S   | - <i>Luanne Skrenes</i><br>- <i>Tom Skrenes</i><br>- <i>Jim Hayward</i> | 6 pm - <i>Hayley Smith</i>                            |
| 9:30 am Tech Team       | - <i>Unassigned</i>                                                     |                                                       |

(Communion Set-up for February is *Linda Sjolund*.)

## FEBRUARY'S MONTHLY MISSION

**IN FEBRUARY our Mission Emphasis is Messiah Lutheran Church Asylum Refugee Support.**

Messiah Lutheran Church in Marquette is sponsoring a refugee family from Honduras in Central America seeking asylum in this country. The mother and two boys left Honduras over two years ago and spent two years at the Mexican border waiting for permission to enter this country. The family arrived in Marquette in August. The boys are in school and all are learning English. There are some long term medical issues that are being resolved. Asylum has not been granted yet but the process continues slowly and legally.



Thank you to Messiah for their continued financial and emotional support of this family. We are here to help you and the family with this undertaking.

If you wish to give above-and-beyond to this mission, please use February's mission emphasis envelope (when they arrive) from your offering envelope box or in some other way designate your gift.

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**(NOTE: For now, please use a blank white envelope with 'Monthly Mission' written on it. Then, either have your envelope # on it or your name.)**

Campers experience the beauty of God's creation, amazing camp staff, other campers, Good News themes, and all the fun that a week can hold.

If you wish to give to Immanuel's Fortune Lake Camp Scholarship Fund, use the *March Monthly Mission envelope* from your offering envelope box or in some other way designate your gift. *Thank you for your generosity!*

Thank you for giving \$ 755.00 in January to  
**Our Tanzanian Companion Ministry Relationships.**  
The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity! Thank you!





**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**  
**February 26 - March 5, 2023**

**YOU CAN FIND ALL ONLINE INFORMATION REFERENCED BELOW AT...**  
**[www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org](http://www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org)**

- Sunday**                    ***1st Sunday in Lent***  
- 9:30 am   - Worship Service  
- 9:30 am   - Sunday School  
- 10:30 am   - Coffee and Fellowship  
- 11:00 am   - Sunday Morning Bible Conversation  
                    (Today's leader is Mike Frustaglio)  
- 7:30 pm   - AA Group Meets (men & women)
- Monday**                  - 6:00 pm   - Worship Service
- Tuesday**                - 6:00 pm   - Executive Committee Meeting  
- 1:30 pm   - Church Council Meeting (**PICK UP YOUR PACKET**)
- Wednesday**          - 10:00 am   - Bible Study  
- 5:30 pm   - Lenten Soup Supper  
- 6:15 pm   - Lenten Worship Service  
- 6:45 pm   - Choir
- Thursday**              - 10:00 am   - Quilting
- Friday**                    **OFFICE CLOSED**  
***World Day of Prayer - Worldwide***
- 10:00 am   - Women's AA Group Meets
- Saturday**              - 8-10 am   - Men's Lenten Bible Study Breakfast
- Sunday**                    ***2nd Sunday in Lent***  
- 9:30 am   - Worship Service  
- 9:30 am   - Sunday School  
- 10:30 am   - Coffee & Fellowship  
- 11:00 am   - Sunday Morning Bible Conversation  
                    (Today's leader is Dan Collins.)  
- 7:30 pm   - AA Group Meets (men & women)