



**ALL** O most merciful God, who has given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**PASTOR** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**CONGR. (sing) Amen.** *(congregation is seated)*

### **THE INTROIT**

*Having received the Lord's forgiveness, we are glad to enter into His courts with praise and thanksgiving. This entrance is made in the Introit with the Lord's own Word, often from the Psalms.*

**P:** Remember, O Lord, Your tender mercies and Your loving kindnesses:

**C:** For they have been ever of old.

**P:** Do not let my enemies triumph over me:

**C:** God of Israel, deliver us out of all our troubles.

**P:** To You, O Lord, do I lift up my soul:

**C:** O my God, I trust in You; let me never be ashamed.

### **THE GLORIA PATRI**

*Latin for "Glory to the Father" (Hymnal, page 6)*

**CONGR. (sing) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

### **THE KYRIE**

*Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life. (Hymnal page 7 - sing)*

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

### **THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

*"Glory to God in the highest" (Hymnal page 7 - sing)*

**Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world. Receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **THE SALUTATION** *(Greeting)*

**PASTOR** The Lord be with you.

**CONGR. (sing) And with thy spirit.**

### **THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY**

*The main thoughts for the day are "collected" together in this prayer.*

**PASTOR** Let us pray.

**CONGR. (sing) Amen.**

### **THE BIBLE LESSONS**

*God speaks to us.*

#### **Old Testament Reading:**

Genesis 12:1-8 Now the LORD had said to Abram: "Get out of your country, From your family And from your father's house, To a land that I will show you. 2 I will make you a great nation; I will bless you And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." 4 So Abram departed as the LORD had spoken to him, and Lot went with him. And Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. 5 Then Abram took Sarai his wife and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people whom they had acquired in Haran, and they departed to go to the land of Canaan. So they came to the land of Canaan. 6 Abram passed through the land to the place of Shechem, as far as the terebinth tree of Moreh. And the Canaanites were then in the land. 7 Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your descendants I will give this land." And there he built an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. 8 And he moved from there to the mountain east of Bethel, and he

pitched his tent with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; there he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD.

**PASTOR** Here ends the Old Testament Reading. We continue with the responsive reading of:

### **THE GRADUAL**

*The Gradual is a "Bridge of praise" that links the Old Testament with the New Testament.*

P: The troubles of my heart are enlarged:

**C: Oh, bring me out of my distresses.**

P: Look on my affliction and my pain:

**C: And forgive me all my sins.**

P: Who can recount all the mighty acts of God?:

**C: Who can show forth the praise He deserves?**

**Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

P: Remember me, O Lord, with the favor You bear to Your people:

**C: Oh, visit me with Your salvation. Hallelujah!**

**CONGR. (sing) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

**PASTOR** The New Testament Reading is from John chapter 4, beginning there in the 1<sup>st</sup> verse.

**CONGR. (sing) Glory be to Thee, O Lord!**

### **New Testament Reading:**

John 4:1-26 Therefore, when the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John 2 (though Jesus Himself did not baptize, but His disciples), 3 He left Judea and departed again to Galilee. 4 But He needed to go through Samaria. 5 So He came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. 6 Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. 7 A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." 8 For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. 9 Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. 10 Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." 11 The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? 12 "Are You

greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?" 13 Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, 14 "but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life." 15 The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." 16 Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." 17 The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,' 18 "for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly." 19 The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. 20 "Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship." 21 Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. 22 "You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. 23 "But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. 24 "God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." 25 The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When He comes, He will tell us all things." 26 Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am He."

**PASTOR** Here ends the New Testament Reading.

**CONGR. (sing) Praise be to Thee, O Christ!**

*Congregation stands for:*

### **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

*We boldly confess what we believe. (Hymnal, page 12)*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting.

Amen.

Congregation sings Hymn 723

### THE SERMON

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 What then shall we say that Abraham our father has found according to the flesh? 2 For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. 3 For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." 4 Now to him who works, the wages are not counted as grace but as debt. 5 But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness, 13 For the promise that he would be the heir of the world was not to Abraham or to his seed through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. 14 For if those who are of the law are heirs, faith is made void and the promise made of no effect, 15 because the law brings about wrath; for where there is no law there is no transgression. 16 Therefore it is of faith that it might be according to grace, so that the promise might be sure to all the seed, not only to those who are of the law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all 17 (as it is written, "I have made you a father of many nations") in the presence of Him whom he believed; God, who gives life to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they did."

Theme: "VALUE THE RIGHT INHERITANCE"

- I. Let go of the Law
- II. Treasure God's Grace
- III. Receive it by faith

### THE OFFERTORY

*In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.  
(Hymnal, pages 12-13) (sing)*

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
And renew a right spirit within me.**

**Cast me not away from Thy presence  
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation  
And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

### THE OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS

*In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. While the ushers present our offerings at the Lord's Altar, we stand and sing the offering hymn 788:1:*

**Lord, You love the cheerful giver Who with open heart and hand  
Blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land.  
Grant us, then, the grace of giving with a spirit large and true.  
That our life and all our living we may consecrate to You.**

### THE GENERAL PRAYER

(Pastor)

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

(All)

**Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever, Amen.**

Congregation sings Hymn 144

*Congregation stands for:*

### THE BENEDICTION

*The blessing given by God for the blessing of His people (Numbers 6:24-26).*

**PASTOR:**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**CONGR. (sing) Amen, Amen, Amen.**

The Closing Hymn (standing) 528:15

\*\*\* Silent Prayer \*\*\*

Verbal Announcements - Ushers dismiss by row

## Announcements

*"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15*

**TODAY** - The LM Eagles Youth Group is serving coffee and rolls following service this morning as a way of saying "thank you" to the congregation for your support throughout the year! Other events: Easter Sunday, April 12: We're singing an anthem for the service. Practices are Sunday April 5 and Friday April 10 following services. Coming in June: Annual Pie and Coffee fundraiser. Coming in August: Eagles Youth Group Camp Out weekend.

### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

**TUE:** 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting

**WED:** 10:30 am Lenten Service  
7:00 pm Lenten Service

**FRI:** No school – Grade School BB Tournaments in Eau Claire

**SAT:** Grade School BB Tournaments in Eau Claire

**TV CHURCH** – Today's Service replayed on Cable TV Channel 19  
Tuesday at noon and Thursday at 4:00 pm.

**MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES** This year we are having a "Lenten Exchange" with Pastor Paul Krause of Faith Lutheran in Markesan. He will preach here three times and Pastor Naumann will preach three times at Faith Lutheran. As usual, we will have a morning service of 10:30 am and evening service of 7:00 pm offered. Our theme this year is "KING OF KINGS." Be sure and set aside the time for these meditations upon the suffering and death of our Savior so that you may be filled with the riches of God!

**GRADESCHOOL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT** The 23<sup>rd</sup> Grade School Basketball Tournament for CLC Youth will be held at Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire, Wisconsin, Friday-Sunday, March 13-15, 2009. Information regarding the tournament can be found at [www.CLClutheran.net/tourney](http://www.CLClutheran.net/tourney).

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COLLEGE TOUR CHOIR** will present a concert of sacred music at a 7:00 pm service, Saturday, March 21 here in church. The choir is composed of students from both the college and

high school departments of ILC in Eau Claire, WI. They will be on a seven day tour of various congregations throughout the Mid-west. The choir is under the direction of Prof. John Reim. All are invited and encouraged to attend. A free will offering will be taken. Refreshments, bars and cookies will be offered following the concert for you to meet and visit with the choir members. That evening our congregation is housing the choir, so if you can help with housing, please see the sign-up sheet on the south bulletin board.

**KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP** Wednesday, April 29. If you know anyone who is interested in sending their child to our school, please give this information to them as well as Teacher Amy Osborne.

**FAREWELL** The date of Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> has been set for a farewell for our retiring middle grades Teacher Mrs. Karen Strike.

**YOUR PRAYERS REQUESTED – MISSION HELPER TRIP 2009** Dear Brothers and Sisters of Lutheran Memorial Church, *"For Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved, How then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news."* Romans 10:13-15. I thought I would update you a little on preparing for the CLC Mission Helper Trip to India this July, 2009. First of all we have a wonderful Pastor organizing this trip - Pastor Todd Ohlmann. He is a very good communicator. I can see why God put him in this position. I have my Passport. Pastor Ohlmann just purchased our plane tickets which has made me a little nervous because reality is setting in that I'm really going. This is why I'm writing this to you! I'm asking you all to keep me in your prayers and my family also. As I continue to serve the Lord. Pray that I use all my talents to the glory of the Lord. That my mission will be to serve with all my heart, soul, and mind. I need prayers for wisdom, leadership, setting a good example, being a good team player. Physical and spiritual strength. Most of all teaching God's Word in truth and purity. Pray that at the same time I don't neglect my first calling my precious family. Pray also for the eleven precious souls going with which will be Steve Eichstadt, Carly Meyer, Joey Reim, Josh Ohlmann, Peter Evensen, Mike Naumann, Dorena Wiechmann, Katie Wiechmann, Pastor Todd Ohlmann, Pastor Frank Gantt, Pastor Matt Ude. *"Show me your ways, O Lord teach me your paths; lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; On you I wait all the day." Psalm 25: 4-5*

Thank You! Your Christian Sister, Jackie Schwersinske

## NEWS FROM IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COLLEGE IN EAU CLAIRE

On February 23 the move from Reim Hall into Phase 1 of the new Academic Center was completed. Students, staff, and many volunteers were valuable participants in making this move happen. ILC President John Pfeiffer writes: "Students, faculty, staff, and friends pitched in to assist in the preparations and the move. It went smoothly and almost everything is in place. ... We thank our Lord for this wonderful gift." Excitement is evident at Immanuel as the students enjoy this new addition to their campus life. Even with the completion of Phase 1 of the building project, activity has not slowed down. Phase 2, which includes additional classrooms and administration areas, has begun in full speed. Demolition of Reim Hall occurred this past Thursday, March 5, to make way for the continuation of the Academic Center project. Rafter for the music and art rooms are already set in place. You can continue to monitor live progress of the construction via the web cams, along with a good number of pictures, videos, and various informational tidbits on the construction blog, [ilcacademiccenter.blogspot.com](http://ilcacademiccenter.blogspot.com). You may also check out the publicity web site at [www.ilcpublicity.org](http://www.ilcpublicity.org).

**ILC SUMMER CAMP 2009** Summer is around the corner and you know what that means, so is Camp! We have already been preparing for months and are very excited to get things rolling! Camp dates are July 19-25 for campers going into grades 5th-9th. The cost for camp will be \$100. We are also running our Pre-camper program again, for children ages 5-9 and it will be half-a-day in the mornings. Our camp website is <http://youthcamp.clclutheran.net/>. Registration will open March 13th. We can't wait to hear from you! Directors: Tom Naumann (920) 266-5387; Joelle Noeldner (715) 563-5324; Jessica Ohlmann (402) 322-1027

**FOREIGN MISSIONS UPDATE** On February 20, sixteen men received their graduation certificates from the Martin Luther Bible College in Nagalapuram, India. This was the first graduating class of the only full-time seminary operated by our sister church body, the Berea Evangelical Lutheran Church (BELC). Missionaries David Koenig and Matthew Ude participated in the ceremony. We thank the Lord of the Church for providing these workers for His harvest field! A report from Pastor Koenig, with photos, can be seen at the CLC Missions website, <http://clclutheran.org>. See the first item under "What is New." In Christ, Pastor Bruce Naumann, Board of Missions

**CLC NEWS** Holy Trinity congregation of West Columbia, South Carolina, will honor Marion Fitschen for her 45 years in the teaching ministry on May 31st. We invite all former students, colleagues, and friends to help us with this special observance by sending pictures of Marion, vignettes and memories of previous associations with her. We will be preparing a video to present on that day, in addition to whatever

greetings you may wish to send along. *The deadline for materials is May 1<sup>st</sup>.* We thank you all for your help. Please send pictures and correspondence to the chairman of the retirement program committee, Justin Lee: email: [redsmurf47@gmail.com](mailto:redsmurf47@gmail.com)

Or send to 815 Reynord Circle, West Columbia, SC 29172

**SERVICE TODAY** Usher Team 2 Don Seibel, Lowell Boelk, Joe Naumann, Ed Jacobs, Gene Mielke, Don Gescheidle. Organist Karen Strike

**WEDNESDAY** 10:30 am Available Ushers. Organist Adrienne Fillmore

**WEDNESDAY** 7:00 pm Available Ushers. Organist Rhoda Eserhut

**NEXT SUNDAY** Usher Team 3 Gordon Krause, Reuel Dins, John Herzberg, Tim Johannes, Steve Seibel. Organist Adrienne Fillmore

**LAST WEEK FOR THE LORD** Attendance: Sun – 140; Midweek – 86 & 46

*(This is an unofficial summary. For the official summary, speak to the Financial Secretary)*

<b>Budgetary</b>	<b>weekly (\$4,327 needed)</b>	<b>For the fiscal year</b>		
Received	\$4,316		\$30,200	
<b>Non-budgetary</b>				
Maintenance & Improvement	\$192	balance		\$3,445
Debt Retirement Fund	\$259	balance		\$259
<i>(\$20 given in memory of Keith Rademann)</i>				
LM Building Fund	\$160	mortgage		\$31,948
2008 Deficit Fund	\$1,680	total		3,373
<i>(\$840 given in memory of Keith Rademann; \$100 given in memory of Keith Rademann; \$50 given in memory of Keith Rademann; \$50 given in memory of Keith Rademann; \$50 given in memory of Keith Rademann; \$20 given in memory of Keith Rademann; \$10 given in memory of Keith Rademann; \$10 given in memory of Keith Rademann)</i>				
LM Student Aid Fund	\$45			
<i>(\$25 given in memory of Keith Rademann; \$20 given in memory of Keith Rademann)</i>				
LM Sign Fund	\$10			
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**Missions** (CLC fiscal year is July 1 to June 30)

<b>Budgetary</b>	<b>weekly</b>	<b>year to date</b>
Received	\$883	\$31,318

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**Non-budgetary**

CLCI Orphanage	\$14
<i>(\$5 given in memory of Keith Rademann)</i>	
ILC Building Fund	\$5
<b>LM School</b>	\$35
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## WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"Hatred stirs up strife, but love covers all sins."

Proverbs 10:12

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### **THE OLD TESTAMENT READING for 2nd Sunday in Lent**

#### **Genesis 12:1-8**

These verses paint a picture for us of faith at work. God says; "Pack up Abraham. Move out Abraham." Abraham packs up. Abraham moves out. His travel into an unknown land is walked in FAITH. Abraham's life breathes faith, confidence, trust! Abraham again and again gives us an example of trust. We read...

### **THE NEW TESTAMENT READING**

#### **John 4:5-26**

Jesus, in His grace, reaches out to this sinful Samaritan woman, and gathers her into His Flock, proving that His suffering and death is not just for the Jews, but for all mankind. We read...