**Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church  
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## Sunday, March 26, 2023 Fifth Sunday of Lent, Year A

## We welcome Rev. Justin Smoot to Immanuel and thank him for doing the service for today.

## Prelude

### Announcements

*Please stand*.

**Gathering Hymn “Oh, For A Thousand Tongues To Sing” # 886**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

P: Gracious God

**All: Have mercy on us.**

**We confess that we have turned from you**

**and given ourselves into the power of sin.**

**We are truly sorry and humbly repent.**

**in your compassion forgive us our sins,**

**known and unknown, things we have done**

**and things we have failed to do.**

**Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your spirit**

**so that we may live and serve you in newness of life,**

**in Jesus Christ, our savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Greeting**

P: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **and also,** **with you.**

**Kyrie pg. 138**

### Prayer of the Day

*Please be seated*.

First Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-14

R: Word of God, Word of Life

C: Thanks be to God

Psalm : Psalm 130

**R**: 1Out | of the depths  
  I cry to | you, O Lord;  
 2**O Lord, | hear my voice!**  
  **Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my | supplication.**  
 3If you were to keep watch | over sins,  
  O Lord, | who could stand?  
 4**Yet with you | is forgiveness,**  
  **in order that you | may be feared.** R  
 5I wait for you, O Lord; | my soul waits;  
  in your word | is my hope.  
 6**My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch | for the morning,**  
  **more than those who keep watch | for the morning.**  
 7O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is | steadfast love;  
  with the Lord there is plen- | teous redemption.  
 8**For the Lord shall | redeem Israel**  
  **from | all their sins R.**

Second Lesson: : Romans 8:6-11

R: Word of God, Word of Life

C: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Return to the Lord pg.141

*Please stand.*

**Gospel: John 4:5-42**

P:The Holy Gospel according to John

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Hymn “Faith Of Our Fathers” # 812**

*Please be seated.*

**Sermon Rev. Justin Smoot**

**Hymn of the Day “Jesus Is A Rock In A Weary Land” # 333**

*Please stand.*

**Apostles’ Creed** *See the yellow sheet in your pew rack.*

Offertory Hymn “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow” # 686

*Usher will bring up the offering plate.*

**Offering Prayer**

**P:** **:** Liberating God,

**All: you break the bonds of injustice**

**and let the oppressed go free.**

**Receive these offerings in thanksgiving.**

**for all your works of merciful power,**

**and shape us as people of your justice and freedom.**

**You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior,**

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Benediction**

**Closing Hymn “Restore In Us O God” # 328**

### Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C:Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

**Attendance on 3/19/2023: 39**

**Prayer Concerns: Joanne Diestelhorst, Joan Bonstead, Tom McDonell, Thelma Bursik, Esther Osterby, Brent Harring, George Klinker’s family, Pat Stricker’s family** (contact ILC office to update)

**March 31, 2023,** **Lenten Meditation Recitals 12:15 – 12:45 pm. – Dr. Kartika Putri** sponsored by the Wisconsin River Chapter of the American Guild of Organists at Grace United Church of Christ 535 S. 3rd Avenue Wausau.

**April 6, 2023, Maundy Thursday Immanuel service 6 pm.**

**April 9, 2023, Easter Sunday Immanuel service 9 am.**

**Men’s Discussion Group** meets Thursdays at 7:30 am, in the Koinonia room. New participants are always welcome.

**Volunteers needed to Host Coffee Hours.** There is a sign-up sheet in the kitchen.

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| **Worship Assistants – March 26, 2023** | | |
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| **Pianist / Organist** | **Reader** | **Usher** |
| Karen Zuidema | Holly Westaby | Dan Westaby |
| **Altar Guild**  Holly Westaby & Kathy Knox | | |

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