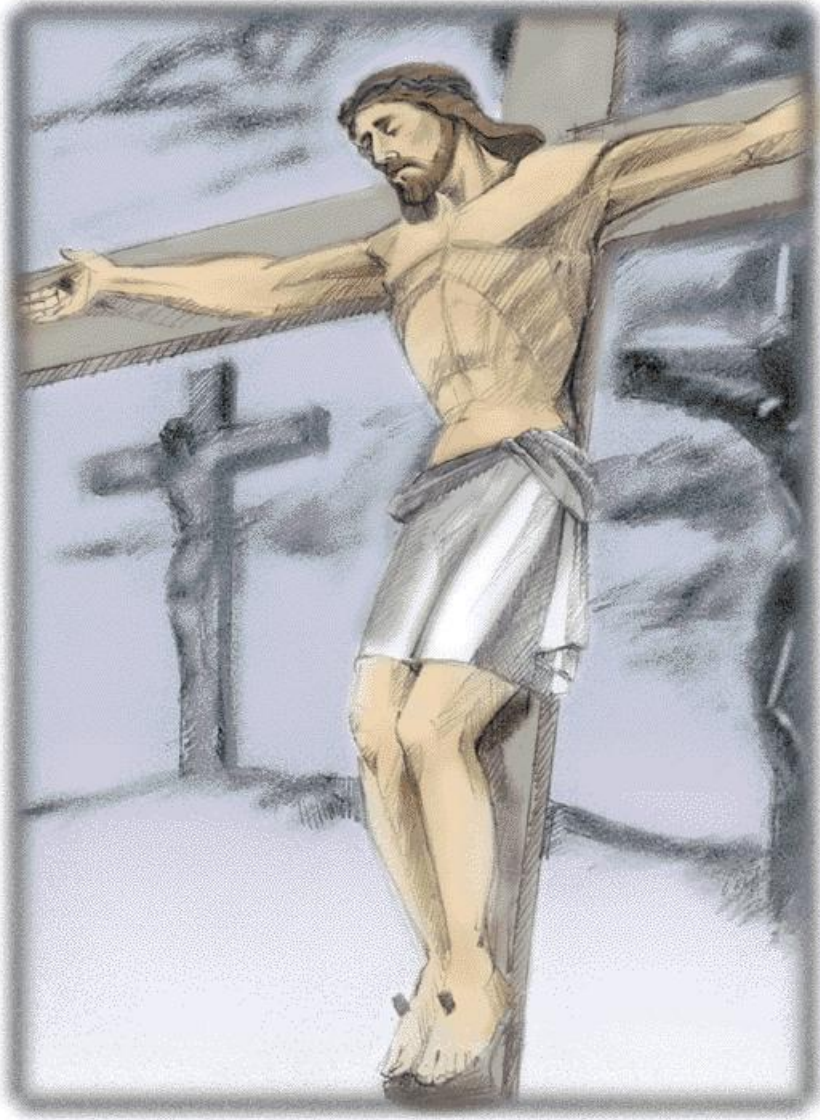


**JESUS SAID, "FATHER, FORGIVE**

**THEM, FOR THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO."**



**LUKE 23:34**

# *Good Friday*

Immanuel Lutheran Church ~ LCMS  
Lakefield, Minnesota  
March 26, 2024

## Opening Verses

- P** O Lord, open my lips,  
**C** and my mouth will declare Your praise.  
**P** Make haste, O God, to deliver me;  
**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.  
 Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

## Psalm 41 ESV

- P** Blessed is the one who considers the poor!  
**C** In the day of trouble the LORD delivers him;  
**P** the LORD protects him and keeps him alive; he is called blessed in the land;  
**C** You do not give him up to the will of his enemies.  
**P** The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness You restore him to full health.  
**C** As for me, I said, “O LORD, be gracious to me; heal me, for I have sinned against You!”  
**P** My enemies say of me in malice, “When will he die and his name perish?”  
**C** And when one comes to see me, he utters empty words, while his heart gathers iniquity; when he goes out, he tells it abroad.  
**P** All who hate me whisper together about me; they imagine the worst for me.  
**C** They say, “A deadly thing is poured out on him; he will not rise again from where he lies.”  
**P** Even my close friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me.  
**C** But You, O LORD, be gracious to me, and raise me up, that I may repay them!  
**P** By this I know that You delight in me: my enemy will not shout in triumph over me.  
**C** But You have upheld me because of my

**integrity, and set me in Your presence forever.  
Blessèd be the LORD, the God of Israel, from  
everlasting to everlasting! Amen and Amen.**

*The first candle is extinguished.*

## **Hymn: 440 v. 1 Jesus, I Will Ponder Now**



1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now On Your ho - ly pas - sion;  
With Your Spir - it me en - dow For such med - i - ta - tion.  
Grant that I in love and faith May the im - age cher - ish  
Of Your suf - f'ring, pain, and death That I may not per - ish.

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## **The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ**

### **Reading: John 18:1-11**

When Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the brook Kidron, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples. So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons. Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, “Whom do you seek?” They answered him, “Jesus of Nazareth.” Jesus said to them, “I am he.” Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. When Jesus said to them, “I am he,” they drew back and fell to the ground. So he asked them

again, “Whom do you seek?” And they said, “Jesus of Nazareth.” Jesus answered, “I told you that I am he. So, if you seek me, let these men go.” This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken: “Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one.” Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.) So Jesus said to Peter, “Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?”

### Hymn: 450 v. 1 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

1 O sa - cred Head, now wound-ed, With grief and shame weighed down,  
 Now scorn - ful - ly sur-round-ed With thorns, Thine on - ly crown.  
 O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, What bliss, till now was Thine!  
 Yet, though de-spised and gor - y, I joy to call Thee mine.

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### Reading: John 18:12-27

So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound him. First they led him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. It was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews that it would be expedient that one man should die for the people.


Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other

disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in. The servant girl at the door said to Peter, "You also are not one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself.

The high priest then questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching. Jesus answered him, "I have spoken openly to the world. I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. Why do you ask me? Ask those who have heard me what I said to them; they know what I said." When he had said these things, one of the officers standing by struck Jesus with his hand, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" Jesus answered him, "If what I said is wrong, bear witness about the wrong; but if what I said is right, why do you strike me?" Annas then sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, "You also are not one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not." One of the servants of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" Peter again denied it, and at once a rooster crowed.

### Hymn: 450 v. 2 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



2 How pale Thou art with an-guish, With sore a-buse and scorn!

How doth Thy face now lan-guish That once was bright as morn!  
 Grim death, with cru-el rig-or, Hath robbed Thee of Thy life;  
 Thus Thou hast lost Thy vig-or, Thy strength, in this sad strife.

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## **Reading: John 18:28-40**

Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the governor's headquarters. It was early morning. They themselves did not enter the governor's headquarters, so that they would not be defiled, but could eat the Passover. So Pilate went outside to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" They answered him, "If this man were not doing evil, we would not have delivered him over to you." Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law." The Jews said to him, "It is not lawful for us to put anyone to death." This was to fulfill the word that Jesus had spoken to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants

would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world.” Then Pilate said to him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice.” Pilate said to him, “What is truth?”

After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, “I find no guilt in him. But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover. So do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?” They cried out again, “Not this man, but Barabbas!” Now Barabbas was a robber.

### Hymn: 450 v. 3 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

3 What Thou, my Lord, hast suf-fered Was all for sin-ners' gain;  
 Mine, mine was the trans-gres-sion, But Thine the dead-ly pain.  
 Lo, here I fall, my Sav-ior! 'Tis I de-serve Thy place;  
 Look on me with Thy fa-vor, And grant to me Thy grace.

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### Reading: John 19:1-16a

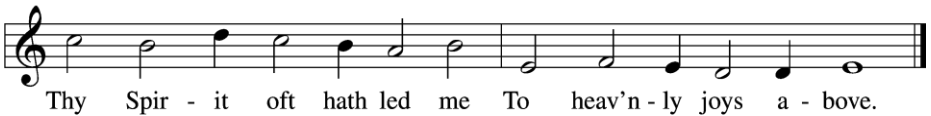
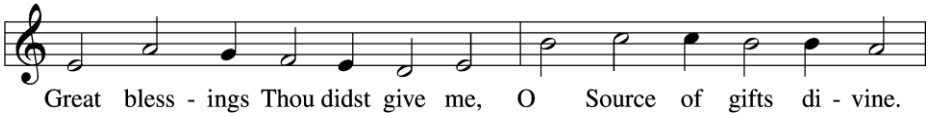
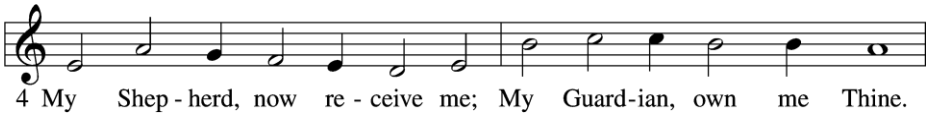
Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged him. And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head and arrayed him in a purple robe. They came up to him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” and struck him with their hands. Pilate went out again and said to

them, "See, I am bringing him out to you that you may know that I find no guilt in him." So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Behold the man!" When the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, "Crucify him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no guilt in him." The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has made himself the Son of God." When Pilate heard this statement, he was even more afraid. He entered his headquarters again and said to Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave him no answer. So Pilate said to him, "You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to release you and authority to crucify you?" Jesus answered him, "You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above. Therefore he who delivered me over to you has the greater sin."

From then on Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this man, you are not Caesar's friend. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar." So when Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Stone Pavement, and in Aramaic Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover. It was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" They cried out, "Away with him, away with him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar." So he delivered him over to them to be crucified.



## Hymn: 450 v. 4 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



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### Reading: John 19:16b-24

So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called The Place of a Skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, “Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.” Many of the Jews read this inscription, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, in Latin, and in Greek. So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, “Do not write, ‘The King of the Jews,’ but rather, ‘This man said, I am King of the Jews.’” Pilate answered, “What I have written I have written.”

When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom, so they said to one another, “Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see

whose it shall be.” This was to fulfill the Scripture which says,

“They divided my garments among them,  
and for my clothing they cast lots.”

So the soldiers did these things,

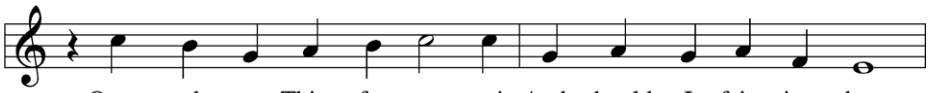
## Hymn: 450 v. 5 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



5 What lan - guage shall I bor - row To thank Thee, dear - est Friend,



For this Thy dy - ing sor - row, Thy pit - y with - out end?



O make me Thine for - ev - er! And should I faint - ing be,



Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, Out - live my love for Thee.

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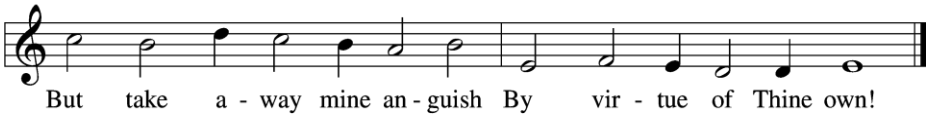
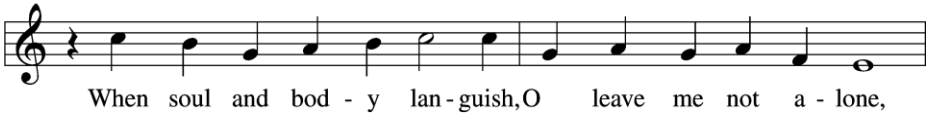
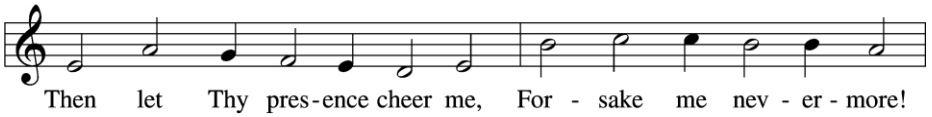
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## Reading: John 19:25-30

but standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, “Woman, behold, your son!” Then he said to the disciple, “Behold, your mother!” And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), “I thirst.” A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, “It is finished,” and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

## Hymn: 450 v. 6 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



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### Reading: John 19:31-42

Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away. So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe. For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled: “Not one of his bones will be broken.” And again another Scripture says, “They will look on him whom they have pierced.”

After these things Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked

Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away his body. Nicodemus also, who earlier had come to Jesus by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds in weight. So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews. Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid. So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, since the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Hymn: 450 v. 7 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

7 Be Thou my con - so - la - tion, My shield, when I must die;  
 Re - mind me of Thy pas - sion When my last hour draws nigh.  
 Mine eyes shall then be - hold Thee, Up - on Thy cross shall dwell,  
 My heart by faith en - fold Thee. Who di - eth thus dies well.

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### Responsory

**P** We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

**C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

**P** Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven and whose sin is put away.

**C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

**P** We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

**C** He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

*The fifth candle is extinguished.*

## Hymn: 451 Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

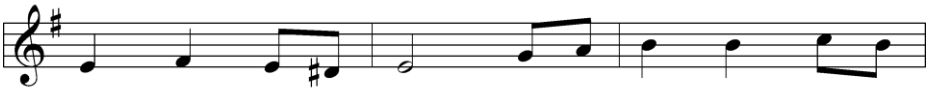
*Introduction by the Immanuel Ringers*



1 Strick-en, smit-ten, and af - flict - ed, See Him dy - ing on the  
2 Tell me, ye who hear Him groan-ing, Was there ev - er grief like  
3 Ye who think of sin but light - ly Nor sup - pose the e - vil  
4 Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, Here the ref - uge of the



tree! 'Tis the Christ, by man re - ject - ed; Yes, my  
His? Friends through fear His cause dis - own - ing, Foes in -  
great Here may view its na - ture right - ly, Here its  
lost: Christ, the Rock of our sal - va - tion, Is the



soul, 'tis He, 'tis He! 'Tis the long - ex - spect - ed  
sult - ing His dis - tress; Man - y hands were raised to  
guilt may es - ti - mate. Mark the sac - ri - fice ap -  
name of which we boast; Lamb of God, for sin - ners



Proph - et, Da - vid's Son, yet Da-vid's Lord; Proofs I  
wound Him, None would in - ter - vene to save; But the  
point - ed, See who bears the aw - ful load; 'Tis the  
wound - ed, Sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt! None shall



see suf - fi - cient of it: 'Tis the true and faith - ful Word.  
deep - est stroke that pierced Him Was the stroke that jus - tice gave.  
Word, the Lord's a - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God.  
ev - er be con - found - ed Who on Him their hope have built.

# Sermon

“Be Gracious to Me!”

*Psalm 41:10*

## Canticle: 934 My Soul Now Magnifies the Lord



1 My soul now mag - ni - fies the Lord; My spir - it  
 2 For He a - lone who shows such might Has done a -  
 3 His arm is strong; His strength is great. He scat - ters  
 4 He feeds the hun - gry as His own; The wealth - y



leaps for joy in Him. He keeps me in His kind re -  
 maz - ing things to me. His mer - cy flows; His name like  
 those of proud in - tent And casts them down from high es -  
 leave with emp - ty hands. He gives His help to Is - ra -



gard, And I am blest for time to come.  
 light Re - mains in time per - pet - ual - ly.  
 tate, Then gives the low His nour - ish - ment.  
 el; His gra - cious prom - ise al - ways stands.

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## Prayers

**P** Lord, have mercy.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** Christ, have mercy.

**C** Christ, have mercy.

**P** Lord, have mercy.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**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 unto temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray. Almighty God, graciously behold this Your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and delivered into the hands of sinful men to suffer death upon the cross; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Almighty and everlasting God, You willed that Your Son should bear for us the pains of the cross and so remove from us the power of the adversary. Help us so to remember and give thanks for our Lord's passion that we may receive forgiveness of sin and redemption from everlasting death; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

# Hymn: 434 Lamb of God, Pure and Holy



1 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,  
2 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,  
3 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,



Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.  
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.  
Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.



All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:  
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:  
All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:



Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!  
Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!  
Thy peace be with us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

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*The final candle is extinguished.*

*A large book is slammed shut to signify the closing of the tomb.*

*Minimal light is restored. All leave the church in silence.*



## **Assisting with the Service**

*Preacher Rev. John Schuetz  
Elder Jim Berkevich  
Organist Jayson Matasovsky  
Acolyte Kiara Baumann  
Usher Debbi & Easton Gettler*

## **We Remember in our Prayers**

*Immanuel in the Call process for a Pastor*

*Cailee Jo Pauling, granddaughter of Bob and Mary Pauling,  
undergoing surgery*

*Shelley Pohlman recovering from surgery*

*Jeff Meyer, friend of Bruce and Jan Bakalyar, dealing with  
health issues*

*Chuck Bergmann hospitalized*

*Esther Cornelius in Hospice*

*Camila Beeck, infant daughter of Travis and Nereyda Beeck,  
hospitalized in the NICU*

*Immanuel in the Call process for a Kindergarten teacher*

*Our residents at Colonial Manor, Valley View, Meadows and  
Golden Horizons in Worthington, Good Sam in Jackson,  
Accura HealthCare in Milford, Pine View in Windom*

*Mary Pauling, LaVonne Larsen, Lloyd Steffen, Paul Spoo,  
Bruce Bakalyar, Ines Henning, Trudy Malchow, Sarah  
Burch, Darlene Stender, Inez Kosen, Merlyn Rossow,  
Betty Hage, Berniece Kolander, Bev Hall, dealing with  
health issues*

*Carol Frantsen, Pastor Dennis Brech, Lake Shetek; Darcie  
Follon, granddaughter of Bruce and Jan Bakalyar;  
Keith Buresch; Bethany Kolander, granddaughter of  
Doris Kolander; Shirley Crawmer, cousin of Danielle  
Rossow; Ben Byam, cousin of Mike Byam; Joyce Urmie,  
sister-in-law of Vickie Baumann; Stacey Dunker, mother  
of ILS student Janessa Dunker; Lori Koerselman, friend  
of Amy Altman; Pastor Ben Rucker; Mitch Voehl, son of  
Lila Voehl; Marcus Lere, grandson of Joyce Bretzman;*

*Denny Daberkow; Jim Salentiny, uncle of Mark Freking; dealing with cancer*

*Brent Baumann, brother of Myleen Swanson and LaNell Rossow; Charlotte Swarm, daughter of David and Inez Kosen; Pastor Travis Loeslie, Bethlehem Morristown; Rob Pohlman, son of Ken Pohlman; Jacob Boe, son of Rose Parrington; Curt Gates, brother-in-law of Miles Voehl (Lila's son), dealing with health issues*

*MLHS Northrop, in the Call process for a Principal*

*Our Missionaries in the Field*

*Our Country and Our Military*

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