



Midweek Lent

“When Do We Pray”

Immanuel Lutheran Church - LCMS
Lakefield, Minnesota
March 20 & 21, 2024

Hymn: 869 With the Lord Begin Your Task



1 With the Lord be - gin your task;	Je - sus will di - rect it.
2 Let each day be - gin with prayer,	Praise, and ad - o - ra - tion.
3 With your Sav - ior at your side,	Foes need not a - larm you;
4 If your task be thus be - gun	With the Sav - ior's bless - ing,
5 Thus, Lord Je - sus, ev - 'ry task	Be to You com - mend - ed;



For His aid and coun - sel ask;	Je - sus will per - fect it.
On the Lord cast ev - 'ry care;	He is your sal - va - tion.
In His prom - is - es con - fide,	And no ill can harm you.
Safe - ly then your course will run,	Toward the prom - ise press - ing.
May Your will be done, I ask,	Un - til life is end - ed.



Ev - 'ry morn with Je - sus rise,	And when day is end - ed,
Morn - ing, eve - ning, and at night	Je - sus will be near you,
All your trust and hope re - pose	In the might - y Mas - ter,
Good will fol - low ev - 'ry - where	While you here must wan - der;
Je - sus, in Your name be - gun	Be the day's en - deav - or;



In His name then close your eyes;	Be to Him com - mend - ed.
Save you from the tempt - er's might,	With His pres - ence cheer you.
Who in wis - dom tru - ly knows	How to stem dis - as - ter.
You at last the joy will share	In the man - sions yon - der.
Grant that it may well be done	To Your praise for - ev - er.

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Stand

Opening Versicles

- L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
C let us rejoice and be glad in it.
L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
L Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,
C slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.
L Jesus said: If any man would come after Me,
C let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.
L Christ was wounded for our transgressions.
C He was bruised for our iniquities.
L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Old Testament Canticle

LSB 261

Refrain




C The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
With joy will you draw wa - ter from the



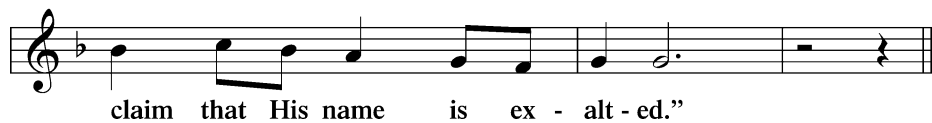
wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that



day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,



make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -



claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."

Refrain



The Lord God is my strength and my song, and




He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done



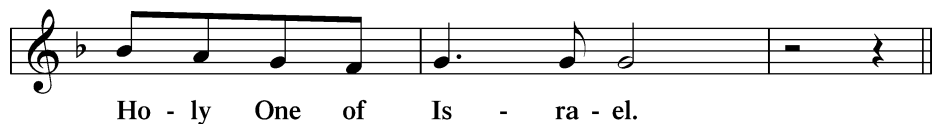
glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the



earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -



hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the



Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Refrain

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
 Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son
 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will
 be for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Sit

Readings From Holy Scripture

Reading

Daniel 6:1–10

L A reading from Daniel, the sixth chapter.

It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom 120 satraps, to be throughout the whole kingdom; and over them three presidents, of whom Daniel was one, to whom these satraps should give account, so that the king might suffer no loss. Then this Daniel became distinguished

above all the other presidents and satraps, because an excellent spirit was in him. And the king planned to set him over the whole kingdom. Then the presidents and the satraps sought to find a ground for complaint against Daniel with regard to the kingdom, but they could find no ground for complaint or any fault, because he was faithful, and no error or fault was found in him. Then these men said, “We shall not find any ground for complaint against this Daniel unless we find it in connection with the law of his God.”

Then these presidents and satraps came by agreement to the king and said to him, “O King Darius, live forever! All the presidents of the kingdom, the prefects and the satraps, the counselors and the governors are agreed that the king should establish an ordinance and enforce an injunction, that whoever makes petition to any god or man for thirty days, except to you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions. Now, O king, establish the injunction and sign the document, so that it cannot be changed, according to the law of the Medes and the Persians, which cannot be revoked.” Therefore King Darius signed the document and injunction.

When Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he went to his house where he had windows in his upper chamber open toward Jerusalem. He got down on his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as he had done previously.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Introit

Psalm 55:16–23

But I call to God,

and the LORD will save me.

Evening and morning and at noon

I utter my complaint and moan,

and he hears my voice.

He redeems my soul in safety

from the battle that I wage,

for many are arrayed against me.

God will give ear and humble them,

he who is enthroned from of old,

because they do not change

and do not fear God.

My companion stretched out his hand against his friends;

he violated his covenant.

His speech was smooth as butter,

yet war was in his heart;

his words were softer than oil,

yet they were drawn swords.

Cast your burden on the LORD,

and he will sustain you;

he will never permit

the righteous to be moved.

But you, O God, will cast them down

into the pit of destruction;

men of blood and treachery

shall not live out half their days.

But I will trust in you.

Reading

Ephesians 6:10–20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand

therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading

Luke 6:12–19

In these days he went out to the mountain to pray, and all night he continued in prayer to God. And when day came, he called his disciples and chose from them twelve, whom he named apostles: Simon, whom he named Peter, and Andrew his brother, and James and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon who was called the Zealot, and Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

And he came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsory

L We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ,
the Righteous One.

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

L Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

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

L We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus Christ,
the Righteous One.

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

Stand

Passion Reading

Apostles' Creed

C 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 Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living
and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

Sit

Hymn: 774 Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy

Feed Thy chil-dren, God most ho - ly; Com - fort sin - ners
poor and low - ly. O Thou Bread of Life from heav-en, Bless the
food Thou here hast giv - en! As these gifts the bod-y nour - ish,
May our souls in grac - es flour - ish Till with saints in
heav'n - ly splen-dor At Thy feast due thanks we ren - der.

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Sermon

Offering

Stand

Prayer

- L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

L For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

L Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

Collect of the Day

L O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Collect for the Word

L Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Morning Prayer (Wednesday)

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

Evening Prayer (Thursday)

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Blessing

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the †
Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

C Amen.

Hymn: 883 All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night



1 All praise to Thee, my God, this night For all the
2 For - give me, Lord, for Thy dear Son, The ill that
3 Teach me to live that I may dread The grave as
4 Oh, may my soul in Thee re - pose, And may sweet



bles - ings of the light. Keep me, O keep me,
I this day have done, That with the world, my -
lit - tle as my bed. Teach me to die that
sleep mine eye - lids close, Sleep that shall me more



King of kings, Be - neath Thine own al - might - y wings.
self, and Thee, I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.
so I may Rise glo - rious at the awe - full day.
vig - 'rous make To serve my God when I a - wake!

5 When in the night I sleepless lie,
My soul with heav'nly thoughts supply;
Let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
No pow'rs of darkness me molest.

△6 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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Assisting with the Service

Preacher Rev. David McDonald

Elder Luke Henning (Thurs)

Organist Brenda Matasovsky (Wed)

Lori Kruger (Thurs)

Acolyte 7th-8th graders (Wed)

Kiara Baumann (Thurs)

Usher 7th-8th graders & Merle Hendricksen (Wed)

Luke Rossow & Emma Bergeron (Thurs)

We Remember in our Prayers

Rev. Brian Wright as he considers the Call to Immanuel and his current Call to Christ Lutheran Church in Cairo, NE

Shelly Pohlman undergoing surgery

Carol Frantsen diagnosed with cancer and recovering from surgery

Lloyd Steffen hospitalized

Chuck Bergmann hospitalized

Lori Henning on the death of her aunt, Lucy Crowell

Mary Pauling recovering from surgery

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

Paul Spoo, Bruce Bakalyar, Ines Henning, Trudy Malchow, Sarah Burch, Denny Laabs, Darlene Stender, Inez Kosen, Merlyn Rossow, Betty Hage, Berniece Kolander, Bev Hall, dealing with health issues

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

Cailee Jo Pauling, granddaughter of Bob and Mary Pauling; 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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Holy Week Worship Services

Maundy Thursday

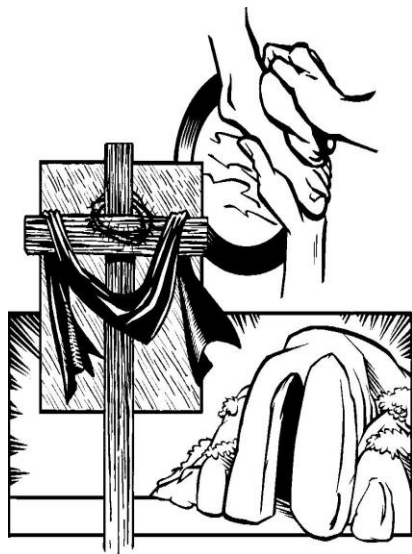
March 28 at 4:00 p.m.

Good Friday

March 29 at 4:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday

March 31 at 10:45 a.m.



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