

An invitation to pray:

Upon Entering the Church

Almighty, ever-living God, grant that I may gladly hear Your Word and that all my worship be acceptable unto You. Amen.

Before Receiving the Sacrament

O Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof; but speak only Your Word, and my soul will be healed. I will take the bread of Heaven and call upon the Name of the Lord.

What shall I give to the Lord for all that He has given to me? I will take the Cup of Salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord. Amen.

During the Distribution of the Sacrament

The Lord was made flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory; glory as of the only-begotten Son of the Father, full of grace and truth. Amen.

After Receiving the Sacrament

I live, and yet not I, but Christ lives in me. What we have received with our mouths, O lord, let us keep with faithful hearts, that this gift given to us in earthly time may bring us to eternal salvation in heaven. Amen

Abide with us, O Lord, that we may abide in You until the end; let not sin and need separate us from You, until we, through the strength of Your Holy Sacrament, enter into heaven, and eternal blessing. Amen.

At the Close of the Service

Grant, I beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the Word which I have heard this day may through Thy grace be so engrafted in my heart that I might bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in faith toward You and in fervent love toward my fellow man. Amen.

Lent 4 – Laetare



Wunderbare Speisung des Volks.
Jesus aber sprach: schaffet, daß sich das Volk lagere. Es war aber viel Gras an dem Ort. Da lagerten sich bei fünf tausend Mann. Jesus aber nahm die Brod, dankete, und gab sie den Jüngern, die Jünger aber denen, die sich gelagert hatten; derselbigen gleichen auch von den Fischen, wie viel er wollte.
Mt. Johannis. Kap. 6. v. 10. 11.

**Immanuel Lutheran Church, Rockwell City
Service at 8:45 a.m.**

&

**Trinity Lutheran Church, Knierim
Service at 10:15 a.m.**



Dual Parish Since 2003

***“United Together With Christ in the Likeness
of His Death and His Resurrection.”***

[Romans 6:5]

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April 3, 2011

WELCOME! We are very happy you worshipped with us today. If you are with us for the first time, please sign the guest register, introduce yourself to the Pastor and come again soon!

THE LORD'S SUPPER: As Lutherans, we believe and profess the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament, as well as His true power to grant forgiveness, life, and salvation through these visible means of His Grace. *If you, as a guest in our congregation, do not believe in the Sacrament as we do, or belong to a different denomination holding a different belief other than ours, we ask that you respect our practice of "close or closed" communion by not communing.* Please speak with pastor if you are communing here for the first time.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK AT IMMANUEL & TRINITY

MONDAY: 6:30 p.m. Working Women's Group

WEDNESDAY: 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study @ Immanuel
5:00 p.m. Midweek @ Trinity
5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper @ Immanuel
6:00 p.m. 5th - 8th Confirm. @ Immanuel
7:00 p.m. Lenten Service @ Immanuel

THURSDAY: 12:30 p.m. T Ladies Aid @ Pizza Ranch

NEXT SUNDAY: 8:45 a.m. Worship @ Immanuel
10:00 a.m. Sunday School @ Immanuel
10:15 a.m. Worship @ Trinity

LAETARE (LAY-TAR-AY): The Fourth Sunday in Lent means, "Rejoice ye". Reminding us, that during this humble and repentant season of Lent we can rejoice and be glad in the compassion of our God.

BIBLE STUDY: Wednesdays at 9am at Immanuel. We are studying the Book of Concord. All are welcome to attend at any time.

LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICE: Wednesday, April 6th at 7 p.m. at Immanuel. Supper at 5:30 p.m.

MENU FOR LENTEN SUPPER: Wednesday, April 6th
Maidrites, Salads and Bars

WORKING WOMEN' GROUP: Monday, April 4 at Immanuel from 6:30 to 8:30p.m.

CAMP OKOBOJI: There are camps available for 1st graders thru High School, check them out at www.campokoboji.org Let Pastor know if you have someone going and the church can help out with the cost.

RC LENTEN LUNCH: Wednesday 11:45am at Senior Center

PORTALS OF PRAYER: are on the table in the narthex.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "Bringing Christ To The Nations And The Nations To The Church" Listen to it on the radio on the following stations: KAYL 990AM – Sunday at 8:30am; KJYL 100.7FM - Sunday at 6pm; WHO 1040AM– 7:30a.m.KTLB 105.9FM – Sunday at 8am. Or check them out on the web at www.lhm.org

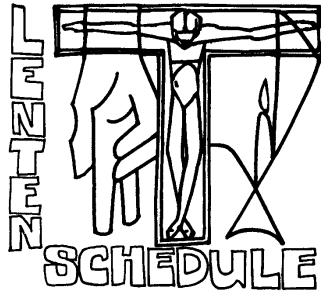
RC LION'S OMELET BREAKFAST: Today, at the Calhoun County Museum from 8 – 1 p.m.

BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES: 12,442. That's the number of children who were victims of child abuse within their own families during the past year here in Iowa. April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Be aware of children in your circle of acquaintances who might need help. If you're not sure what to do, talk to your pastor or call and LFS counselor for input. Your help might make all the difference.

LWML SPRING RALLY: Wednesday, April 13th at Immanuel, Livermore at 9 a.m.

LLL SPRING RALLY: Sunday, April 10th at St. Paul, Webster City at 6:30 p.m.

ASHTON DILLON BENEFIT: Saturday, April 16th at Clare Community Center beginning at 4 p.m. Ashton is the great grandson of Dean and Carol Quade, members at Trinity.



Palm Sunday/Confirmation Sunday, April 17
 Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m. at Immanuel
 Good Friday 7:00 p.m. at Trinity
 Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil 7:00 p.m. at Immanuel
 Easter Sunrise 7:00 a.m. at Trinity
 Breakfast 8:00 a.m. at Trinity
 Easter Service 10:15 a.m. at Immanuel

INTERCESSIONS, PRAYERS & THANKSGIVINGS

Please remember your fellow parishioners and those dear to them in your daily prayers.

The sick and in need:

Bud Clearwater Gracie Burke Ruth Good

Birthdays:

Amanda Jones Irene Schroeder Torie Andersen
 Jason Hawkins Brandon Griffin Andrew Boysen
 Keaton Martin Duane Schuur

Anniversary:

Matt and Jeanine Lowry Norman and Vivian Bauer

Confirmands:

Libbie Lowry, Taylor Reiss, Sadie Swank

Servicemen in Afghanistan:

Brian Lindner Todd Essing Matthew Dietrich Travis Folsom

Lord, looked down from heaven, behold, visit, and relieve Thy servants who stand in need of our prayers; Look upon them with the eyes of Thy mercy' Grant them comfort and a sure confidence in Thee; Defend them from all danger, and keep them in perpetual peace and safety, through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

Immanuel, Rockwell City and Trinity, Knierim: Our members, all fathers and mothers, husbands and wives, all children and those who rejoice in the blessing of God's Kingdom.

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod: The congregations and pastors of the Humboldt Circuit; President of Synod Matthew Harrison; President of Iowa-District West Paul Sieveking; all pastors, missionaries and congregations; Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne, IN and Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO; Seminarians Tim Oetting and Daniel Harders.

The United States of America: We give thanks for all the rights, liberties and freedoms that God gives us. All those in authority over us; all those who service in the armed forces, law enforcement, civil service, medical staff and all our citizens.

Introit:

Rejoice ye with Jerusalem and be glad with her: **all ye that love her.**

Rejoice for joy with her: **all ye that mourn for her.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of Thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

The Old Testament reading is from Isaiah, the 49th Chapter.

Thus says the LORD: "In an acceptable time I have heard You, and in the day of salvation I have helped You; will preserve You and give You As a covenant to the people, to restore the earth, To cause them to inherit the desolate heritages; 9 That You may say to the prisoners, 'Go forth, 'To those who are in darkness, 'Show yourselves.' "They shall feed along the roads, And their pastures shall be on all desolate heights. 10 They shall neither hunger nor thirst, Neither heat nor sun shall strike them; For He who has mercy on them will lead them, Even by the springs of water He will guide them. 11 I will make each of My mountains a road, And My highways shall be elevated. Surely these shall come from afar; Look! Those from the north and the west, And these from the land of Sinim." 13 Sing, O heavens! Be joyful, O earth! And break out in singing, O mountains! For the LORD has comforted His people, And will have mercy on His afflicted.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Tract

They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Zion: **which cannot be removed, but abideth forever.**

As the mountains are round about Jerusalem: **so the Lord is round about His people from henceforth even forever.**

The Epistle Reading is from Galatians, the 4th Chapter.

Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not hear the law? 22 For it is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman, the other by a freewoman. 23 But he who was of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and he of the freewoman through promise, 24 which things are symbolic. For these are the two covenants: the one from Mount Sinai which gives birth to bondage, which is Hagar — 25 for this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children — but the Jerusalem above is free, which is the mother of us all. For it is written: "Rejoice, O barren, You who do not bear! Break forth and shout, You who are not in labor! For the desolate has many more children Than she who has a husband." 28 Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are children of promise. 29 But, as he who was born according to the flesh then persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, even so it is now. 30 Nevertheless what does the Scripture say? "Cast out the bondwoman and her son, for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman." So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman but of the free.

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Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the 6th chapter.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

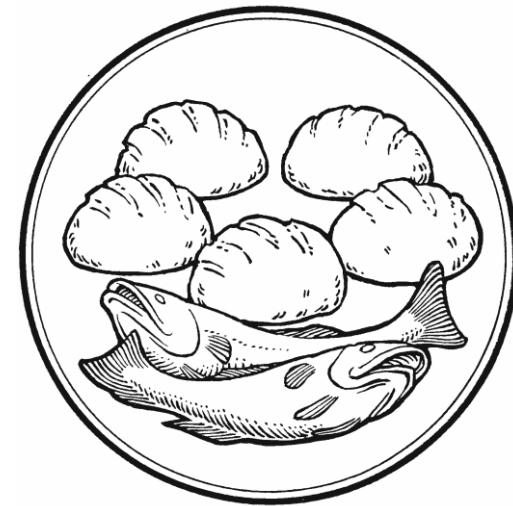
After these things Jesus went over the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. 2 Then a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His signs which He performed on those who were diseased. 3 And Jesus went up on the mountain, and there He sat with His disciples. 4 Now the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. 5 Then Jesus lifted up His eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?" 6 But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do. Philip answered Him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little." 8 One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Him, 9 "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?" Then Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. 11 And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed them to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted. 12 So when they were filled, He said to His disciples, "Gather up the fragments that remain, so that nothing is lost." 13 Therefore they gathered them up, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. 14 Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, "This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world." Therefore when Jesus perceived that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, He departed again to the mountain by Himself alone.

Here ends the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

CATECHESIS ON THE GOSPEL LESSON

Jesus made the men sit down in the place where there was much grass. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them. So does He also do today: for *He maketh me to lie down in green pastures*, that is brings me to the place where He prepares a table before me, takes bread, and when He has given thanks, distributes to me a blessed Sacrament. But behold the manner of distribution: Jesus gives to the disciples, and the disciples, to the people. In this a great miracle occurs, for now there is mysteriously enough for five thousand. So also today: when the ministers of the Sacrament celebrate it, there is also a great mystery (sacramentum): now there is Christ Himself, who fills all things. So we with the five thousand now receive our daily bread, since Christ the Bread of Life is the one thing needful, filling our five senses with Himself. Well should we then gather with reverence the fragments that remain, to attest to the greatness of the miracle.



✠ THE NUNC DIMITTIS ✠

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy Word. For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people” (TLH, p. 29).



Rejoice! Be glad! Depart this table and life in peace! For you, like faithful Simeon, have seen the Lord's Christ, that is, you have seen with the eyes of faith and held in your own mouth the incarnate Son of God in the forms of bread and wine. As you sing the words of Simeon's Song, be mindful of the many blessings that you have received in this blessed Supper: forgiveness of sins, communion with God and your fellow believers, and eternal life. In honor of the Holy Trinity, you may bow your head at the words, "Glory be to the Father..."

*"A Guide for Christian Meditation Before, During, and After the Divine Service"
by the Rev. Paul L. Beisel, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran, Iowa Falls, Iowa*

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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.