

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

February 18, 2018



Common Service with Communion
Lent 1
Christian Worship p. 15

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To Our Visitors

- The restrooms are in the fellowship hall. Turn to your left when exiting the church.
- We are happy to have children in our worship. Cloth bags with age appropriate books and activities are available. Please ask an usher.

Calendar for This Week: February 18-24

Today

10:30 am Bible Class, Sunday School, & Ignite Youth Group

Tuesday

6:30 pm Church Council
7:00 pm Women of Emmanuel

Wednesday

3:15 pm Confirmation Class
4:45 pm Confirmation Class

6:00 pm Dinner

7:00 pm Lenten Service

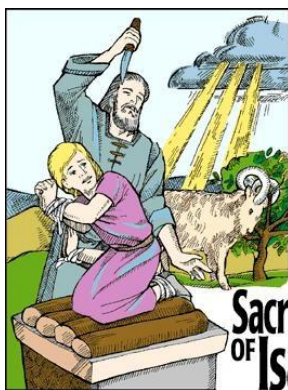
Thursday

10:30 am Bible Class

HYMN

Jesus, Grant that Balm and Healing CW 121

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 22:1-18



Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!"

"Here I am," he replied.

² Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you."

³ Early the next morning Abraham got up and loaded his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about. ⁴ On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. ⁵ He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you."

⁶ Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the

knife. As the two of them went on together, ⁷ Isaac spoke up and said to his father Abraham, "Father?"

"Yes, my son?" Abraham replied.

"The fire and wood are here," Isaac said, "but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?"

⁸ Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together.

⁹ When they reached the place God had told him about, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰ Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. ¹¹ But the angel of the Lord called out to him from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!"

"Here I am," he replied.

¹² "Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said. "Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son."

¹³ Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴ So Abraham called that place The Lord Will Provide. And to this day it is said, "On the mountain of the Lord it will be provided."

¹⁵ The angel of the Lord called to Abraham from heaven a second time ¹⁶ and said, "I swear by myself, declares the Lord, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷ I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, ¹⁸ and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me."

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 6, CW p. 66

SECOND LESSON: Romans 8:31-39

³¹ What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? ³³ Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ³⁶ As it is written:

"For your sake we face death all day long;
we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered."

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that

neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹ neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GOSPEL: Mark 1:12-15

¹² At once the Spirit sent him out into the wilderness, ¹³ and he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended him.

¹⁴ After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. ¹⁵ "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"

HYMN OF THE DAY

Rise, My Soul to Watch and Pray CW 472

SERMON

Sermon Text: Matthew 4: 1-11

Theme: Jesus overcame the devil's temptations

- I. to doubt God's Word.
- II. to put God to the test.
- III. to worship a false god.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

I Come, O Savior, to Your Table CW 310

CLOSING HYMN

Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You CW 455

Lenten Supper/Services

Every Wednesday through March 21 we will have dinner at 6 pm in our Fellowship Hall and our worship service will be at 7 pm. The theme of our Midweek Lenten sermon series is A Personal View of our Savior's Suffering and Death. All of our members are encouraged to come and attend our special Midweek Lenten services. Invite your relatives and friends to come with you.

Lenten Supper Serving List

February 21: Sarah Dahlke's Group

February 28: Leslie Stelling's Group

March 7: Potluck

March 14: Group 3

March 21: Church Council

Sign up sheets are on a bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

Sunday Morning Bible Class

Pastor Vomhof will finish reading and discussing the book "The Life and Faith of Martin Luther" in our Bible class today and will start reading and discussing the book "A

Lutheran Looks at ... MEGA CHURCHES". Come and learn what the Mega Churches are teaching and not teaching.

Singing on Sunday, February 25

Sunday School and Preschool children will sing "It's A Great Day" on Sunday, February 25. Please meet at 8:45 in the fellowship hall. If you are unable to make it, please let Mrs. Winkler know.

Easter Flowers



Please consider ordering an Easter Lily to decorate the altar for Easter. You may take your plant following the service.

The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the narthex. Please sign up by March 14th. For payment, please make your check out to Emmanuel and place in the offering plate. Please note "Easter flowers" on the check memo line or place your payment in an envelope marked "Easter flowers".

If you have questions, please talk to Michelle Rust.

Minnesota District 100th Anniversary Booklet

The Minnesota District President had appointed a committee to prepare a booklet to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of our Minnesota District which will take place on June 10 of this year. The title of the booklet is

Continue in My Word 1918-2018. Celebrating 100 years of God's grace in the Minnesota District of the WELS.

The booklet provides a summary of the history and work of our Minnesota District. The Table of Contents includes the following articles: Preface by the MN District President, Brief History of the MN Synod becoming District of WELS, Blessings in the MN District, A History of Martin Luther College, Martin Luther College and the Need for Called Workers, Mission Work in the District, Listing of the Congregations, Lutheran Elementary Schools and Early Childhood Ministry in the District, the Three Area Lutheran High Schools, Jesus Cares Programs, Belle Plaine Lutheran Home and Encouragement to continue faithfully in using God's Word.

A copy of this booklet is on display on the table in the entryway. This booklet is being offered to the congregations of our District and to our members at a cost of \$3.00 per copy. Any member or family who would like to order a booklet should sign up on the sheet on the table. All orders and payment of \$3.00 or check should be made payable to: Minnesota District WELS no later than March 1st. Please place your offering in the offering plate.

Meditations Devotional Book Order

The Meditations devotional book group order will be placed at the end of February. Since the book is published quarterly, the first issue will be April-June. If you would like to order, write a check for \$16.99 and put in an

envelope with a note on the outside. Place the envelope in the offering plate or give to Matthew Winkler.

Church and School Cleaning Team for February

Matthew Winkler, leader
Martin Wegner family
Julie Michaels family
John Stelling family

Other Items of Interest

Attendance last Sunday: 59

Fellowship refreshments next Sunday: Carlsons

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