

Immanuel – St. Paul's



Lutheran Church
Missouri Synod



Sunday of the Passion (Palm Sunday)

March 25, 2018

Immanuel

8:00 am

Order of Worship

Holy Communion
TLH pg. 15ff

Hymns

442 (Procession of Palms Insert),
162, 161, 165, 168, LSB 454 (Insert)

St. Paul's

10:00 am

Order of Worship

Holy Communion
LSB pg. 184

Hymns

442 (Procession of Palms Insert),
441, 443, 444, 455, 454

The Sermon

Sermon Text:

[John 12:12-19](#)

Sermon Title

Your King is Coming

Today's Readings

First Reading

[Zechariah 9:9-12](#)

Epistle Reading

[Philippians 2:5-11](#)

Gospel Reading

[Matthew 27:11-54](#)

A Note to Our Visitors

We welcome you in the name of our living Savior, Jesus Christ, and we pray that your time of worship with us today will be a blessing to you.

Immanuel-St. Paul Lutheran Parish

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My sheep listen to My voice; I know them and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of My hand. John 10:27-28



Church Notes

March 25, 2018

Prayer for the Day

Almighty God, you sent your only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe with joy what the scriptures proclaim. Amen

Next Sunday's

Scripture

Readings Are:

[Job 19:23-27](#)

[1 Corinthians 5:6-8](#)

[Mark 16:1-8](#)

The Meaning of "Palmarum"

The sixth Sunday in Lent is traditionally known as Palmarum, which is Latin and means, "Sunday of Palms." Thus, in English we traditionally have called this service "Palm Sunday."

This service is also known as Passion Sunday. We begin with the procession of palms, and then at the Gospel reading have the extended reading from the Passion Narrative, which sets before the faithful all that our Lord did on our behalf. This service reflects the contrasting attitudes toward Jesus that were on display during the days leading up to His Crucifixion.

"Palm Sunday" is named after the palms that were spread before Jesus as He entered Jerusalem. The acclamation of the people, "Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord," clearly reveals that they hailed Jesus as the Messianic King. Yet only days later, our Lord would hear the cry, "Crucify!" This contrast is reflected on this day as the joy of His Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem gives way to the somber remembrance of His Passion. Thus, by this service the Church is prepared to enter Holy Week—the most important week of the entire Church Year. (LSB Altar Book, p. 501)

We again omit the "Glory be to the Father," as we continue to observe from Judica Sunday (last week) how in His Passion the person of Christ was dishonored and thus also was the Holy Trinity dishonored.

Immanuel Breakfast – Easter Sunday

Immanuel will have a Resurrection Easter Breakfast following the 7:00 service Easter morning, April 1st. It will be the same as we do it on our third Sundays, pot luck of your favorite breakfast item. Dianne Stoffel will also be having a Thrivent Action team project (Ronald McDonald Room) at the same function with a free will offering, if you care to contribute (it is not mandatory). Also, there will be no other breakfast in the month of April. Come and celebrate our Risen Lord!

Food Drive Month

During the month of March, St. Paul's Sunday School is conducting a food drive for local food pantries. Items can be donated in the back of the church.

Easter Practice and Easter Egg Hunt

St. Paul's Easter Practice and Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, March 31 from 10:00 am – 11:00 am. Each family participating in the egg hunt is asked to bring one dozen treat filled eggs to share.

Passion Week Services

Please consider joining us in worship during passion week and Easter. Passion Week begins today. During Passion Week, special services will be held on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. A Maundy Thursday service will be held at St. Paul's on March 29, at 7:00 pm. Good Friday services will also take place at both Immanuel and St. Paul's on March 30. Immanuel's confessional service will begin at 8:00 am and St. Paul's Tenebrae Vespers service will begin at 7:00 pm. Our celebration of Christ's resurrection will begin on April 1 with the services at Immanuel at 7:00 am and at St. Paul's at 10:00 am.

*Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud,
O daughter of Jerusalem!*

St. Mark's Coffee Cake

St. Mark' Youth Group is conducting a coffee cake fundraiser. Orders can be made for cherry, peach, peanut butter coffee cakes and/or cinnamon rolls. The cost of each item is \$5.00. Order forms are available in the back of St. Paul's. Orders can also be made by contacting Caitlin Schwarz. Pick-up will be on March 30, 2018.

LWML Spring Rally

All ladies are invited to the LWML Lower Kaskaskia Zone Spring Rally on Thursday, April 5 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in New Athens. The program will be a dramatic telling of the life of Katie Luther presented by Barbara Kay. Those wishing to carpool will leave St. Paul's at 7:45 am. Registration begins at 8:30, and opening devotion at 9:30. Please pay the lunch fee of \$8.00 per person in advance to **Anita Miller** by **Sunday March 25**.

Red Bud "Road to Calvary Pageant

St. John's Lutheran Church, 508 Bloom Street, Red Bud, will hold its annual "Road to Calvary" Pageant on Sunday, March 25 at 7 p.m. in the church sanctuary. By narration, dramatization, music, song and congregational participation we will follow Jesus from His entry into Jerusalem, through the Upper Room, Gethsemane, and trial to His death on the cross and burial in the tomb. A reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall. The freewill offering will benefit the Senior Youth for their trip to the LCMS Youth Gathering in Minneapolis in the summer of 2019.

Premier Conference for Lutheran Laity

You are invited to attend the Issues, Etc. “Making the Case” Conference Friday, June 8 and Saturday, June 9 in Collinsville, IL. Topics include: Islam, The Prosperity Gospel, Godliness, Religious Truth Claims, The Centrality of Justification, Abortion and Scientism. Speakers include: Hank Hanegraaff, Rev. Hans Fiene, Rev. Will Weedon, Scott Klusendorf, Dr. Angus Menuge, Rev. Jonathan Fisk and Craig Parton. Attendance is limited to 400. For more information, visit www.issuesetc.org or call (618) 223-8385.

Difficulty in hearing the service?

“So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.” (Romans 10:17) Have you been missing any parts of the service, or maybe not even attending services due to the inability to fully hear or understand The Word? We want you to be able to hear the Word of God that creates and sustains your faith. St. Paul’s has hearing assistance devices available for use. So please ask an Elder or Trustee for one so that you can hear and benefit from the saving Word of Christ!



Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School

Last call for lids! Please bring any plastic lids you have collected to school before March 28.

Used crayon recycling: The COS FFA Chapter is collecting used crayons. They will be taking the crayons they collect to the Illinois FFA State Convention where the crayons will be recycled and made into new crayons that will be given to children's hospitals. Bring your old crayons to COS before Friday, May 11, 2018.

The 20th Annual Dinner Auction to benefit COS will be April 28. Reservations paid before April 3 are \$30 per person or a table of eight for \$210. After April 3, the price will be \$35 per person or \$245 for a table of eight. Donations, sponsorships and auction ads are being accepted now. Pictures of big ticket items will be posted to our website and on Facebook.

Shadow Days: Parents of eighth graders and potential transfer students are encouraged to call and make arrangements for their student to spend a day at *Christ Our Savior* shadowing a COS student and learning more about the COS advantage.



***Come, Holy Spirit,
And Fill the Hearts of Your Faithful***

This Week at Immanuel-St. Paul

Sunday

8:00 am
8:45 am
9:15 am
10:00 am
5:00 pm

Palm Sunday

Immanuel - Holy Communion
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Confirmation Class

Monday

12:30 pm

Pastor Sean Leading Worship @ The
Manor

Wednesday

10:30 am

Widows Fellowship @ St. Paul's

Thursday

12:20 pm

Pastor Sean Preaching @ St. John's
Midday Service

2:00 pm

Pastor Sean Leading Worship @ Three
Springs

1:00 pm

Bulletin Items Deadline

7:00 pm

Maundy Thursday Service @ SP

Friday

8:00 am

Good Friday Service @ IM

7:00 pm

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Saturday

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