

THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE TODAY:

Pastor: Marla Amborn

Organist/Choir Director: Momoh Freeman

Nursery: No staffed nursery but parents are welcome to use the nursery

Ushers: Deb Krengel and Julie Weller

Reader: Merrie Tolzmann

AV Tech: 11am Tracy Tolzmann 7pm Steve Blomquist

Acolytes: 7pm Kaitlin Carlson

Communion Servers: 11am Steve Peterson 7pm Shannon Lindgren

Communion Wine: Alan & Judy Olson/Wild Mt. Winery, Almelund

Home made Communion Bread: Lori Haag

Altar Guild: Martha Strecker and Loraine Rue

Next week Lenten meals at 12:00 and 5:30:

March 13 Group A serving



Wednesday, March 13 at 11:00 am and 7:00 p.m, join us for the Sermon on the Mount special service for Week 1 of Lent. In this service we remember that Christ calls us to be salt and light in this world of sin. We who have tasted and seen his great love for us on the cross can spend our Lent savoring his salvation and shining with his glory and grace in the places where he has put us. Come and light a candle in prayer during this service.

A welcoming community rooted in Christ, growing in faith and serving with joy!

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IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

37515 Park Trail, Almelund, MN 55012

Rev. Marla Amborn

Ash Wednesday

March 6, 2019

11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m..

Hearing devices are available from an usher.

Children's Worship Bags are in the Narthex

Parents are welcome to use the Nursery, located in the upper level

P: Pastor, C: Congregation, R: Reader



Prelude

Welcome and announcements

Litany

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Blessed are the poor in spirit,

C: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

P: Blessed are those who mourn,

C: for they shall be comforted.

P: Blessed are the meek,

C: for they shall inherit the earth.

P: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

C: for they shall be satisfied.

P: Blessed are the merciful,

C: for they shall receive mercy.

P: Blessed are the pure in heart,

C: for they shall see God.

P: Blessed are the peacemakers,

C: for they shall be called sons of God.

P: Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,

C: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

P: Blessed are you

C: when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

Opening Hymn *Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit* (see song sheet)

Confession and Absolution

P: We are dust, and to dust we shall return. But our God is faithful and just. When we confess our sins, he covers us in his righteousness and gives us new hope.

C: Most merciful God, dust is our destiny. We are impure. We are at war against you and our fellow human beings in what we say, in what we think, and in what we do. We have even left

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undone the good things you have commanded us to do. We do not deserve the kingdom of heaven. Out of the depths of your perfect grace, please forgive us for the sins we have committed against you and against one another. Wash us clean and turn our rags into white robes so that we will rise from the dust of ashes to the glory of your grace.

P: Our merciful heavenly Father sent his Son Jesus, who is righteous, merciful and pure in heart. He is the one who has, by his cross, made peace between evil sinners and a righteous God. Jesus Christ rose from the dust of death to life again so that we are made to live before God in righteousness and purity. It is by his grace that I announce to you the forgiveness of all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Hymn of Response *Today Your Mercy Calls Us* (tune ELW #521)

1. Today your gate is open, and all who enter in
Shall find a Father's welcome and pardon for their sin.
The past shall be forgotten, a present joy be giv'n,
A future grace be promised, a glorious crown in heav'n.
2. O all-embracing Mercy, O ever-open Door,
What should we do without you when heart and eye run o'er?
When all things seem against us, to drive us to despair,
We know one gate is open, one ear will hear our prayer.

Gospel Matthew 5:1-11 ALL: Glory to You, O Lord.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. ⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. ⁶"Blessed are those who

hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. ⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. ⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. ⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. ¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

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Reader: The gospel of the Lord

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ

Holden Evening Prayer: *The Annunciation*, pg. 8-9

Message Pastor Marla

Apostles' Creed ELW page 105

Holden Evening Prayer: *Litany and Prayers*, pg. 10-11

Holy Communion

Words of Institution

Holden Evening Prayer: Lord's Prayer, pg. 11

As you come forward for Holy Communion, Pastor Marla will be offering the imposition of ashes at the foot of the stairs and council members will be serving communion at the altar rail.

Imposition of ashes

"Remember that you are dust and to dust you will return"

Holy Communion served at the altar rail

All in Christ are invited to come forward to the Lord's table.

Please fill out a communion card and drop it in the plate as you come forward for Communion. If you are gluten intolerant please help yourself to a wafer from the gold tray. We serve home-made communion bread and local wine, if you prefer juice tell the server or take a cup of white grape juice from the center ring of the tray. Children may come forward for a blessing! If you are unable to come forward please let an usher know and you will be served at your seat. We welcome all!

Communion Hymn ELW #592 ***Just As I Am***

Post Communion Prayer

Holden Evening Prayer: *Final Blessing* page 12

Dismissal

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Offering will be received at the back of the Sanctuary as you leave today.

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