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The First Sunday in Lent

11 a.m. Sunday, February 16, 2023

arm welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church. God's blessings to you in this holy season of Lent.

Today's Bible Lessons speak of temptation. Adam and Eve fail, but Jesus succeeds in face of temptation. In this morning's sermon we will try to learn from these Bible stories, for our own good fight of faith.

We are honored that you are worshiping with us today. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just speak with Pastor Carol or send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com).

In Christ,

Pastor Gregory Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting One

PRELUDE Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ, BWV 639 J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

THE BELLS

Please stand when the minister approaches the center aisle.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen
- Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

G Amen

■ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- Most merciful God,
- We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

- Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen

The Entrance Rite

HYMN LBW 99

O Lord, throughout These Forty Days (Next page) CAITHNESS

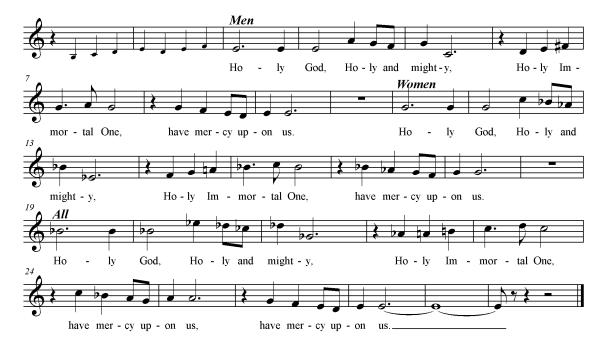
O Lord, throughout These Forty Days Lord, through-out these for - ty days you prayed and kept the fast; strove with Sa - tan, and you won; your faith - ful - ness en - dured; 0 1 You 2 Though parched and hun - gry, yet you prayed and fixed your mind a - bove; 3 us through this sea-son, Lord, and all Δ Be with our earth-ly days, in - spire re - pen - tance for our sin, and free us from our past. lend us your nerve, your skill and trust in God's e - ter - nal word. teach us to de - ny our-selves that we may know God's love. so Eas - ter dawns, we that when the fi - nal join in heav-en's praise. Text: based on Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838-1898; para. Gilbert E. Doan, b. 1930 Music: CAITHNESS, Psalter, Edinburgh, 1635 Text © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship, admin. Augsburg Fortress

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APOSTOLIC GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- **G** And also with you.

From Mass in Honor of Saint Luke (Men of the congregation sing the first verse) Pedro d'Aquino



PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- Let us pray. Lord God, our strength, the battle of good and evil rages within and around us, and our ancient foe tempts us with his deceits and empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your Word and, when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die." ¹Now the serpent was more subtle than any other wild creature that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat of any tree of the garden'?" ²And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden; ³but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'" ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die. ⁵For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves aprons.

A The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.



| Cantor | ¹ Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,* and whose sin is put away! |
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| | ² Happy are they to whom the LORD im- putes no guilt,* and in whose spirit there is no guile! |
| All | ³ While I held my tongue, my bones with- ered away,* because of my groaning all day long. |
| | ⁴ For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;* |
| | my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer. |
| Cantor | ⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you,* |
| | and did not con- ceal my guilt. |
| | ⁶ I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD."* Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin. |
| All | ⁷ Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;* |
| | when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them. |
| | ⁸ You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;* |
| | you surround me with shouts of deliverance. |
| Cantor | ⁹ "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;* I will guide you with my eye. |
| | ¹⁰ Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;* |
| | who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you." |
| All | ¹¹ Great are the tribulations of the wicked;* |
| | but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD. |
| | ¹² Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;* shout for joy, all who are true of heart. |
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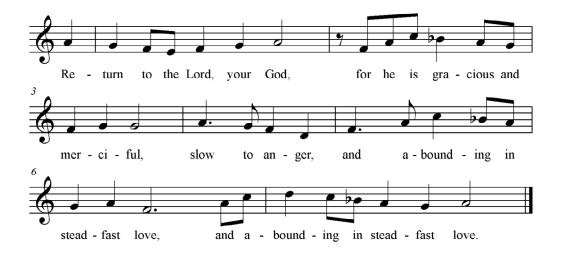
¹²Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- ¹³sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death

exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. ¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

¹⁸Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Lent Verse and for the reading of the Holy Gospel.



▶ The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, from the Fourth Chapter:



Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²And he fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was hungry. ³And the

tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴But he answered,

"It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'"

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city, and set him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will give his angels charge of you,'

and

'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.'"

⁷Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not tempt the Lord your God.'" ⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and the glory of them; ⁹and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰Then Jesus said to him, "Begone, Satan! for it is written,

'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.'"

¹¹Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and ministered to him.

After the Gospel:

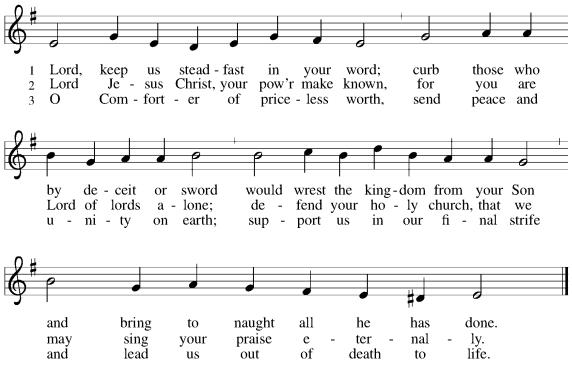
₽ The Gospel of the Lord!



HYMN LBW 230

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word ERHALT UNS, HERR (Next page)

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

Please sit after the minister's opening invocation of the Holy Trinity.

SERMON

Silence for reflection after the sermon, then stand for the Creed, Intercessions and Exchange of Peace.

APOSTLES' CREED

G I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

G And also with you.

Let us offer a sign of peace to our neighbors: "Peace be with you."

Sit

THE OFFERING You can give your tithes and offerings via our QR code. Just point the camera on your smart phone to this code on your screen: Or you can donate via this link: <u>Donate</u> Here are some other options for giving: <u>Ways to Give</u>



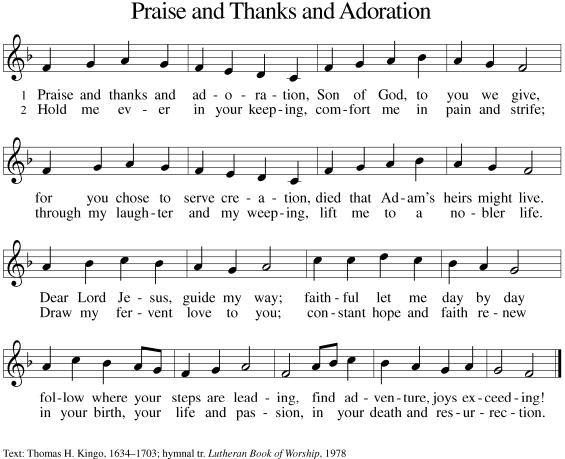
The Eucharistic Bread and Wine are moved from the credence table to the altar. The congregation remains in the pews until the Distribution of the Sacrament.

Offertory Prelude from Solo Cello Suite No. 1 in G Major Max Reger (1873-1915)

Hymn LBW 470

Praise and Thanks and Adoration (Next page)

FREU DICH SEHR



Music: FREU DICH SEHR, Trente quatre pseaumes de David, Geneva, 1551

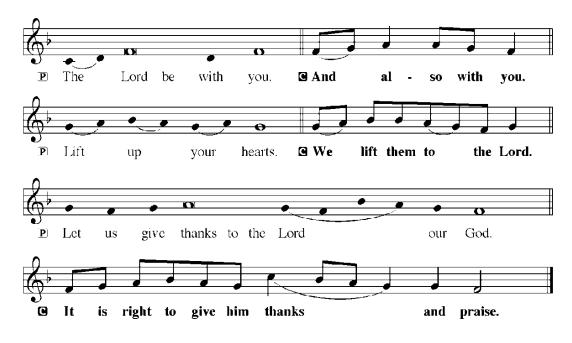
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Offertory Prayer

- **A** Merciful Father,
- **G** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

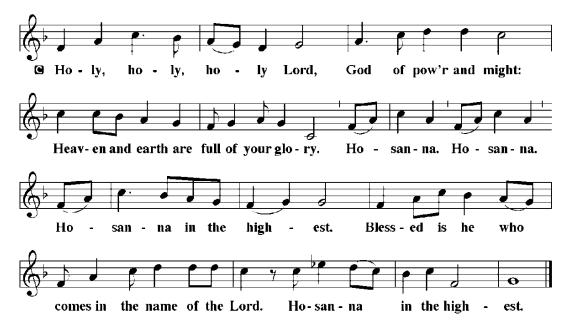
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Dialog*



Preface for Lent

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus



Eucharistic Prayer I

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory. Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations. You rescued Israel, your chosen people. Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

G Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

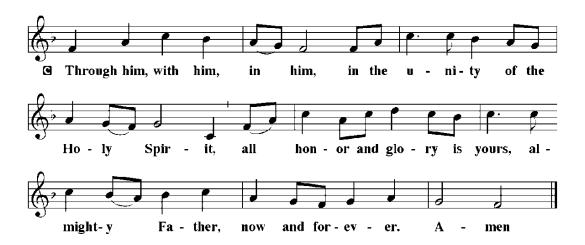
P Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

G Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

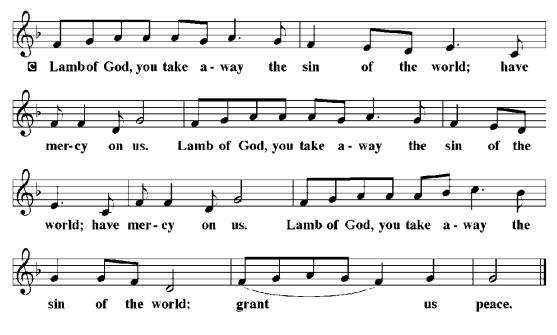
G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

▶ Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.



☑ 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

Agnus Dei:

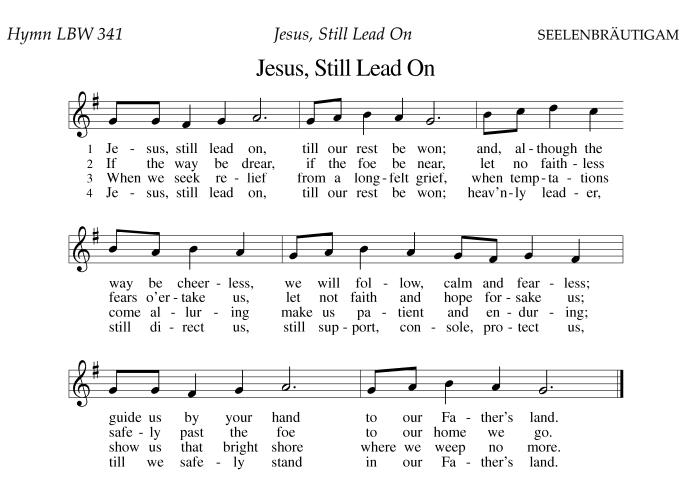


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THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home during this pandemic, worshiping online with us, here is a possible "Prayer for Spiritual Communion" lifted up in *Forum Letter* (May 2020). *Forum Letter* is a respected Lutheran newsletter published by the American Lutheran Publicity Bureau:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–1760; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt. Music: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM, Adam Drese, 1620–1701

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

The Sending

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

HYMN LBW 229

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (Next page)

EIN FESTE BURG



Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978 Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther, 1483–1546

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DISMISSAL

- **A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Fugue in A minor from 3 Fugues (1834)

Mikhail Glinka (1804-1857)

Parish Announcements

- + ABOUT TODAY'S PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS: The color used throughout Lent is purple, symbol of our penitence and his royal suffering for us.
- + The LENT BANNER above and to the right of the pulpit was commissioned by our church and created by church artist Richard Caemmerer, Jr., who describes his banner thus: "The spears pierce the blood which becomes wine for our Eucharist and which becomes water for our Baptism."
- + COPYRIGHTS: Parts of the liturgy, scripture introductions, and blessing of our musicians come from or are based on those from *Sundays and Seasons, Copyright* © 2023 Augsburg Fortress, license SAS022429. Permission to reprint, podcast, and or stream the music in this service obtained from ONE LICENSE with license #A-713464.

Midweek Lent

Some of Our Favorite Bible Stories 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays

- + March 1, Jacob wrestles with the angel (birthright) (Genesis 32), Pastor Gregory Fryer preaching
- + March 8, The friendship of David and Jonathan (1 Samuel), Pastor Gregory Fryer preaching
- March 15, The judgment of Solomon (two mothers, one baby) (1 Kings 3), Vicar Lara Bhasin preaching
- + March 22, "Jesus wept." (John 11), Pastor Carol Fryer preaching
- + March 29, Our resurrected Jesus on the shore making breakfast for his disciples and asking Peter "Do you love me?" (John 21), Pastor Gregory Fryer preaching

Service Notes

| Organist and Choirmaster | Zachary Schurman |
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| Cantor | Olivia Ericsson |
| Greeters/Ushers | Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa |
| Altar Guild | Susan Gottridge |
| Crucifer | Matthias Bhasin |
| Lector | Maria Barbera |
| Preacher | Rev. Gregory P. Fryer |

| Presiding Minister | Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer |
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| Assisting Minister | Vicar Lara Bhasin |

Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Ivana Rao, Barbara Chomko, Elida Burgos (sister of Luz Ortiz), Mark Chapman (friend of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Alma von Graffenried (requested by David Kiehl)

Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + You might be interested to hear about our reredos the wooden altarpiece at the front of our church. It was hand carved by artists in Germany's Black Forest. The left statue is Moses, with the Ten Commandments in his left arm and the two horn-like rays of light shining forth from his face after his encounter with the Lord on Mt. Sinai (Exodus 34:29-30). The right-hand statue is St. John the Evangelist, with a quill pen in his hand and an eagle at his feet. And the center statue is Jesus Christ, the personal unity and the most perfect meaning of the Law (Moses) and the Gospel (St. John).
- + Our painting of the Transfiguration of Our Lord, above the reredos, pays tribute to the founding liturgy of our congregation, Transfiguration Sunday, February 11, 1863. Our painting shows Jesus, Moses, and Elijah elevated above the ground, so that at first glance you might think that it is a painting of the Ascension. But the saintly company with Jesus Moses and Elijah on either side, with Peter, James, and John fallen down in awe at the sight point to the Transfiguration. Heaven knows and gives credit to the anonymous painter of our painting, but we note that it is in the style of Raphael's painting of *The Transfiguration* (1517-1520). Raphael also placed Jesus, Moses, and Elijah elevated above the disciples.
- + Our church windows were installed in 1973 and constitute a visual meditation on an ancient hymn of the Church, the *Te Deum*. Pamphlets are available in the rear of the church explaining the windows one by one.
- + Our church bells, named *Glaube*, *Hoffnung*, and *Liebe* for Faith, Hope, and Love, were a gift from German Empress Augusta Viktoria.

- + A hint about acoustics: you will be able to hear the choir and organ better if you sit toward the front half of the church. The overhanging choir balcony obscures some of the beauty of the music for those sitting under it.
- + Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me," and we view the presence of children in worship, even when they are wiggly and noisy, as a gift to the Church and an encouragement that our congregation is growing! Parents at their own preference are also welcome to take advantage of free childcare which we offer in the Undercroft every Sunday for children age 3-6. Our childcare worker will bring these children up to the Communion rail to receive a Blessing. We encourage older children to attend the entire service, either sitting with their parents or up in the balcony where the teens tend to congregate.
- + Our worship book is the green hymnal, the *Lutheran Book of Worship* ("LBW"). This book contains both liturgies and hymns, with liturgies in the first half and hymns in the second. Sometimes we include hymns from *With One Voice* ("WOV") or from *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* ("ELW").
- + If you have a cell phone, please silence it for the liturgy. And please finish coffee or other drinks out in the narthex rather than in the main nave.

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| HOLY COMMUNION | 11 a.m. Sundays |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION | 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays |
| SUNDAY SCHOOL | |
| MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY | In recess |
| PARISH SECRETARY | Karen Katz-Shea |
| SEXTON | Gerry Britton |
| PARISH BOOKKEEPER | Charles Derderian |
| ORGANIST AND CHOIRMASTER | Zachary Schurman |
| CANTOR | Olivia Ericsson <u>oliviaer@umich.edu</u> |
| SEMINARY INTERN | Vicar Lara Bhasin |
| PASTORAL ASSOCIATE | Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer |
| PASTOR | Rev. Gregory P. Fryer |

| | Some Parish Ministry Opportunities: |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------|
| CHOIR | Organist and Choirmaster Zachary Schurman |
| | zac.schurman@juilliard.edu |
| MEALS ON HEELS | Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.com) |

e extend to you a cordial welcome and hope that you will return. If you are a visitor, please fill out one of the cards in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Carol Fryer. If you are interested in membership here at Immanuel, please contact the church office for an appointment with Pastor Carol. Or you can email her at ceafryer@gmail.com.

- + HOLY COMMUNION is offered to all baptized Christians who have been instructed in the Church's faith, who confess it with us (as in the Creeds), and who may in good conscience receive the Sacrament in keeping with the understanding with which it is celebrated here: namely, that the Body and Blood of Christ are truly present in the consecrated bread and wine and are distributed to and received by all who commune.
- + HOLY BAPTISM is celebrated and MARRIAGES solemnized only after consultation with the pastor well in advance. If you or someone you know is ill, hospitalized, homebound, or otherwise in need of the ministry of the Church, let us know. Please call one of the Pastors (212-289-8128) or email them: gpfryer@gmail.com or ceafryer@gmail.com.
- + We mean for PRIVATE CONFESSION to be available as often as you need. Please call one of the Pastors (212-289-8128) or email them: gpfryer@gmail.com or ceafryer@gmail.com.
- + LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING WITH OIL FOR THE SICK is available. Again, simply contact the pastors.
- + FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: There is a long line of Christians, both rich and poor, who have disciplined themselves to budget a portion of their income, put it into an offering envelope first thing, and give it to the church. Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer live by that tradition and commend it to you. Online giving is also available through our website, or by following this QR code with your phone camera:

