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Emmanuel Lutheran
CHURCH & SCHOOL
ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

Sunday March 10, 2024

Fourth Sunday in Lent

8:30am Traditional Worship

11:00am Blended Worship

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Our Vision:

Fully Engaged, Biblically Passionate,
Driven to Serve

Weekly Calendar.

Monday, March 11
10:00am VRQ Lunch
5:30pm Schallhorn Small Group (Candler)
7:00pm Southside Bible Group

Tuesday, March 12
2:00pm Hardesty Small Group (East Asheville)
6:00pm BOD Meeting (steam/virtual)
6:30pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 13
8:10am & 10am School & ECE Chapels (Sanctuary)
12:00pm Noon Lenten Worship Service (Sanctuary)
12:30pm Lenten Fellowship Luncheon (Narthex)
7:00pm Evening Lenten Worship Service (Sanctuary)
7:45pm Choir Rehearsal (Balcony)

Thursday, March 14

Friday, March 15
3:30pm Middle School Youth Group (Alexi)
4:00pm Hospitality Team sets up for Workshop (F.Hall)
6:00pm ELS Cheer Lock-in (Gym)

Saturday, March 16
9am –3pm Equip America Workshop (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, March 17
> **8:30 am Traditional Worship Service**
9:45am PreK-5th Sunday School (Room# 17)
9:45am Adult Bible Studies (Rm# 111 & Fellowship Hall)
9:45am Confirmation Class (church conference room)
> **11:00am Blended Worship Service—Preschool Sings!**
Post-service: Praying Ministry support (lectern)
1-3pm Food Pantry **CLOSED**
5:00pm High School Youth Group
6:00pm Virtual Prayer Service

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Skopak
Director of Christian Education: Alexi Lundquist
Church Office Administrator: Leigh Horsley
Hospitality Ministry Coordinator: Shirley Parker
Traditional Music—Choir & Handbell Director: A.L. Brown
Praise & Worship Music/Band Director: Heather Meulenberg
Organist: Lula Meulenberg
School Principal: Mark Edmiston
School Admin. Assistant: Shari Reaves
Early Childhood Education Director: Christine Smith

Today's Servers

	8:30am	11:00am
Acolytes:	Eli Allen	Jacob Kanelos
Lectors:	Mike Rush*	Vaughn Stinson*
Ushers:	Mike Rush* & Alan Tarrant	The Wilmoths
Communion:	Bill Hufnagle & Stephanie Hanson	Neil Pursley & Vaughn Stinson*
Elders:	Susan Roby	Vaughn Stinson*

Today's Prayer Team: Ron Pepin & Marilynne Stinson

Today's Tech /Sound Crew
8:30am: Steve Taylor and Peter Linton
11:00am: Justin Pruitt and Michaela Kanelos

March Altar Guild
8:30am: Martha Greene
11:00am: Elaine Tonne

March Offering Counters: Stephanie Hanson & Lori Allen

Member Celebrations!

Birthdays: 3/10: Denise Ball; 3/10: Jeanine Helms
3/12: Rojealous Rush; 3/12: Richard Herman
3/14: Marta Keller
> **90+ Birthdays:** 3/26 Jean Metcalf; 3/27 Gerald Hardesty

Anniversaries: 3/11: Barry & Amy King;
3/13: Carol Lichtenberger; 3/14: Carol Bruckner; 3/14: CJ & Patti Reece

Last Week's Services Attendance & Stats

On-Campus Attendance
Last Sunday: **8:30am**— 54 persons; **11am**— 86 persons
Last Wednesday: **12pm**— 32 persons & **7pm**— 18 persons

Website & FaceBook Hits:
Website— 29 attenders; Facebook— 163 views

Last Week's Food Pantry (Grad N Go, VRQ, & Costello)

Sunday 02/25 served: 111 homes & 421 individuals
Total Feb 2024 served: 497 homes & 1,077 individuals

Last Week's Offerings

Last week General Offering received: \$ **10,876.26**
Building Funds Received: \$ **405.00**
General Weekly Offering needed: (\$ 12,817.31)

JOY IN SACRIFICE



Philippians 3:1-11

March 10, 2024— Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sunday School/Bible Study Schedule

In between services at 9:45am:

Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)

Lent Easter Adult Bible Study (Room #111)

Pre-K thru 5th Grade (room #17)

Confirmation Class (church conf. room)

Praying Ministry support for the congregation provided today directly after the 11am service.

Grab-n-Go Food Pantry is OPEN today!



Altar Flowers given to the Glory of God by: Patti & CJ Reece— in honor of their anniversary on 3/14.

8:30am Traditional Worship Outline (DS5)

Call to Worship: LSB 570
Just As I Am Without One Plea

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn: LSB 430
My Song is Love Unknown

Invocation: page 213

Confession and Absolution: page 213

Salutation and Collect: Page 214

Old Testament Reading: Numbers 21:4-9
(pg.215)

Epistle: Ephesians 2:1-10 (pg. 215)

The Holy Gospel: John 3:14-21 (pg. 215)

Children's Message

The Sermon Hymn: LSB 571
God Loved the World So That He Gave

Sermon "Joy in Sacrifice" (Phili. 3:1-11)

The Credal Hymn: LSB 953
We all Believe in One True God

Prayers of the Church

Offering

Preface: Page 216

Lord's Prayer: Page 217

Words of our Lord: Page 217

Pax Domini: 217

Distribution

Communion Hymns:
LSB 543 What Wondrous Love Is This
LSB 544 O Love, How Deep

Post-Communion Hymn: LSB 643
Sent Forth by God's Blessing

Post-Communion Collect: Page 218

Benedicamus and Benediction: Page 218

Closing Hymn: LSB 588 Jesus Loves Me

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SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2024
Emmanuel Lutheran Church and School
9:00 AM EDT

Event is free. Lunch is included.
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Saturday March 23rd

A very special...

Women's Prayer + Crafting Group

We will be making "goodie" bags for the SED 85th Anniversary Jubilee in April!

Begins at 10am in the Narthex

Easter Church Opportunities to support!

- 1. Dedicate an Easter Lily plant @ \$10 each** (sign-up sheet in Narthex)
- 2. Make a breakfast casserole for Easter morning** (email sign-up)
- 3. Donate CANDY for the Easter egg hunt!** (bring to church office by 3/24)



Joy in Sacrifice
Philippians 3:1-11

Sometimes we equate that call from God as a _____. I guess I need to sacrifice to give more _____, to give more time, and to _____ more. So what are you really willing to give up to follow Jesus?!

I. Paul Comes Out _____

A. Philippians _____

1. He is talking to Jewish Christians who could tend to be _____

2. Paul refers to them as _____

a. Jews viewed dogs as _____ and scavengers

b. They referred to _____ as dogs

B. Paul is concerned that these legalists would lead people _____

1. Philippians _____

2. Receiving Jesus by _____ and not by works

3. Paul is blunt: We need people of _____, not the _____

C. Philippians _____

1. Paul had the great _____

2. He was on the fast track to _____ ...BUT...

II. There is Always a “_____”

A. Philippians _____

1. The Road to _____ happened!

2. From persecutor to _____ of Jesus

3. He went from trusting in the _____ to trusting in Jesus

B. So what does this _____?

1. _____ are not bad but that is not my identity

2. My identity is wrapped up in who _____

called me to be

3. IF I don't have _____, I have nothing!

C. This means _____ - and having the _____ to sacrifice

1. It is _____

2. But...it is also asking Jesus, “What’s _____?”

III. After the “But” There is “_____”

A. Philippians _____



EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

March 10, 2024 Fourth Sunday in Lent 11:00am

AS WE GATHER: We hear today of eternal life that is given to us because of God's great love for us, shown to us in perhaps the most famous Bible verse, John 3:16. This verse speaks of God's genuine love for us and the world shown in Jesus' death on the cross for us. The love of God never ends. God's love is present here and now and extends into eternal life as eternal love. May we be so encouraged by God's love to share it with others. Thanks be to God for such love!

CALL TO WORSHIP Wondrous Love arr. Joel Raney
Handbell Choir Rachel Kelm, flute Lula Meulenberg, piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG God So Loved
(Chorus)

**For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son
That whosoever believes will not perish; they shall have eternal life**
(Verse 1)

I shall hold to the cross. I shall hold to God alone
For His love has salvaged me. For His love has set me free
(**SING Chorus**)

(Verse 2)
I shall wait upon the Lord. I shall wait upon His Word
And by His grace I am released. By His grace I am redeemed
(**SING Chorus**)

(Bridge 2x)
By His precious blood I have been set free
For the glory of Jesus' Name
I surrender all now to Christ alone, in Jesus I am saved
(**SING Chorus**)

(TAG)
Yes they shall have eternal life

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *John 3:16*

Pastor: God so loved the world,

People: that He gave His only Son,

Pastor: that whoever believes in Him should not perish

People: but have eternal life.

Pastor: Our Lenten journey leads us to the cross where Jesus gave His life,

People: and then to the resurrection and eternal life.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Though Christ has loved us with this genuine love that gives us eternal life, we sometimes ignore His love and refuse to share Christ's love with others. Still, our heavenly Father is merciful, and He invites us to draw near to Him in hope and confidence to ask for His grace.

Silence for reflection.

Pastor: Heavenly Father,

People: we have sinned against You and against our neighbors.

We have not loved You with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not loved our enemies. Forgive us, renew our love, on account of Jesus. Amen.

Pastor: Jesus Christ was lifted up on the tree of the cross so that we might be forgiven. His genuine love is for the world and is for you. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. We are forgiven by the genuine love of Jesus.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Numbers 21:4–9*

⁴ From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵ And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” ⁶ Then the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷ And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord and against you. Pray to the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸ And the Lord said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” ⁹ So Moses made a bronze^[a] serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *Ephesians 2:1–10*

¹ And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ² in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³ among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body^[a] and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.^[b] ⁴ But^[c] God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL *John 3:14–21*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁴ And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.¹⁶ “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸ Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹ And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. ²⁰ For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. ²¹ But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON SONG Man Of Sorrows

(Verse 1)

Man of sorrows Lamb of God
By His own betrayed
The sin of man and wrath of God
Has been on Jesus laid

(Verse 2)

Silent as He stood accused
Beaten mocked and scorned
Bowing to the Father's will
He took a crown of thorns

(Chorus)

**Oh that rugged cross my salvation
Where Your love poured out over me
Now my soul cries out hallelujah
Praise and honor unto Thee**

(Verse 3)

Sent of heaven God's own Son
To purchase and redeem
And reconcile the very ones
Who nailed Him to that tree

(SING CHORUS)

(Bridge)

Now my debt is paid, it is paid in full
By the precious blood that my Jesus spilled
Now the curse of sin has no hold on me
Whom the Son sets free oh is free indeed

(SING CHORUS 2x)

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SERMON Joy in Sacrifice (Philippians 3:1-11)

APOSTLE'S CREED

☒ 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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SONG **Jesus Is My Healer**

(VERSE 1)

Oh that rugged cross the selfless pain He bore
He breathed His final breath
That I would be restored
By His body that was broken
Precious blood freely shed
The spotless Lamb of heaven
Has forever conquered death

(CHORUS)

**Jesus is my healer He's everything I need
He alone has triumphed over sickness and disease
Fear where is your power
The cross is your defeat
Jesus is my healer He has won the victory**

(VERSE 2)

Oh how great a love I'm held by perfect peace
He walks with me through valleys
Understands my suffering
Every joy and every sorrow every triumph every loss
I know everything is covered
By the shadow of the cross
Everything is covered by the shadow of the cross

(Chorus 2)

**Jesus is my healer He's everything I need
He alone has triumphed over sickness and disease
Fear where is your power
The cross is your defeat
Jesus is my healer He has won the victory (X2)**

(Bridge)

Everything bows at His name
Everything bows at His name
Sickness darkness chains break at the name of Jesus

(REPEAT BRIDGE)

(SING CHORUS 2 TWICE)

(Ending)

Jesus is my healer He has won the victory

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✕ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✕ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

LORD’S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

☐ **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.**

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 543 What Wondrous Love Is This

- 1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
 What wondrous love is this
 That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!
- 2 When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down,
 When I was sinking down
 Beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.
- 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
 To God and to the Lamb,
 Who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.
- 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
 And when from death I'm free,
 I'll sing His love for me,
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And through eternity I'll sing on.

Text: A General Selection of . . . Hymns and Spiritual Songs, 1811, Lynchburg, alt. | Text: Public domain

LSB 544 O Love, How Deep

- 1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
Beyond all thought and fantasy,
That God, the Son of God, should take
Our mortal form for mortals' sake!
- 2 He sent no angel to our race,
Of higher or of lower place,
But wore the robe of human frame,
And to this world Himself He came.
- 3 For us baptized, for us He bore
His holy fast and hungered sore;
For us temptation sharp He knew;
For us the tempter overthrew.
- 4 For us He prayed; for us He taught;
For us His daily works He wrought,
By words and signs and actions thus
Still seeking not Himself but us.
- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed,
For us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
He bore the shameful cross and death;
For us He gave His dying breath.
- 6 For us He rose from death again;
For us He went on high to reign;
For us He sent His Spirit here
To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.
- 7 All glory to our Lord and God
For love so deep, so high, so broad;
The Trinity whom we adore
Forever and forevermore.

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

 The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN Nailed To The Cross

(Verse 1)

When I stand accused by my regrets

And the Devil roars his empty threats

I will preach the gospel to myself

That I am not a man condemned

For Jesus Christ is my defense

Chorus 1

My sin is nailed to the cross; My soul is healed by the scars

The weight of guilt I bear no more

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord

(Verse 2)

When my doubt and shame hang over me

Like the arrows of the enemy

I will run again to Calvary

That rugged hill of Hell's defeat

My fortress and my victory

(SING CHORUS 1)

Chorus 2

My sin is nailed to the cross; My soul is healed by the scars

Now I'm alive forevermore

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord

(Bridge)

It is finished, sin is vanquished; Hallelujah praise the Lord

All the glory, all the honor; To my Savior, Christ the Lord

(Verse 3)

When I stand before the throne at last

His blood will plead my innocence

I will worship Him with holy hands

And raise the song that never ends

Of Jesus Christ my righteousness

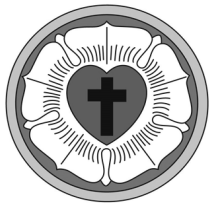
(SING CHORUS 1 and 2)

(Ending)

Oh praise the Lord, praise the Lord



Prayer Ministering available after the 11am service today, for those in the congregation in need of personal, powerful prayers of healing and encouragement, in Jesus' name! Meet at the lectern on the left facing side of the alter.



Emmanuel Lutheran Prayer List The Week of March 10, 2024

These are people in need of prayers this week. "Lord Jesus we commend into Your hands the needs of people that go through challenges of many kinds. You know their joys, troubles, illnesses, and fears. We now commend them to You."

Prayers are continual and for good HEALTH, swift HEALING, & FAVOR, for the afflicted, their families, and friends:

- ◇ Julia Kearley (self) Surgery on 3/11.
- ◇ Lary Schulhof (self) Health Issues
- ◇ Florence Samuel (W. Samuel, wife) Prayers are for a successful surgery.
- ◇ Elsie Lankford (J. Pruett, grandmother) Her strength is weak after rehab.
Jessica Fisher (Hufnagle, daughter in law) She returned home Tuesday (3/5) evening from 3 weeks in the hospital. Bill & Mary give thanks for all our thoughts & prayers. (updated 3/7)
- Davenport Family (B. Swatzell/ECE teacher, brother-in-law) Alan Davenport passed away after being very sick since Christmas. Prayer for his wife and kids as they grieve.
- Ralph Ector (S. Edward, father) Aging Issues, Prayers for sharp senses & sound mind.
- Katelyn Sullivan (B. Sullivan, daughter) Desperate for safe housing in Asheville; Her current living situation is not good. Pray she does not live in car.
- Marleen & Jack (B. Sullivan, friend of friend) Elderly couple involved in severe car accident Friday 2/23, in Mission ICU. (2/25)
- Bruce Buzogany (D. Meyer, friend) Health issues, waiting for diagnosis. (2/25)
- ◇ Gloria Spude Having discomfort & issues with shoulders and knee. Shoulder replacement surgery ahead w/ estimated 6 month recovery time.(2/20)
- ◇ Florence Samuel New treatment & surgery needed. Prayers for guidance for doctors & strength to go through this. (2/18)
- Shirley Stiles (S. Edwards, friend) Heart Issues. (2/18)
- Lillian Edwards (S. Edwards, mother-in-law) Vision lost. (2/18)
- ◇ Kendida Gordon Trying to find new job; recovering from bronchitis & pneumonia (2/18)
- Don Maskell (A. Franklin, fiancé) Prayers for his health. (2/18)
- Heather Ridgeway (Ridgeway's daughter-in-law) Her father passed away. (2/18)
- Mike Loven (D. Piercy, friend) Passed away ; Memorial service was on 2/18. (2/14)
- Paul Ude (S. Ude, brother) In the Hospital for COPD (2/11 & 2/18)
- Troy Williams (Skopak, friend) Diagnosed w/stage 4 rectal cancer. Starting treatments.
- Merdie Mullins (A.Bair, Dad) 85 yrs old w/ pulmonary edema. Already has COPD, heart disease, & black lung.
- ◇ Tommy Ridgeway (S.Taylor) Issues with his Heart.
- ◇ = Emmanuel Lutheran Church Members

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WITH CANCER OR LONG-TERM ILLNESSES/CONDITIONS:

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| ◇ Marilyn Saylor | Lynn Case-Scott (S.Buckner's friend) |
| ◇ Emily Nieting | Ralph Ector, Snr (S.Edward's father) |
| ◇ Cynthia Cline | Sam Leder (V.Stinson's cousin) |
| ◇ Helen Cline | Muriel Williams (S.Edward's friend) |
| ◇ Marjorie Locke | Don Young (P/CJ Reece) |
| ◇ Ken Treadway | Hubert Hicks (C.Cline's friend) |
| ◇ Mike Walker | Ann Melious (P/H McCarthy family) |
| ◇ Julia Kearley | Jenny Buckner (C.Cline's neighbor) |
| ◇ C.J. Reece | Carol Harris (S.Ude's friend) |
| ◇ Dale Wooten | Robin Worley (J.Kearley's friend) |
| ◇ Pastor Art Gillespie | Min Soo Lee (E.Bailey's friend) |
| Elsie Lankford (S. Pruett's mother) | Antonia Simpson (L.Meulenberg's friend) |
| Debbie Henderson (J.Groh, friend) | Bob Frey (D.Wooten's friend) |
| Jan Williams (C.Waites Mother) | Keith Haynes (R.Rush's friend) |
| Janice (L.Giese's friend) | Virginia Lopez (E.Lopez's mother) |
| Becky Presley (S.Brock's friend) | Melinda Condrey (Hufnagle's friend) |
| Garret Reiser (R/Dee Gordon's family) | Chris Alstrin (L.Schulhof's friend) |

◇ PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBER BROTHERS & SISTERS

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| * Dot Fastenau | * Ruth Jean Metcalf | * Marilyn Saylor |
| * Teenie Smathers | * Marjorie Locke | * Diana & Isabelle Hempel |
| * Bertha Mertens | * Helen Cline | |

◇ PRAYERS FOR OUR SEMINARIAN

Adam Nieting & his wife Emily (Concordia Theological Seminary)

◇ = Emmanuel Lutheran Church Members

Healing Scripture and Prayer for this week:

"Be persistent in prayer, and keep alert as you pray, giving thanks to God." (Col. 4:2)

Holy Spirit, You are the Lord and Giver of life, and You have worked a faith relationship with Jesus within us, the Jesus who is the Resurrection and the Life. Come to those who mourn the loss of loved ones. Help them to remember the tears Jesus shed at the grave of His good friend Lazarus, and the hope of everlasting life where You will wipe away every tear from our eyes. Stay close to them now and in the time ahead and in the heartache they are experiencing. Wrap them in the strong arms of Your love and in the promise that You will never leave them or forsake them.

We pray in the Name of the living Lord Jesus, Amen.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church is a praying community. We believe the promise of God regarding His Word. Our new prayer request cards are located on the bottom of our new attendance cards in the sanctuary on the back on the pews. You may also call or email your request to the church office at anytime!