



He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,  
yet he opened not his mouth;  
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter ...

Isaiah 53:7

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**St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church**

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Worship: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:30 a.m.

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PRAYER: Heavenly Father, We come before You to praise your Holy name. We acknowledge our sin and unworthiness, and yet You have loved us with an everlasting love. You sent Your only begotten Son into the world to bear our sin and redeem us from death. Grant that we may always believe this, and believing have life in Jesus' name. By the power of Your Holy Spirit grant us grace that we also may love one another as You have loved us, and thereby show forth the glory of Your salvation to the world. In Jesus' name. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (798:3,4)

HYMNS: 361; 367; 394; 37

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 53:7-9

Isaiah's prophecy reveals how Jesus would go forward from arrest all the way to the cross without protest: without protesting His own innocence, without protesting the injustice, or the cruelty. He did not open His mouth in protest but willingly went to the cross for us and our transgressions. Therefore the Lord made sure this innocent man, who died alongside the wicked, was buried in a rich man's tomb.

THE PASSION LESSON: Jesus Betrayed and Arrested

In this portion of the record of events Jesus goes out to meet His betrayer, and demonstrates His divine power both is laying them flat to the ground, and then in healing one of the enemy mob. Jesus reveals that He willingly submitted to the sufferings that lay before Him. He was always in control, not those who abused, and crucified Him.

THE SERMON: John 18:36

Theme: The Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ

- I. A Kingdom NOT of this World
- II. A Kingdom of Grace
- III. The Kingdom of Heaven

## CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and church council will follow the service.

WEDNESDAY: Midweek Lenten meditation. Soup and sandwich supper begins at 6:00 p.m. (The signup sheet for volunteers for meal preparation can be found on the narthex table.) Lenten meditation begins at 7:00 p.m. The theme for this year's meditations is: Object Lessons from the Lord's Passion. Our fourth meditation is entitled: *The Spear and the Sponge: A Lesson in Genuineness*. Text: 1 Peter 2:21-25.

NEXT SUNDAY: (Worship at 7:30 at Spring Valley.) Worship at 9:30 with Sunday school and Bible class following the service. We are also having a Lenten series for our Sunday sermons. This series is entitled "And Jesus said!" The fourth meditation will be on "My God, My God, why have You Forsaken Me?" Sermon text: Matthew 27:45.

### SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Preston Johnson, Ken Nickson, Arnie Ottjes, Joe Ubl

Cleaning: Barthels

### OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: February 21 Worship – 24; Sunday school – 4  
February 24 Wednesday Lenten service - 11

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$1,155.00	Other Offerings:	
Offerings Received	\$ 811.00	Missions	\$25.00
Needed for Year:	\$9,240.00	Memorial: Joan Bustad	\$20.00
Received for Year:	\$6,968.00		

**Organist gratuity:** During the past year three different individuals served us by enhancing our worship with their musical abilities. They receive no compensation from the congregation for their hours of practice and serving us in this way. Today is the final day a designated basket will be placed in the narthex for us to gather a gratuity to express our appreciation for their dedicated service.

**CLC NEWS:** Pastor Neal Radichel of Luther Memorial Church in Fond du Lac Wisconsin has received the call to serve as associate pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Mankato.

**Midwest Woman's Retreat** - Immanuel Mankato is again hosting its annual **Woman's Retreat** on **April 8-10, 2016 in Winona, MN**. The **deadline to**

**register** and reserve a room is March 8, 2016. This year's theme is: "Hush, My dearest child, do not worry!" A poster with retreat information can be found on the bulletin board. You can also find out more information and register for the retreat online: [www.ladiesretreat.clclutheran.net](http://www.ladiesretreat.clclutheran.net). If you have any questions please speak to your pastor.

**Hymn 798: 3, 4**

3. Jesus Christ, the King of glory,  
Everlasting Son of God,  
Humble was Your virgin mother,  
Hard the lonely path You trod:  
By Your cross is sin defeated,  
Hell confronted face to face,  
Heaven open to believers,  
Sinners justified by grace.

4. Christ, at God's right hand victorious,  
You will judge the world You made;  
Lord, in mercy help; Your servants  
For whose freedom You have paid:  
Raise us up from dust to glory;  
Guard us from all sin today.  
King enthroned above all praises,  
Save Your people, God, we pray.