

EMMANUEL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## THE PSALTER

The Psalter (pronounced, “salt-er,” the “p” is silent) is the way we describe all the Old Testament Psalms considered as one group, especially as they are being used for worship. The Book of Psalms was the church’s first hymnal. Taking their cue from the worship of the Jewish synagogues, ancient Christians would use the lyrics of King David, Moses, Asaph, Solomon, and the Sons of Korah to sing praise to God in their new worship services. We continue that tradition by singing the Psalms, chanting the Psalms, and reading the Psalms in our worship services. This may be one of the first churches you’ve been in that uses the Psalter to such an extent. We do it not just for tradition’s sake, but also because we believe along with the German Reformer Martin Luther that the Psalter is “the Bible in miniature.” That is, the Psalms are a kind of summary of all the great doctrines of Scripture, all the great episodes of God’s saving work, and all the great responses of God’s people to God. So, we turn to the Psalms to help guide and give voice to our own worship Sunday after Sunday.

Liturgical Color: Purple— the color of penitence and fasting as well as the color of royalty to welcome the Advent of the King

# *The Divine Service*

March 4, 2018

## The Third Sunday in Lent

### *In Preparation*

*In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, Emmanuel Presbyterian Church opens wide her doors and offers welcome to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come.*

#### PRELUDE

Bogum Park

*Be Thou Faithful unto Death - Yoosun Lee*

Call'd of God, we honor the call;  
Lord, we'll go wherever You say.  
Where You lead, come pain or pleasure,  
We would follow You evry day.  
Who shall turn us back from You, Lord?  
Death itself, from going You way?  
Who shall turn us back from You, Lord?  
Death itself, from go-ing You way?

#### WORDS OF PREPARATION/SILENCE

1 Samuel 21:1-9; 22:6-23

*All scripture passages printed in back of bulletin.*

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, because you know that we of ourselves have no strength, keep us both outwardly and inwardly that we may be defended from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### SILENT PRAYER

*Following the prelude, please observe silence in final preparation for gathered worship.*

#### PASTOR'S WELCOME



# The Service of Entrance

CALL TO WORSHIP

CHORAL INTROIT

*To You I Call*

- Dale Grotenhuis

To you I call, to you I call.

To you I call, O Lord, my Rock, O Lord my Rock.

To you I call, O Lord, my Rock, to you, O Lord, I call.

O Lord, my Rock, O Lord, to you I call.



HYMN OF INVOCATION

Reginald Heber, 1783-1826

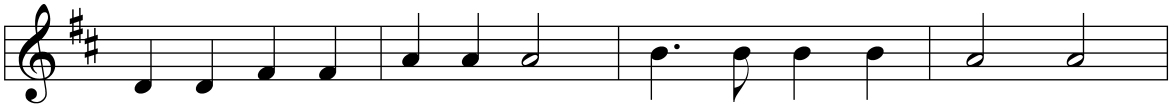
John B. Dykes, 1861



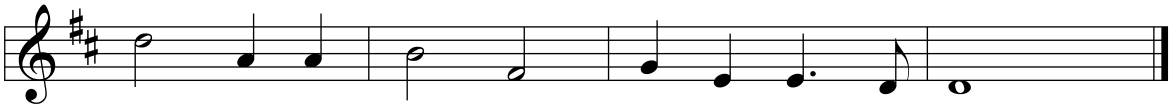
1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!  
2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
per - fect in pow'r, in love and pur - i - ty.  
God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!



Congregation stands as able.

Minister: Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;

People: **We are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

Minister: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

People: **Amen.**

Minister: Let us pray.

## PRAYER OF ADORATION

... world without end. **Amen.**

Psalm 51:10-12 *The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941*

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with -

in me. Cast me not a - way from thy pre - sence, and take not thy Ho - ly

Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of thy sal -

va - - - tion: and up - hold me with thy free Spir - it.

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## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Minister: Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy. Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God -



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**People:** Almighty and most merciful Father; we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

**Minister:** Having confessed together our great need for God's mercy, let us now silently and humbly confess to God our personal and particular sins.

### DECLARATION OF ABSOLUTION

**Minister:** Hear the Word of the Gospel: "Christ has died for our sins and been raised for our justification." All you who repent of your sin and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ for your salvation, rejoice and be glad and give glory to the Lord who has taken away all of your sins in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

✠ **Minister:** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**People:** the Maker of heaven and earth.

**Minister:** O Lord, open our lips,

**People:** and our mouth will declare your praise.

### ✠ THE GLORIA

Gloria in Excelsis Nicolas Decius

Glo - ry be to God on high! And on earth peace, good will t'ward men. We praise thee,  
we bless thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee, we give thanks to thee  
for thy great glo - ry, O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - might - y.

✠ Congregation stands as able.



# HYMN OF GRATITUDE

Johann Mentzer, 1704

Johann B. König, 1738



1. O that I had a thou - sand voic - es to praise my  
 2. O all ye pow'rs that he im - plant - ed, a - rise, and  
 3. All crea - tures that have breath and mo - tion, that throng the  
 4. O Fa - ther, deign thou, I be - seech thee, to lis - ten



God with thou - sand tongues! My heart, which in the Lord re - joic - es,  
 si - lence keep no more; put forth the strength that he hath grant - ed,  
 earth, the sea, and sky, now join me in my heart's de - vo - tion,  
 to my earth - ly lays; a no - bler strain in heav'n shall reach thee,



would then pro - claim in grate - ful songs to all, wher -  
 your no - blest work is to a - dore. O soul and  
 help me to raise his prais - es high. My ut - most  
 when I with an - gels hymn thy praise and learn a -



ev - er I might be, what great things God hath done for me.  
 bod - y, be ye meet with heart - felt praise your Lord to greet!  
 pow'rs can ne'er a - right de - clare the won - ders of his might.  
 mid their choirs to sing loud hal - le - lu - jahs to my King!



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# The Service of the Word

Minister: The heavens declare the glory of God,  
 All: **And the sky above proclaims his handiwork.**  
 Day to day pours out speech,  
**And night to night reveals knowledge.**  
 There is no speech, nor are there words whose voice is not heard.  
**Their voice goes out through all the earth,**  
 And their words to the end of the world.  
**In them he has set a tent for the sun,**  
 Which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,  
**And, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.**  
 Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them,  
**And there is nothing hidden from its heat.**  
 The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;  
**The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;**  
 The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;  
**The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;**  
 The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever;  
**The rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.**  
 Let the words of my mouth,  
**And the meditation of my heart,**  
 Be acceptable in your sight,  
**O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.**

## THE EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.  
 People: **Thanks be to God!**

## THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 2:13-22

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
 People: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**







# OUR RESPONSE

Ancient Irish poem, c. 8th cent.

Traditional Irish melody



1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2. *Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;*  
 3. Be thou my bat - tle shield, sword for my fight;  
 4. *Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise,*  
 5. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art—  
*I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;*  
 be thou my dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light,  
*thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:*  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!



thou my best thought by day or by night,  
*thou my great Fa - ther, I thy true son;*  
 thou my soul's shel - ter, thou my high tow'r:  
*thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,*  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
*thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.*  
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
*High King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.*  
 still be my vi - sion, O Ru - ler of all.



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## WELCOME

*At this time, please sign and pass the attendance pads down the row.*

## INTERLUDE

## PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION

Joel Altsman

**Unison:** 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.



## THE SERMON LESSON

1 Samuel 21:1-9; 22:6-23

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to you, O Christ!



## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## MORNING SERMON

Rev. Greg Ward

*God Is At Work?*

1 Samuel 21:1-9; 22:6-23



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# The Service of the Table



## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF FAITH

Anonymous, c. 2nd to 6th cent.

Leonard R. Payton, 1998



1. I be - lieve in God the Fa - ther, Mak - er of the heav'n and earth;  
2. Suf - fered un - der Pon - tius Pi - late, cru - ci - fied, for me he died.  
3. At God's right hand he is seat - ed, till his com - ing as he said.  
4. I be - lieve the Church of Je - sus, ho - ly, cath - o - lic re - mains;



and in Je - sus Christ, our Sav - ior, God's own Son, of match - less worth.  
Laid with - in the grave so si - lent, gates of hell he o - pened wide.  
Fi - nal judg - ment will be met - ed to the liv - ing and the dead.  
we'll be one through all the a - ges, with com - mun - ion of the saints.



By the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ed, Vir - gin Mar - y bore God's Son;  
And the stone - sealed tomb was emp - ty, on the third day he a - rose!  
I con - fess the Ho - ly Spir - it has been sent by God the Son;  
I be - lieve sins are for - giv - en, that our bo - dies will be raised.



he in whom I have be - liev - ed, God Al - might - y, Three in One.  
In - to heav - en made his en - try, might - y Con - qu'ror of his foes.  
to ap - ply sal - va - tion's mer - it, God the Spir - it, Three in One.  
Ev - er - last - ing life in heav - en, let his name be ev - er praised.

## PASSING OF THE PEACE



**Minister:** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you!

**Minister:** Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of friendship such as the ancient words that the church has used over the centuries, "The peace of Christ be with you," and the response, "And also with you."*



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## TITHES AND OFFERINGS\*

Minister: The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof,  
People: the world, and they that dwell therein.

## HYMN OF GRATITUDE TO GOD

Samuel Trevor Francis, 1834-1925

Thomas John Williams, 1890

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are arranged in three columns, with the first column aligned under the first staff, the second under the second staff, and the third under the third staff. The lyrics are as follows:

1. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Vast, un - mea - sured,  
2. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Spread his praise from  
3. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Love of ev - 'ry

bound - less, free; roll - ing as a might - y o - cean  
shore to shore; how he lov - eth, ev - er lov - eth,  
love the best: 'tis an o - cean vast of bless - ing,

in its full - ness o - ver me. Un - der - neath me, all a - round me,  
chang - eth nev - er, nev - er - more; how he watch - es o'er his loved ones,  
'tis a ha - ven sweet of rest. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus!

is the cur - rent of thy love; lead - ing on - ward,  
died to call them all his own; how for them he  
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me; and it lifts me

lead - ing home - ward, to thy glo - rious rest a - bove.  
in - ter - ced - eth, watch - eth o'er them from the throne.  
up to glo - ry, for it lifts me up to thee.

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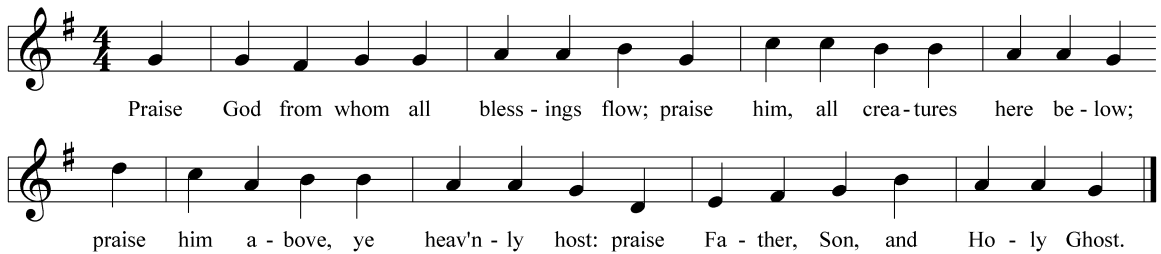
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Minister: Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendor, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

#### DOXOLOGY

Thomas Tallis, c. 1567



Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low;  
praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.



#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Minister: Our Gracious God and Father, giver of all good gifts, you have shown us the riches of your kindness and grace in the supremely magnificent offering of your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, and by pouring upon us the gift of your Holy Spirit. Extravagant in your love and incomparable in wisdom and power, you are the one in whom we live, and move, and have our being. We return to you now these tithes and offerings, from thy hand giving to thee. Take these loaves and fish and make of them your feast for the hungry that your church may be sustained, your gospel proclaimed in all the world, one generation tell the next of your greatness, and a house for your name be built among us. We pray this in the matchless name of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.



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## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you!

People: **And also with you!**

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

People: **We lift them up to the Lord!**

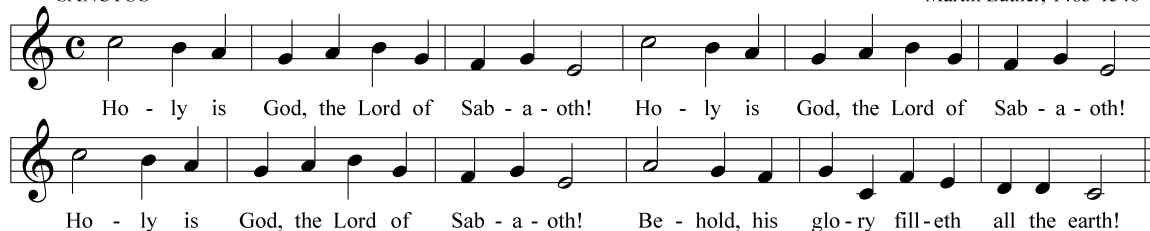
Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God!

People: **It is good and right to do so!**

Minister: It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus 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. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:

### SANCTUS

Martin Luther, 1483-1546



*Emmanuel invites all baptized Christians to come to the table of our Lord and rejoice with us in God's grace given to us in Christ. This includes all Christians, whether you are a member of Emmanuel Presbyterian Church or another Church. Baptized children are admitted to the Table upon an age-appropriate profession of faith in Christ. If you require a gluten free communion bread, please come forward during the passing of the peace. The center cup and inner circle contain grape juice and the outer circles contain wine. Please hold each element until all have been served so that we may partake together.*



# WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

### COMMUNION HYMN (*as the bread is served*)

Martin Luther, 1524

Johann Walther, 1524



1. Christ Je - sus lay in death's strong bands, for our of - fens - es giv - en;  
2. No son of man could con - quer death, such mis - chief sin had wrought us,  
3. But Je - sus Christ, God's on - ly Son, to our low state de - scend - ed,



but now at God's right hand he stands and brings us life from heav - en;  
for in - no - cence dwelt not on earth, and there - fore death had brought us  
the cause of death he has un - done, his pow'r for - ev - er end - ed,



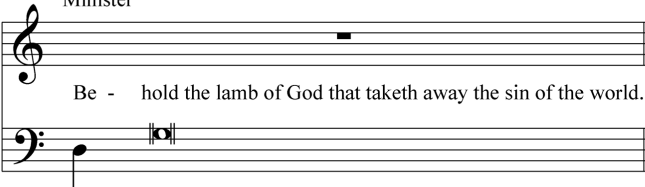

there - fore let us joy - ful be and sing to God right  
in - to thrall - dom from of old and ev - er grew more  
ru - ined all his right and claim and left him noth - ing



thank - ful - ly loud songs of hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah!  
strong and bold and kept us in his bond - age. Hal - le - lu - jah!  
but the name, his sting is lost for - ev - er. Hal - le - lu - jah!



# AGNUS DEI

Minister	People
	
Be - hold the lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world.	A - men.

## COMMUNION HYMN (*as the cup is served*)

Martin Luther, 1524

Johann Walther, 1524


<p>4. It was a strange and dread - ful strife when life and death con - tend - ed;          5. Here the true Pas - chal Lamb we see, whom God so free - ly gave us;          6. So let us keep the fes - ti - val where - to the Lord in - vites us;</p>

<p>the vic - to - ry re - mained with life, the reign of death was end - ed;          he died on the ac - curs - ed tree— So strong his love— to save us.          Christ is him - self the joy of all, the sun that warms and lights us.</p>

<p>Ho - ly Scrip - ture plain - ly says that death is swal - lowed          See, his blood now marks our door; faith points to it, death          By his grace he doth im - part e - ter - nal sun - shine</p>

<p>up by death, its sting is lost for - ev - er. Hal - le - lu - jah!          pass - es o'er, and Sa - tan can - not harm us. Hal - le - lu - jah!          to the heart; the night of sin is end - ed. Hal - le - lu - jah!</p>







## BENEDICTION



## DEPARTING HYMN

Song of Simeon

Luke 2:29-32, para. James Quinn

Traditional American melody



1. Lord, bid your ser - vant go in peace, your word is now ful - filled.  
2. This is the Sav - ior of the world, the Gen-tiles' prom - ised light,



These eyes have seen sal - va-tion's dawn, this child so long fore - told.  
God's glo - ry dwell - ing in our midst, the joy of Is - ra - el.

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*Please be seated for brief announcements.*



Congregation stands as able.

## **The Lessons**

### **1 Corinthians 1:18-25**

18 For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. 19 For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

20 Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? 21 For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. 22 For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, 23 but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, 24 but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25 For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

### **John 2:13-22**

13 The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14 In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. 15 And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. 16 And he told those who sold the pigeons, “Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade.” 17 His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.” 18 So the Jews said to him, “What sign do you show us for doing these things?” 19 Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” 20 The Jews then said, “It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?” 21 But he was speaking about the temple of his body. 22 When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

### **Sermon Lesson- 1 Samuel 21:1-9; 22:6-23**

Then David came to Nob, to Ahimelech the priest. And Ahimelech came to meet David, trembling, and said to him, “Why are you alone, and no one with you?” 2 And David said to Ahimelech the priest, “The king has charged me with a matter and said to me, ‘Let no one know anything of the matter about which I send you, and with which I have charged you.’ I have made an appointment with the young men for such and such a place. 3 Now then, what do you have on hand? Give me five loaves of bread, or whatever is here.” 4 And the priest answered David, “I have no common bread on hand, but there is holy bread—if the young men have kept themselves from

women.” 5 And David answered the priest, “Truly women have been kept from us as always when I go on an expedition. The vessels of the young men are holy even when it is an ordinary journey. How much more today will their vessels be holy?” 6 So the priest gave him the holy bread, for there was no bread there but the bread of the Presence, which is removed from before the Lord, to be replaced by hot bread on the day it is taken away.

7 Now a certain man of the servants of Saul was there that day, detained before the Lord. His name was Doeg the Edomite, the chief of Saul's herdsmen.

8 Then David said to Ahimelech, “Then have you not here a spear or a sword at hand? For I have brought neither my sword nor my weapons with me, because the king's business required haste.” 9 And the priest said, “The sword of Goliath the Philistine, whom you struck down in the Valley of Elah, behold, it is here wrapped in a cloth behind the ephod. If you will take that, take it, for there is none but that here.” And David said, “There is none like that; give it to me.”

22:6 Now Saul heard that David was discovered, and the men who were with him. Saul was sitting at Gibeah under the tamarisk tree on the height with his spear in his hand, and all his servants were standing about him. 7 And Saul said to his servants who stood about him, “Hear now, people of Benjamin; will the son of Jesse give every one of you fields and vineyards, will he make you all commanders of thousands and commanders of hundreds, 8 that all of you have conspired against me? No one discloses to me when my son makes a covenant with the son of Jesse. None of you is sorry for me or discloses to me that my son has stirred up my servant against me, to lie in wait, as at this day.” 9 Then answered Doeg the Edomite, who stood by the servants of Saul, “I saw the son of Jesse coming to Nob, to Ahimelech the son of Ahitub, 10 and he inquired of the Lord for him and gave him provisions and gave him the sword of Goliath the Philistine.”

11 Then the king sent to summon Ahimelech the priest, the son of Ahitub, and all his father's house, the priests who were at Nob, and all of them came to the king. 12 And Saul said, “Hear now, son of Ahitub.” And he answered, “Here I am, my lord.” 13 And Saul said to him, “Why have you conspired against me, you and the son of Jesse, in that you have given him bread and a sword and have inquired of God for him, so that he has risen against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?” 14 Then Ahimelech answered the king, “And who among all your servants is so faithful as David, who is the king's son-in-law, and captain over your bodyguard, and honored in your house? 15 Is today the first time that I have inquired of God for him? No! Let not the king impute anything to his servant or to all the house of my father, for your servant has known nothing of all this, much or little.” 16 And the king said, “You shall surely die, Ahimelech, you and all your father's house.” 17 And the king said to the guard who stood about him, “Turn and kill the priests of the Lord, because their hand also is with David, and they knew that he fled and did not disclose it to me.” But the servants of the king would not put out their hand to strike the priests of the Lord. 18 Then the king said to Doeg, “You turn and strike the priests.” And Doeg the Edomite turned and struck down the priests, and he killed on that day eighty-five persons who wore the linen ephod. 19 And Nob, the city of the priests, he put to the sword; both man and woman, child and infant, ox, donkey and sheep, he put to the sword.

20 But one of the sons of Ahimelech the son of Ahitub, named Abiathar, escaped and fled after David. 21 And Abiathar told David that Saul had killed the priests of the Lord. 22 And David said to Abiathar, “I knew on that day, when Doeg the Edomite was there, that he would surely tell Saul. I have occasioned the death of all the persons of your father's house. 23 Stay with me; do not be afraid, for he who seeks my life seeks your life. With me you shall be in safekeeping.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*God Is At Work?*

1 Samuel 21:1-9; 22:6-23

Introduction:

I. Desperation & Provision

II. Desperation & Destruction

III. Desperation & The Gospel

Conclusion:

# Taking Gathered Worship Home

The Third Sunday in Lent– Sunday, March 4, 2018

*Taking Gathered Worship Home” (TGWH) has been developed for you to use in the private worship of your home, whether you are married or single, and whether or not you have children. It is a tool to knit us together throughout the church year. While we would encourage the use of TGWH in its entirety, you are encouraged to adapt the offerings to your particular circumstances. The prayer is taken from “Lutheran Worship” and the psalm readings are taken from the “Book of Common Prayer” and the daily readings are from “The Book of Common Worship.”*

## DAILY COLLECT

Almighty God, because you know that we of ourselves have no strength, keep us both outwardly and inwardly that we may be defended from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SUNDAY Morning Psalter – 93, 96  
Genesis 44:1-17  
Romans 8:1-10  
John 5:25-29  
Evening Psalter – 34

## HYMN OF INVOCATION

MONDAY Morning Psalter – 80  
Genesis 44:18-34  
1 Corinthians 7:25-31  
Mark 5:21-43  
Evening Psalter – 77, 79  
THE GLORIA

TUESDAY Morning Psalter – 78:1-39  
Genesis 45:1-15  
1 Corinthians 7:32-40  
Mark 6:1-13  
Evening Psalter – 78:40-72

## HYMN OF GRATITUDE

WEDNESDAY Morning Psalter – 119:97-120  
Genesis 45:16-28  
1 Corinthians 8:1-13  
Mark 6:13-29  
Evening Psalter – 81, 82

## HYMN OF RESPONSE

THURSDAY Morning Psalter – 83  
Genesis 46:1-7, 28-34  
1 Corinthians 9:1-15  
Mark 6:30-46  
Evening Psalter – 85, 86

## HYMN OF GRATITUDE TO GOD

FRIDAY Morning Psalter – 88  
Genesis 47:1-26  
1 Corinthians 9:16-27  
Mark 6:47-56  
Evening Psalter – 91, 92

## FIRST COMMUNION HYMN

SATURDAY Morning Psalter – 87, 90  
Genesis 47:27–48:7  
1 Corinthians 10:1-13  
Mark 7:1-23  
Evening Psalter – 136

## SECOND COMMUNION HYMN

## IN PREPARATION FOR THE DIVINE SERVICE

*The Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 11, 2018*

Preaching: Rev. Greg Ward

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 24:1-22

## Scripture Lessons:

Numbers 21:4-9

Psalms 107:1-3, 17-22

Ephesians 2:1-10

John 3:14-20

## CHURCH LIFE

### CALENDAR

Today, March 4	10:00 am	The Divine Service
	11:30 am	School of Discipleship
	4- 6 pm	Youth Group @ Connell's
Thursday, March 8	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
Sunday, March 11	10:00 am	The Divine Service
	11:30 am	School of Discipleship
	4- 6 pm	Youth Group @ Connell's
Thursday, March 15	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
Saturday, March 17	7:30am	Men's Breakfast @ Gloria's Cafe
Sunday, March 18	10:00 am	The Divine Service
	11:30 am	Church Feast

### PLEASE BE IN PRAYER FOR:

- Cathy asks for continued prayer for her mother Marjorie: pray for increasing strength, mental acuity to process instructions, increased appetite, and for brother David & wife Linda as they soon take over her care.
- George Dziuk asks that we pray for Tonya Hernandez-Hart in the hospital for an infection in her throat and emergency surgery to close a hole in her esophagus.
- Sara Rimann writes, "Praise: Ellie Rimann has recovered! Pray for the Rizzoto family, whose mom died this week from cancer. Pray for Cash Samarron, an 11-year-old boy who is in treatment for aggressive cancer."
- Please pray for Ben Finklea's newborn nephew, Liam. Liam suffered a heart attack on 2/23. He's stable now but doctors are concerned that his heart isn't strong enough for the normal stresses of baby life. Please pray for understanding and wise decisions from the doctors and for Liam to recover from this setback.
- Susan Ellis writes, "Please pray for my friend, Laurie, who lost her nephew, Brandon, to injuries sustained in a rollover accident. Please pray for comfort and peace. Please pray for my aunt's recovery from rehab from her recent hospitalization."

## GETTING INVOLVED

At Emmanuel, we have a variety of small group activities to participate in during the week. For more information on our gatherings, please see the list below:

### **Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study—**

9:30 - 11 am

At the home of Stephanie Hargrove  
1609 Graford St, Leander 78641

**Contact:** Susan Ellis  
spbewaco@gmail.com

### **Men's Breakfast — 7:30 am**

Third Saturday of the Month

Gloria's Cafe  
1201 N Lakeline Blvd  
Cedar Park, 78613

### **Sunday Evening Youth Group — 4 - 6 pm**

At the home of Tommy Connell  
11905 Brookwood Circle  
Austin, TX 78750

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### **Women's Ministry**

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## COMMUNITY GROUPS

For more information about our community groups, contact the coordinators below or visit our website at [www.EmmanuelCedarPark.church](http://www.EmmanuelCedarPark.church)

### **Avery Ranch**

- First and Third Sunday Evenings -

**Contacts:** Dan & Barbara Dunn  
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### **Crystal Falls**

- Thursday Evenings -

**Contacts:** Ken & Cathy Campbell  
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### **Avery Ranch**

- Second and Fourth Friday Evenings -

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- Monday Evenings -

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- First and Third Wednesday Evenings -

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