

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND STUDENT CENTER

Rev. Marty Marks
Rev@godwithusilc.org

511 Russell Road
DeKalb, IL 60115

February 7, 2021
8 a.m. in person and FB live
10:30 a.m. Radio Service

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Theme for Worship: This morning we'll finish our sermon series looking at some of the old Testament prophets who pointed to Jesus. Today we'll examine the life of Isiah. While he wrote 66 chapters of material, it was Isiah's life as much as his prophetic words that conveyed the message of God to the people. In a time of despair and difficulty for both the people of God and Isiah personally, he never lost hope and looked to the promises of God to see God's love even in the midst of suffering.

Pre-Service Music 🎵

--*Spiritwind*

Ringing of the Bells

Radio Welcome

Pastor Marty Welcome

Opening Hymn 🎵 "Pass It On"

- 1 It only takes a spark to get a fire going
And soon all those around can warm up in its glowing
That's how it is with God's love Once you've experienced it
You spread His love to everyone; You want to pass it on.

- 2 What a wondrous time is spring when all the trees are budding
The birds begin to sing; The flowers, start their blooming
That's how it is with God's love Once you've experienced it you want sing
It's fresh like spring; You want to pass it on.

- 3 I wish for you my friend this happiness that I've found You can depend on Him,
It matters not where you're bound I'll shout it from the mountain top.
I want the world to know; The Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

Bridge: I'll shout it from the mountain top I want the world to know,
The Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

The Invocation

- P** We begin in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen

Nicene Creed

- C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of

one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 40:21–31

²¹Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? ²²It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; ²³who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness. ²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. ²⁵To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. ²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one is missing. ²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, “My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God?” ²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. ³⁰Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; ³¹but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 9:16–27

¹⁶If I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! ¹⁷For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. ¹⁸What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel. ¹⁹For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. ²⁰To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. ²¹To those outside the law I became as one outside the law

(not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. ²³I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings. ²⁴Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. ²⁵Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. ²⁷But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Children's Message

--Pastor Marty

The Little Lambs Children sing (via video) in honor of Lutheran Schools week

Holy Gospel

Mark 1:29-39

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C Glory to you O Lord

²⁹Immediately [Jesus] left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. ³¹And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them. ³²That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered together at the door. ³⁴And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. ³⁵And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, ³⁷and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." ³⁸And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." ³⁹And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You O Christ

Sermon Hymn ♪ "Thy Word"

(Chorus) **Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.**

- 1. When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way,
Still You're there right beside me.
And nothing will I fear as long as you are near.
Please be near me to the end. *Chorus***
- 2. I will not forget Your love for me,
And yet my heart forever is wandering.
Jesus be my guide and hold me to Your side.
And I will love You to the end. *Chorus***

**Sermon: “Living the Message: Isaiah”
Confession and Absolution**

--Rev Marty Marks

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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.

C **Amen.**

The Offering

(An offering plate is available in the narthex; plates will not be passed during the worship service. Immanuel has the ability to accept offerings through online giving. Families can easily give one-time or set up as recurring gifts. Simply make a secure donation via electronic check by visiting www.ImmanuelDeKalb.com. If you choose to set up a recurring gift, you will be prompted by email to create your own online donor account to manage your gifts.)

The Intercessory Prayers

*The Leader says prayers for specific and general concerns of God's people, following each petition with “Lord in your mercy” to which the congregation responds with “**Hear our prayer.**”*

The Lord's Prayer

C **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**

The Celebration of the Lord's Supper

(The Lord's Supper is celebrated in this service in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. If you share this confession, we invite you to commune with us. If you have doubts or questions concerning this confession of our faith community, we ask that you withhold participation until receiving clarification or instruction from our pastor. The pastor will also offer a blessing to any unconfirmed children who desire it. Special instruction about how to partake in the supper will be explained during the service in response to Covid-19 precautions.)

P The Sacrament of Holy Communion delivers to us the forgiveness of sins earned for us by the sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross. His real Body and Blood come to us in, with and under the bread and wine. Not only are our sins forgiven through this meal, our faith is strengthened, and the Holy Spirit guides us to be better and more effective servants to God. To help prepare our hearts and minds as we receive these gifts, please join me in praying:

P & C **Father I trust in Your Son, Jesus, as my Savior. As I prepare to receive His real Body and Blood into me, please make my heart inclined to receive it in a way pleasing to You. Create a true sense of repentance in my heart and a sincere desire to follow You after it is received. Please empower me to serve You better in a sense of unity with You and with others. Amen.**

The Words of Institution

P 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 His 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 is My blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do as often as you drink it in remembrance of Me.

P Come, the table is prepared and the Lord awaits.

C We come in the name of Jesus.

The Sacrament Is Distributed for Us to Receive

Distribution Songs ♪

“Commune With Me”

**Commune with me, Commune with me, between the wings of a cherubim,
Commune with me Commune with me, Commune with me,
Between the wings of a cherubim, Commune with me.**

**I Worship You, I Worship You, Between the wings of a Cherubim,
I Worship You I Worship You, I Worship You,
Between the wings of a Cherubim, I Worship You.**

**I’ll Meet You there, I’ll Meet You there, Between the wings of a Cherubim,
I’ll meet You there. I’ll Meet You there, I’ll Meet You there,
Between the wings of a Cherubim, I’ll meet You there.**

“Lamb of God”

**1 Your only Son no sin to hide
But You have sent Him from Your side
To walk upon this guilty sod
And to become the Lamb of God**

**2 Your gift of love they crucified
They laughed and scorned Him as He died
The humble King they named a fraud
And sacrificed the Lamb of God**

Chorus **Oh Lamb of God sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God
Oh wash me in His precious blood, My Jesus Christ the Lamb of God**

**3 I was so lost I should have died
But You have brought me to Your side
To be led by Your staff and rod
And to be called a lamb of God (*chorus*)**

“Cornerstone”

**1 My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus’ blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus’ Name (*repeat verse*)**

Chorus **Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour’s love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all**

**2 When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil**

(Interlude) **He is Lord Lord of all**

**3 When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne**

CCLI Song # 6158927
Edward Mote | Eric Lijero | Jonas Myrin | Reuben Morgan | William Batchelder Bradbury
© 2011 Hillsong Music Publishing (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)
For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com
CCLI License # 843534

**The Benediction
Silent Prayers
Announcements
Postlude**

PARTICIPANTS –February 7, 2021	
Altar Guild: Carolyn McQuillan; Jackie Hanson	
8:00 a.m.	
Musicians/Vocalists	Spiritwind: Angela Pringnitz; <i>coordinator</i> Amy Haeseker, Ellen Olsen
Pastor	Rev. Marty Marks
Lay Reader	Dan Lohmeier
Radio Narrator	Chris Ewald
Sound Operator	Nathan Allen
Acolyte	Heather Allen
Videographer	Krista Marks
Usher	Dan Lohmeier

THE WORSHIP SERVICE IS BROADCAST EACH SUNDAY AT 10:30 A.M. ON WLBK 1360.

Altar Flowers: Thanks be to God for His unconditional, unending & unmistakable love.

Radio Broadcast: Thanks be to God for His unconditional, unending & unmistakable love.

TO BE A SPONSOR: Contact the office to reserve a date.

Cost: \$45 Flowers.

\$225 One-hour radio broadcast of the church service; \$125 Half-sponsorships are also available. Make your check out to Immanuel, with a notation on the memo line saying, “flowers,” or “radio.” These checks may be placed in the offering plate or mailed to the church office.

OPEN 2020 FLOWER SPONSORSHIPS: February 14,21; April 4 (*Easter*),18; May 9.

OPEN 2020 RADIO SPONSORSHIPS: February 7,21; March 28; April 18; May 30.

Rev. Marty Marks, Pastor 815-501-3951; rev@godwithusilc.org

Linda Conrad, Angela Pringnitz, Music Coordination

C-J Motisi, Adult Choir Director, LCMS certified Lay Minister cj.cmsc@gmail.com 630-664-8005

Carolyn Panozzo, Pre-School Director, 815-756-6669 (o); LittleLambs@godwithusilc.org

Darlene Hillman, Office Manager, 815-756-6669; office@godwithusilc.org

Carla Siddall, secretary, carlas@immanueldekalb.com

Church Office Hours: Monday – Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Friday (*when school is in session*) 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Church Phone: 815-756-6669; 756-6675; **Fax:** 815-756-9585

Office E-mail: office@godwithusilc.org

Church website: www.ImmanuelDeKalb.com