## 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY February 2 and 3, 2020

- **Welcome to worship!** Today we "kick-off" our celebration of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Immanuel. It was on February 3, 1870, that 11 men first met to organize a Lutheran Church in Seymour. We thank God for their faith and commitment and for blessings the efforts of generations since, including our own. May the Lord bless us as we "Celebrate the Past and Embrace the Future!"
- A Special Welcome to Dr. Dale Meyer, President of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, for bringing us God's Word, and to Dr. Barry Bobb, a son of Immanuel, for arranging our anniversary hymn and providing preservice and post-service music today!

First time guests: Please stop by the Welcome Center for a travel mug and other gifts!

- **A Staffed Nursery** is available at **9:00 A.M**. below the entrance on Walnut St. and a Comfort Room is in the Atrium.
- **Cell Phones:** *Please remember to silence cell phones and electronics during worship.*
- **Holy Communion** will be offered at **11:15A.M.** If you are not a confirmed member of the Lutheran church, please contact an Elder or Pastor before Communing. Gluten free wafers are available. The Common Cup will be served to those who have not taken an individual cup. Wine with alcohol removed is in the center of the tray.

Large Print bulletins and Hearing devices are available from an usher.

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- THE PRELUDE: 9:00am: "Fanfare" Robert Cundick 11:15 and 7:00: "The Church's One Foundation"
- **THE OPENING HYMN:** "The Church's One Foundation" 9:00: (Choir only vs. 2 & 4)

<u>Hymn 644</u>

- THE CONFESSION, ABSOLUTION Page 151
- THE PSALM: Psalm 90 Choir
- THE KYRIE AND HYMN OF PRAISE Pages 152-153, & 155

#### THE PRAYER OF THE DAY (We pray together)

O Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations. In love Your Son came to be Immanuel, *God with us*, to make us Your holy people. We praise You for blessing the efforts of those who founded Immanuel in His name. We thank you for raising up in each generation faithful servants and leaders to build on the foundation of Your Word of truth. Help us share Christ and the mission of His church with our children and this generation, that they may show Your glory to future generations and abide in Your eternal home; in Jesus's name. Amen.

# THE WORD OF THE MONTH: (We speak together) I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. Isaiah 49:6

#### THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Micah 6:1-8 (page 779)

Hear what the LORD says: Arise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the indictment of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth, for the LORD has an indictment against his people, and he will contend with Israel. "O my people, what have I done to you? How have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember what Balak king of Moab devised, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD." "With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

+++ 9:00A.M.: THE ANTHEM: "I Will Walk in the Way"

Arranged by the ILS Composition Class

#### THE EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31(page 952)

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. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." 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? 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. For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. Therefore, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God!** 

#### THE ALLELUIA and VERSE: Page 156

#### THE GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12 (Page 809) C: (Sing) Glory to You, O Lord.

Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: (Sing) Praise to You, O Christ!

- THE HYMN: "Through Many Years, O Triune God" (See Insert)
- THE SERMON: "Inspired by Immanuel's Mission?"
- THE CREED: 9:00/7:00 APOSTLES' (page 159) 11:15 NICENE, (page 158)
- **THE OFFERING:** (Please register Attendance and Communion)
- THE MUSICAL OFFERING: 9:00: "Faith of Our Fathers" Linda Lamb 11:15 and 7:00: "You are the Way to You Alone" – Healy Willan
- THE PRAYERS
- +++ 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION: Pages 160-166; Hymns: 619, 851, 837, 842
- **THECLOSING HYMN**: "From All That Dwell Below the Skies"**Hymn 816**Please take time after the closing hymn to greet and introduce yourself to those around you.
- **THE POSTLUDE: 9:00:** "Recessional" William Matthias

11:15 and 7:00: "Voluntary in A Major" - William Selby

A Pastor will be available after the service in the chapel to take prayer requests or notes for care. **Preacher:** Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer **Liturgists**: Pastor Bloch and Pastor Blomenberg **Lector:** Pastor Rodriguez **Crucifer:** Vicar Ronchetto **Organist:** Paul Scheiderer **Guest Organist:** Dr. Barry Bobb

#### Special Music: 9:00 Adult Choir, Youth Choir, Brass Ensemble, Handbell Choir

Immanuel's mission is to connect people to the life, calling, and community of Christ. Founded in 1870, Immanuel is a member of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. We believe the Bible is God's inspired Word and that we are saved by grace, through faith in Jesus Christ, who died for our sins. Please take a brochure from the Information Center, or visit us on-line at www.immanuelseymour.com.

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