

Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Church Year: Lent 3

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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Date: March 3, 2024

✝ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✝

Hymns:

TLH 143, st. 1-5, 12-13: O Dearest Jesus

TLH 405: I Gave My Life for Thee

TLH 154: Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

Communion Distribution – TLH 164

TLH 179: On My Heart Imprint Thine Image

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

Worship Prep:

Psalms 38, TLH p. 132

Liturgy:

WS p. 12 (Communion)

Scripture Readings:

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Passion Harmony

Sermon: John 13:36-38

³⁶ Simon Peter said to Him, “Lord, where are You going?” Jesus answered him, “Where I am going you cannot follow Me now, but you shall follow Me afterward.” ³⁷ Peter said to Him, “Lord, why can I not follow You now? I will lay down my life for Your sake.” ³⁸ Jesus answered him, “Will you lay down your life for My sake? Most assuredly, I say to you, the rooster shall not crow till you have denied Me three times.” (NKJVTM)

“Will You Really Lay Down Your Life for Me?”

✠ ***THE ANNOUNCEMENTS*** ✠

- ➔ **Sanctuary Open Meeting Today:** Today after worship and some time for hospitality, there will be an open meeting to discuss options for the front of the sanctuary. Please participate in your church.
- ➔ **Midweek Lenten Services:** Our midweek Lenten services continue this Wed., Mar. 6, **7 pm**. These midweek services can deepen our appreciation of the redemptive work our Savior, Jesus Christ, accomplished in our behalf. This year's series is "Road Signs to Calvary."
- ➔ **Lenten Soup Suppers:** There are still some openings on the sign-up sheet posted in the fellowship hall for those who are willing to provide soup and do setup and cleanup.
- ➔ **Good Friday:** On Friday, March 29, at **7 pm**, we will be holding our Good Friday service. The Lord's Supper will also be celebrated. The Day our Savior died is very precious for us as redeemed sinners. Let's honor it by pondering His profound love for us.
- ➔ **Easter Day:** On Sun., March 31, we will be having the Easter breakfast at **7:30 am**, followed by the Easter worship service at **9 am**. What an opportunity we have to gather in worship on the day we commemorate our Lord's glorious resurrection from the dead!
- ➔ **Easter Breakfast:** Those men interested in helping with the breakfast are asked to sign up for various duties. The list is by the guest book.
- ➔ **Easter Flowers:** A signup sheet is out by the guest book for anyone interested in purchasing Easter lilies or decorative flowers for Easter Sunday. Please see Mikey Oman for any questions.
- ➔ **Thanks** to all who helped make yesterday's memorial service go well.
- ➔ **Ministry by Mail:** For 65 years, the CLC's "Ministry by Mail" has been producing print sermons for distribution. Originally this was done by postal mail, especially for members living at a distance from their home church or serving in the military. With the arrival of the internet, sermons began being sent by email and posted online (www.lutheransermons.org). Ministry by Mail now offers audio versions of their sermons through weekly Podcast services. You can find these sermons on most major podcast platforms such as Google, Apple Podcasts, and Spotify by searching "CLC Ministry by Mail." Hit "subscribe" or "follow" to receive notifications of weekly uploads. Contact Ministry by Mail editor, Nathan Pfeiffer, for more information - editor@lutheransermons.org



- ➔ **Call for Nominations:** The deadline is March 31 for nominations to CLC offices at our upcoming synod convention, June 20-23, 2024. An online nomination form and accompanying information is available: Nominations.CLClutheran.net. Nominations may also be sent by regular mail at this address: Moderator Paul D. Nolting, 810 W 3rd St, Valentine, NE 69201. U.S. mail must be postmarked no later than March 31.
- ➔ **Arts Camp 2024:** Camp is March 22-24 at Immanuel Mankato for students 5th-8th grade. Visit www.immanuelmankato.org/school/arts-camp/ for more information and to register.
- ➔ **CLC Youth Camp:** will be taking place on the Immanuel campus in Eau Claire, June 9-15, 2024. It is a week-long camp of faith, fellowship, and fun. Camp is open to kids going into grades 6-9 and the cost is \$140/camper. There is also a morning pre-camp program available for kids going into grades K-5 with a cost of \$60/camper. Registration will open Saturday, March 16 at 10 am CST. For more information visit youthcampclc.wixsite.com/camp, or email the camp directors Amber Casto & Sam Radermacher at youthcamp.clc@gmail.com.
- ➔ **ILC Tour Choir:** Our ILC Tour Choir budget goal was amply met. We thank our gracious LORD for moving hearts to contribute to this as the Tour will soon begin its circuit. May the LORD grant the choir safe travels and also bless their proclamation of the Gospel in song!
- ➔ **Retirement Gift:** Professor Mark Kranz has announced his retirement effective at the end of the current academic year. His faithful service to our church and our school will be acknowledged during the ILC Class Day/Graduation festivities on May 17-18. Our custom is to present a monetary gift as a token of our appreciation. CLC members are invited to contribute to this gift which will be presented to him at Graduation (May 18). Please make your checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran College and indicate: "Prof. Kranz Retirement." Send your gift to: Immanuel Lutheran College, 501 Grover Road, Eau Claire, WI 54701.
- ➔ **CLC News:** Teacher Levi Schaller of Grace Lutheran has returned the call to Faith Lutheran in Markesan, WI, but is still considering the call to Messiah Lutheran in Hales Corners, WI (Milwaukee area). † Teacher Matthew Thurow of Berea Lutheran in Inver Grove Hts., MN, has accepted the call to be Professor at Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary in Eau Claire, WI, replacing retiring Prof. Mark Kranz.
- ➔ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #19 – Third Article, Part 1

Preparation for Lord's Supper: Luther's Christian Questions

1. *Do you believe that you are a sinner?* **Yes, I believe that I am a sinner.**

2. *How do you know this?* **I know this from the Ten Commandments, which I have not kept.**

3. *Are you sorry for your sins?* **Yes, I am sorry that I have sinned against God.**

4. *What have you deserved to receive from God because of your sins?* **I have deserved His anger and displeasure, temporal death, and eternal damnation.**

5. *Do you also hope to be saved?* **Yes, this is my hope.**

6. *Whom do you then trust?* **I trust in my dear Lord, Jesus Christ.**

9. *What has Christ done for you that you trust in Him?* **He died for me and shed His blood for me on the cross for the forgiveness of my sins.**

11. *How do you know this?* **From the holy Gospel and from the words of the Sacrament and by His body and blood which are given me as a pledge in the Sacrament.**

13. *Do you believe, then, that the true body and blood of Christ are in the Sacrament?* **Yes, I believe this.**

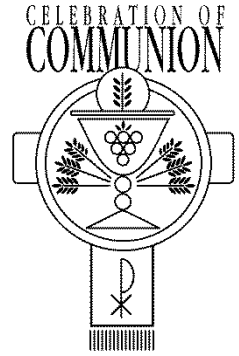
14. *What leads you to believe this?* **I am moved to believe this from the word of Christ: "Take, eat, this is My body ... drink of it, all of you, this is My blood."**

15. *What should we do when we eat His body and drink His blood, and in this way receive His pledge?* **We should proclaim and remember the shedding of His blood and His death, just as He taught us, "Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."**

16. *Why should we proclaim and remember His death?* **We should do this so that we learn: (1) to believe that no creature could possibly do enough to pay for our sins; only Christ, true God and true man, could; (2) to be frightened by our sins and consider them to be great indeed; and (3) to find joy and comfort in Him, knowing that we are saved through this same faith.**

17. *What caused Jesus to die and do what was needed to pay for our sins?* **Christ did all this because of His great love for the Father and each one of us, as the Scriptures teach.**

18. *Finally, why do you want to go to the Sacrament?* **From this I learn to believe that Christ died for my sin out of His great love for me. I also learn from Him to love God and my neighbor.**



CLC Financial Report - January

CLC Financial Report Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2023	YTD Revenue	YTD Disbursed	Budget 7 Months	Balance 1/31/2024
General Fund	0	696,095	693,720	695,100	2,375
ILC Operations (incl. CLC subsidy)	0	1,069,429	931,392	955,500	138,037
Auxiliary Funds					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF)	133,349	57,924	69,639		121,634
ILC Building Projects	1,279,816	261,503	65,536		1,475,783
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	95,621	145,320	117,597		123,344
Kinship	168,286	87,694	118,544		137,436
Church Extension Fund (CEF)	2,323,176	748,800	345,936		2,726,040
Student Aid Fund (SAF)	145,399	40,191	126,576		59,014
Reserve Fund	95,555	3,898	0		99,453
Auxiliary Funds Totals	\$4,241,202	\$1,345,330	\$843,828		\$4,742,704

General Fund – January receipts: **\$136,368 VS** disbursements: **\$115,330**. The General Fund subsidizes the work of the Boards of Missions, Trustees, EdPub, & Regents (including ILC.)

ILC Operations – January receipts: **\$187,905 VS** disbursements: **\$126,056**.

IIF – January receipts: **\$4,191 VS** disbursements: **\$315**.

ILC Building Projects – January receipts: **\$29,662** (including an \$13,263 increase in market value of investments) **VS** disbursements: **None**.

MDF – January receipts: **\$47,458 VS** disbursements: **\$21,556**.

Kinship – January receipts: **\$32,086 VS** disbursements: **\$31,505** (including \$13,000 for disaster relief).

CEF – January receipts: **\$51,960** (including a \$27,427 increase in market value of investments) **VS** disbursements: **\$4,092** (mostly payments on member loans to the CEF).

SAF – January receipts: **\$10,403 VS** disbursements: **\$11,526** (including student loans, grants, scholarships and tuition assistance).

Reserve Fund is currently invested in a money market account until needed, typically each fiscal year-end.

EduK8 Fund – January receipts: **\$1,862**. Balance **\$37,109**.

*Stephen R. Lentz, CLC Treasurer
Thomas J. Lentz, Chairman, CLC Board of Trustees*

Welcome to our guests and visitors. We appreciate the opportunity to share God's Word with you today. Please come again! Those interested in learning more about the Scriptures and our doctrinal position, please speak with Pastor Hein. He would be delighted to visit with you!

✠ TODAY AT GRACE ✠

Organist: **Maureen Ochsner** Elder: **Eli Wales**

Ushers: **Larry Brandt; Jeremiah Boe; Dan Degnan; Dale Enns; Duane Enns; Brandon Paplow; Pat Paplow**

Counting Team 2: **Gary Gunther; Rick Nelson; Bill Rust; Bob Vandever; Clint Welker**

Hospitality Team 3: **Jan Davis, Ryan & Mikey Oman; Laura Wales; Janelle Hein**

Church Cleaners: **F.&A. Radichel** School: **Jankowski**

✠ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✠

Ushers: **Eli Wales; Alex Baker; Kevin Baker; Dan Kelley; Ryan Oman; Bob Vandever; Uriah Wales**

Counting Team 3: **Duane Enns; Tom Graham; Kevin Hulke; Dan Degnan; Benno Sydow**

Church Cleaners: **Volunteers?** School: **Kelley**

✠ OUR SCHEDULE ✠

Sun., Mar. 3: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
 9:00 am – Bible Class and Sunday School
 10:00 am – Worship (Lent 3)
 11:00 am – Hospitality (Team 3)
 11:30 am – Open Meeting: Front of Sanctuary

Wed., Mar. 6: 4:30-6:15 pm – Catechism for Public School Students
 6:00 pm – Lenten Soup Supper
 7:00 pm – Midweek Lenten Worship Service
 Grace School – Spring Break

March 8-15: Grace School – Spring Break

Sun., Mar. 10: 8:30 am – Choir Practice
 9:00 am – Bible Class and Sunday School
 10:00 am – Worship (Lent 4)
 12:00 pm – Council Meeting

Sun., Mar. 18: **PALM SUNDAY**

Thu., Mar. 28: **MAUNDY THURSDAY** (No worship)

Fri., Mar. 29: **GOOD FRIDAY**
 7:00 pm – Midweek Lenten Worship Service

Sun., Mar. 31: **EASTER**
 7:30 am – Easter Breakfast
 9:00 am – Easter Festival Worship Service

Last Week's Stats: Feb. 25, 2024 Sun.: 68 S.S.: 12 B.Cl.: 39 Wed.: 50

Sun. Offering:	Grace:	\$5,351	CLC:	\$1,455
Wed. Offering:	Grace:	\$286	CLC:	\$20
Weekly Need (est.):	Grace:	4,900	CLC:	1,135
-Under / +Over:	Grace:	+737	CLC:	+340
Year-to-Date Offering:	Grace:	\$41,606	CLC:	\$11,255
Year-to-Date Need (est.):	Grace:	39,200	CLC:	9,080
Year-to-Date (+/-)	Grace:	+2,406	CLC:	+2,175
GLC Other:	126	Living Faith:	20	Tuition Aid: 150 Sanctuary: 10
SAF Endowment:	0	MDF:	10	Kinship: 120 EduK8: 10
ILC Student Aid:	0	ILC Bldg.	0	IIF: 0 CEF: 0
Current Balances:		Tuition Aid:	\$2,997	Sanctuary: \$980