

W E L C O M E



First Sunday in Lent
March 9, 2025

♪ MCB 18 O Come, Let Us Adore Him

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome church and visitors on the live channels!
- Church Council meets Tuesday, March 11 at 5 pm.
- All Ages Sunday School meets next Sunday, at 9 am
Invite youth to our new Sunday class.
- Lenten Dinner, begins Thursday, at 6pm. Bring a friend!
- Next Men's Breakfast is Saturday March 29, 7:30 am.
- Women's Conference, Island Alliance, March 29. Register now!
- This is Haven Ministry Collection Month. See list of items needed in the bulletin. Thank you!
- Call: Trip to Lancaster Sept. 18. \$50 deposit due now.
- Happy Anniversaries?
- Happy Birthday to Dominic Whittington (10th)

CALL TO WORSHIPⁱ

On this first Sunday in Lent, we join Jesus in the wilderness, a place of wild and dangerous things, of testing and temptation away from the security of home.

God, rescue us in the wilderness!

Once again, we watch and listen as Satan throws out temptation upon temptation, and we find our security in Jesus, who does not waver from the truth.

God, rescue us within the wilderness!

Once again, we face our own frailty and realize that the wilderness is not nearly as dangerous as our choices to prioritize selfish gain and hoarding of power.

God, rescue us through the wilderness!

Once again, we call upon God in the wildernesses of our lives, and we trust God's faithful reply:

Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue them and honor them. Thanks be to God! Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, As we begin this Lenten journey, we seek Your guidance and strength. Help us to turn from distractions and draw closer to You with humble hearts. May this season renew our faith and prepare us for the joy of the Resurrection. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

♪ MCB 68 Sing Hallelujah (To The Lord)

SHARING YOUR JOYS

CHILDREN'S TIME

CONCERNS AND PRAYERS

(Please provide in writing, to prevent spelling errors. Names will be on the list for one month, unless otherwise notified.)

For healing:

Bob Bakeoven

Jim Barnette

Josephine West

Mike Dulin

Nadia Schlothauer

Sandy Smith

Valerie Wilder

Vicky Gleaton

Vicky Satterwhite

Yvonne Quimby and family

Peace & Comfort:

Curtis Pearson & family

Dorothy Capel and family

Joe Bryant's family

Jim Lyon's family

Roy Castle's family

Other prayers:

For the homeless & needy, for safety

Our Youth attending IGNITE conference

Our nation, for peace

Safety of our schools

♪ UMH 130 God Will Take Care of You

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (ALL PLEASE JOIN)

Holy God, As we listen to Your Word, may Your light guide our hearts and minds. Teach us Your truth and transform us by Your wisdom. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READ²: Psalm 91:1-2; 9-12

¹Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. ²I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." ⁹If you say, "The Lord is my refuge," and you make the Most High your dwelling, ¹⁰no harm will overtake you, no disaster will come near your tent. ¹¹For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; ¹²they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.

EPISTLE READING: Romans 10:8-13

⁸ But what does it say? “The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,” that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: ⁹ If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. ¹¹ As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.” ¹² For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, ¹³ for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

GOSPEL READING: Luke 4:1-13

(all who are able are invited to stand)

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, ² where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry. ³ The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread.” ⁴ Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone.’” ⁵ The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶ And he said to him, “I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. ⁷ If you worship me, it will all be yours.” ⁸ Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.’” ⁹ The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. “If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down from here. ¹⁰ For it is written: “He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully; ¹¹ they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.” ¹² Jesus answered, “It is said: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” ¹³ When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.

SERMON: Trusting God In The Storms of Life

Notes from the preaching:

♪ TFWS 2140 Since Jesus Came into My Heart

THE OFFERING TIME

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BENEDICTION

Join us for refreshments at the fellowship hall.

Participant/s at today's service (Thank you!):

Announcer: Melanie Drake

Worship Leader: -----

Reader: Jo Hill-Kittle

Pianist: Sue Leonard

Attendance/Virtual Views last Sundays:

At church:	3/2: TBD	2/23: 33	2/16: 37	2/9: 33
Facebook/YouTube	3/2: 17/5	2/23: 22/3	2/16: 27/2	2/9: 12/2

Scan QR code and visit Immanuel's webpage.



¹Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2024.

²All Scriptures from the NIV Version Bible, unless otherwise indicated.

DAILY READING

MARCH 2025: Turning to God in Prayer

- 9 Psalm 63
- 10 Psalm 64
- 11 Psalm 71
- 12 Psalm 76
- 13 Psalm 77
- 14 Psalm 82
- 15 Psalm 84
- 16 Psalm 88

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2025 Calendar of Mayor Events

Men's Breakfast	Saturdays, last of each month
Ash Wednesday Service	Wednesday, March 5, 7p
IGNITE Youth Conference	March 7-9, 2025, Ocean City, MD
Lenten Dinner	Thursdays, March 13th to April 10th
Joint Confirmation class w. Bryan/JW	Saturdays March 15 –29; 4/19-4/26
Palm Sunday	April 13th
Good Friday	April 18th
Easter Sunrise Service, ~6:15 am	20-Apr
Easter Sunday	20-Apr
VBS Pre-registration	Sunday April 20
241 th Pen-Del Annual Conf., Ocean City	May 20 – May 23, 2025
Vacation Bible School	July 17 to 20
Labor Day Parade	Monday, Sept. 1
Movie Night	Dates to announce
Coffee House	Dates to announce
“Noah” Trip to Lancaster, \$50 fee due 8/1.	September 18, 7:30
Coffee House w. Bryan Church	September, date to announce
Charge Conference 2025	DS to assign date
Pet's Day	October, date to announce
Trunk or Treat	October 31 st , 6pm
Candlelight Service	Tuesday, December 24 th , 8pm

ⁱ Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2024.

ⁱⁱ Adapted from the prayer written by Safiyah Fosua in *The Africana Worship Book*, Year C (Nashville: Discipleship Resources, 2008), 30.



JOIN US



Lenten DINNER

Thursdays, March 13 to April 10

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