

W E L C O M E



Fourth Sunday in Lent March 30th, 2025

♪ Your Love Awakens
Phil Wickham

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome church and visitors on the live channels!
- The Lenten Dinner, continues on Thursday, at 6pm. See the signup sheet for side dishes. The Women are sponsoring. Bring a friend!
- The confirmation class resumes Saturday, April 19, at Immanuel, 9:30-11:30. Please continue to pray for the class meeting at Bryan & Immanuel churches.
- All Ages Sunday School meets next Sunday, at 9 am Invite youth to our new Sunday class.
- This was Haven Ministry Collection Month. Thanks to all who participated!
- Happy Anniversaries?
- Happy Birthdays?

CALL TO WORSHIP

When we struggle to live as you teach us,
and we fail to answer your call...

God, your steadfast love surrounds us.

When the truth clogs up in our throat, and we fear what will
happen if we speak and if we keep silent...

God, your steadfast love surrounds us.

When we open our hearts and let the truth of our sorrows,
our sin, our joys, and our doubts flow freely...

God, your steadfast love surrounds us.

When our stubborn hearts encounter the grace that teaches
and guides us into a life of trust and joyful obedience...

God, your steadfast love surrounds us today and every day.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, We gather in Your presence with hearts full of gratitude and wonder. As we enter into worship, we lay aside the distractions and burdens of the world and turn our hearts fully toward You. May our worship honor You and draw us closer to Your heart. We come to glorify Your holy name, seeking Your guidance and grace. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

 Psalm 32

Faith Rose

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:

Ann Decomo

Bob Bakeoven

Charles Bennett

Chris Turner

Jim Barnette

Josephine West

Michael Messersmith

Michelle Hoffmaster

Mike Dulin

Nadia Schlothauer

Rick Bassett

Robie Weber

Yvonne Quimby and family

Peace & Comfort:

Frank Austin's 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 nation, for peace

Safety of our schools

 I could sing of Your love forever

Martin Smith

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (ALL PLEASE JOIN)

Gracious and Loving God, as we open Your Holy Word, we seek Your divine presence to guide us. Illuminate our hearts and minds with the light of Your truth. May Your Spirit move within us, opening our eyes to see, our ears to hear, and our hearts to receive the message You have for us today. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READ¹: Psalm 32:1-7

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. ² Blessed is the one whose sin the LORD does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit.³ When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. ⁴ For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. ⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." And you forgave the guilt of my sin. ⁶ Therefore let all the faithful pray to you while you may be found; surely the rising of the mighty waters will not reach them. ⁷ You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 (in your Bible)

GOSPEL READING: Luke 15:1-3, 11-13, 17-20 (all who are able are invited to stand)

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. ² But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." ³ Then Jesus told them this parable: ¹¹ Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. ¹² The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them. ¹³ "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. ¹⁷ "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! ¹⁸ I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. ¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' ²⁰ So he got up and went to his father. "But while he

was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.

SERMON: Responding to God’s Love

Notes:

♪ Give us clean hands
Charlie Smith

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: Janet Akers

Worship Leader: Curtis Pearson

Reader: George O’ Donnell

Pianist: Sue Leonard

Attendance/Virtual Views last Sundays:

At church:	3/23: 37	3/16: 35	3/9: 30	3/2: 32
Facebook/YouTube	3/16: 17/6	3/16: 9/1	3/9: NA	3/2: 17/5

Scan QR code and visit Immanuel’s webpage.



¹All Scriptures from the NIV Version Bible, unless otherwise indicated.

DAILY READING

MARCH 2025: Turning to God in Prayer

- 30 Psalm 139
- 31 Psalm 143

APRIL 2025: Assurance of Hope in Christ Jesus

- 1 John 8:12–20
- 2 John 8:21–30
- 3 John 8:31–47
- 4 John 8:48–59
- 5 John 11:1–16
- 6 John 11:17–27

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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	Sunday, April 13, 10 am
Good Friday "Walk of The Cross"	April 18, 6pm; starts in the parking lot
Easter Sunrise Service	Sunday, April 20, 6:15 am
Easter Sunday	Sunday, April 20, 10 am
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, \$180 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

More Notes:



JOIN US



FREE

Lenten DINNER

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