

Opportunities This Week

SUNDAY, MARCH 6

9:15 Sunday School
10:20 Deacons' prayer group
10:30 Worship Service

MONDAY, MARCH 7

9:30 PDO

TUESDAY, MARCH 8

9:30 PDO

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

5:00 Children's Choir
5:15 Church Family Supper
6:00 Church Family Time
6:15 Children on Mission Experience
6:15 Immanuel Youth
6:15 Lenten Program
6:15 Brass/Handbell rehearsals
7:10 Adult Choir

THURSDAY, MARCH 10

9:30 PDO
5:30 Budget Council/Stewardship

SUNDAY, MARCH 13

Daylight Saving Time Begins
9:15 Sunday School
10:20 Deacons' prayer group
10:30 Worship Service
1:30 Worship at The Next Door
5:00 Immanuel Youth Dinner
5:00 Lenten Piano Concert



IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH

“FATHER, I HAVE SINNED AGAINST HEAVEN”

March 6, 2016

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Ten-Thirty O'clock

GATHERING

The Chiming of the Hour

The Prelude “What Wondrous Love Is This” Robert Lau

Welcome to Immanuel Baptist Church. Guests, at this time please find a blue visitor's card in the pew rack, fill it out, and place it in the offering plate.

The Greeting Steven Meriwether

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

ADORING

The Choral Introit “Come and Find the Quiet Center” Sacred Harp

*The Processional Hymn of Praise 48 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” FAITHFULNESS

*The Call to Worship Melanie Dover

One: Be glad in the Lord; rejoice and shout for joy!

Many: We will rejoice, for the Lord has forgiven our transgressions.

One: Through Christ, God has reconciled the world to himself.

Many: We will rejoice, for the Lord has reconciled us to himself through Jesus Christ.

One: The Lord has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

All: With joyful hearts, we will be ambassadors for Christ.

Psalm 32, 2 Corinthians 5

*The Invocation

LOOKING AHEAD . . .

Dinner Reservations are due by 5:00 PM Monday, March 7 for Wednesday Church Family Supper on March 9.

Wednesday Night Lenten Services — The second in a series of three Wednesday Night Lenten Services will be March 9 at 6:15 in the chapel. Steve Tate will speak on “Jesus' Authority Over Sickness: To Heal or Not to Heal.”

Room in the Inn—We have one more opportunity this winter on March 17 to serve our homeless neighbors through Room in the Inn. Please check the sign-up calendar in the hallway outside the chapel to see where your help is needed.

Lenten Piano Concert—On Sunday, March 13, Richard Shadinger will will present a piano concert in the Chapel at 5:00 p.m.

We need candy—and lots of it! In preparation for the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 26, we are asking the church family to donate bags of individually wrapped candy to fill the plastic eggs. Bring your candy to the collection basket on the table in the pre-school hallway.

SHARING THE WORD

The Psalter	Psalm 32	Melanie Dover
The New Testament Lesson	2 Corinthians 5.16-21	Brandon Jarnigan
The Anthem	“Call to Remembrance, O Lord”	Richard Farrant
	Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies and thy loving kindness, which hath been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offences of my youth; but according to thy mercy think thou on me, O Lord, for thy goodness.	
*The Gospel Lesson	Luke 15.1-3, 11b-32	Tambi Swiney
	One: This is the gospel of Grace. Many: Thanks be to God!	
The Sermon	“Jesus as the Lost Saw Him”	
The Ministry of Silence		
The Call to Decision		

RESPONDING

*The Hymn of Decision 587	“Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound”	NEW BRITAIN
*The Offertory Prayer		Kay Johnson
The Offertory	“Lord Jesus, Think on Me”	Robert Lau
*The Doxology and Presentation of Offerings		OLD HUNDREDTH
	Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.	
The Confession of Sin		Tambi Swiney
	“Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.” Psalm 32:1	
The Assurance of Pardon	“I Love Thee”	I LOVE THEE
	O Jesus, my Savior, with Thee I am blest, my life and salvation, my joy and my rest: Thy name be my theme, and Thy love be my song; Thy grace shall inspire both my heart and my tongue.	(No. 364 Verse 3)
The Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer		
	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. Lead us	

not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Pastoral Welcome

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

*The Hymn of Departing 281	“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”	BEECHER
*The Benediction		Steven Meriwether
The Postlude	“And When from Death I’m Free, I’ll Sing On”	Robert Lau
*The congregation may stand as able.		

The Sanctuary flowers on Sunday, March 6 are provided by the Decorations Committee.

God is calling Immanuel Baptist Church to practice the radical, compassionate discipleship taught by Jesus Christ.

—Vision Statement of Immanuel Baptist Church, adopted September 2014

The mission of Immanuel Baptist Church is to share the good news of Jesus Christ, to deepen our love for God and others, to fully engage our neighbor, and to wholeheartedly serve those on the margins of society.

—Mission Statement of Immanuel Baptist Church, adopted June 2015

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