# **IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL**

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

1 Peter 2:9



MARCH 10, 2024 8:00 AM



#### **AS WE GATHER**

We hear today of eternal life that is given to us because of God's great love for us, shown to us in perhaps the most famous Bible verse, John 3:16. This verse speaks of God's genuine love for us and the world shown in Jesus' death on the cross for us. The love of God never ends. God's love is present here and now and extends into eternal life as eternal love. May we be so encouraged by God's love to share it with others. Thanks be to God for such love!

### AS YOU WORSHIP WITH US

- Assisted Listening Devices are available from an Elder or Usher.
- If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion but would like a blessing, simply come
  forward during the distribution, cross your arms when you approach the Pastor and he
  will speak a blessing.
- Holy Communion is offered to those who have been instructed in what the Scriptures teach about Communion. We believe the Bible teaches:
  - 1) Jesus Christ is our only Lord and Savior from all sin, death, and the power of evil;
  - 2) The Risen Christ is really present in the Sacrament and that with the bread and wine we receive His Body and Blood; and
  - 3) We resolve to dedicate our lives to the service of our Lord in His Body, the Church, through worship, sacrificial giving, and thankful living.
- Non-alcoholic wine is available for those who prefer this substitute. Gluten-free
  wafers are also available. Please inform the pastor of your preference when you
  approach.

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**HOLY GOSPEL** John 3:14–21

(God so loved the world.)

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (Need prayer? Text 224-801-2902)

Pastor: Lord Jesus Christ, as we come before You with our prayers and petitions, we

thank You for Your genuine love, and we pray,

Pastor: Jesus, may our hearts be burning **People: with more fervent love for You.** 

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