

The Evangel Easter Edition

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday Sunday, April 17th @ 8:45a Praise Service
@ 11:00a Traditional Service

Healing Service Wednesday, April 20 @ 7:00p

Seder Meal Thursday, April 21 @ 6:00p

Good Friday Service Friday, April 22 @ 7:00p

The Living Last Supper, Men of Atonement @ Lutheran Church of the Atonement Saturday, April 23rd @ 6:30p

Easter Sunrise Service @ St Mark Lutheran, Sunday April 24th @ 6:00a

Easter Service with Children's Easter Program @ Emmanuel Lutheran, Sunday April 24th @ 10:30 am*

*Easter egg hunt following worship services

April REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:45AM—Praise Service
9:45am—Sunday School
11:00am—Worship Service



FROM THE PEN OF THE PASTOR



**Pastor Beverly
Interim Pastor**

Remember Easter when you were a child? It began with the Easter speech. Not only was there school work and housework and yard work, there was...THE EASTER SPEECH!! When I was a child, the Sunday School teacher gave your Easter speech to your mother. If your father was the pastor, and mine was, you were given the longest speech. You were, after all the preacher's daughter. Great things were expected. And boy, did you have to tow the line!! The pressure was always there, slight at first. You were to read the speech casually everyday in the beginning. Mother always began with diction. Theeess Stonah wasss rollylled awayyy. Then there was t h e t e m p o . The....stone....was....rolled.....away. Then there was relevant movement. The stone (hand out) was rolled (hand gliding) awy (hands folded).

Now every young lady must be

taught how to stand. If I remember correctly, the feet were poised in second (ballet) position. Your legs must be perfectly straight. The upper torso and spine were as straight as a nail. Shoulders, back and chin up.

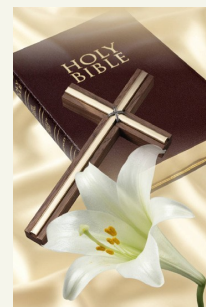
Now the hands, when not being expressive, were folded. The fingers of the left hand are cupped into the right hand. If there is extreme nervousness, these hands may be found in a clinch. There was no sweating because each hand was clothed in a clean white glove. No self-respecting preacher's wife dressed her children in nothing but the finest detail. My mother was no exception. Layers of taffeta fell over ever full crinoline slips and socks were always white with lace frill. A large and perfectly tied bow could be seen at the back of the dress at the small of the back. Shoes were patent leather Mary Janes and could be either white or black (depending on the Easter hat) which depended on the Easter dress (if it was too chilly, a cute little suit, purchased just for such a possibility, was worn). And underneath that hat were multiple "baby doll curls" produce from sections of freshly washed hair twisted in brown paper bag curlers. Now, we were ready to perform!

You know, a lot of effort went into the Easter speech and its deliverance. Why? Because it was the most special event of the year. We actually thought that it was important, so important that we not only spent weeks perfecting our speeches, but we spent hours get-

ting ready. Why, you may have to sit at the hairdresser's for hours. But it was worth it. We put on our best for the Master. He did his very best for us.

Well, it never really mattered to the church audience if you were perfect or not. There was always thunderous applause, lots of smiling and loud "awws". And after the speech, any refined young lady knew how to gather the end of each side of her dress, place the left foot behind the right foot, and dip (I mean curtsy).

I can hear it now. By now, you re feeling pretty good. Mother is smiling. Finally getting to the end of the Easter speech. Loudly and proudly proclaiming (just like my mother taught me), "HE IS RISEN!! HE IS RISEN, INDEED." Yes, He is.





Literary Lighthouse

THE THIRD MAN

Last night I dreamed I took a walk up Calvary's lonely hill,
The things I saw with my own eyes could not have been more real.
I saw upon three crosses three men in agony;

Two cried out for mercy...but the third man just looked at me.
Oh, the pain in this man's eyes broke my heart in two!

It seemed I could hear the third man say: "I'm doing this for you."
I knelt beneath the third man's cross, and slowly bowed my head,

I reached out to touch his feet, and it stained my hands with red.
And when I heard him cry in pain, I raised my eyes to see;

Blood spilled from the third man's side... and some of it spilled on me.
The third man wore a crown of thorns,
spikes held him to the tree,
I heard him cry, "My God, My God,
why hast thou forsaken me?"

And those who mocked him cried,
"King...save Thyself if thou art King!"
and then the third man died.

I heard the thunder roll, and saw the lightning pierce the sky.
Then third man was still hanging there, and I began to cry.

I heard the boulder fall, and saw the breaking of the ground.
And then I awoke, and though I dreamed;
I touched my cheek
And found my eyes were wet where I had cried.

A DREAM? I wished I knew---
I can still hear the third man say,
"I'm doing this for you."

Author Unknown



Emmanuel Lutheran Church Calendar of Events and Activities April 2011

Praise Choir Rehearsals—Wednesdays at 6:15p
Emmanuel Choir Rehearsals— Wednesdays at 7:00p



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Regular Worship schedule			6p WOE Meeting Lenten Service @ 7:00 pm			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Regular worship schedule			Lenten Service @ 7:00 pm			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Regular worship schedule Palm Sunday			Healing Service @ 7:00 pm Ser	Seder Meal @ 7:00 pm	Good Friday Service @ 7:00 pm	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Easter Sunday Service @ 10:30 am						

Congratulations to the following members and friends who are celebrating birthdays during the month of April.

- 1—Justin Robinson
- 2—Allene Hall
- 6—Ricardo El Torro, Jr.
- 6—Katherine Patten
- 19—Marianne Pieper
- 20—Wilma Jean Lewis
- 25—Debra Samuelson
- 26—Marian A. Davis

If your name or the name of a family member is not included in the April birthday list, please notify the church office.



April Worship Leaders

1st Sunday (April 3)

11:00am

Ushers: Brock Brockington, Gail Robinson

Assisting Minister: Christine Davis

Acolytes: Justin Robinson, Steven Patten

2nd Sunday (April 10)

11:00am

Ushers: Edna Nicks, Alvoyd Nicks

Assisting Minister: Nancy Hall-White

Acolytes: Udy Obot, Rufaro Moyo

3rd Sunday (April 17)

11:00am

Ushers: Glen Johnson, Brock Brockington

Assisting Minister: James McCoy

Acolytes: Baili Wise, Kara Wise

4th Sunday (April 24)

11:00am

Ushers: Cliff Baldowski, Willis Culpepper

Assisting Minister: Denise Ward

Acolytes: Brittany Southall, Nrchadille Southall

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Directions: Emmanuel is located approximately one mile inside I-285 near the I-285/Cascade Road exit on the corner of Cascade Road and Adams Drive.