

Evening Prayer for Lent 2024

Immanuel Lutheran Church Harlan, Iowa

Create in me a clean heart, O God.
And renew a right spirit within me.
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Cast me not away from your presence, O Lord.
And take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of your salvation.
And renew a right spirit within me.

You are my hiding place. You always fill my heart
with songs of deliverance whenever I am afraid.
I will trust in you. I will trust in you.
Let the weak say, "I am strong in the strength of the Lord.

Hear my cry, O God. Listen to my prayer.
From the ends of the earth I cry to you
when my heart is faint, O Lord.
Lead me to the Rock that is higher than I.
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For you have been my refuge, O Lord.

O God, you are my God, eagerly I seek you.
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My soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
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Confession and Forgiveness

Our Lord Jesus says, "If you forgive others their sins, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your sins."

**Heavenly Father,
I hereby forgive anyone who has sinned against me;
whether against my body, property, honor, or spirit;
whether accidentally or willfully, carelessly or purposely;
whether through speech, deed, or thought.
Lord, do not hold this sin against them on my account.**

Return to the Lord your God for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Let us confess to God and one another our sins which we think are small but which make us fall far short of the glory of God for which we were created.

Merciful God, we take your amazing grace for granted.

Lord, have mercy.

We use prayer as a last resort rather than a first response.

Lord, have mercy.

We fail to treasure Your Word in our hearts and obey it.

Lord, have mercy.

In moments of frustration we speak harsh words to others.

Lord, have mercy.

We lack compassion for the poor and passion for justice.

Lord, have mercy.

We share in gossip about others as if we were perfect.

Lord, have mercy.

We are addicted to things and habits that rob us of life and love for others.

Lord, have mercy.

We excuse ourselves by our intentions while judging others by their actions.

Lord, have mercy.

We have sins we are afraid to name and sins we fail to recognize.

Lord, have mercy.

Merciful God,

**I confess that I am a sinner who deserves Your judgment.
My only hope is Christ Jesus my Lord who died and was raised for
me. For his sake grant me Your gifts of forgiveness and repentance.**

*God so loved you that God gave His only Son so that you might believe
in him and not perish but have eternal life. In the grace of our Lord
Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.*

Thanks be to God.

For God so loved the world that he gave
his one and only Son
that whosoever believes in him
will not perish but have everlasting life.

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
Christ our Lord
Son of God, Son of Man
Savior of the World

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
Our Messiah
Immanuel, God with us
Redeemer of the World

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
Lamb of God
Word of God, Word made flesh
The Way, the Truth, the Life

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
Friend of sinners
Bread of Life, Good Shepherd
Light of the World

The Prayers

Each petition concludes: "Lord, in Your mercy..."

The congregation responds: "Hear our prayer."

The Lord's Prayer

The Scriptures

February 21	<i>John 12:1-11</i>
February 28	<i>John 12:20-33</i>
March 6	<i>John 13:1-17</i>
March 13	<i>John 13:31-38</i>
March 20	<i>John 14:8-14</i>

Message

February 21	<i>"Worship"</i>
February 28	<i>"The Hour Has Come"</i>
March 6	<i>"Washing Feet"</i>
March 13	<i>"The New Commandment"</i>
March 20	<i>"Powerful Promises"</i>

Evening Hymn

February 21	<i>"Abide with Me"</i>	LBW 272
February 28	<i>"All Praise to Thee, My God"</i>	LBW 278
March 6	<i>"Now the Day Is Over"</i>	LBW 280
March 13	<i>"God Who Made the Earth"</i>	LBW 281
March 20	<i>"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"</i>	WOV 731

The Lord Almighty order our days and our deeds in His peace. Amen.

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