



Immanuel United Methodist Church

Sunday, February 22, 2026

First Sunday in Lent

ENTER TO WORSHIP

Enter the Sanctuary quietly and reverently, respecting the meditation of others, and opening to the presence of God.

Prelude and Receiving the Light of Christ

(The entrance of the Light into worship represents the Light of Christ among us)

Greeting

Ministry Updates

Children's Missions Collection & Children's Time

WE PRAISE GOD

Call to Worship: Sanctuary

*Hymn: It Is Well with My Soul (vs. 1, 4)

#377

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

#881

*Gloria Patri

#70

WE CONVERSE WITH GOD

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

WE GIVE TO GOD

God's Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

#95

Anthem: Love of Jesus Medley

Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11

pew bible pg. 785

Sermon: "No Shortcuts in the Wilderness"

*Hymn: Have Thine Own Way, Lord (vs. 1, 4)

#382

SENDING FORTH

*Benediction

(The Light of Christ goes out into the world)

POSTLUDE

DEPART TO SERVE

*denotes standing as you are able

MINISTRY UPDATES



WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY!

We hope that you receive a blessing from the service and that you will join us again soon. If you are visiting, please fill out a Visitor's Card and place it in the offering plate.



OUR RECORD OF STEWARDSHIP 2/15/2026:

Sunday School Attendance: 9

Worship Service Attendance: 41

Offering Last Sunday: \$1,635.00

*needed per week: \$1,427.35

"Freely you have received, freely give."

Matthew 10:8

Thank you for your continued support to your church!

(Family Life Center Building Fund to date: \$26,235.67)



Question of the Day:

"What has the wilderness looked like in your life?"

Church Council will meet on Sunday, March 8th (corrected from March 1) at 4pm in the Choir Room. Members, please make every **Church Council effort to attend!**



Choir Practice is on Monday evenings at 6pm and we'd love you to join!

See Phyllis Lawson for info!



Choir Practice:

Coming Up Soon!

- Sun, Mar. 8: Daylight Savings Time
- Tue, Mar. 17: St. Patrick's Day ~Holy Week~
- Sun, Mar. 29: Palm Sunday
- Thur, Apr. 2: Maundy Thursday
- Fri, Apr. 3: Good Friday
- Sun, Apr. 5: Easter Sunday



We have set up a fund to assist Matthew Bullman for seminary costs. There is a program we can utilize (Dollars for Scholars) that will match our donations! If you'd like to contribute, please note "*Matthew Bullman fund*" on your check or envelope and place in the offering plate when it passes. Thank you!!

Visit us on the web at immanuelumc.com!

Immanuel UMC's mission statement:

"By God's GRACE and the

GUIDANCE of the Holy Spirit

we PURSUE Christ to become and make disciples for the transformation of the world."



~ PRAYER REQUESTS ~

Mary Alston
Ruby Bailey
Alison Bennett
Amanda Bevis
Pat Brown
Ann Burnett
David Collins
Scott & Bridget Diaz
Alan Dickson
Rhonda Egert
Monty Ennis
Kelly Everett
Joyce Ann Ford
Jase Fortenberry

Linda Fuller
Lois Gergen
Teresa Greene
Corey Gwinn
Whitey Gene Hall
Cathy Hedrick
Don Henson
Carol Hooks
Mabel Howard
Jonathan Ingram
Jeff Keeling
George Laden
Allen Lawson
Marsha Lawson

Ron Lawson
Jessica Owens
Melvin Pittman
Richard Pittman
Melinda Rittenhouse
Sammy Robison
Helen Sizemore
Staci Sizemore & Family
Jimmy Sullivan
Mrs. Sumerel
Liz Welsh
Jerry Westeman
Christy Wheeler
Sharon Wilborn



GATHER & GROW!

Tyger River Charge, please join us at Duncan UMC on Wednesday nights at 5:30pm for a free community meal and fellowship, followed at 6:15pm by small groups for children, youth, & adults!

GRACE ON THE GREENS
CONTINUES ON SATURDAY, FEB. 29TH HERE at IMMANUEL FROM 10:30am - 12:30pm.
ALL ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS FUN TIME OF COMMUNITY! NO DISCS OR EXPERIENCE REQUIRED!



We will begin our deep dive into Exodus on Tuesday, Feb. 24 at 1pm at Immanuel (we'll rotate between Duncan and Immanuel). **Exodus: Following God Forward** will be an exegetical Bible study of God's people from Egypt, through the wilderness, onto the Promised Land. We will explore how God formed His people through uncertainty, trust, and promise. Together we'll read Exodus carefully in its own world and listen for how God is still leading us, step by step, toward what will be. If you'd like to participate in this Bible study, please text 'EXODUS' to 833-258-1022 for updates and materials!

Discernment for the Future:
Our next congregational meeting will be held Sunday, March 1st at 2:30pm at the Middle Tyger Library. All are encouraged to be present to participate in these holy discussions. Please make every effort to attend as you are able!



Sunday School 10:30am
Sunday Worship Service 11:30am

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