

We believe the Bible is the Word of God and the only perfect rule for faith, doctrine, and conduct.

We believe in the necessity of the New Birth, and a continuing life in fellowship with our Living Lord, Jesus Christ.

We believe we “are blessed to be a blessing.” We seek to **BLESS** others as we: **B**egin with prayer,  
**L**isten with care,  
**E**at together,  
**S**erve with love, and  
**S**hare our story.

**Immerse:** Our Immerse Bible Reading Program begins this week. We currently have three groups meeting:

- 1) Sunday mornings at 8:30 am at church
- 2) Thursday afternoons at 2:00 pm at East Park Villa
- 3) The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month at 12:00 pm at church. (Bring your own lunch.)

You are welcome to join any of these groups. Please speak with Pastor Karl for more information.

**Prayer Vigil:** Thank you to all of you who participated in our Ash Wednesday Prayer Vigil either by coming to church to pray in the sanctuary or by praying at home. Our commitment to prayer, both as individuals and also as a congregation, is a critical part of our walk of faith with Christ Jesus. Thank you.

**March Calendar:** Next week we will distribute our March Calendar. If you have an event that needs to be included on the calendar please speak with Pastor Karl.

**Waffleman:** The Aurora High School and Middle School Bands are holding their Waffleman fundraiser today at the Middle School. Please see the poster in the narthex. And, please support the Aurora Band program.



Sunday, February 18, 2018

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First Sunday In Lent

# Welcome

## We Gather in God’s Name

Lent is the season during which we contemplate Jesus’ journey to the cross. On this First Sunday in Lent we remember Jesus’ being tempted by Satan in the desert. What are these three temptations all about? What was really at stake in this confrontation?

## We Prepare Our Hearts

- \* *“His Eye Is on the Sparrow”*
- \* Invocation and Lord’s Prayer (sins)

## We Hear God’s Word

Mark 1:9-15                               New Testament, p. 47  
 1 Peter 3:18-22                       New Testament, p. 318

(Children through grade 5 are dismissed to Sunday School)

**Message:** “Tempted as We Are, Yet without Sin”

## We Respond to God’s Grace

- \* #525: *“Wonderful Words of Life”*

Prayer  
Offering/Offertory

**Covenant Founders Day**

## We Are Sent Forth with God’s Blessing

- \* #313: *“How Majestic Is Your Name”*
- \* Blessing

\* Please stand if you are able

# Update

## Week of February 18 – 25, 2018

### Sunday, February 18, 2018

8:30 am.....Immerse Bible Reading Group  
 8:30 am.....Adult Sunday School  
 10:00 am .....Worship  
 11:00 am .....Fellowship Hour  
 11:30 am .....Executive Committee

### Monday, February 19, 2018

7:00 pm.....Worship Planning Team

Tuesday, February 20, 2018                     Covenant Founder’s Day

### Thursday, February 22, 2018

12:00 pm ..... Immerse Bible Reading Group (Brown Bag)  
 2:00 pm.....Immerse Bible Reading Group (East Park Villa)

### Sunday, February 25, 2018

8:30 am.....Immerse Bible Reading Group  
 8:30 am.....Adult Sunday School  
 10:00 am .....Worship

Nursery – Nancy Seeman

Children’s Sunday School – Marlin Seeman

Greeters – Maxine & Butch Lewin

11:00 am ..... Fellowship Hour

Pastor – Karl Larson                               Leader – Butch Lewin

Reader – Nancy Seeman

Piano – Maxine Lewin and Marsha Pawley

Sound – Steve Pawley                               Projection – Jeri Willis

Greeters – Nancy & Marlin Seeman

Nursery – Jo Gakemeier

Children’s Sunday School – Ashley Lawton