# **Immanuel Lutheran Church**

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The mission of Immanuel Lutheran Church is to preach Christ crucified and risen from the dead for the salvation of the world. We reflect God's love by spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ through a caring ministry of reaching, teaching, and serving our congregation and the community.

A Warm and Sincere Welcome! We are excited that you have chosen to join us. We invite you to join us often. If you do not have a church home, we hope you will consider making Immanuel Lutheran your church home. Please contact the church office for more information.

# + The Sacrament of Holy Communion+

As we partake of this blessed sacrament, our Lord has promised to give us His true body and blood in, with and under the bread and wine for us Christians to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins and strengthening of our faith. Those who partake, firmly believing in Christ's real presence, receive these blessings. If you are a member of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and have not communed at Immanuel before, please speak with the pastor or an elder before participating. If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod please speak with pastor before the service. Thank you.

# Easter 7 Divine Service 4

# Confession and Absolution

#### 457 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

- In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **©** who made heaven and earth.
- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B**ut with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

# Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 27:1a, 4-5, 10, 14; antiphon: v. 7

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me!

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.

For my father and my mother have forsaken me, but the LORD will take me in.

Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD! Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

# as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

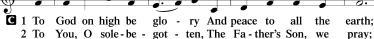




**C** Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

#### Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204



2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa-ther's Son, we pray; 3 For You a-lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing— Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.

Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—

In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

# **P** Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C Amen.

#### First Reading

Acts 1:12-26

# **Matthias Chosen to Replace Judas**

Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." (Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed

out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) "For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"Let another take his office."

So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

**Epistle** 1 John 5:9–15

If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not

believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

# **That You May Know**

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### Alleluia and Verse



# **Holy Gospel**

John 17:11b-19

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] "Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with

them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

#### Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

> And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light,

very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our

salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy

Spirit of the virgin Mary

and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life  $\pm$  of the world to come. Amen.

#### Childrens Sermon

#### 464 The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

Sermon

Offering

Prayer of the Church

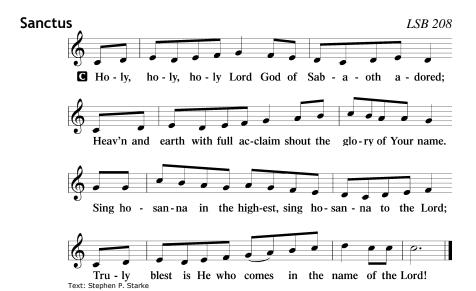
- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all the faithful gathered again in the presence of the King, that they may dwell in His house all the days of their lives and gaze upon His beauty manifested here in the Word and the Sacrament, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the ministers of the Church, that they would be sent to proclaim God's name, just as the Father sent His Son and the Son sent His apostles, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For all God's children who are hated by the world because they are not of the world, that holding fast to His sure Word, not one of them would be lost, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

- P For our president, governor, Congress, legislature and judges, that the Lord would teach them the testimony of the truth and make them wise and effective in their offices, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For all who eat and drink the Savior's body and blood, that they would receive His light and salvation, grow strong and courageous in heart, and never fail to have hope as they await His deliverance, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For all who offer these petitions, that they would be one, just as the Father and Son are one; and that they would be sanctified in the truth of God's Word, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy. Amen.

# Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 208

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **©** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- $\mathbf{P}$ It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



#### Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

Having revealed Your glory in the face of Your only-begotten Son, who suffered, died, and rose for our salvation, You have exalted Him to the highest majesty at Your right hand, that He might graciously fill all things.

Grant us faithfully to eat and drink this Holy Supper, trusting our reigning Savior Jesus, who, though unseen in His ascended glory, is here present to save by His body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

#### Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

#### The Words of Our Lord

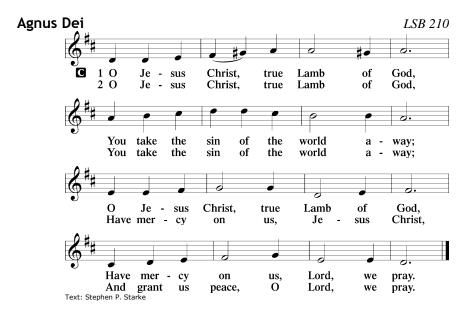
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My 

→ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

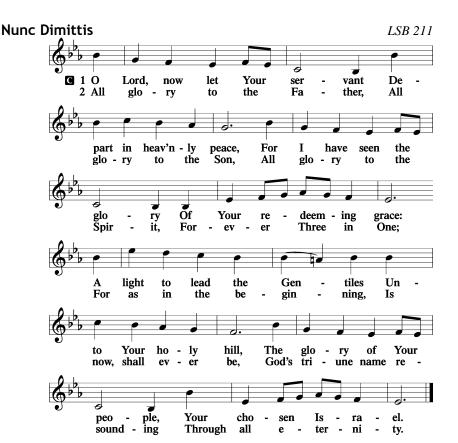
#### Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



#### Distribution

- 470 O Sons and Daughters of the King
- 461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives
- 490 Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won



#### **Post-Communion Collect**

# **A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C Amen.

Benedicamus LSB 212

- **A** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### **Benediction**

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and 

give you peace.

C Amen.

#### 465 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

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#### This Week at Immanuel

# **Sunday**

Divine Service: 9:00 a.m.

Bible Class Exodus 10:15 a.m.

Sunday School 10:15 a.m.

# **Monday**

Church Council 5:00 p.m.

# Tuesday:

# Wednesday:

Leisure Lutherans Casserole lunch 12:00

# Thursday:

Adult Bible Class Isaiah 12:00 Leisure Lutheran Card Day, 1:00 p.m.

# Friday:

# Saturday:

**Sunday School** Lesson 4 "A Resurrection Sign" Mary & Martha's brother, Lazarus, falls seriously ill. When word of his illness comes to Jesus, He delays two days, assuring His disciples the disease would not lead to death but of God's glory. Jesus arrives 4 days after Lazarus is placed in the tomb. Jesus tells Martha that He is the resurrection & the life. She confesses "I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God". Deeply moved by their grief, Jesus calls Lazarus back to life.

#### **Lutherans for Life**

The world ridicules motherhood as hindrance. It complains that children get in the way of education, career, income, gratification, and even climate. But the testimony of God is greater than the testimony of men (1 John 5:9). Real life and full life come in Christ Jesus, His Son, who shows us the joy of loving and keeping every daughter and son the Holy Father gives (John 17:11-12).

The Life Team of Immanuel is sponsoring participation in Missosuri's Largest Diaper Shower between Mother's Day and Father's Day. A "Pack N Play" will be located in the narthex during those weeks to collect diaper donations and the diapers will be delivered to Rolla's Pregnancy Resource Center after Father's Day. And once the number of donated diapers has been reported to Missouri Lutherans For Life a \$50 donation will be sent to Rolla PRC by the state LFL organization.

# LWML/Dorcas

A second Servant Workshop will be conducted in May. LWML will be tying quilts Tuesday, May 21, 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the church basement. All are welcome to join in this mission project for Lutheran World Relief and Orphan Grain Train. To God be the glory.

#### Leisure Lutherans

Casserole Lunch is scheduled for Wednesday, May 15, 12:00 noon, in the church Fellowship Hall. Chicken and noodle casserole is already on the sign-up sheet on the narthex bulletin board. Dishes such as bread, salad, and dessert may be added to the potluck. All are welcome to attend.

Card and Game Days, every Thursday at 1:00 pm, after Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome to participate.

## Thank you

A generous thankyou going out to members of Immanuel who helped bring desserts and wrote grants for our college ministry. We are very appreciative of the support for these young Women and Men.

## Members serving in the Armed Forces

Jacob Banholzer Matt Battley Marshall Dean Joe Duehning

# **Those Serving Today:**

Elder: Jim Perry

Communion Assistant: Tim Rush Organist: Berniece Strandberg Greeters Today: Sue & Jim Perry

**Ushers Today**: Team 4

Altar Guild: Carla Roedemeier & Sara McCelland

Money Counters: David Roedemeier & Aaron Wassilak

Refreshments Today: Janis Wassilak

Altar Flowers Today: Given to the Glory of God by Sarah &

Phil Thiem in celebration of Paul & Evelyn's 1<sup>st</sup> birthday.

The Fruits of Our Faith:

Attendance Sunday 5/5/2024: 145 Communion: 112

Attendance Sunday 5/5/2024: Bible Class 57 Attendance Thursday 5/2/2024: Bible Class: 21

Offering for 4/28/2024: \$11,149

# The Family Altar For Families Gathered Around God's Word The week of May 12<sup>th</sup> – May 18<sup>th</sup>

Sunday: Reflect upon the sermon

Monday: Acts 1:12-26

Tuesday: Psalm 1

Wednesday: 1 John 5:9-15

Thursday: John 17:11-19

Friday: Small Catechism – 2<sup>nd</sup> Article of the Apostle Creed

and Meaning

Saturday: Personal prayers for family and church

# **Prayers**

Judy Elsing
Jana Goddard
Dottye Wolf
Bob Chreitien
Susan Carlson
Jean & Ben McWilliams

Prayer before Communion: Dear Savior, a Your gracious invitation I come to your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament: Almighty and Everlasting God, I thank and praise you for feeding me the lifegiving body and blood of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the Holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Luther's Morning Prayer: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands, I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

**Luther's Evening Prayer**: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands, I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen