# Easter 3 April 23, 2023 Divine Service 4

# Confession and Absolution



- P In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- 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?
- But 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.
- **G** Amen.

# Service of the Word

Psalm 133; antiphon: v. 1

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!

It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron,

running down on the collar of his robes!

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!

For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

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. Amon

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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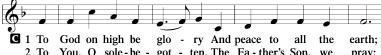




C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

#### Gloria in Excelsis

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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.
- And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### C Amen.

#### Peter's Sermon at Pentecost

Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . .

Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

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

**Epistle** 1 Peter 1:17–25

If you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for

"All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever."

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

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

#### Alleluia and Verse



## Holy Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

#### On the Road to Emmaus

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and

slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- 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 

→ of the world to come. Amen.

Children's sermon



#### Sermon

### Offering

# Prayer of the Church

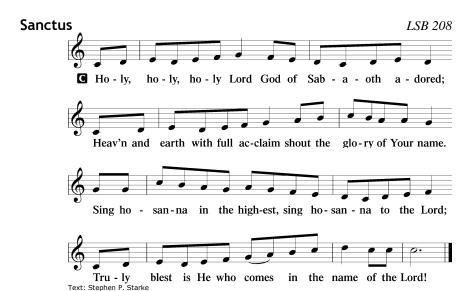
- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- That we may perceive Christ, who expounded the Scriptures and revealed Himself in the breaking of the bread; and that we may rejoice in the gifts of His salvation, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P That our piety may be renewed this Eastertide; and that we may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- That the God of all compassion, whose Spirit opens the Holy Scriptures, would enlighten this congregation [and its school] with the resurrection light that never fades, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all parents, that God would continue to pour out His Spirit upon them to catechize their children faithfully in His Word, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
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- For those who suffer and cry to God, that He would hear them and answer with grace sufficient for all their needs; and for the sick, the wounded and the dying, [especially \_\_\_\_\_,] let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

- That we would know Christ and His compassion through the breaking of the bread; and that our hearts and mouths would be opened to receive forgiveness through the body and blood of Christ, who suffered for us and has entered His glory, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- O Lord, have mercy on us when we are foolish and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken about Your Son. Pour out Your Spirit on us through the preaching of the Gospel, that the Scriptures might be opened to us; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- Amen.

# Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 208

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- 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.
- 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.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

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.

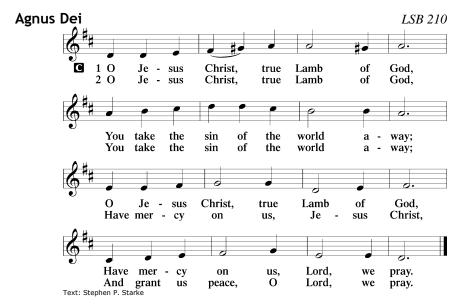
#### The Words of Our Lord

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

# 617 O Lord, We Praise Thee

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622 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared



- Though reason cannot understand,
   Yet faith this truth embraces:
   Your body, Lord, is even now
   At once in many places.
   I leave to You how this can be;
   Your Word alone suffices me;
   I trust its truth unfailing.
- 6 Lord, I believe what You have said; Help me when doubts assail me. Remember that I am but dust, And let my faith not fail me. Your supper in this vale of tears Refreshes me and stills my fears And is my priceless treasure.

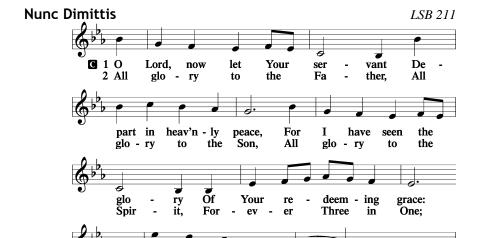
- 7 Grant that we worthily receive Your supper, Lord, our Savior, And, truly grieving for our sins, May prove by our behavior That we are thankful for Your grace And day by day may run our race, In holiness increasing.
- 8 For Your consoling supper, Lord, Be praised throughout all ages! Preserve it, for in ev'ry place The world against it rages. Grant that this sacrament may be A blessèd comfort unto me When living and when dying.

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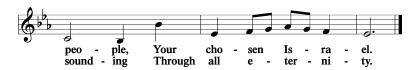


- 5 Here our true Paschal Lamb we see, Whom God so freely gave us; He died on the accursed tree— So strong His love—to save us. See, His blood now marks our door; Faith points to it; death passes o'er, And Satan cannot harm us. Alleluia!
- 6 So let us keep the festival
  To which the Lord invites us;
  Christ is Himself the joy of all,
  The sun that warms and lights us.
  Now His grace to us imparts
  Eternal sunshine to our hearts;
  The night of sin is ended.
  Alleluia!
- 7 Then let us feast this Easter Day
  On Christ, the bread of heaven;
  The Word of grace has purged away
  The old and evil leaven.
  Christ alone our souls will feed;
  He is our meat and drink indeed;
  Faith lives upon no other!
  Alleluia!

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### **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.

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.

Amen.

#### 818 In Thee Is Gladness



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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Sunday School:** At 10:15 am in the Lutheran Student Center.

**Bible Study**: 10:15 am in the Fellowship Hall. We are studying: Psalms

**Thursday Bible Study: Noon i**n the Fellowship Hall we are studying Deuteronomy.

**Tuesday LSF Bible Study: -** Every Tuesday evening at 7:00pm Bible Study for the LSF students at the Lutheran Student Center. We are currently studying the book of John.

**April Newsletters:** there are copies on the wall under the T.V. for you to take.

New sign-up Sheets for- 2023- are now the wall:

Sunday Morning Bible Class Snacks, Apr to June, 2023 College Refreshment Snack: April to May 02, 2023 Altar Guild Schedule Jan to Dec, 2023

**God and Grapes** will be this Tuesday April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at the home of Sophie Stagner. All women of Immanuel are welcomed for fellowship, fun and Bible Study.

# Lutherans For Life

Message from Mary Wittmaier, LFL Rolla Chapter President:

The resurrected and compassionate Jesus made Himself present in His loved ones' sadness (Luke 24:16-17). Our Lord is not absent but all the more active in difficulties like surprise pregnancy or terminal diagnosis. He redeems us and our sufferings to usher us into His exceeding glory (Luke 24:26). Not only do His words and ways deliver souls from death, but He also undertakes to relieve all tears from their eyes (Psalm 116:8).

# Leisure Lutherans

**Card and Game Day**, every Thursday at 1:00 pm after Bible Class. Everyone is welcome to participate

**Church kitchen cleaning day** is Monday, April 24, 10 a.m. The focus will be cleaning the appliances and refreshing the south bank of cabinets. The more volunteers participate, the more will be accomplished.

# **Library Notes**

A small German hymnal was placed on the library book shelf. We are interested to know more about it. A call to the church office or a personal conversation with Pastor Swyres with any information would be appreciated. Thank you.

**Two autobiographies written by** past and present members of Immanuel are available for check out from the credenza in the

Fellowship Hall. The book titles are "An Autobiography" by Ray Wehmeier and "Barefoot to Wings" by Albert Malone.

**Do you have a cassette player**???? Two cassette sets of the NIV New Testament are on the credenza in the Fellowship Hall and are free. One set is enhanced with music and sound effects. Enjoy!

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# **Lutheran Hour Ministries**

# **Project Connect:**

Messages from: Bill Wuenscher:

Bulletin Announcement for Sunday, April 23,

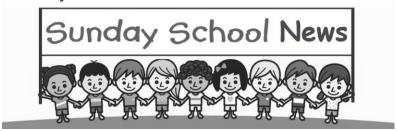
A Matter of Time (6BE60)

How to Take control of your life with an effective timemanagement technique and enjoy God's promises of enteral life.

# The Flower Chart:

For 2023 is now up on the wall. Please sign up for what Month and Day that you would like to do. Thank You.

Please let us know if you are ordering the flowers or are having someone else order them for you, or if you want us to order them. Also please let me know what you would like to have on the card. This is very important - when ordering please make sure that they have on the card who the flowers are from. Thank you



**Sunday School:** Will start at 10:15 in the lower level of the Lutheran Student Center. We'll learn about creation; man's fall into sin & that God promised to send a Savior. Lesson Summaries

Unit 5

# **GOD LEADS HIS NATIONS:**

Lesson 14:

April 23,

"The Unwise Wise King" is the title of today's lesson. Solomon gathers the supplies and artisans to begin the most important construction project of his reign --- building a house for God. Using the very finest materials and most skilled craftsmen, Solomon builds a temple so glorious that none come after it would ever compare. Later in his life, Solomon's many wives and concubines lead him away from the true God. In His anger, God vows to take the kingdom away from Solomon's descendants.