

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!
March 31, 2024
Divine Service 4

Confession and Absolution

457 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

P 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,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O
Lord, who could stand?

C **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.

C 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

Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17–18; antiphon: v. 1b

I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.

Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power, your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.

You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain, the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode, the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established.

The LORD will reign forever and ever.

**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.**

Kyrie

LSB 204



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

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
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 - shipped 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.

Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C

Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations.

He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

A

This is the Word of the Lord.

C

Thanks be to God.

The Resurrection of Christ

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

525 Crown Him with Many Crowns
(Organ Introduction)

Vs. 1 - Congregation and Choir

Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon
His throne; Hark how the heav'nly anthem
drowns All music but its own. Awake, my soul,
and sing Of Him who died for thee, And hail Him
as thy matchless King Through all eternity.

(Interlude)

Vs. 2 - All Women

Crown Him the virgin's Son The God incarnate
born, Whose arm those crimson trophies won
Which now His brow adorn: Fruit of the mystic
rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The root whence
mercy ever flows, the babe of Bethlehem.

(Interlude)

Vs. 3 - Choir

(Interlude)

Vs. 4 - All Men

Crown Him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er
the grave And rose victorious in the strife For
those He came to save. His glories now we sing,
Who died and rose on high, Who died eternal life
to bring And lives that death may die.

(Interlude)

Vs. 5 - Congregation and Choir

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n Enthroned in
worlds above, Crown Him the King to whom is
giv'n The wonderous name of Love Crown Him
with many crowns As thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him ye kings, with many crowns, For He is
king of all.

Alleluia



Holy Gospel

Mark 16:1-8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The Resurrection

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. And he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.” And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

C 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.

464 The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

Sermon

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Almighty God, You kept Your promise and delivered up Your own Son to be our Savior. By His sacrificial death, our sins are forgiven, and by His rising again, we have the hope of everlasting life. Keep us in this holy joy throughout the Easter season and all our daily lives, that we may not fear our enemies nor give in to the temptation of despair in our days of trouble. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us hold fast to the Word preached to us, that receiving it with joy we may take our stand in it and be saved by it. Hinder all who would sow doubt into our hearts, and grant us courage to confess its truth in our life and conversation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Frustrate the forces of evil, and do not let our leaders cooperate with them or further their goals. Guard our armed forces as they stand watch for us at home and abroad. Let them serve with honor and integrity. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Have mercy on the sick and those in any need [*especially* _____]. Let the dawning light of the new creation in Christ sustain them in faith. In accord with Your will, grant them renewed health — a foretaste of their eternal healing in Him. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Give us joy in Your Son's great victory feast as He shares it with us from this altar. In the eating of His true body and the drinking of His precious blood in faith, overcome our sin by His forgiveness and swallow up our death in His life, that we may be glad and rejoice in His salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P We praise Your holy name, O Lord, for all Your servants who have departed this life in faith. We pray that You will not abandon us to Sheol but that, when we awake in the resurrection of all flesh, Your presence will give us joy. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P We join today in singing eternal alleluias with innumerable angels in festal gathering, with the assembly of the firstborn enrolled in heaven and with the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and we bring these petitions before You, dear Father, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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:

Sanctus

LSB 208



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

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.

Lord's Prayer

C **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.”

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

LSB 210

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution

470 O Sons and Daughters of the King

461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives

490 Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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

P 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

Acknowledgments

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This Week at Immanuel

Sunday:

Easter Divine Service: 9:00 a.m.

Easter Breakfast Immediately following Service

Monday

Office Closed

Tuesday:

No LSF Bible Study

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Adult Bible Class Exodus 12:00

Leisure Lutheran Card Day, 1:00 p.m.

Friday:

Saturday: Lutherans For Life Annual Meeting, Faith Lutheran Church, Springfield, MO., 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Lutherans for Life

The Scriptures do not limit the sanctity of human life to a few isolated passages. Almighty God has made survival and salvation, abundant and everlasting, the point of the whole story. He intends His resurrection to encompass and affect every member of our race and every moment of our existence, from fertilization to forever. This is nothing less than the Gospel of our Lord (I Corinthians 15:1-4)!

Please consider attending the Missouri Lutherans For Life Annual Meeting, Saturday, April 6, 2024, Faith Lutheran Church, 1517 East Valley Water Mill Road, Springfield, MO., 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Please contact Mary Wittmaier to carpool.

Rolla Area Chapter Lutherans For Life chapter meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 10, 1:00 p.m., Immanuel Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall. Our speaker will be Macie Thomas, Executive Director Riverways Pregnancy and Family Resource Center, Salem. Information on constitutional amendment petitions to place abortion availability on the Missouri ballot in November will be provided

LWML/Dorcas

Mite offering collection is scheduled for Sunday, April 7. Confirmation Cards are now available for purchase in the card/RADA cabinet located at the foot of the stairs in the church basement.

A salad lunch is scheduled for Wednesday, April 17, 12:00 noon, in the church fellowship hall. Chicken salad and rolls will be provided. A sign up sheet is located on the

bulletin board in the narthex to help determine your contribution to the potluck. Join in a lunch with friends.

Members serving in the Armed Forces

Jacob Banholzer
Matt Battley

Marshall Dean
Joe Duehning

Those Serving Today

Elder: Jim Perry

Communion Assistant:

Organist: Berniece Strandberg

Greeters Today: Bill Wuenscher

Ushers Today: Team 2

Altar Guild: Jana Wassilak

Money Counters: Jean Kramme & Sue Perry

Refreshments Today: No Bible Class today

Refreshments College Students: Sue Langhoff

The Fruits of Our Faith

Attendance Sunday 3/24/2024: 116 **Communion:** 100

Attendance Sunday 3/24/2024: Bible Class 45

Attendance Thursday 3/21/2024: Bible Class 26

Offering for 3/24/2024: Not Available

Offering for Wednesday 3/20/2024: : Not Available

Easter Lilies are given to the Glory of God by

Nancy & Andy Anderson in Memory of Andys's sister
Jessie Marie.

Martha & J.D. Cox in Memory of Paul & Frieda Munger.

Susan Kolling in Memory of Kenneth Kolling.

Albert Malone in Memory of Laurabelle Malone.

Holly Statler & Dennis Meschke in Memory of Ernst
Meschke & Sue Meschke.

Sue & Jim Perry in Honor of endless blessings.

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Tim Christy & Nikki Rush in Memory of Mary Goddard
and Tim Rush.

Richard & Berniece Strandberg in Memory of Mel &
Ardy Strandberg and Edwin & Carla Kirch.

Carolyn Tilford in Memory of Carolyn's grandmother
Helen Haas Sachs.

Prayers

Judy Elsing
Jana Goddard
Dottye Wolf
Bob Chretien
Susan Carlson
Jean & Ben McWilliams
Susanne Markwell
Wendy Rush

The Family Altar

For Families Gathered Around God's Word
The week of March 30th – April 6th

Sunday: Reflect upon the sermon

Monday: Isaiah 25:6-9

Tuesday: Psalm 16

Wednesday: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Thursday: Mark 16:1-8

Friday: **Small Catechism** – John 20: 1-18

Saturday: Personal prayers for family and church

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 life-giving 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

