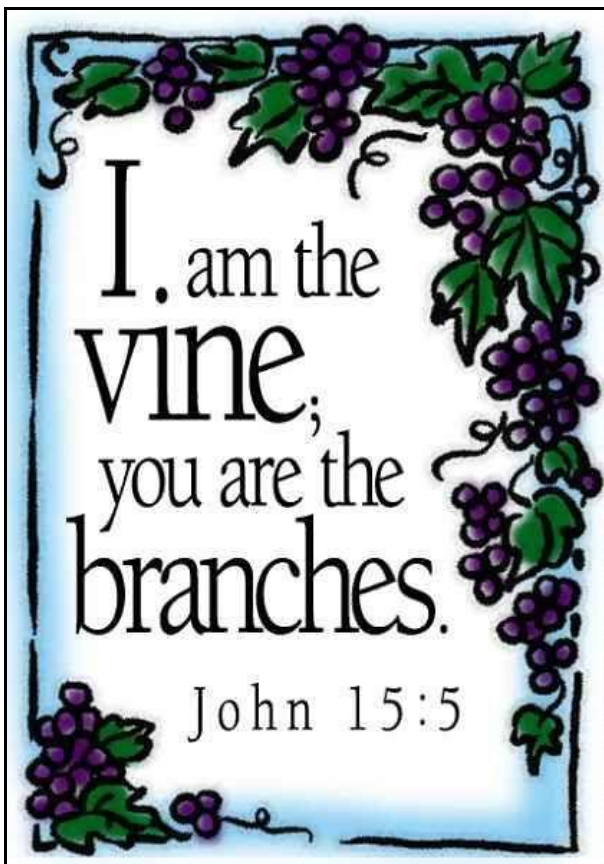


Immanuel Lutheran Church
Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod



The Divine Service I
The Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024
10:00am

3000 West Main Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49006

PRELUDE

WILL CANFIELD, PIANIST/ORGANIST

The congregation will stand for sections beginning with an asterisk.*

WELCOME TO IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

*ENTRANCE HYMN

NOW ALL THE VAULT OF HEAVEN RESOUND

LSB 465



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds In
2 E - ter - nal is the gift He brings, There -
3 O fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; Set
△ 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring And



praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed!
fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed!
heart and will on things a - bove That we con - quer
with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed!



He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and
He is liv - ing!" Now still He comes to give us
through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's
Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the Fa - ther and our



clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
life And by His pres - ence stills all
day That by our lives we tru - ly
Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"
strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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*INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

Cong: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.

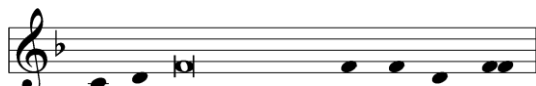
(Silence)

Cong: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: 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.

Cong: Amen.

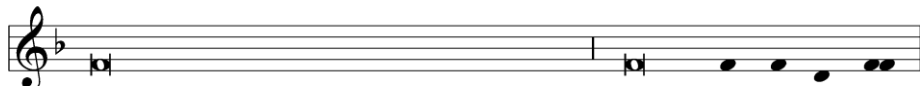
*KYRIE



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.




C Lord, have mer - cy.




A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



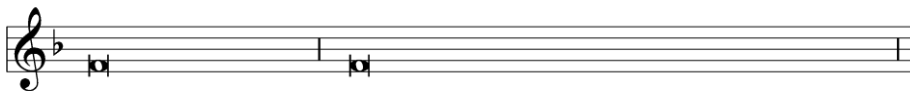
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - - men.

THIS IS THE FEAST



☐ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



- 1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
- 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
- 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
- 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
- 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

*SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong: Amen.

FIRST READING

ACTS 8:26-40 (ESV)

Lector: Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Rise and go toward the south^[a] to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” This is a desert place. And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. And the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over and join this chariot.” So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” And he said, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter
and like a lamb before its shearer is silent,
so he opens not his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.”

And the eunuch said to Philip, “About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, “See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?” And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

PSALM 150 (ESV)

Lector: Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary;

Cong: praise him in his mighty heavens!

Lector: Praise him for his mighty deeds;

Cong: praise him according to his excellent greatness!

Lector: Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

Cong: Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

Lector: Praise him with sounding cymbals;

Cong: praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

Lector: Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

Cong: Praise the LORD!

Cong: 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.

SECOND READING

1 JOHN 4:1-21 (ESV)

Lector: Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. We love because he first loved us.

If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: **Thanks be to God.**

***ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***HOLY GOSPEL**

JOHN 15:1-8 (ESV)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the fifteenth chapter.

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.

If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Cong:  Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

PASTOR DALE KLEIMOLA

“BEARING FRUIT”

JOHN 15:1-2, 8

Pastor: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Cong: Amen.

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

GOOD CHRISTIAN FRIENDS, REJOICE AND SING* **LSB475*



1 Good Chris-tian friends, re-joyce and sing! Now is the tri-umph
 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to
 3 Praise we in songs of vic-to-ry That love, that life which
 4 Your name we bless, O ris-en Lord, And sing to-day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
 strew His way; Let all the world re-joyce and say:
 can-not die, And sing with hearts up-lift-ed high:
 one ac-cord The life laid down, the life re-stored:



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

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***APOSTLES' CREED**

**Cong: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

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

Lord God, Your only Son came in the flesh to bear our sin and be
our Savior. Protect us from all false teaching and the spirit of the
Antichrist, that we may always confess Christ to be our only true
God and remain faithful to Him. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

**Lector: Heavenly Father, You have grafted us onto the vine of Your Son.
Prune us and cut off from us all sin and dead works, that we may
always draw life from Your Son and produce the fruits of faith and
good works. Lord, in Your mercy,**

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Savior of all people, in the water of Baptism You welcome sinners into Your kingdom and give them life. Grant that we would always honor and extol this gift, and let nothing prevent people from it. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Almighty God, give health and guidance to our president and all in authority, that they may serve honorably and in accord with Your good order. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Merciful God, You hear and answer Your children in their hour of need, especially those on our prayer list and those held in our hearts (*pause.*) Grant that they would bear their crosses with faith, ever looking to You, and so fix their hearts where true joy is found. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: O God, You are love, and You always reveal Your love through Your Son. Grant that all who come to Your feast of love may worthily eat of Christ's body and blood, so that whoever abides in this love forever abides in You and You in him. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Holy Father, You are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Hear and answer our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, and Your saints shall bless You; for You live and reign with the Holy Spirit, ever one God, now and forever.

Cong: Amen.

***PEACE**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Cong: And also with you.

*Please greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these or similar words: **Peace be with you.***

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

WILL CANFIELD, ORGANIST



*We ask our guests to review our understanding and practice of communion
on the back page of this worship folder.*

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

*PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

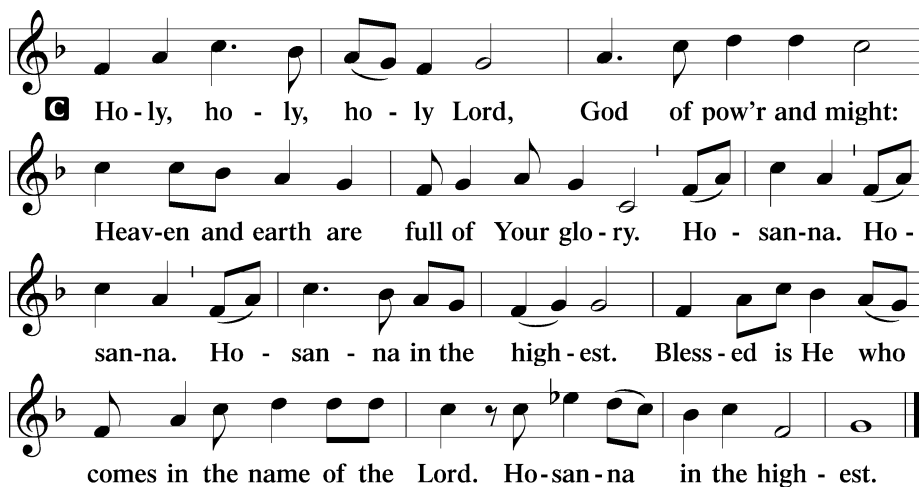
Cong: **We lift them unto the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God

Cong: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS ~ *HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong: Amen.

***THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

Pastor: 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.”

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

Cong: Amen. Come Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

***LORD'S PRAYER**

**Cong: 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.**

*PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Cong: Amen.

*AGNUS DEI

C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION

{ INTENTIONAL TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION }

COMMUNION HYMNS

CHIEF OF SINNERS THOUGH I BE

LSB 611



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His
 2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the
 3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part Balm to heal the
 4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in
 5 O my Sav - ior, help af - ford By Your Spir - it



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,
 heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,
 wound - ed heart, Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,
 all to me; All my wants to Him are known,
 and Your Word! When my way - ward heart would stray,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is
 Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty! Love that found me—
 Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to
 All my sor - rows are His own. He sus - tains the
 Keep me in the nar - row way; Grace in time of

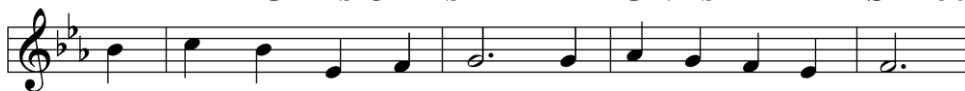


to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.
 won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.
 walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.
 hid - den life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife.
 need sup - ply While I live and when I die.

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THE GIFTS CHRIST FREELY GIVES

LSB 602



1 The gifts Christ free - ly gives He gives to you and me
2 The gifts flow from the font Where He calls us His own;
3 The gifts of grace and peace From ab - so - lu - tion flow;
4 The gifts are there each day The ho - ly Word is read;



To be His Church, His bride, His cho - sen, saved and free!
New life He gives that makes Us His and His a - lone.
The pas - tor's words are Christ's For us to trust and know.
God's chil - dren lis - ten, hear, Re - ceive, and they are fed.



Saints blest with these rich gifts Are chil - dren who pro - claim
Here He for - gives our sins With wa - ter and His Word;
For - give - ness that we need Is grant - ed to us there;
Christ fills them with Him - self, Blest words that give them life,



That they were won by Christ And cling to His strong name.
The tri - une God Him - self Gives pow'r to call Him Lord.
The Lord of mer - cy sends Us forth in His blest care.
Re - stor - ing and re - fresh - ing Them for this world's strife.

5 The gifts are in the feast,
Gifts far more than we see;
Beneath the bread and wine
Is food from Calvary.
The body and the blood
Remove our ev'ry sin;
We leave His presence in
His peace, renewed again.

6 All glory to the One
Who lavishes such love;
The triune God in love
Assures our life above.
His means of grace for us
Are gifts He loves to give;
All thanks and praise for His
Great love by which we live!

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IF CHRIST HAD NOT BEEN RAISED FROM DEATH* **LSB 486*



1 If Christ had not been raised from death Our faith would be in vain,
2 If Christ still lay with - in the tomb Then death would be the end,
3 If Christ had not been tru - ly raised His Church would live a lie;



Our preach - ing but a waste of breath, Our sin and guilt re - main.
And we should face our fi - nal doom With nei - ther guide nor friend.
His name should nev - er - more be praised, His words de - serve to die.



But now the Lord is ris'n in - deed; He rules in earth and heav'n:
But now the Sav - ior is raised up, So when a Chris - tian dies
But now our great Re - deem - er lives; Through Him we are re - stored;



His Gos - pel meets a world of need— In Christ we are for - giv'n.
We mourn, yet look to God in hope— In Christ the saints a - rise!
His Word en - dures, His Church re - vives In Christ, our ris - en Lord.

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***POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

Pastor: 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.

Cong: Amen.

***POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE** *THANK THE LORD*



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

***BENEDICTION**

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

Cong: **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

This Sunday's image of how the risen Christ shares his life with us is the image of the vine. Christ the vine and we the branches are alive in each other, in the mystery of mutual abiding described in the gospel and the first letter of John. Baptism makes us a part of Christ's living and life-giving self and makes us alive with Christ's life. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his table. We are sent out to bear fruit for the life of the world.

To Note: *The call committee has received a packet of information from our Michigan District office on potential pastors for Immanuel. We will have two copies of the packet available to members to examine while on the church premises. In order to preserve confidentiality, the packets are required to stay on our premises and will not be allowed to be removed from the building. They will be held in the church office and Ailene will be available on **Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 12:15-4:15p.m** to check them out for your viewing.*



ILLNESS/SPECIAL NEED:

Mark Westphal has been unable to keep ions (via electrolytes) in his body and has become very faint. He will no longer be receiving nutrition in his feeding tube, but will continue to be kept hydrated and comfortable until such time that he passes, which now is expected to be any day. Please keep his immediate and extended family members in your prayers. The family thanks you!

GRIEF: Larry Baumgart's mother, **Florence Baumgart**, passed away on April 21st.

Ewart J. "EJ" Hart, Jr., beloved jeweler, soccer enthusiast and friend to all, passed away on April 10, 2024. The Plainwell community and many others mourn him deeply.

Marian Brugh's sister-in-law, Mardell Miller, passed away on April 12, 2024 from congestive heart failure.

THANKSGIVING:

HOMEBOUND: Marian Brugh, Marlys Olson, Ellen Plano, Jan Wilson, Beverly Fisher, John Curtiss, Vince Marshall, & Jerome Dirst

IMMANUEL PRAYER LIST

LONG TERM CONCERNS

Rose Maxum , requested by Chuck and Amber Townsend	Susan & Gregory Fritz , Stephanie Beck's parents
Amy Stillwell , sister of Dave Reynolds	Charles and Carol Quandt , Christa Perri's parents
Beverly Fisher , Susan Wagner's mother	Lucille and Lawrence Fritz , requested by Jonathan Fritz
Bob Perri , brother of Phil Perri	Craig Rennhack , requested by Bob & Maryalice Reck
John Blasko , requested by Elizabeth Blasko	Mindy Mitchell , sister of Shelly Reynolds
Kyle Reinbold Family , requested by Kyle's sister, Sonya DeVary	James Leo Brown , requested by Shelly and Dave Reynolds
Karen McDougall , requested by Sue Steuer	Jim Sabo , friend of Susan Steuer
Katie VerKow , former member of Immanuel, requested by Phil Roekle	Kim M., Emilie H., Sydney B., all friends of Kim Sharp
Vicki Dilley , requested by Christa & Phil Perri	Suzie Brink , Christie Sidwell's mother and Bill Brink , her brother
Joanne Cleason , Esther Cleason's daughter	Melissa , friend of Dotty Smith and daughter Laura
Marie Winberg , godmother of Bill Bennett	Hannah Bayer , 4 y.o., requested by her father
Lisa and David Wentzel , Sue Steuer's cousins	Jerry and Sandi McKenzie , friends of Dotty Smith
Ware Washam , requested by Brian Long	Sandy Hale , requested by Stephen Presdorf
Caroline Barkow	Jeri Noneman
Mark Westphal	Jason , son-in-law of Sue & Craig Anderson
Gene Jennings	John Hecht's mother, Kay Hecht
Loren Gerber , Sue Anderson's father	Cherri Mitchell , friend of Ted & Rita Clarke
Alice Schley , Jane Schley's granddaughter	Charlie Miller , Marian Brugh's brother
Toni —Jane Schley's cousin	Fran Rodammer , former ILC member
Sharon S. , requested by Dotty Smith	Karen Petersen , daughter of Cathy & Tom Mollet
Ruth Krueger	Jason Nichols , requested by Justin Beck
Deb , friend of Sue Steuer	Marilyn Borgeson , Annie Hecht's grandmother
All Crossroads Prison Ministry students from all congregations around the country.	
Immanuel members: Gail Stewart, Dolly Bryan, Cathy Mollet, Shelly Reynolds, Tina Lauer, Vince Marshall, Jerome Dirst & John Miller	

CHURCH CALENDAR

MAY'S MISSION: *KALAMAZOO GOSPEL MINISTRIES*

SUNDAY	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<p>28 9:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL</p> <p>10:00AM COMMUNION SERVICE @ ILC & ONLINE (REV. DALE KLEIMOLA)</p> <p>11:30AM CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE</p>	29	<p>30</p> <p>7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ ILC</p>	<p>MAY 1</p> <p>6:30PM CHOIR REHEARSAL</p>	2	3	4
<p>5 9:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL</p> <p>10:00AM COMMUNION SERVICE @ ILC & ONLINE</p> <p>11:30AM CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE</p>	6	<p>7</p> <p>5:30PM MARY/MARTHA</p> <p>7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ ILC</p>	<p>8</p> <p>6:30PM CHOIR REHEARSAL</p>	9	10	11
<p>12 9:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL</p> <p>10:00AM COMMUNION SERVICE @ ILC & ONLINE (REV. MARK COUCH)</p> <p>11:30AM CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE</p>	13	<p>14</p> <p>6:30AM MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST</p> <p>7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ ILC</p>	<p>15</p> <p>6:30PM CHOIR REHEARSAL</p>	16	17	18
<p>19 9:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL</p> <p>10:00AM COMMUNION SERVICE @ ILC & ONLINE</p> <p>11:30AM CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE</p>	20	<p>21</p> <p>7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ ILC</p>	<p>22</p> <p>6:30PM CHOIR REHEARSAL</p>	23	24	25

Worship Assistants/Serving Schedule

	Acolyte	Altar	Usher	Lector	Worship Assistant	Coffee Hour
Sunday 4/28/2024	Genevieve Miller & Adelaide Jefferies	Sally Crawford	John Hecht	John Krueger	Bill Stewart & Ron Swinehart	Sue & John Wagner
Sunday 5/5/2024	Maddie Hernandez & Elijah Lawrence	Patti Wills	Phil Roekle	Mark Miller	Mark Miller & Andrew Lustila	AnnMarie & Philip Miller
Sunday 5/12/2024	Cailyn Hecht & Norah Lawrence	Patti Wills	John Wagner	Ninah Miller	Denny Patzer & John Quardokus	Maryalice Reck
Sunday 5/19/2024	Linus Mandrick & Rory Beck	Kim Sharp	Ron Swinehart	John Quardokus	Phil Roekle & John Wagner	Beth Mitchell
Sunday 5/26/2024	Eliora Beck & Caviion Beck	Jane Schley	John Hecht	Dave Mandrick	Larry Baumgart & Craig Anderson	Rita Clarke
Sunday 6/2/2024	Genevieve Miller & Adelaide Jefferies	Vivian Westphal	Phil Roekle	John Hecht	Bill Stewart & Ron Swinehart	Amber & Chuck Townsend
Sunday 6/9/2024	Maddie Hernandez & Elijah Lawrence	Patti Wills	John Wagner	Andrew Lustila	Mark Miller & Andrew Lustila	Shelly Reynolds
Sunday 6/16/2024	Cailyn Hecht & Norah Lawrence	Rita Clarke	Ron Swinehart	John Krueger	Denny Patzer & John Quardokus	Maryalice Reck
Sunday 6/23/2024	Linus Mandrick & Rory Beck	Patti Wills	John Hecht	Mark Miller	Phil Roekle & John Wagner	Helen & Phil Roekle— Coffee Dotty Smith— Snacks
Sunday 6/30/2024	Eliora Beck & Caviion Beck	Jane Schley	Phil Roekle	Ninah Miller	Larry Baumgart & Craig Anderson	Jane S— Coffee Melanie B-- Snacks



Immanuel Tea Party



Mothers, daughters,
granddaughters, and
friends (including those outside Immanuel):

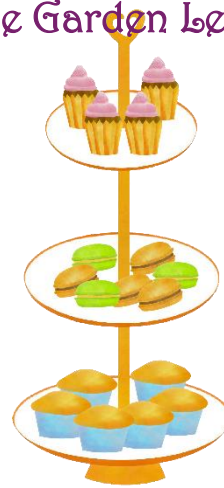


Join us for a fun-filled afternoon tea on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 2:00 in the afternoon on the Garden Level!

We will be featuring a selection of teas, sweets and savorys to tantalize the taste buds.

Sign up in the narthex!

Hope you can join us!



Sponsored by the Mary Martha Guild
Our mission is to be of assistance to our members with any spiritual, social or and/or charitable needs. We'd love your input.



THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Our Belief and Practice

Our congregation believes that Holy Communion is a gift of Christ to His Church. Out of loving concern for the communicants and our understanding of the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions, we request that those who commune here:

1. Be Baptized Christians.
2. Are mature enough to examine themselves, recognizing their sin and their need for God's grace. (*1 Corinthians 11:28*)
3. Believe that in Holy Communion they receive Christ's body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine for the gracious remission of their sins. (*Matthew 26:26-28*)
3. Do so without giving offense to others. (i.e., Willing to forgive and be reconciled) (*Matthew 18:15-17*)

Guests of the congregation, who are instructed in Luther's Small Catechism, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. All others are asked to speak with Pastor Sidwell regarding the sacrament. Non-communing children may join their parents. Communicants may choose from the Common Cup or individual cups. Individuals with concerns should make an appointment with Pastor Sidwell to discuss appropriate alternatives.

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