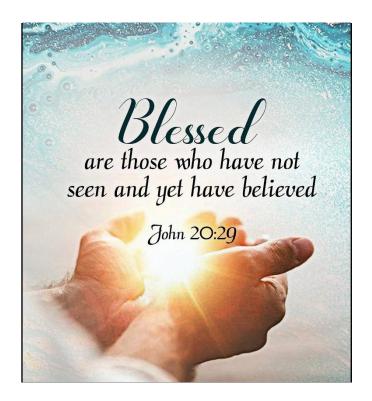
Immanuel Lutheran Church

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The Divine Service I The Second Sunday of Easter

April 7, 2024 10:00am

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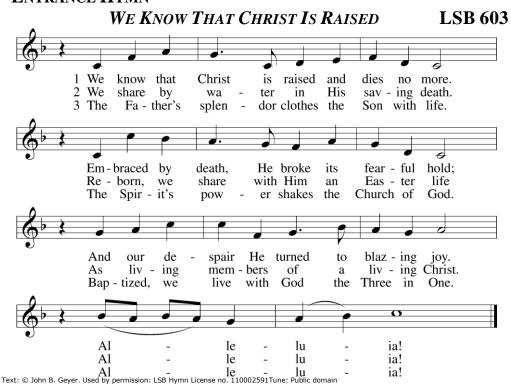
PRELUDE

WILL CANFIELD, PIANIST/ORGANIST

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

WELCOME TO IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH!

*ENTRANCE HYMN



*INVOCATION

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

Cong: Amen.

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

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:

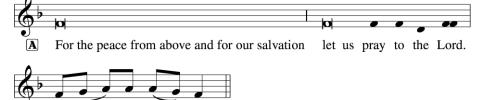
Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

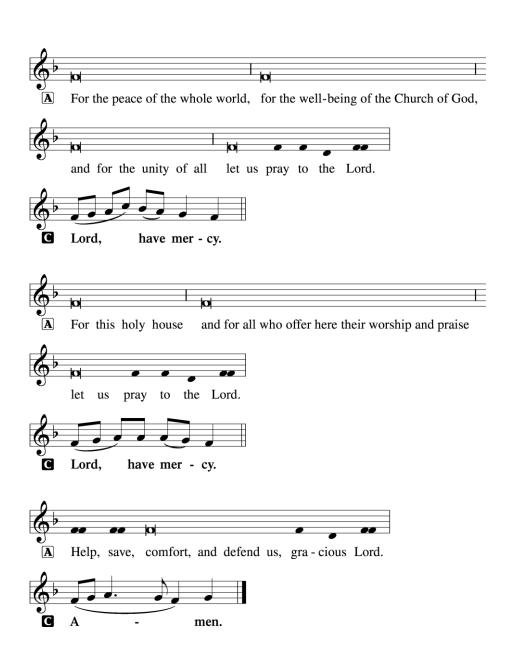
Cong: Amen.

Lord,

have mer - cy.







THIS IS THE FEAST



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.

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now

and forever.

Cong: Amen.

FIRST READING

ACTS 4:32-35 (ESV)

Lector:

Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Lector: Praise the LORD!

Cong: Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

Lector: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!

Cong: Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars!

Lector: Praise him, you highest heavens,

Cong: and you waters above the heavens!

Lector: Let them praise the name of the LORD!

Cong: For he commanded and they were created.

Lector: And he established them forever and ever;

Cong: he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

Lector: Praise the LORD from the earth,

Cong: you great sea creatures and all deeps,

Lector: fire and hail, snow and mist,

Cong: stormy wind fulfilling his word!

Lector: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

Cong: Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds!

Lector: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the

earth!

Cong: Young men and maidens together, old men and children!

Lector: Let them praise the name of the LORD,

Cong: for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and

heaven.

Lector: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints,

Cong: for the people of Israel who are near to him. 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 1:1-2:2 (ESV)

Lector:

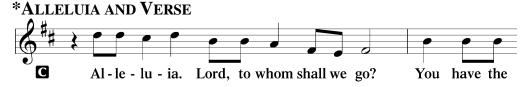
That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

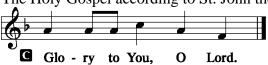




*HOLY GOSPEL

JOHN 20:19-31 (TLB)

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



That evening the disciples were meeting behind locked doors, in fear of the Jewish leaders, when suddenly Jesus was standing there among them! After greeting them, he showed them his hands and side. And how wonderful was their joy as they saw their Lord!

He spoke to them again and said, "As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." Then he breathed on them and told them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, they are forgiven. If you refuse to forgive them, they are unforgiven."

One of the disciples, Thomas, "The Twin," was not there at the time with the others. When they kept telling him, "We have seen the Lord," he replied, "I won't believe it unless I see the nail wounds in his hands—and put my fingers into them—and place my hand into his side."

Eight days later the disciples were together again, and this time Thomas was with them. The doors were locked; but suddenly, as before, Jesus was standing among them and greeting them.

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger into my hands. Put your hand into my side. Don't be faithless any longer. Believe!"

"My Lord and my God!" Thomas said.

Then Jesus told him, "You believe because you have seen me. But blessed are those who haven't seen me and believe anyway." Jesus' disciples saw him do many other miracles besides the ones told about in this book, but these are recorded so that you will believe that he is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that believing in him you will have life.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON

Cong:

"PEACE AND FORGIVENESS" JOHN 20:19-23

PASTOR DALE KLEIMOLA

Pastor: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts

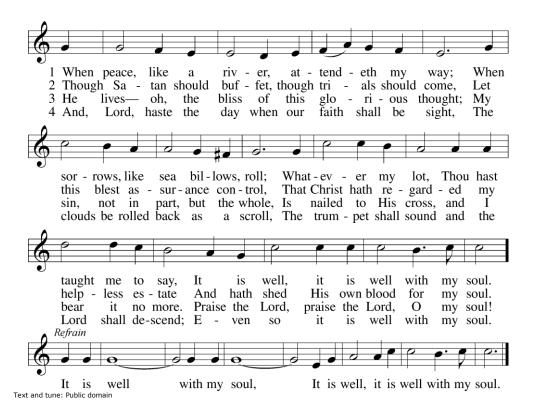
and minds in Christ Jesus.

Cong: Amen.

*HYMN OF THE DAY

WHEN PEACE LIKE A RIVER

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*NICENE CREED

Cong: 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, the 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 T of the world to come. 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.

Heavenly Father, Your Son is the firstborn from the dead. In Him, we have been reborn into a new and living hope. Nurture us with the pure milk of Your Word, that we may grow to maturity of faith and have everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Grant to those ordained for Your service the gift of the Spirit, wisdom that comes down from above, and grace to faithfully fulfill their holy calling where You have placed them. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: As Your people are united in the common life and love of our Savior, grant that we would share that life and love with those in need. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Build up the households of Your people, that Your holy children, begotten in Baptism, may grow in Your grace and share together in Your forgiveness and life. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: You have instituted authorities to carry out Your justice. Bless all

who make, administer and judge the laws of our land. Give them wisdom, integrity and honor to serve according to Your good will.

Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: As Your Son's wounds brought gladness and peace to the troubled

disciples, give Your presence and comfort to the troubled in our midst, especially those on our prayer list and those held in our hearts (pause.) Comfort also those who with the blessed joy of Easter

morning. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Father of the risen Christ, You give us the crucified and risen body

and blood of our Lord in this Holy Supper. Let us taste that the Lord is good and continually grow up unto salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You that out of Your

indescribable grace, for the sake of Your Son, You have given us the Holy Gospel and instituted the blessed Sacraments, that through them we may have comfort and the forgiveness of sin. Grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we may heartily believe Your Word, and through the Holy Sacraments establish our faith day by day, until at last we obtain eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, 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

SPRING PRAYER

IMMANUEL CHOIR



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.

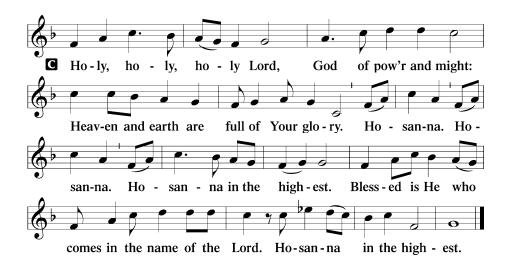
Cong: We lift them unto the Lord.

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



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 T 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 T 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:

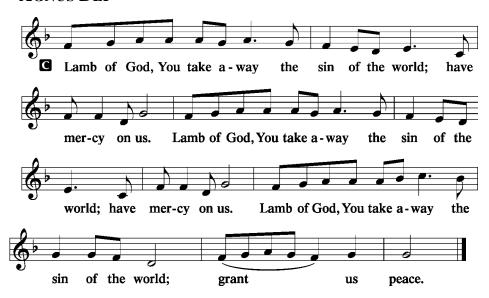
Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the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

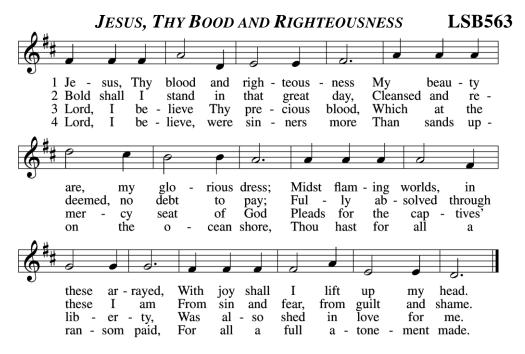


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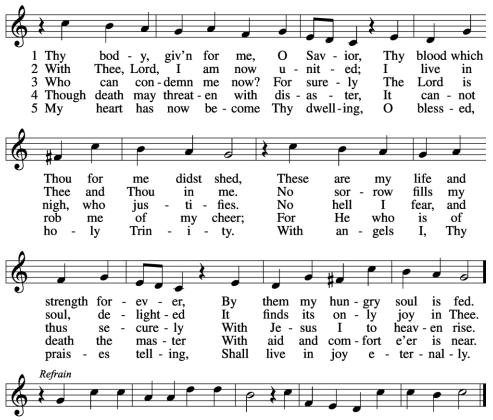
{Intentional time of quiet meditation}

COMMUNION HYMNS



- 5 When from the dust of death I rise To claim my mansion in the skies, This then shall be my only plea:
 Jesus hath lived and died for me.
 - 6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee, Whose boundless mercy hath for me, For me, and all Thy hands have made, An everlasting ransom paid.

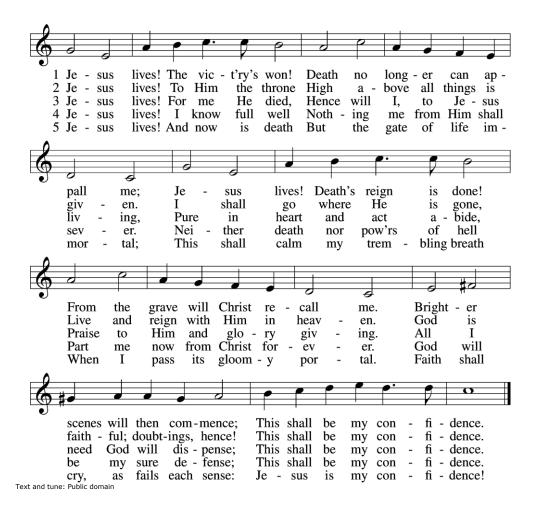
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Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high-est good!

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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 - joice and proud-ly bear His name.





*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

The Easter season is a week of weeks, seven Sundays when we play in the mystery of Christ's presence, mostly through the glorious Gospel of John. Today we gather with the disciples on the first Easter, and Jesus breathes the Spirit on us. With Thomas we ask for a sign, and Jesus offers us his wounded self in the broken bread. From frightened individuals we are transformed into a community of open doors, peace, forgiveness, and material sharing such that no one among us is in need.

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 12:00-4:00p.m to check them out for your viewing.



ILLNESS/SPECIAL NEED:

Annie Hecht's grandmother, **Marilyn Borgeson**, suffered a stroke last week. She is confused and not herself.

Ailene Buchtrup's sister, **Liz "Cookie" Hendrixson**, is on life-support and struggling to stay alive at the U of M Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Mardell Miller, Marian Brugh's sister-in-law, is hospitalized with congestive heart failure. We pray for healing for Mardell and for physical comfort and strength for her husband, Charlie.

Mark Westphal has been receiving medical treatment for his cancer and various other related difficulties he's been experiencing. If the medical staff in Green Bay, WI are unable to provide effective treatment for Mark's related symptoms, he may need to go back to Houston for further treatment.

GRIEF:

<u>THANKSGIVING</u>: Esther Cleason and daughter, Joanne, would like to thank everyone for the many prayers, cards, and the abundance of food they received over the past few weeks. It has truly been a blessing to have such a wonderful church family.

<u>HOMEBOUND:</u> 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	Susan & Gregory Fritz, Stephanie Beck's parents				
Amber Townsend					
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	James Leo Brown, requested by Shelly and Dave				
sister, Sonya DeVary	Reynolds				
Karen McDougall, requested by Sue Steuer	Jim Sabo, friend of Susan Steuer				
Katie VerKow, former member of	Kim M., Emilie H., Sydney B., all friends of Kim				
Immanuel, requested by Phil Roekle	Sharp				
Vicki Dilley, requested by Christa & Phil	Suzie Brink, Christie Sidwell's mother and Bill				
Perri	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	Jerry and Sandi McKenzie, friends of Dotty				
cousins	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				
Liz "Cookie" Hendrixson, Ailene's	Mardell Miller, Marian Brugh's sister-in-law				
Buchtrup's sister					
All Crossroads Prison Ministry students fro					
Immanuel members: Gail Stewart, Dolly Bryan, Cathy Mollet, Shelly Reynolds, Tina Lauer,					
Vince Marshall, Jerome Dirst & John Miller					

CHURCH CALENDAR

APRIL'S MISSION: ALTERNATIVES OF KALAMAZOO & THE EDISON INITIATIVE

SUNDAY	Mon	TUES	WED	Thurs	Fri	SAT
7 9:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00AM COMMUNION SERVICE @ ILC & ONLINE (REV. KLEIMOLA) 11:30AM CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE	8	9 6:30AM MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST 7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ ILC	10 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	11	12	13
14 9:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00AM COMMUNION SERVICE @ ILC & ONLINE (REV. PHIL QUARDOKUS) 11:30AM CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE	15	7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ ILC	17 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	18	19	20
21 9:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00AM COMMUNION SERVICE @ ILC & ONLINE (REV. MARK COUCH) 11:30AM CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE	22	7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ ILC	6:30PM CHOIR REHEARSAL	25	26	27

	Acolyte	Altar	Usher	Lector	Worship Assistant	Coffee Hour
Sunday 4/7/2024	Cailyn Hecht & Norah Lawrence	Jane Schley	Phil Roekle	Dave Mandrick	Denny Patzer & John Quardokus	Helen & Phi Roekle (coffee) Dotty S. (snacks)
Sunday 4/14/2024	Linus Mandrick & Rory Beck	Patti Wills	John Wagner	John Hecht	Phil Roekle & John Wagner	Jane S.— (coffee) Melanie B (snacks)
Sunday 4/21/2024	Eliora Beck & Caviion Beck	Vivian Westphal	Ron Swinehart	Andrew Lustila	Larry Baumgart & Craig Anderson	Shelly Reynolds
Sunday 4/28/2024	Genevieve Miller & Adelaide Jefferies	Sally Crawford	John Hecht	John Krueger	Bill Stewart & Ron Swinehart	Maryalice Reck
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	Sue & John Wagner
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



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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