MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE APRIL 1, 2021 IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH Missouri Synod



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*Sunday* Worship Service 9:00 AM

Adult Bible Class Sunday School 10:30 am

Holy Communion: 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday

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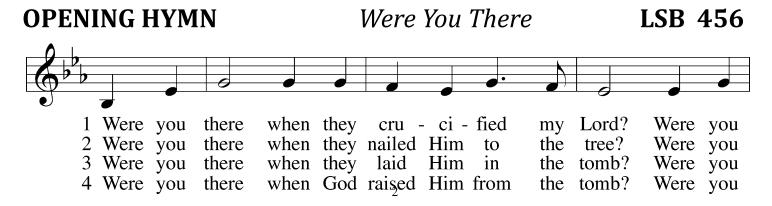
## **WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors here today. It is our hope that you will benefit by your worship here with us, and that you will return again soon. We would greatly appreciate it if everyone would fill out an Attendance/Communion card so that we can keep track of our attendance. They are located in the pew racks in front of you.

**AS WE GATHER** The quarantine (literally, forty days) of Lent, a time of repentance, began on Ash Wednesday with an extended prayer and confession of sins, and with this reminder: "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." The forty days (not including Sundays, which are considered "little Easters") come to their conclusion now in the three holy days, or Triduum, of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Therefore these days center around the only sacrifice that gives us absolution, the forgiveness we so desire: the body and blood of the Lord's Supper that proclaim the glorious substitutionary suffering and death of our Lord on the cross and interment in the tomb. Only in this way can a person know and believe what there is to be so happy about on Easter Sunday!

PRELUDE

(A Quiet Time for Prayer and Meditation)



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## INVOCATION

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(We take a moment of silence to reflect on our sin and our need for the Savior.)

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C 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.

- 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. (John 20:19-23)
- C Amen.

## + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

## **INTROIT** *Psalm 116:12-13, 15-17; Antiphon, Psalm 116:13*

- P I will take up the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord.
- C What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits toward me?
- P I will take up the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord.
- C Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.
- P O Lord, truly I am Your servant; I am Your servant, the son of Your maidservant; You have loosed my bonds.
- C I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the Lord.

P I will take up the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord.

Exodus 24:3–11

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## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

3 So Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord and all the judgments. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words which the Lord has said we will do." 4 And Moses wrote all the words of the Lord. And he rose early in the morning, and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars according to the twelve tribes of Israel. 5 Then he sent young men of the children of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the Lord. 6 And Moses took half the blood and put it in basins, and half the blood he sprinkled on the altar. 7 Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the Lord has said we will do, and be obedient." 8 And Moses took the blood, sprinkled it on the people, and said, "This is the blood of the covenant which the Lord has made with you according to all these words." 9 Then Moses went up, also Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, 10 and they saw the God of Israel. And there was under His feet as it were a paved work of sapphire stone, and it was like the very heavens in its clarity. 11 But on the nobles of the children of Israel He did not lay His hand. So they saw God, and they ate and drank.

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

**PSALM** Psalm 116:12–19; antiphon: v. 17

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- C What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits toward me?
- P I will take up the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord.
- C I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people.
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- C O Lord, truly I am Your servant; I am Your servant, the son of Your maidservant; You have loosed my bonds.
- P I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the Lord.
- C I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
- P In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!
- P I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the Lord.

# **EPISTLE** *1 Corinthians 10:16–17*

16 The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? 17 For we, though many, are one bread and one body; for we all partake of that one bread.

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

## HOLY GOSPEL Mark 14:12–26

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

## C Glory to You, O Lord.

12 Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they killed the Passover lamb, His disciples said to Him, "Where do You want us to go and prepare, that You may eat the Passover?" 13 And He sent out two of His disciples and said to them, "Go into the city, and a man will meet you carrying a pitcher of water; follow him. 14 Wherever he goes in, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is the guest room in which I may eat the Passover with My disciples?" '15 Then he will show you a large upper room, furnished and prepared; there make ready for us." 16 So His disciples went out, and came into the city, and found it just as He had said to them; and they prepared the Passover. 17 In the evening He came with the twelve. 18 Now as they sat and ate, Jesus said, "Assuredly, I say to you, one of you who eats with Me will betray Me." 19 And they began to be sorrowful, and to say to Him one by one, "Is it I?" And another said, "Is it I?" 20 He answered and said to them, "It is one of the twelve, who dips with Me in the dish. 21 The Son of Man indeed goes just as it is written of Him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been good for that man if he had never been born."

22 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them and said, "Take, eat; this is My body."

23 Then He took the cup, and when He had given thanks He

gave it to them, and they all drank from it. 24 And He said to them, "This is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many. 25 Assuredly, I say to you, I will no longer drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

26 And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

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

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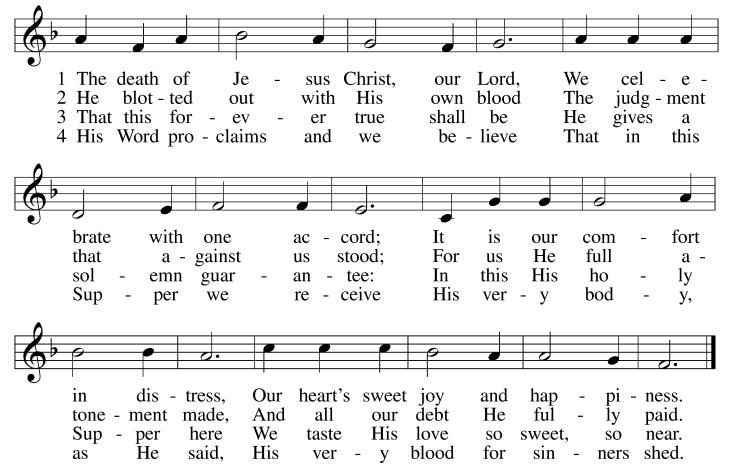
C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

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.

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HYMN OF THE DAY The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord LSB 634



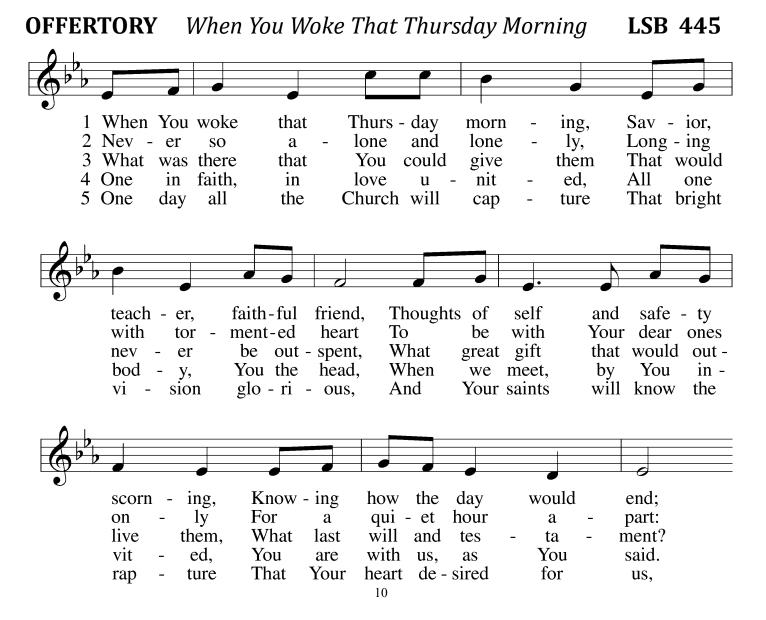
- 5 We dare not ask how this can be, But simply hold the mystery And trust this word where life begins: "Given and shed for all your sins."
- 6 They who this word do not believe This food unworthily receive, Salvation here will never find— May we this warning keep in mind!

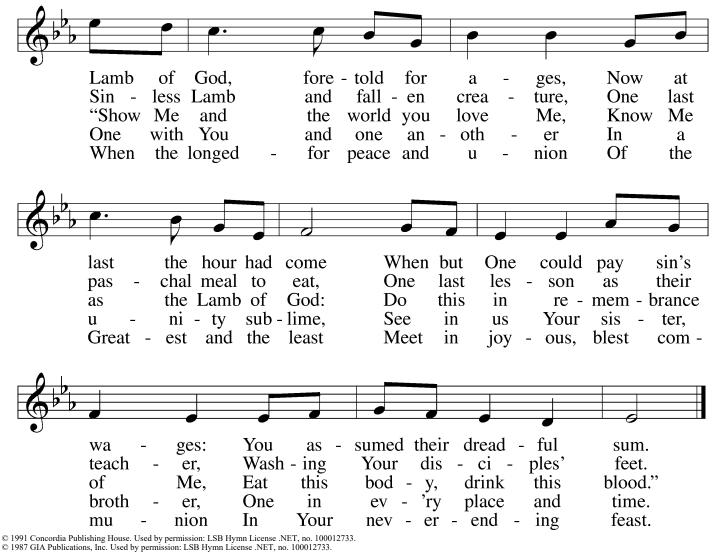
- But blest is each believing guest
  Who in these promises finds rest;
  For Jesus shall in love remain
  With all who here His grace obtain.
- 8 Help us sincerely to believe
  That we may worthily receive
  Your Supper and in You find rest.
  Amen! They who believe are blest.

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# **SERMON** *"Were you there when...they ate that final meal?"* (Mark 14:12-26)

**OFFERING** (Please place your offering in the offering plate as you leave)





## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Ρ Lord God, our heavenly Father, we offer to You our common supplications for the wellbeing of Your Holy Church throughout the world and for this congregation gathered in Your name. Guide and govern Your Church by Your Holy Spirit that all who profess themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth and hold the truth in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. As Your Son, our Lord Jesus, commanded us, enable us to love one another in sincerity and truth. Be merciful to all who are in authority over us. Supply them with Your blessing that they may be inclined to Your will and walk according to Your commandments.

Preserve all who travel, satisfy the wants of Your creatures, and help those who call upon You in any need that they may have patience in the midst of suffering and, according to Your will, be released from their afflictions.

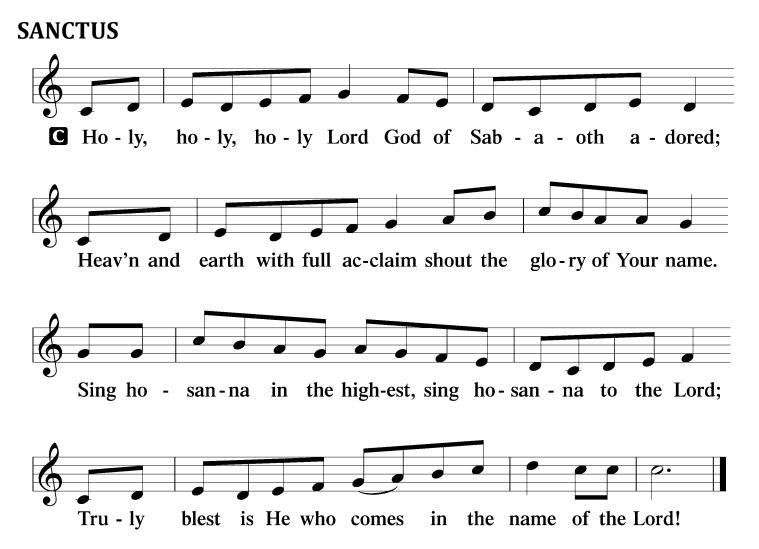
We praise You for the abundant mercy that You so richly have provided us, blessing us not only with daily bread for our bodies but also with heavenly food for our souls. Grant that Your living and powerful Word abide in our hearts. Let Your holy angels be with us that the evil foe may have no power over us. Deliver and preserve us in the saving faith, and grant Your blessing upon us all; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

#### + SACRAMENT +

#### PREFACE

- 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, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. 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 the universe, 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. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many. As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Amen.

#### 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

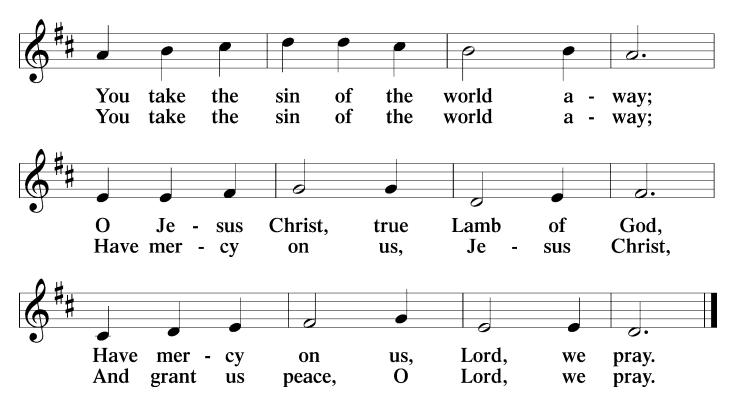
- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when 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.

## **AGNUS DEI**





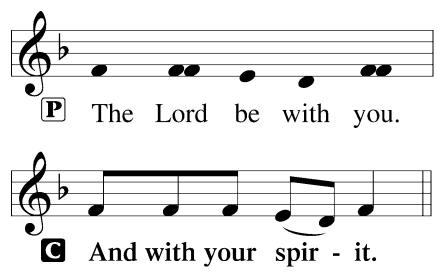
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## **COLLECTS**



#### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

- P Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### **COLLECT FOR PEACE**

P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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## COVERING OF THE ALTAR WITH A BLACK VEIL OF HUMILIATION

In preparation for Good Friday, the alter is covered with a black veil, symbolizing Jesus' great suffering , humiliation, and death. Psalm 22 may be spoken by congregation.

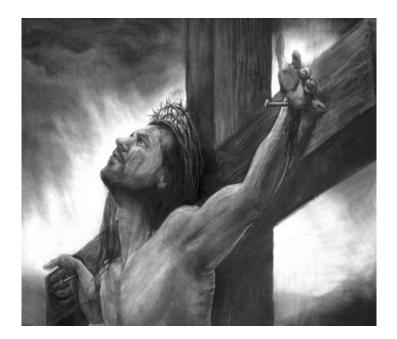
## **PSALM** *Psalm 22*

My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me? Why are You so far from saving Me, from the words of My groaning? O My God, I cry by day, but You do not answer, and by night, but I find no rest. Yet You are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel. In You our fathers trusted: they trusted, and You delivered them. To You they cried and were rescued; in You they trusted and were not put to shame. But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by mankind and despised by the people. All who see Me mock Me: they make mouths at Me; they wag their heads; "He trusts in the LORD; let Him deliver Him; let Him rescue Him, for He delights in Him!" Yet You are He who took Me from the womb; You made Me trust You at My mother's breasts. On You was I cast from My birth, and from My mother's womb You have been My God. Be not far from Me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help. Many bulls encompass Me; strong bulls of Bashan surround Me; they open wide their mouths at Me, like a ravening and roaring lion.

I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; My heart is like wax; it is melted within My breast; My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and My tongue sticks to My jaws; you lay Me in the dust of death. For dogs encompass Me; a company of evildoers encircles Me; they have pierced My hands and feet— I can count all My bones they stare and gloat over Me; they divide My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots. But You, O LORD, do not be far off! O You My help, come quickly to My aid! Deliver My soul from the sword, My precious life from the power of the dog! Save Me from the mouth of the lion! You have rescued Me from the horns of the wild oxen! I will tell of Your name to My brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will praise You: You who fear the LORD, praise Him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify Him, and stand in awe of Him, all you offspring of Israel! For He has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted, and He has not hidden His face from Him, but has heard, when He cried to Him. From You comes My praise in the great congregation; my vows I will perform before those who fear Him. The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek Him shall praise the LORD! May your hearts live forever!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall worship before You. For kingship belongs to the LORD, and He rules over the nations. All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship; before Him shall bow all who go down to the dust, even the one who could not keep himself alive. Posterity shall serve Him; it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation; they shall come and proclaim His righteousness to a people yet unborn. that He has done it.

#### All leave the church in silence.



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