THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD APRIL 9, 2023 IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH Missouri Synod

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10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Sunday School Holy Communion: 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Office Hrs, M-F

8 am to 12 pm CCLI # 2585510 "He is not here; for He is risen, as He said . Come, see the place where the Lord lay." Matthew 28:6

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#### **WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this morning. 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 the 3x5 white cards located in the pew racks in front of you.

This week we celebrate Holy Communion. We teach that in the receiving of the Lord's Supper each person receives the real presence of the Body and Blood of Christ for the forgiveness of their sins. If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and desire to partake of Communion, please ask to speak with Pastor Weber or one of the elders prior to the service.

- A Prayer Upon Entering Church 0 God, for my redemption You gave Your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross and by His glorious resurrection delivered me from the power of the enemy. Grant that all my sin may be drowned through daily repentance and that day by day I may arise to live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- **AS WE GATHER** Ever since Pontius Pilate worried that someone would steal the body of the crucified Jesus and claim that He had risen from the dead, many have doubted and called the resurrection a lie. But Jesus is risen bodily from the dead. Today, the Holy Church throughout the world boldly testifies to the fact that Christ is risen. Still, this fact remains an article of faith. Such faith is

not a result of mere imagination, however, but is the very creation of God the Holy Spirit by the mighty Word of God handed down to us by the testimony of many witnesses. The resurrection is the fact of God's love. He really is risen! **Alleluia!** 

#### WELCOME

#### **DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING ONE**

**OPENING HYMN** 

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

**PAGE 151** 



LSB 457

Please stand

### INVOCATION

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

### **OPENING SENTENCES**

- P "Death is swallowed up in victory." "O death, where is your victory?
- C O death, where is your sting?"
- P The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.
- C But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **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)

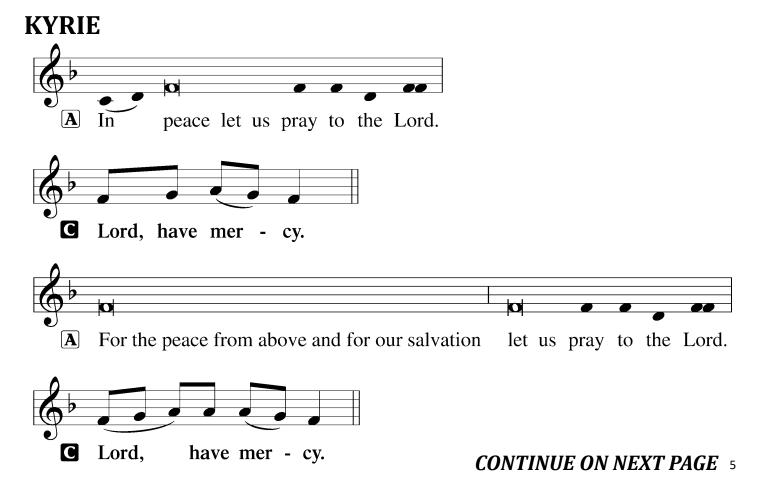
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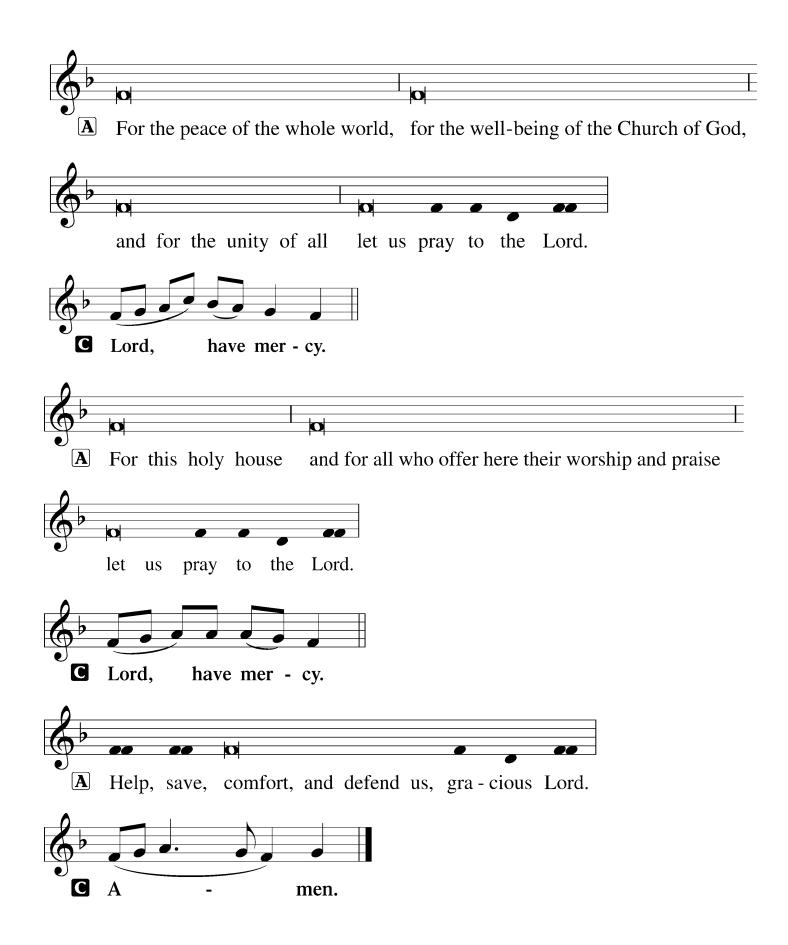
#### C Amen.

#### + THE WORD +

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

- P I will sing to the Lord, for He has triumphed gloriously!
- C The Lord is my strength and song, and He has become my salvation;
- P "Your right hand, O Lord, has become glorious in power; Your right hand, O Lord, has dashed the enemy in pieces.
- C You in Your mercy have led forth the people whom You have redeemed; You have guided them in Your strength to Your holy habitation.
- P You will bring them in and plant them in the mountain of Your inheritance, in the place, O Lord, which You have made for Your own dwelling, the sanctuary, O Lord, which Your hands have established.
- C "The Lord shall reign forever and ever."
- P "I will sing to the Lord, for He has triumphed gloriously!



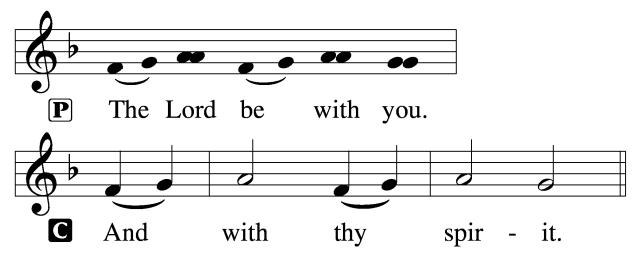


**THIS IS THE FEAST** 



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#### **SALUTATION**



#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray. Almighty God the Father, through Your onlybegotten 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.



#### Please sit

**FIRST READING** Acts 10:34–43 (The Gospel is for all.) 34 Then Peter opened his mouth and said: "In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality. 35 But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him. 36 The word which God sent to the children of Israel, preaching peace through Jesus Christ—He is Lord of all— 37 that word you know, which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, and began from Galilee after the baptism which John preached: 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him. 39 And we are witnesses of all things which He did both in the land of the Jews and in Jerusalem, whom they killed by hanging on a tree. 40 Him God raised up on the third day, and showed Him openly, 41 not to all the people, but to witnesses chosen before by God, even to us who ate and drank with Him after He arose from the dead. 42 And He commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that it is He who was ordained by God to be Judge of the living and the dead. 43 To Him all the prophets witness that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sins."

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

### PSALM

Psalm 16; antiphon: v. 10

("You will not abandon my soul.")

- P For You will not leave my soul in Sheol, nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.
- C Preserve me, O God, for in You I put my trust.
- P O my soul, you have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my goodness is nothing apart from You."
- C As for the saints who are on the earth, "They are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight."
- P Their sorrows shall be multiplied who hasten after another god; their drink offerings of blood I will not offer, nor take up their names on my lips.
- C O Lord, You are the portion of my inheritance and my cup; You maintain my lot.
- P The lines have fallen to me in pleasant places; yes, I have a good inheritance.
- C I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel; my heart also instructs me in the night seasons.
- P I have set the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved.
- C Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices; my flesh also will rest in hope.

- P For You will not leave my soul in Sheol, nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.
- C You will show me the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.
- P For You will not leave my soul in Sheol, nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.

# **EPISTLE**

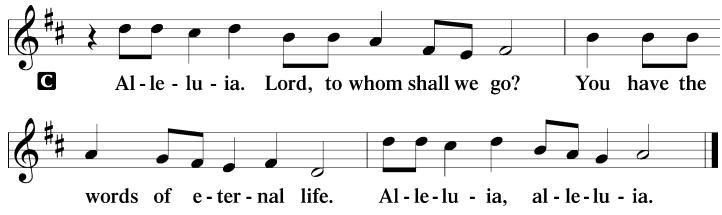
### *Colossians 3:1–4* (Raised with Christ)

1 If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. 2 Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.

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

Please stand

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE



## **HOLY GOSPEL**

*Matthew 28:1–10* 

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.



1 Now after the Sabbath, as the first day of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. 2 And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat on it. 3 His countenance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. 4 And the guards shook for fear of him, and became like dead men. 5 But the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. 6 He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. 7 And go quickly and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead, and indeed He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him. Behold, I have told you." 8 So they went out quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to bring His disciples word.

9 And as they went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, "Rejoice!" So they came and held Him by the feet and worshiped Him. 10 Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell My brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



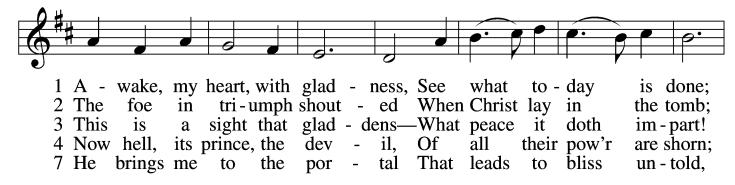
#### **NICENE CREED**

All: 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.

HYMN OF THE DAY Awake, My Heart, with Gladness LSB 467 vs. 1-4, 7





#### SERMON

"Jesus' Tomb for Our Tomb "

(Matthew 28:1-10)

#### **OFFERING**

Please stand **OFFERTORY** *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* LSB 469 vs.1,4,6 ris'n to - day!" Saints on earth and 1 "Christ the Lord is an - gels say; glo-rious King! Where, O death, is 4 Lives a - gain our now thy sting? 6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n! Praise to Thee by both be giv'n! Raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply. Once He died our souls to Where thy save; vic - to - ry, O grave? Thee we greet tri - um - phant now: Hail, the res - ur - rec-tion, Thou!

**SHARING OF THE PEACE** *"Peace be with you"* [using American Sign Language]

John 20:21

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

- Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, hear our prayer Ρ of thanksgiving for giving us life in this world, but most of all for Your gift of new, eternal life in the forgiveness of our sins by faith in our risen and living Savior, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Help us to live in the certainty and awareness of His resurrection from the dead and the promise of ours in the life of the world to come. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer. С
- For Your whole Church throughout the world and for our Р own parish, inspire in us the Spirit of truth, unity, and concord. Grant that all who confess Your holy name to agree in the truth of Your Holy Word and to live in unity and godly love. Lord, in Your mercy,

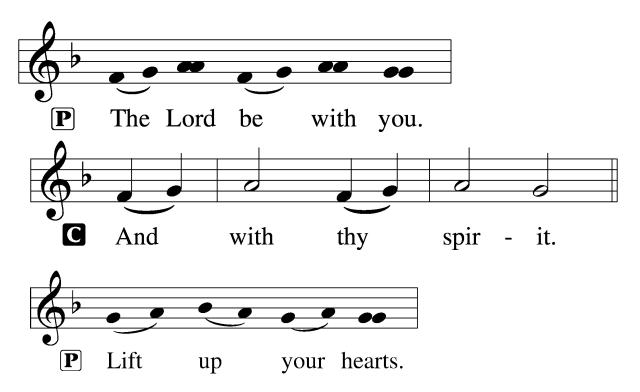
#### C hear our prayer.

- Ρ Heavenly Father, save and defend our country. Grant to all in civil authority wisdom and strength to know and do Your will. Direct the hearts of all rulers throughout the world that they may minister justice and provide for the maintenance of peace. Lord, in Your mercy,
- С hear our prayer.
- By Your goodness, O Lord, mercifully consider all Р assembled here in Your name to celebrate the remembrance of the most glorious death and resurrection of Your Son. Comfort and help all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any adversity, and all who request our prayers. By Your healing grace, defend them from every evil to body and soul. Lord, in Your mercy,

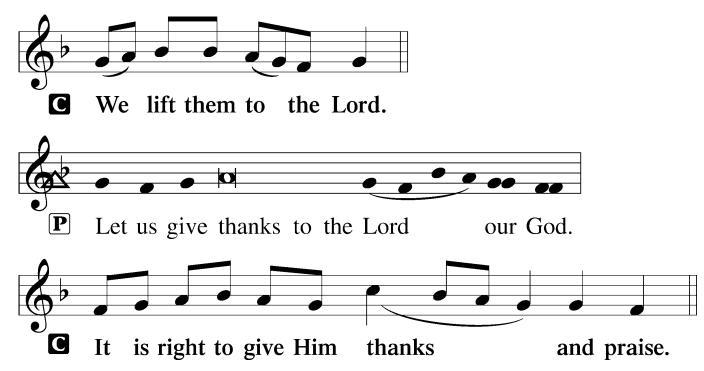
#### C hear our prayer.

- P We commend to Your mercy, O Lord, all Your servants who have departed with the sign of faith and now rest in the sleep of peace. On the day of the resurrection of all flesh, grant that we and all Your servants of the mystical Body of Your Son may altogether be set on His right hand and hear His most joyful voice saying, "Come, You blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Grant this, O Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only mediator and advocate, who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

+ THE SACRAMENT +



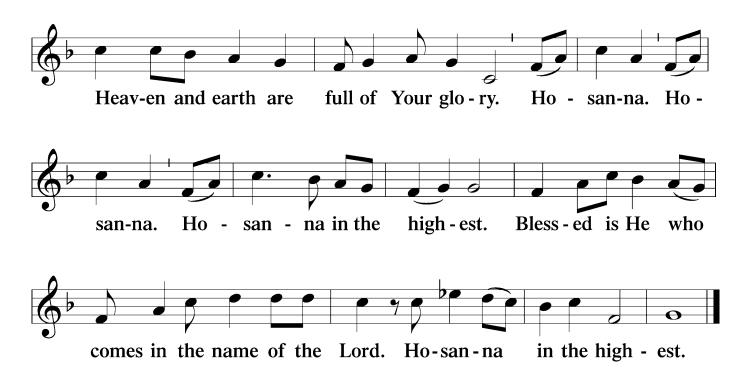
#### PREFACE



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. 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**





#### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your onlybegotten 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. Amen.

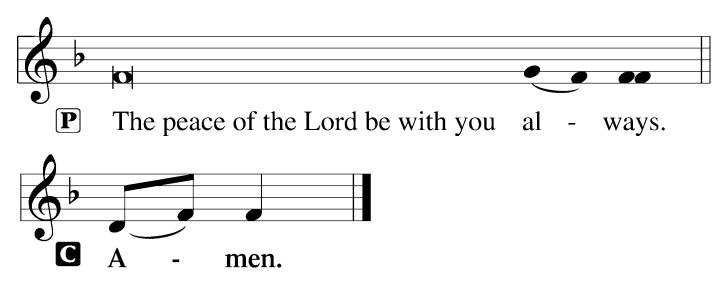
### **LORD'S PRAYER** (*Matthew 6:9–13*)

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.

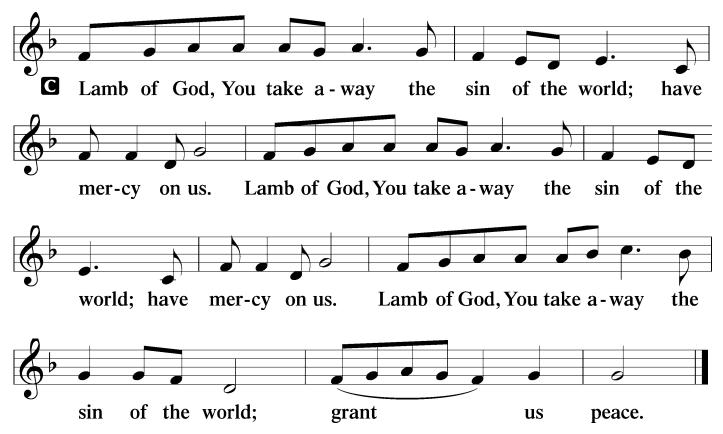
#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

- 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."
- 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



#### **AGNUS DEI**



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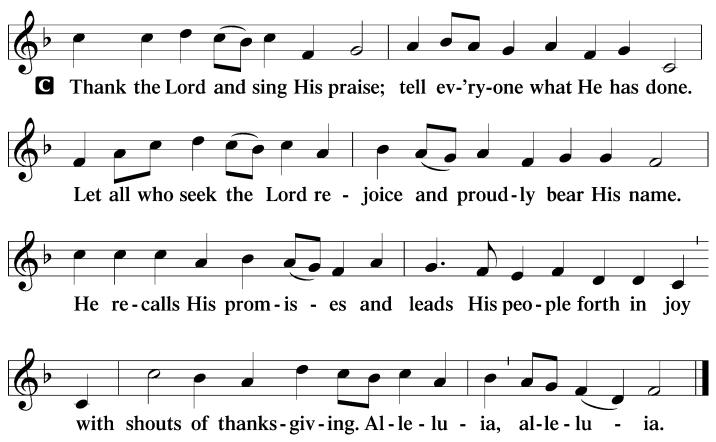
#### THE DISTRIBUTION HYMN

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

LSB 633 vs.1-7



### Please stand **THANK THE LORD**

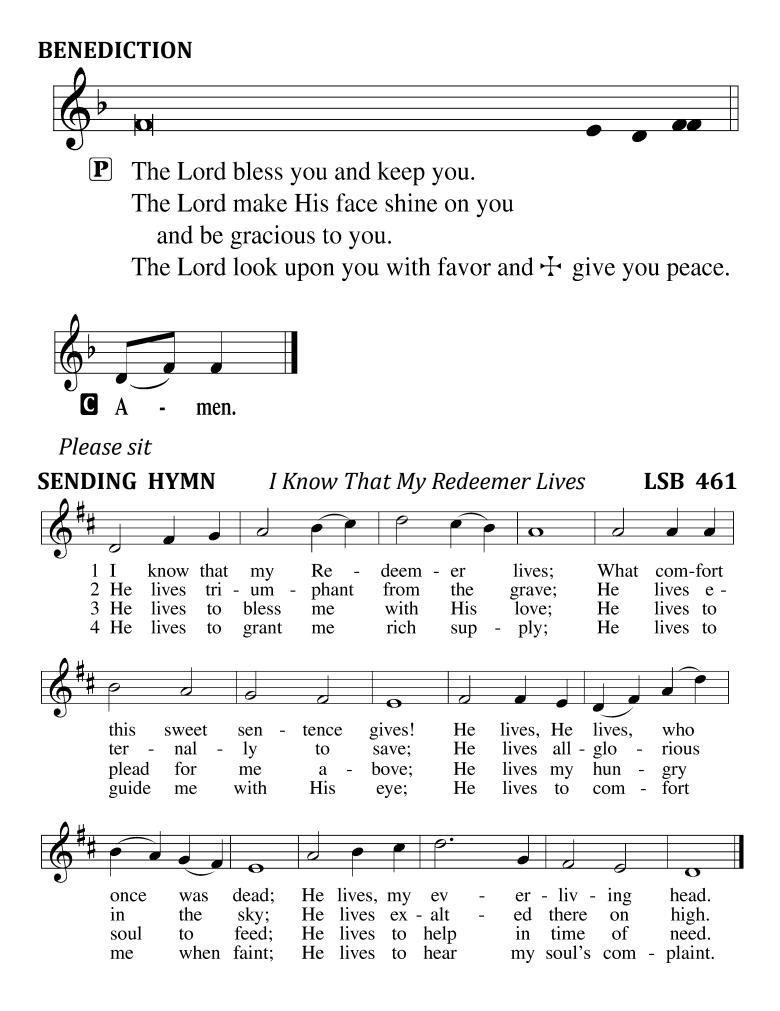


#### **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

- P Let us pray. 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.

#### **BENEDICAMUS**

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.



- 5 He lives to silence all my fears;
  He lives to wipe away my tears;
  He lives to calm my troubled heart;
  He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
  He lives and loves me to the end;
  He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
  He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same; Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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#### **DISMISSAL/EASTER ACCLAMATION**

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

SERMON NOTES					
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#### TO ASSIST YOU IN WORSHIP

- <u>Large print Worship Bulletins</u> for those who are sight impaired.
- <u>Personal Wireless Listening devices</u> for those with hearing difficulties.
- <u>Prayer requests</u> forms are located in a black binder in the Pew

Hymnal Rack as well as with an usher.

Please print the request and place the form in the collection plate or give to a usher!

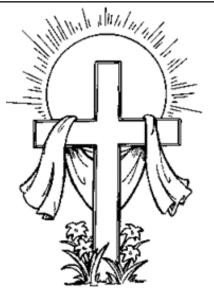
#### PLEASE ASK AN USHER FOR ANY ASSISTANCE

**A REMINDER -** The Pastor is always available following worship to speak and pray with worshipers who have concerns for themselves or others.

- Please do not hesitate to seek him out.

FOR THOSE IN OUR WORSHIPING CONGREGATION WHO MAY BE

PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO STAND FOR EXTENDED PERIODS OF TIME, OR WHO FIND IT DIFFI-CULT TO RISE AND SIT ON EVERY OCCASION DURING THE WORSHIP. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SIT OR REMAIN SEATED EVEN THOUGH THE CONGREGATION HAS BEEN DIRECTED TO STAND.



3/29/2023				
Lenten Mid-Week 6 Worship 40				
Plate: \$	194.00			
Envelopes: \$	192.00			
Total:\$	386.00			

# Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Portals of Prayer for April to June 2023 are now available in the Narthex.

You are lovingly and prayerfully invited to **join us for Sunday School and Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. **Rev. Goetz** will be leading the Bible Study.

#### APRIL ACTIVITIES

April 18, 2023 1st Quarter Voters' Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Immanuel Lutheran School BarBQ Brisket Sandwich Sack Lunch Drive-by (\$ 10.00 per ticket)

(pick up on Washington Ave. parking lot) Saturday, April 29, 2023

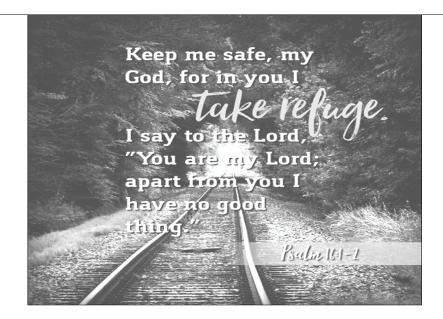
11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (includes the sandwich, onions and pickles, bag of chips, and drink)

#### **Memory Verse Challenge**

The LCMS invites everyone to join together in memorizing a verse each week.

This week's memory verse: **Romans 5:1** 

Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus. Christ.



#### The Victory of Christ Crucified Is Given to You in the Preaching of His Resurrection

Every Sunday is the Lord's day, the day of His resurrection, "after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week" (Matt. 28:1). In the Divine Service, the Church enters upon the eternal "eighth day." The Lord Jesus, "who was crucified," who "has risen, as he said" (Matt. 28:5–6), is the firstborn from the dead and the firstfruits of the new creation. Because "you have died" with Him in Holy Baptism, "you have been raised with Christ" and "your life is hidden with Christ in God" (Col. 3:1, 3). The Lord Jesus has become our God, as surely as He is "the God of all the clans of Israel," and we now belong to His people (Jer. 31:1). In this, He "shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34), but "everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name" (Acts 10:43). As "God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power" and "raised him on the third day," He also raises us up and pours out His Spirit upon us through the Gospel (Acts 10:38, 40).

4/2/2023						
Sunday Worship 60			Second Sunday of Easter			
Plate: \$ 461.00			Readings :			
Envelopes: \$ 1,334.00			Keuungs.			
Donation:			Acts 5:29-42			
			Psalm 148			
Memorial:			1 Peter 1:3-9			
			John 20:19-31			
Т	otal:	\$ 1,795.00	<i>John 20:19-31</i>			
Bible Class:	27	\$ 23.00				
	Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule					
	April S	Sunday Servants:				
Elder:	Ken Eilers					
Altar Guild:	ltar Guild: Suzanne Wehling & Rose Cisneros					
Music: Doris Pickering						
This Week						
Usher:	Ken Ei	Ken Eilers				
Sunday: Holy Communion Worship Service 9:00 am						
	Sunda	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 am				
Next Week	Second	Second Sunday of Easter				
Usher:		Don Vogel				
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service 9:00 a.m.					
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