THE DAY OF PENTECOST

MAY 19, 2024

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> > 10:30 A.M.

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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 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 - Restore me, O Lord, God of my salvation, that I who was held captive in sin and marked for death may show forth the fullness of Christ's light and life, and, led by the Spirit, be brought to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, my Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

AS WE GATHER - We are people of the Word and people of the Spirit. The Word is where the ministry of the Spirit is at work leading and guiding the church and each of us as members of that church by Baptism and faith. The Spirit leads us to Christ so that Christ may present us to the Father, washed in His blood and wearing the white robes of His righteousness. This is not good news for the few but the message God has called us to proclaim to all the peoples. That which is most spiritual is not what is bestowed apart from the concrete or real but what is conveyed through the means of grace. Our life together in the Spirit is manifest in our life together hearing, believing, and rejoicing in His Word and Sacraments.

PRELUDE

(A quiet time for prayer and meditation)

WELCOME

OPENING SENTENCES *John 7:37–39*

- P On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.
- C Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'"
- P Now this He said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive.
- C Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love.



Please stand

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 O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT Psalm 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text

- P Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia.
- C O Lord, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all. The earth is full of Your possessions—
- P These all wait for You, that You may give them their food in due

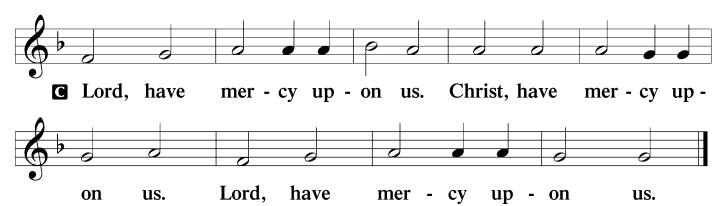
season.

- C What You give them they gather in; You open Your hand, they are filled with good.
- P You send forth Your Spirit, they are created; and You renew the face of the earth.
- P Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia.

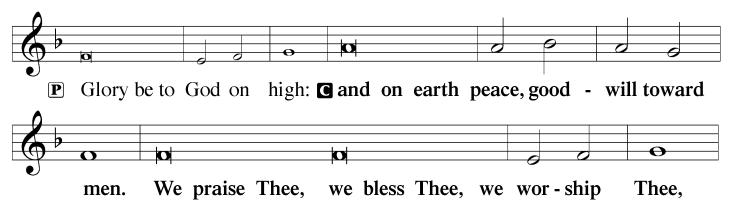
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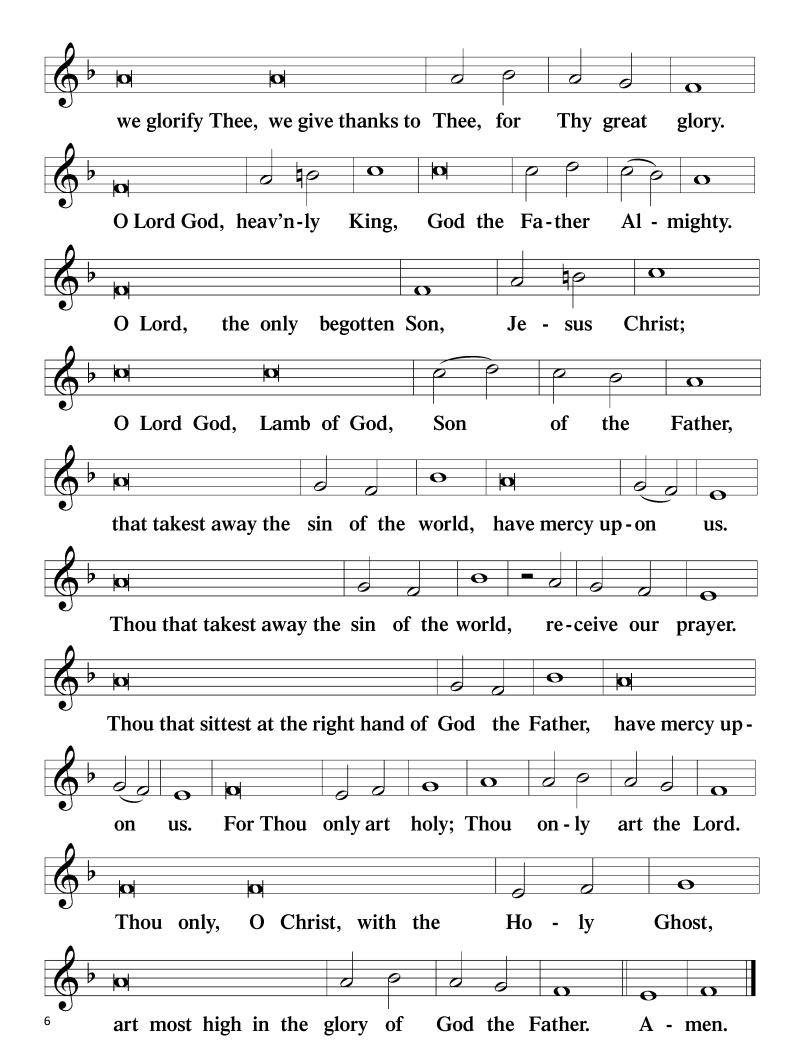


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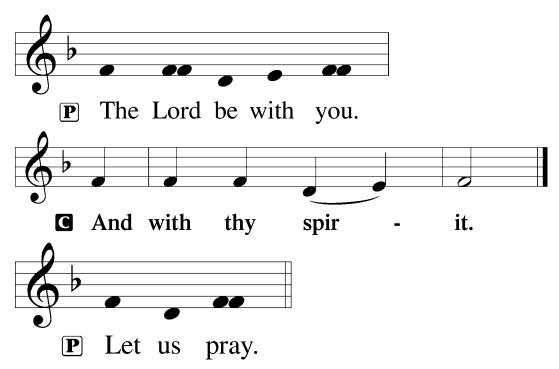


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SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY



P O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ezekiel 37:1-14

(The valley of the dry bones hears the Word of the Lord.)

1 The hand of the Lord came upon me and brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord, and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it was full of bones. 2 Then He caused me to pass by them all around, and behold, there were very many in the open valley; and indeed they were very dry. 3 And He said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" So I answered, "O Lord God, You know."

4 Again He said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them, 'O dry

bones, hear the word of the Lord! 5 Thus says the Lord God to these bones: "Surely I will cause breath to enter into you, and you shall live. 6 I will put sinews on you and bring flesh upon you, cover you with skin and put breath in you; and you shall live. Then you shall know that I am the Lord." '"

7 So I prophesied as I was commanded; and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and suddenly a rattling; and the bones came together, bone to bone. 8 Indeed, as I looked, the sinews and the flesh came upon them, and the skin covered them over; but there was no breath in them. 9 Also He said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, 'Thus says the Lord God: "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." ' " 10 So I prophesied as He commanded me, and breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great army. 11 Then He said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They indeed say, 'Our bones are dry, our hope is lost, and we ourselves are cut off!' 12 Therefore prophesy and say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God: "Behold, O My people, I will open your graves and cause you to come up from your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel. 13 Then you shall know that I am the Lord, when I have opened your graves, O My people, and brought you up from your graves. 14 I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken it and performed it," says the Lord.'"

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

PSALM *Psalm* 139:1-18

- P O Lord, You have searched me and known me.
- C You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off.
- P You comprehend my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.
- C For there is not a word on my tongue, but behold, O Lord, You know it altogether.

- P You have hedged me behind and before, and laid Your hand upon me.
- C Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain it.
- P Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?
- C If I ascend into heaven, You are there; if I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there.
- P If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- C Even there Your hand shall lead me, and Your right hand shall hold me.
- P If I say, "Surely the darkness shall fall on me," Even the night shall be light about me;
- C Indeed, the darkness shall not hide from You, but the night shines as the day; the darkness and the light are both alike to You.
- P For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb.
- C I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well.
- P My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, and skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.
- C Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. and in Your book they all were written, the days fashioned for me, when as yet there were none of them.
- P How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How great is the sum of them!
- C If I should count them, they would be more in number than the sand; when I awake, I am still with You.

SECOND READING Acts 2:1–21

(The Spirit descended upon the disciples as Jesus had promised.)

1 When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. 2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as

of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

5 And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven. 6 And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone heard them speak in his own language. 7 Then they were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, "Look, are not all these who speak Galileans? 8 And how is it that we hear, each in our own language in which we were born? 9 Parthians and Medes and Elamites, those dwelling in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya adjoining Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretans and Arabs—we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God." 12 So they were all amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "Whatever could this mean?"

- 13 Others mocking said, "They are full of new wine."
- 14 But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and heed my words. 15 For these are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. 16 But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:
- 'And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, that I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your young men shall see visions, your old men shall dream dreams.
- And on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days; and they shall prophesy.
- 19 I will show wonders in heaven above and signs in the earth beneath: blood and fire and vapor of smoke.
- The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord.

- And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'
- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

ALLELUIA



HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:26-27; 16:1-15

("When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth.")

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.



- 26 "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me. 27 And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning.
- 1 "These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to stumble. 2 They will put you out of the synagogues; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service.
- 3 And these things they will do to you because they have not known the Father nor Me. 4 But these things I have told you, that when the time comes, you may remember that I told you of them.
- "And these things I did not say to you at the beginning, because I was with you.
- 5 "But now I go away to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?'
- 6 But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. 7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go

away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. 8 And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: 9 of sin, because they do not believe in Me; 10 of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; 11 of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

12 "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. 14 He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. 15 All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



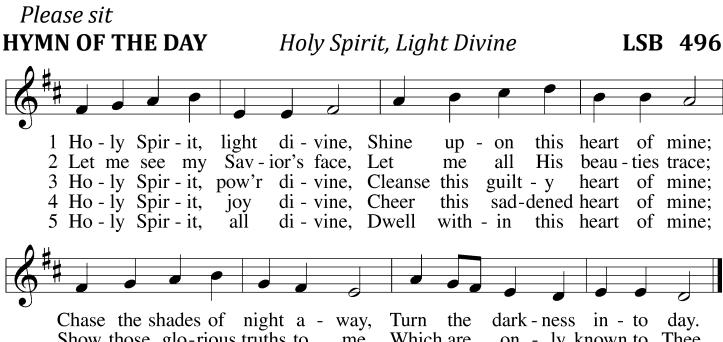
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All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

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.



Chase the shades of night a - way, Turn the dark-ness in - to day. Show those glo-rious truths to me Which are on - ly known to Thee. In Thy mer - cy pit - y me, From sin's bond-age set me free. Yield a sa-cred, set-tled peace, Let it grow and still in-crease. Cast down ev - 'ry i - dol throne, Reign su - preme, and reign a - lone.

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SHARING OF THE PEACE

"Peace be with you"

[through use of American Sign Language]

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P 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 mercy.
- P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For an abundance of the fruits of the earth and for a plentiful harvest, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the sick, the suffering, and the dying, [especially . . .], let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For an increase of the Spirit and the work of witness, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For pastors, teachers, missionaries, church workers, and all who proclaim the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For unity in the congregations and for the unity of the church, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For a spirit of repentance and renewal, for the forgiveness of our sins, and for a spirit of reconciliation and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

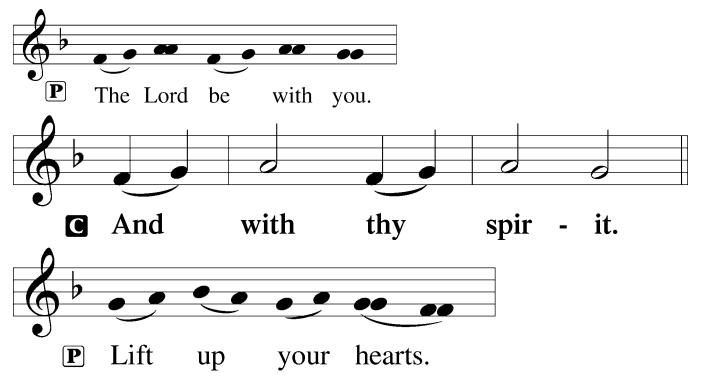
P In thanksgiving for those who have gone before and for our faithfulness unto death that we may receive the crown of everlasting life, let us pray to the Lord.

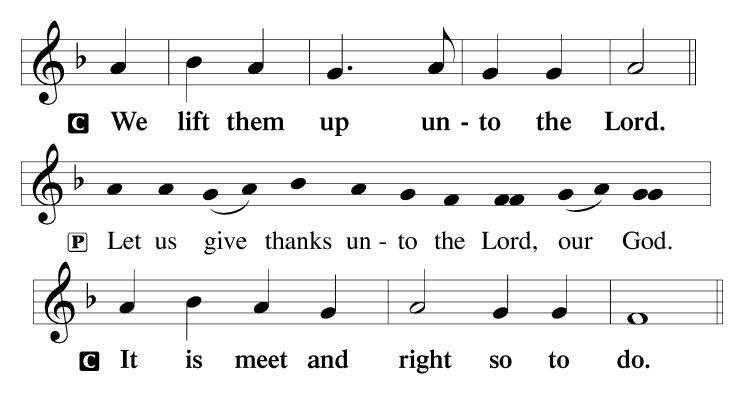
C Lord, have mercy.

- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

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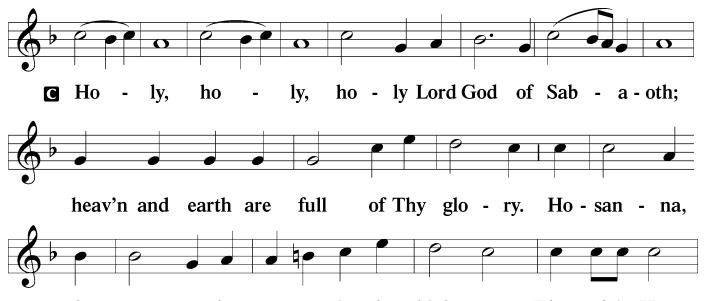
PREFACE





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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day the promised Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples. For all this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS





bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

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.



THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



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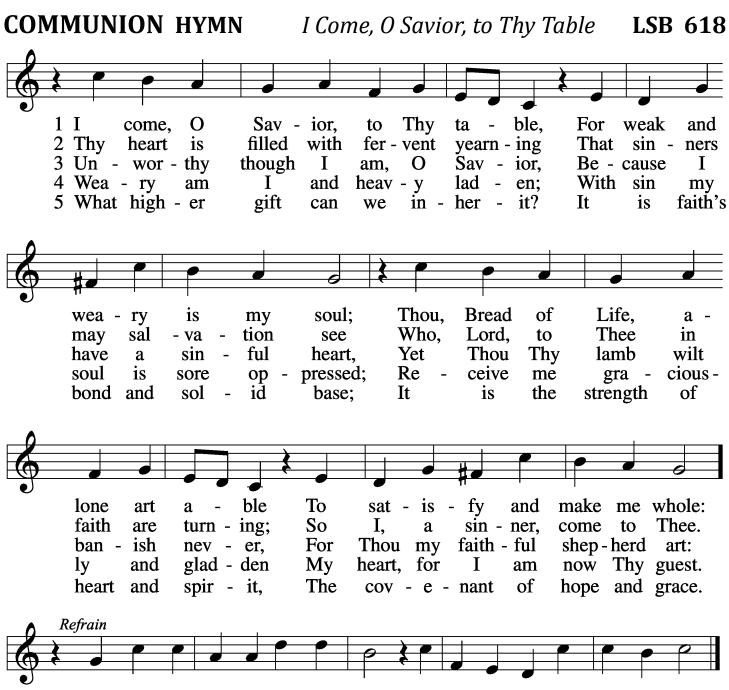
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Your own possession. Prepare my heart to receive the most holy body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of all my sins. Strengthen my faith, increase my love and hope, and assure me a place at Your heavenly table, where I will eat eternal manna and drink of the river of the water of life freely, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, my Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.



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

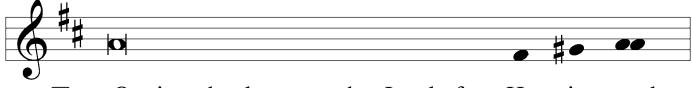
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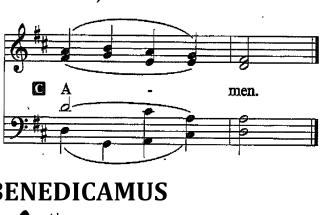
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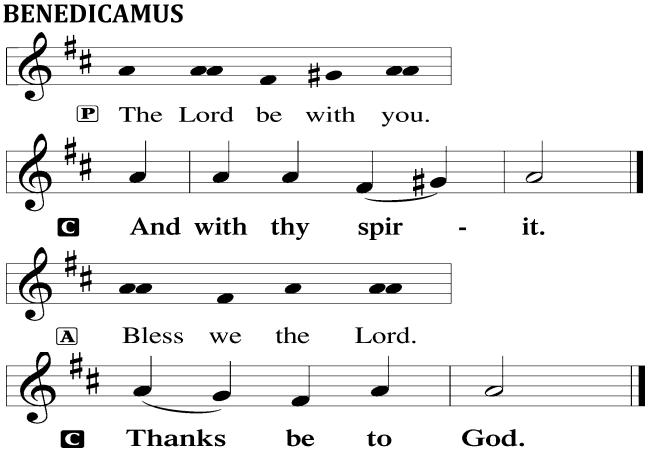


O give thanks unto the Lord, for He good, \mathbf{A}

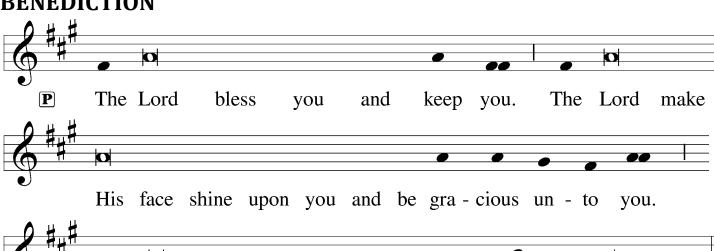


P Let us pray. Almighty God, send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts that He may rule and direct us according to Your will, comfort us in all our temptations and afflictions, defend us from all error, and lead us into all truth that we, being steadfast in faith, may increase in all good works and in the end obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.





BENEDICTION



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



Please sit



Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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Wak - ing, sleep - ing, am with you; You My own. My Ι are In Here you learned how much I love you, What I can cure. Here you and love by serv-ing, Joy - ful and free. Grow in love Here My Lord will smile up - on you And I the give you peace: I the



love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you Mine for - ev - er. heard My dear Son's sto - ry; Here you touched Him, saw His glo - ry. Spir - it's pow - er filled you; Here His ten - der com - fort stilled you. Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - fort - er, and Broth - er.

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DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace as you serve our living Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Sermon Notes		
Cor. 2:14		
Thanks be to God,		
Who always leads us in triumph		
IN CHRIST		
• and manifests through us		
the sweet aroma of the knowledge		
of Him in every place.		

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Portals of Prayer for April to June 2024 are available in the Narthex or office.

Join us for **Sunday School and Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Rev. Weber is leading the class.

May Activities

Youth Confirmation Class
Thursdays @ 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

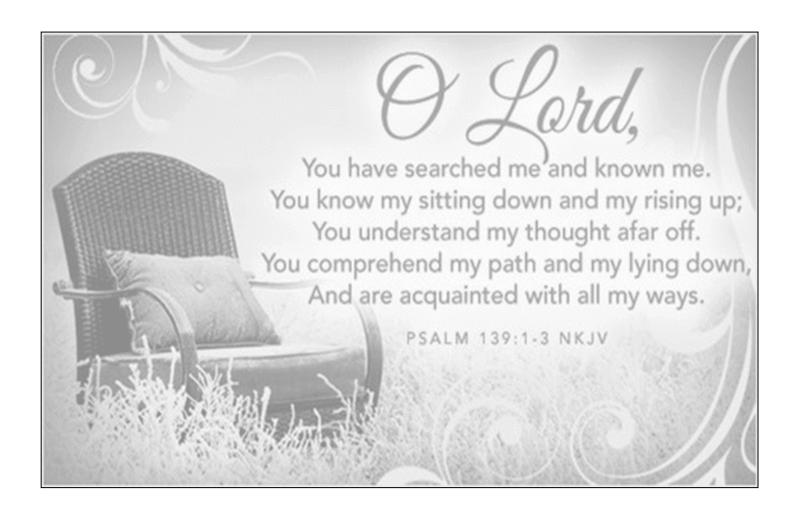
Men's Steak Night/Bible Study
Thursday, May 23rd @ 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Immanuel Lutheran School

Memorial Day Monday, May 27th (no classes)

Graduation/Promotion Night
Thursday, May 30th @ 6:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

Last Day of School Reverse Day, Lock-In Friday, May 31st from 4:00 to 10:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall



Memory Verse Challenge

This week's memory verse: *Acts 2:38–39*

"Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself."

5/12/2024		
Sunday Worship	40	The Helm Tainin
Plate:	\$ 67.00	The Holy Trinity
Envelopes:	\$ 673.00	Readings:
Envelopes-Other:		
On-line:	\$ 500.00	Isaiah 6:1-8
Donation:		Palm 29
Total:	\$ 1,240.00	Acts 2:14a, 22-36 John 3:1-17
Bible Class: 17	\$ 15.00	

The Holy Spirit Brings the Dead to Life by the Righteousness of Christ

In returning to His Father by way of the cross and resurrection, Christ Jesus sends "the Helper" to His Church, that is, "the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father." The Spirit testifies of Christ and glorifies Him by taking what is His and declaring it to the world in the preaching of repentance for the forgiveness of sins (John 15:26; 16:7, 14). He convicts the world of sin by the word of the Law, He forgives sins and justifies sinners by the Word of the Gospel, and He bestows the faith that says "Amen" to this righteousness of God (John 16:8–11). Therefore, the Lord pours out His Spirit on the apostles, that by their preaching, the Spirit should be given to His entire Church. As the multitudes are gathered from all the nations by "this sound," that is, by the preaching of "the mighty works of God" in Christ Jesus, so does God the Father pour out the Spirit of His Son "on all flesh" (Acts 2:6, 11, 17). The Lord God breathes upon the slain, and so shall they live; for so the Lord has spoken, and He shall do it (Ezek. 37:5–14).

	Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule			
	May Sunday Servants:			
Elder:	Don Vogel			
Altar Guild:	Billie Jo Neuhaus & Maggie Weber			
Music:	Doris Pickering			
This Week	The Day of Pentecost			
Usher:	Don Vogel			
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am		
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am		
Next Week	The Holy Trinity			
Usher:	Dan Wehling			
Sunday:	Worship Service	9:00 am		
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am		