



Pascha: Feast of the Resurrection

**10:30 A.M. Worship with Eucharist
April 1, 2018**

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Welcome!

Immanuel Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.

We welcome people of every age and size, color and culture, every sexual orientation and gender identity, socio-economic status and marital status, every ability and challenge.

We welcome believers and questioners, and questioning believers.

We're glad God has called you here today! If you're a guest, please feel free to introduce yourself to our pastor or assisting minister. If you would, sign the guest book in the Gathering Area or fill in a guest card from the pew, and we'll be happy to send information on how you can get involved at Immanuel.

Facilities

- Our parking lot is located on the south side of the church off Sherman Avenue. You may park in the lot at any time, whether for church events or for shopping or other errands in downtown Evanston; weekdays, see the church office at the Lake St. entrance to get a parking pass. On Sundays, additional parking is available across the street at the Holiday Inn or in Lot 6 on Lake St. across from the Police and Fire Headquarters. Parking meters are free on Sunday!
- The parking lot entrance is an accessible entrance. An elevator is located just inside that door.
- Restrooms are downstairs near the meeting of the two hallways. Accessible restrooms are located near the elevator on both upper and lower levels. A gender-neutral restroom is located on the lower level by the elevator.
- We love having children in worship! There is a nursery and changing/crying room for parents to use, if needed, located downstairs. There are also changing tables in both restrooms on this level, by the elevator. An usher will be happy to direct you.
- Hearing assistance is available. Ask an usher for equipment.
- Wi-Fi is available throughout most of the building. The network is "Immanuel," password "allarewelcome". Please use the Internet responsibly!

About Our Worship

Our Sunday worship is organized around the proclamation of the Word of God and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. It has a familiar form each week, but the content changes for each service according to a calendar shared with many other Christians. Our hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, is organized so that page numbers for the liturgy are in the front part of the book, while hymn numbers are in the second part. The liturgy and hymns are printed in this bulletin, but page numbers are provided for those who wish to follow along in the hymnal.

Receiving Holy Communion

We invite you to share with us in the sacramental meal, because Christ himself invites you! At the direction of the usher, come forward if you are able, and stand around the altar, starting at the walls. Receive the bread in the palm of your hand. (Gluten-free wafers are available. Please tell the pastor if you need that.) You may eat it immediately, then take the silver chalice and drink from it or, if you prefer, take a small cup from the tray. The cups in the outer ring contain wine. The cups in the center contain grape juice. As you return to your seat place your empty cup in the trays provided at the ends of the front pews. Return to your place via the side aisles after you have communed. If you need to have Communion brought to you, please sit on the aisle, and let either the pastor or an usher know before the service that you would like to commune at your seat. If you desire a blessing but not the sacrament, you are invited to come forward with everyone else and fold your arms over your chest to indicate this.

Gathering: *The Holy Spirit assembles us as the People of God ...*

The resurrection account in Mark's gospel, unlike those in the other gospels, ends extremely abruptly, with astonishment and fear rather than joyful proclamation. Yet in some ways Mark may speak to our experience more directly than the other gospels. Corinthians and Acts fill out the story by telling of appearances of the risen Christ. Peter says we "ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead." And so do we today, in a foretaste of the mountaintop feast where death will be no more.

P: Presiding Minister **L:** Leader/Assisting Minister **R:** Reader **A:** Assembly
+ All may make the sign of the cross.

Pre-Service Music

*Variations on "Christ Lay in Death's Dark Prison" J. S. Bach et al.
The Assembly stands when invited.*

Thanksgiving for Baptism

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

A Amen.

P Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water is poured into the font as the Presiding Minister prays.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

A Amen.

During the singing of the Gathering Song, the Assembly is sprinkled with water in remembrance of baptism. You are invited to make the sign of the cross as a reminder that you have been marked with the cross of Christ.

1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Greeting *(The Easter acclamation is repeated three times.)*

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

A **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P The grace of our risen Lord Jesus, the love of God, who raised him from the dead, and the communion of the Holy Spirit who breathes new life into us, be with you all.

A **And also with you!**

Kyrie

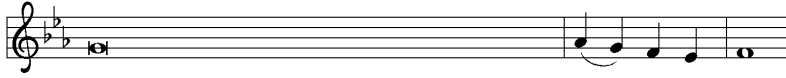
Hymnal p. 98



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



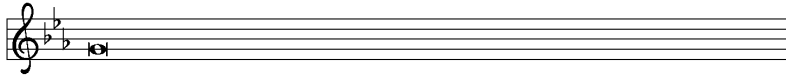
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



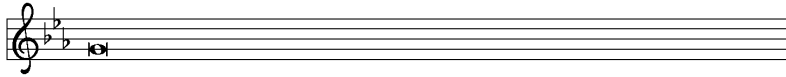
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.



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



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



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray. O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

A Amen.

The Assembly is seated.

Welcome and Announcements

Word: *God speaks to us in scripture, preaching, and song ...*

Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 10:34–43

Peter crosses the immense religious and social boundary that separates Jews from Gentiles in order to proclaim the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, so that God's forgiveness in Jesus' name would reach out to the Gentiles just as it had to Jews.

R A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

R Word of God, word of life.

A Thanks be to God!

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

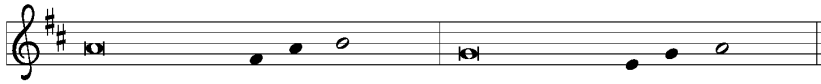
ELW Psalm Tone 1

The organ will play the tone, and then the refrain, and then the Assembly will sing the refrain through.

The right side of the Assembly sings lightface verses to the tone, and the left sings boldfaced verses.

All sing the refrain where indicated by "R."

Tone:



Refrain:



This is the day that the LORD has made;



let us re-joice and be glad in it.

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;
God's mercy endures forever.

²**Let Israel now declare,
"God's mercy endures forever."**

¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song,
and has become my salvation.

¹⁵**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:
"The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"**

¹⁶The right hand of the LORD is exalted!
The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

¹⁷**I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD. R**

¹⁸The LORD indeed punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹**Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.**

²⁰"This is the gate of the LORD;
here the righteous may enter."

²¹**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and you have become my salvation. R**

²²The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

²³**By the LORD has this been done;
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it. R

Reading from the New Testament

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

The core of the Christian faith and Paul's preaching is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the crucified and risen Christ appeared to the earliest of his followers, so we experience the presence of the risen Lord in the preaching of this faith.

R A reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians.

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

R Word of God, word of life.

A Thanks be to God!

The Assembly stands to greet the Good News of Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation

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

Christ, our paschal lamb, ¹ has been sacrificed.* Therefore, let us ¹ keep the feast.

Gospel

Mark 16:1-8

The resurrection of Jesus is announced, and the response is one of terror and amazement.

P This is the Good News of Jesus Christ according to Mark.

A Glory to you, O Lord!

¹When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

A Praise to you, O Christ!

The Gospel Acclamation is sung once again. The Assembly is then seated.

Sermon

A bell will chime to begin a time of silence for reflection.

During this time, you may want to meditate on one word or phrase from the scriptures or from the sermon that stands out to you, asking the Spirit to show you how it applies to your own life.

When the bell sounds a second time, the Assembly stands to respond to the Word.

Hymn of the Day

“Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing” Hymnal 389

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
 3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
 5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to

emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
 this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and

prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

The Nicene Creed

L With the whole Church, let us profess our faith.

**A We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We 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 is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the + resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

L On this day of rejoicing, we pray for the life of the church, the world, and all people in any need.

L You give life to your church by joining the baptized to the body of Christ. Bless the newly baptized wherever they may be. We pray for our bishops, Elizabeth and Wayne, our pastor, Keith, our president, Sara, our Council, and for all whom you have called together in your name in this place as we proclaim the one whose death and resurrection makes us one in you. Lord, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

L You give life to the creation by renewing the earth in every season. Curb our exploitation of natural resources, and cause us to preserve the health of plant and animal habitats. Lord, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

L You give life to the world by laying a cornerstone among the nations. Rebuild the powers and principalities around us in ways that protect the vulnerable and raise up the lowly. Lord, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

L You give life to those in need by the anointing of your Holy Spirit. Comfort those who suffer, encourage those who care for the sick, bind up the brokenhearted, and wipe away the tears of all who mourn. We pray especially for Serena Bernstein, Mid Carlson, Margaret Carlson, Lynn Carson, Barb Engelsen, Bob Fried, Jennifer Grethe, Dick Heisler, Judy Hokenson, Ron Laudert, George Shiff, Joe Skelton, John and Doris Strom, and those we name now aloud or in our hearts [...]. Give each of them confident hope in your power to raise them up. Lord, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

L You give life to this community of faith by infusing us with love for one another. Inspire us to reach out to our neighbors in meaningful ways and bring the joys of community to a wider family of people. Lord, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

L And now, sisters and brothers, for what else shall we pray?

The petitions and thanksgivings of the Assembly, silent or spoken aloud, are invited.

L Lord, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

L You give life to your saints by setting a banquet table of rich food. Feed us with the bread of life and bring us with all your saints to the feast that has no end. We remember especially this week Benedict the African, Albrecht Dürer, Matthias Grünewald, and Lucas Cranach. Lord, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

P Into your hands, O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Jesus Christ, the spring of new and everlasting life.

A Amen.

Peace

P The peace of the Risen Christ be with you always.

A And also with you.

Greet one another in the peace of the Risen Christ, saying "Peace be with you," "The peace of the Lord," or similar words. If you prefer not to shake hands, you might raise your hand in a gesture of blessing as you speak peace to your neighbors. After the Peace, all return to their seats.

This Week's Commemorations

Benedict the African, confessor, d. 1589

Wednesday, April 4, 2018

Born a slave on the island of Sicily, Benedict lived as a solitary hermit until the pope ordered all hermits to attach themselves to a monastery, at which time Benedict joined the Franciscans. Though illiterate, he was highly respected as a confessor and later superior of his community.

Albrecht Dürer, d. 1528; Matthias Grünewald, d. 1529; Lucas Cranach, d. 1553; artists

Friday, April 6, 2018

These great artists revealed through their work the mystery of salvation and the wonder of creation. Dürer's work reflected the apocalyptic spirit of his time. Though he remained a Roman Catholic, he was sympathetic to Martin Luther's reforming work. Grünewald's paintings are known for their dramatic forms, vivid colors, and depiction of light. Cranach's work includes many fine religious examples and several portraits of Martin Luther. Cranach was also widely known for his woodcuts.

Meal: *God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ ...*

Offering *An offering is gathered for doing God's mission, including the care of those in need.*

Offering Music "Alleluia" *Randall Thompson*

Presentation of the Gifts "Our Paschal Lamb, That Sets Us Free"

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Our Pas - chal Lamb, that sets us free, is sac - ri - ficed. Oh, keep the feast of free - dom gal - lant - ly; let al - le - lu - ia! leap: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A - gain sing al - le - lu - ia, cry a - loud: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!" The score includes measure numbers 4, 8, and 12.

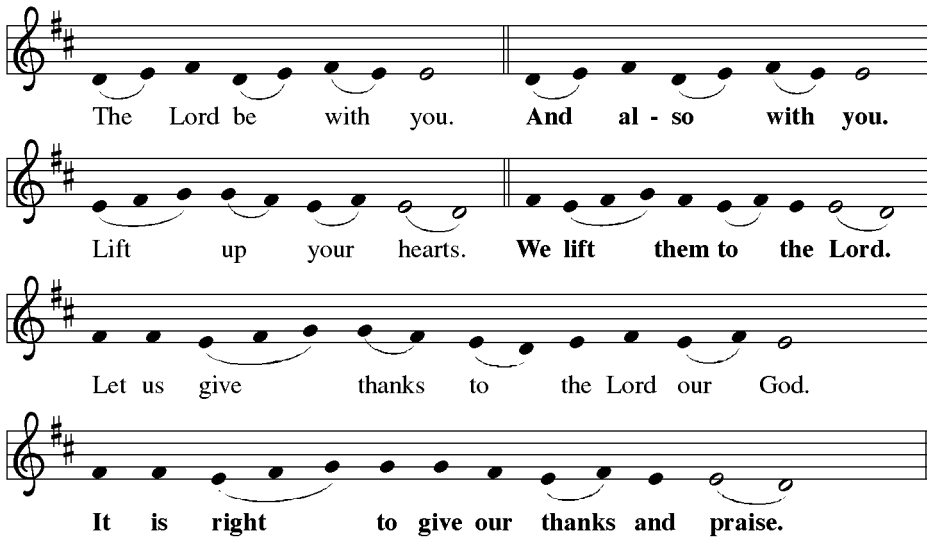
Offering Prayer

L Let us pray.

A **Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen.**

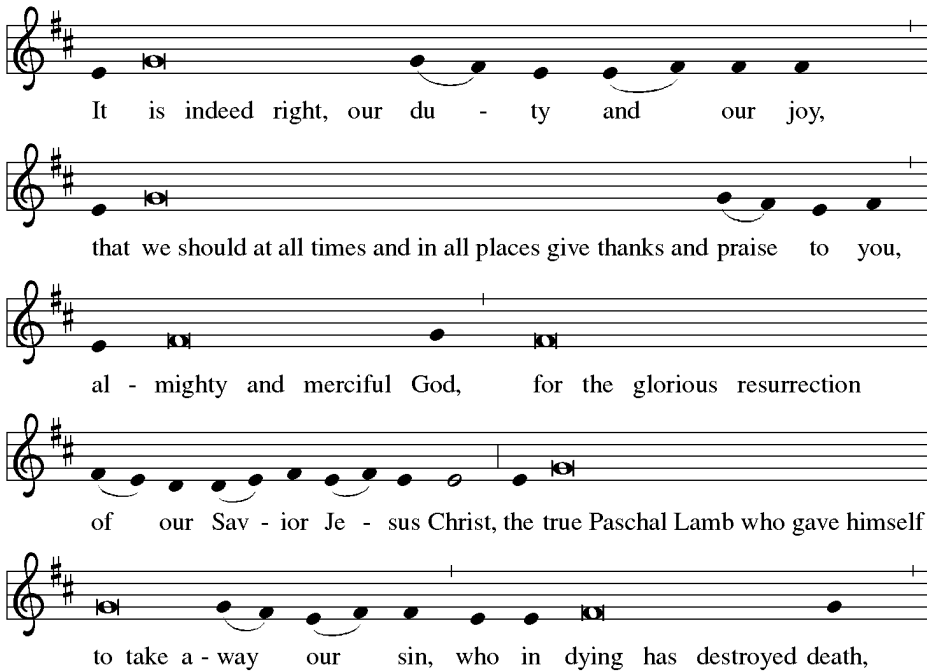
The Great Thanksgiving

Dialogue



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface



It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,
al - mighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection
of our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself
to take a - way our sin, who in dying has destroyed death,

and in ris - ing has brought us to e - ter - nal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Pe - ter and all the witnesses of the

res - ur - rec - tion, with earth and sea and all their crea - tures,

and with angels and archangels, cheru - bim and ser - a - phim,

we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Hymnal, p. 153

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table

P We give you thanks, Holy One,
through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son,
whom you sent in this end of the ages
to save and redeem us and to proclaim to us your will.

He is your Word, inseparable from you,
through whom you created all things,
and in whom you take delight.

He is your Word, sent from heaven to a virgin's womb.

He there took on our nature and our lot
and was shown forth as your Son,
born of the Holy Spirit and of the virgin Mary.

He, our Lord Jesus, fulfilled all your will
and won for you a holy people;

he stretched out his hands in suffering
in order to free from suffering those who trust you.

He is the one who, handed over to a death he freely accepted,
in order to destroy death, to break the bonds of the evil one,
to crush hell underfoot, to give light to the righteous,
to establish his covenant, and to show forth the resurrection,
taking bread and giving thanks to you, said:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

In the same way he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, then, his death and resurrection,
we take this bread and cup,
giving you thanks that you have made us worthy
to stand before you and to serve you as your priestly people.

Send your Spirit upon these gifts of your church;
gather into one all who share this bread and wine;
fill us with your Holy Spirit to establish our faith in truth,
that we may praise and glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ;

through whom all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father,
with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, both now and forever.

A Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

A Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

**Your kingdom come, your will be done
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread and Invitation

L Now let us feast this Easter day
on Christ, the bread of heaven. Hallelujah!

A Thanks be to God!

Distribution of Holy Communion

The Assembly is seated. Please come forward as the ushers direct, and as you are able.

See the inside front cover for instructions concerning Holy Communion.

During the Easter season, we stand to commune, rather than kneel, as a sign of resurrected life.

Communion Song

"Lamb of God" **Hymnal p. 112**

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

Vocal Solo

"I Know that My Redeemer Liveth" from "Messiah" G.F. Handel
Ashlee Hardgrave, Soprano

1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright; the
 2 O Je - sus, king of gen - tle - ness, with
 3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all in
 4 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to

sun shone out with fair - er light when, to their long - ing
 con - stant love our hearts pos - sess; to you our lips will
 this our Eas - ter fes - ti - val, for you will be our
 you, once dead, but now a - live! To God the Fa - ther

eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord!
 ev - er raise the trib - ute of our grate - ful praise.
 strength and shield from ev - 'ry weap - on death can wield.
 e - qual praise, and God the Spir - it, now we raise!

The Assembly stands when directed by the Presiding Minister.

Blessing after Communion

P The body and blood of our + Lord and Savior Jesus Christ
 strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

A Amen.

Post-Communion Song

“Our Paschal Lamb That Sets Us Free”

Let all our lives now cel - e - brate the feast; let mal - ice
Let all our deeds, u - nan - i - mous, con - fess him as our

die. Let love grow strong a - new, and great, let truth stamp out the
Lord who by the Spir - it lives in us, the Fa - ther's liv - ing

lie. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A -
Word. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A -

gain sing al - le - lu - ia, cry a - loud! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
gain sing al - le - lu - ia, cry a - loud! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are placed below the vocal line. The score includes measure numbers 4, 8, and 12. The final system ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Prayer after Communion

L Let us pray. Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

A Amen.

Sending: *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world ...*

Sending of Communion

P Let us pray. Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick or homebound. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

A Amen.

Sending Song

"Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!" (printed on following spread) Hymnal 382

Please turn as the cross passes you to face the doors through which you will be sent out in mission.

Blessing

P Go now as God's chosen witnesses to testify that Christ has been raised and that we are raised with him. Do not look for him among the dead, but among the living, and be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

And may God raise you from all that would entomb you;
May + Christ Jesus call you by name and go ahead of you;
And may the Holy Spirit empower you for all that is good.

A Amen.

Dismissal

L Go in peace. Share the Good News!
Jesus Christ is risen! Alleluia!

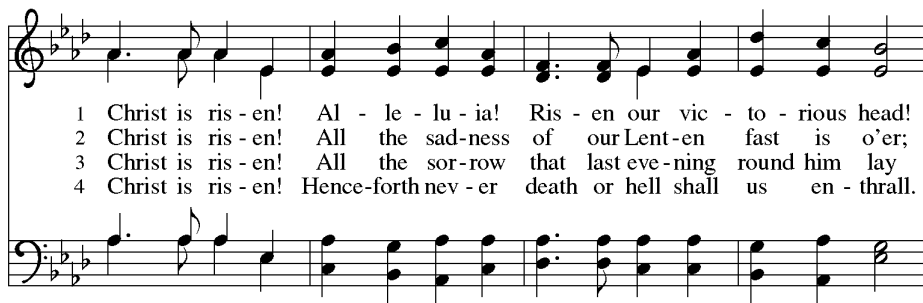
**A Christ is risen indeed!
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude

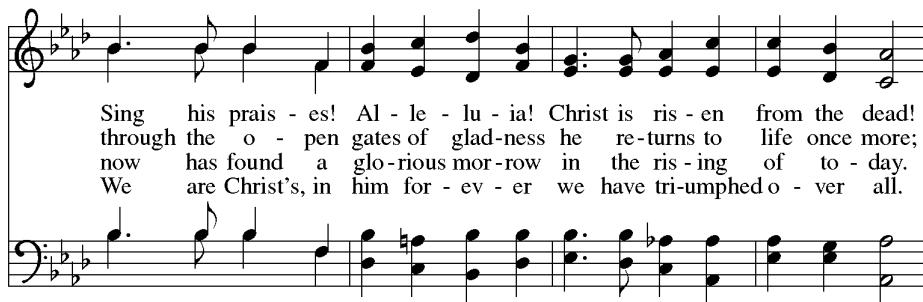
Serving in worship today...

Presiding Minister	Pr. Keith Fry
Assisting Minister	Linda Edlund
Acolytes	Tyler Knohl, Olivia Knohl
Lector	Anne Heider
Communion Minister	Caroline Nakic
Music Director	James Morehead
Organist	Greg Hummel
Musicians	Alex Schwarz (<i>trumpet</i>), Sara Mauk (<i>trombone</i>), Ashlee Hardgrave (<i>soprano</i>)
Table Preparation	Kathryn Skelton
Communion Bread	Erik and Amy Shearer
Ushers	Nicolai Schousboe

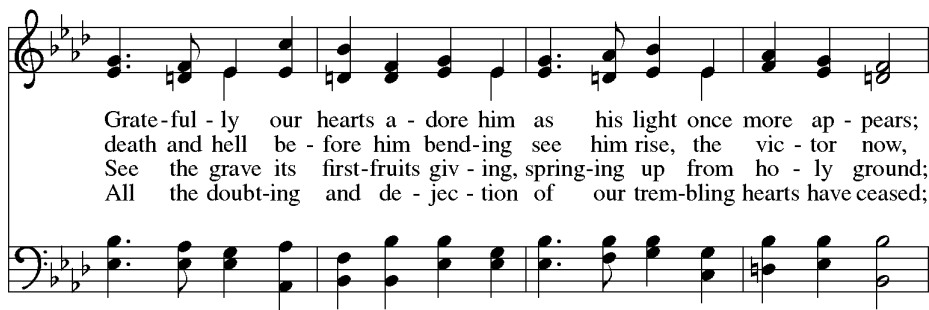
Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!



1 Christ is ris-en! Al-le-lu-ia! Ris-en our vic-to-ri-ous head!
2 Christ is ris-en! All the sad-ness of our Lent-en fast is o'er;
3 Christ is ris-en! All the sor-row that last eve-ning round him lay
4 Christ is ris-en! Hence-forth nev-er death or hell shall us en-thrall.



Sing his prais-es! Al-le-lu-ia! Christ is ris-en from the dead!
through the o-pen gates of glad-ness he re-turns to life once more;
now has found a glo-ri-ous mor-row in the ris-ing of to-day.
We are Christ's, in him for-ev-er we have tri-umphed o-ver all.



Grate-ful-ly our hearts a-dore him as his light once more ap-pears;
death and hell be-fore him bend-ing see him rise, the vic-tor now,
See the grave its first-fruits giv-ing, spring-ing up from ho-ly ground;
All the doubt-ing and de-jec-tion of our trem-bling hearts have ceased;



bow-ing down in joy be-fore him, ris-ing up from griefs and tears.
an-gels on his steps at-tend-ing, glo-ry round his wound-ed brow.
Christ was dead, but now is liv-ing; he was lost, but he is found.
hail the day of res-ur-rec-tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

[cont.]

Refrain

Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!

Sing his prais-es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!

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Easter Flower Dedications 2018

- Maren Baylaender: *In honor of Judith McCray and in memory of Fritz Baylaender*
- Marlene Chatain: *In memory of Albert and Clara Nepstad*
- Linda Edlund: *In honor of Mom and Dad*
- Pr. Keith Fry: *In memory of the Rev. Norman Fry and of Evelyn Fry Aker*
- John and Alice Hancko: *In memory of our parents*
- Greg and Terri Hummel: *In memory of Herman and Leora Beveroth, Osborne and LaVera Hummel*
- Jean Kantner: *In memory of loved ones*
- Mary Ann & Mark Kearns: *To the glory of God!*
- Ronald Laudert: *In memory of Evelyn Laudert, Patricia Laudert Swanson, and Ralph Cahill*
- Ernie LeVon: *In memory of the Rev. Royce Scherf*
- Kerstin & Andrew Litwin: *In memory of Bob Larson*
- McDaniel Family: *In honor of Pr. Keith Fry, and in memory of Helen McDaniel, Betty Hoefker, and Harold Hoefker*
- Chuck and Kim Miller: *Alleluia!*
- Caroline Nakic: *In memory of Frederick and Mary Anliker and Thomas J. Nakic*
- Scott Romans & Francis Bushhammer: *In appreciation of Mildred Carlson's tenure with the choir*
- The Ross Family: *To the glory of God!*
- The Shearer Family: *To the glory of God!*
- Terri and Joe Simchak: *In memory of our mothers*
- Kathryn & Jim Skelton: *In honor of Verona Wilde*
- Elizabeth Stegner: *Glory to God!*
- Shearer Family: *In memory of Bob Larson and of our parents*

This Changes Everything

“He has been raised, he is not here.” These words of the angel standing outside the tomb on Easter morning are perhaps the most glorious ever spoken. He—Jesus—is not here. He is not in the tomb. He is not dead. He was dead, yes. He was in the tomb, yes. But he is no longer. He has been raised.

This is the truth of Easter. But you may wonder what this nice story about Jesus has to do with your life. Trumpets and lilies and white and gold linens, and lavish breakfasts and children all dressed up in their finest church clothes are lovely. But they don't change the diagnosis, or the pink slip, or the dwindling bank account, or the divorce papers. They don't change the reality of harder work for less pay, of addiction to technology, of the endless search for your true identity and real community. No, the accessories of Easter don't change a thing. They are simply ways we often celebrate the message of Easter.

It is the message of Easter—that Christ is no longer dead, that Christ has been raised and is no longer in the tomb—which changes everything. We are promised that in baptism we are buried with Christ and also raised with Christ. Our tombs are empty because his is empty. Whatever evil circumstances come our way—however real and present they are—have no ultimate power to harm us. Jesus has overcome evil, and therefore so have we. The Easter story of Jesus is important because you are important to Jesus. Where he is, and what he is, you shall be also. He has been raised. You have been raised. Alleluia!

Upcoming Events

Thursday, April 5	Daytime Quilting 10:00 AM
Saturday, April 7	Farmers' Market 8:30 AM–1:00 PM
Sunday, April 8	Adult Spiritual Growth Class 9:00 AM

Immanuel's Staff and Leadership

The Rev. Keith Fry	Pastor
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James Morehead	Music Director
Greg Hummel	Organist
Laurie Stivers.....	Associate Organist
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