

Immanuel Lutheran Church

May 12, 2024 - Sixth Sunday of Easter



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OPENING HYMN #385 sts.1,3-4

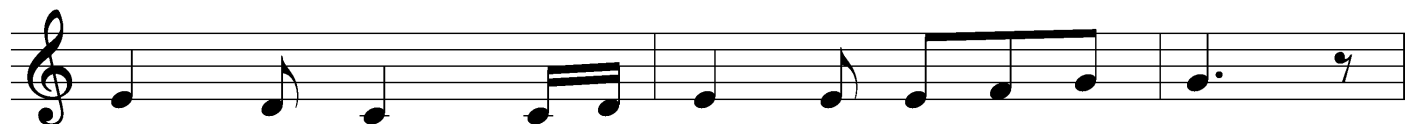
“Christ Begins”



1 We stand and we watch on the bank, wide-eyed.
 3 See the sun out - shined on the hill and hide.
 4 We stand, gath - ered round on the moun - tain - side.



Wa - ter runs and all heav - en
 Clothes like light - ning white, heav - en
 Watch the clos - ing clouds hide him

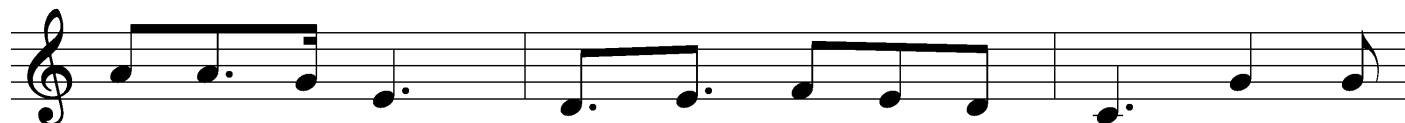


o - pens wide, and a voice like thun - der re - plies.
 o - pens wide, and a voice like thun - der re - plies.
 from our eyes; with a voice u - nit - ed we cry:

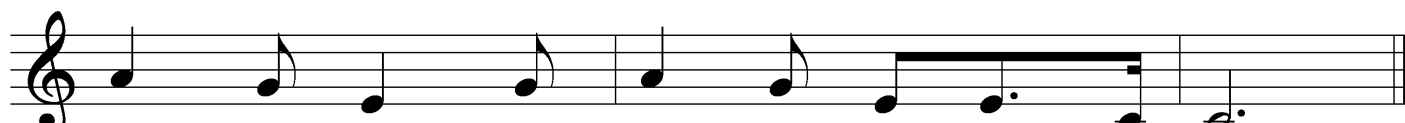
Refrain



Here's my Proph - et, my Priest, my King, a



light in the dark, Christ steps in; here's my Sav - ior, my



God, my King, the time has come, Christ be - gins.

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Please stand.

INVOCATION CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

CW154

M: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: **If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
 and will forgive us our sins
 and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection.

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

M: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: 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 mer - cy.

M: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

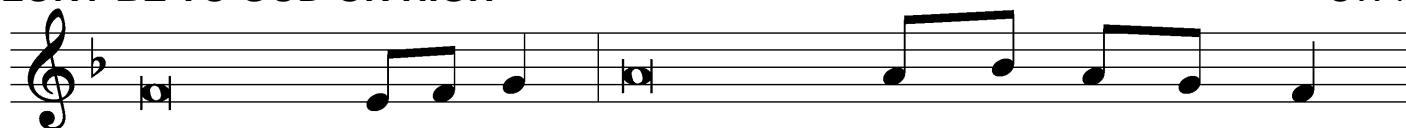
M: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



C: A - men.

GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH

CW157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



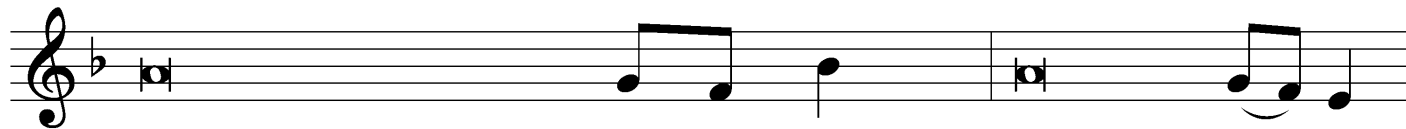
God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



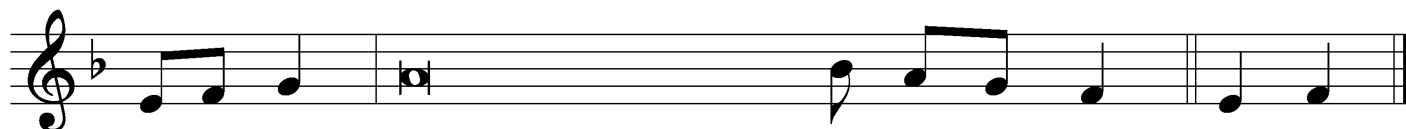
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Son our Savior was taken up in glory and intercedes for us at your right hand. Through your living and abiding Word, give us hearts to know him and faith to follow where he has gone; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Be seated.

FIRST READING

Acts 1:1-11

¹In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach ²until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. ³After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. ⁴On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. ⁵For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

⁶Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

⁷He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

⁹After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

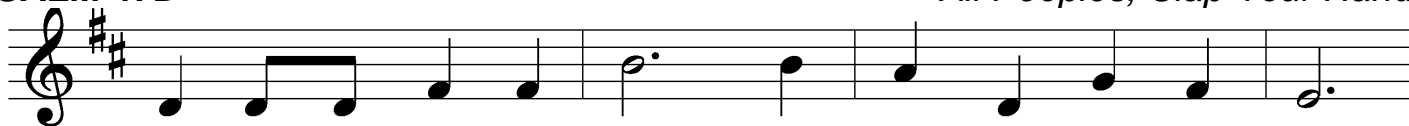
¹⁰They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. ¹¹"Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven." (NIV)

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 47D

"All Peoples, Clap Your Hands"



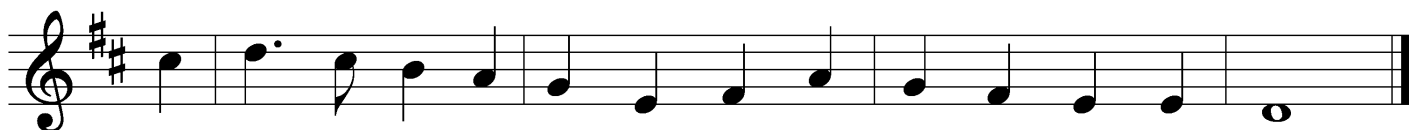
1 All peo - ples, clap your hands, and shout with joy and sing.
 2 God has gone up on high, with shout and trum - pet voice;
 3 No - bles from all the earth are joined with A - bram's seed;



The LORD Most High is to be feared; he is the earth's great King.
 sing praise to God, our glo - rious King, sing praise to him, re - joice!
 the rul - ers of the world are God's; he's lift - ed high in - deed!



He brings the na - tions down, sub - dues them in our sight;
 For God is King of all. Sing praise with all your skill;
 So to the Fa - ther raise, with his as - cend - ed Son,



he choos - es our in - her - it - ance; his love is Ja - cob's might.
 he sits up - on his ho - ly throne and rules the na - tions still.
 and Ho - ly Spir - it end - less praise, e - ter - nal Three in One.

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SECOND READING

1 John 5:1-6

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves the father loves his child as well. ²This is how we know that we love the children of God: by loving God and carrying out his commands. ³In fact, this is love for God: to keep his commands. And his commands are not burdensome, ⁴for everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. ⁵Who is it that overcomes the world? Only the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.

⁶This is the one who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ. He did not come by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. (NIV)

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

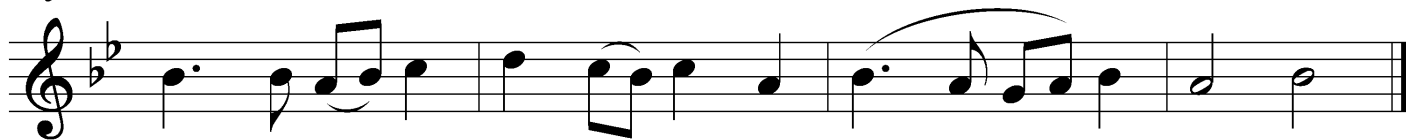
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 14:18



Refrain



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

M: I will not leave you as orphans;
I will come to you.

C: **Refrain**

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HOLY GOSPEL

St. John 17:11b-19

¹¹ "Holy Father, protect them by your name, which you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I kept those you gave me safe in your name. I protected them and not one of them was destroyed, except the son of destruction, so that the Scripture might be fulfilled.

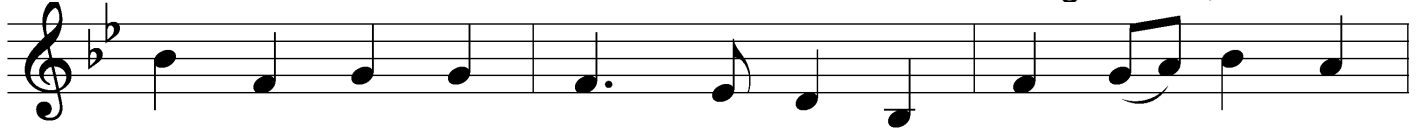
¹³ "But now I am coming to you, and I am saying these things in the world, so that they may be filled with my joy. ¹⁴ I have given them your word. The world hated them, because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵ I am not asking that you take them out of the world, but that you protect them from the Evil One. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

¹⁷ "Sanctify them by the truth. Your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, I also sent them into the world. ¹⁹ I sanctify myself for them, so they also may be sanctified by the truth." (EHV)

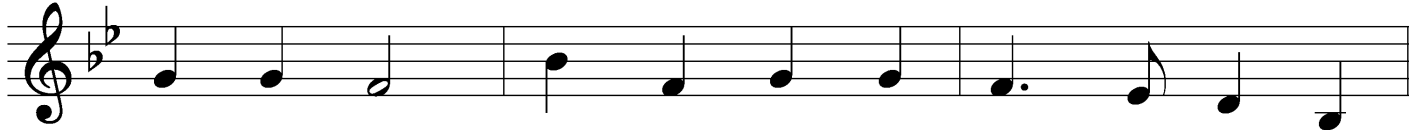
M: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

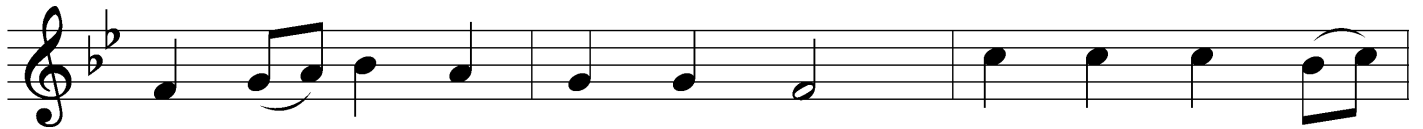
Be seated.

HYMN #546*"Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus"*

1 Since our great High Priest, Christ Je - sus, bears the name a -
 2 Since we have a priest who suf - fered, know - ing weak - ness,
 3 Sac - ri - fice and suf - f'ring o - ver, now he sits at
 4 Love's ex - am - ple, hope's at - trac - tion, faith's be - gin - ning



bove all names, reign - ing Son of God, sur - pass - ing
 tears, and pain, who like us was tried and tempt - ed,
 God's right hand, crowned with praise, no more an out - cast,
 and its end, pi - o - neer of our sal - va - tion,



oth - er ti - tles, pow'rs and claims— since to heav'n our
 un - like us, with - out a stain— since he shared our
 his pre - em - i - nence long-planned; such a great High
 might - y ad - vo - cate and friend; Je - sus, high in



Lord has passed, let us hold our wit - ness fast!
 low - ly place, let us bold - ly seek his grace.
 Priest we have, strong to help, su - preme to save.
 glo - ry raised, our as - cend - ed Lord be praised!

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YOUTH CONFIRMATION (late service)

Kayla Beagle

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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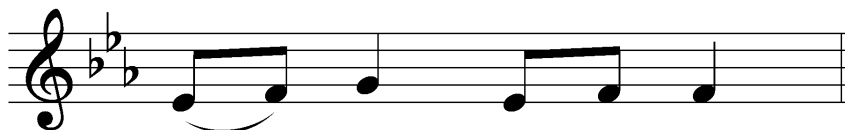
OFFERING The offering plates are located by the entrances. You may also give electronically via our website: immanuelfindlay.org or the App: GivePlus.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

CW165

Please stand.

M: The Lord be with you.



C: **And al - so with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

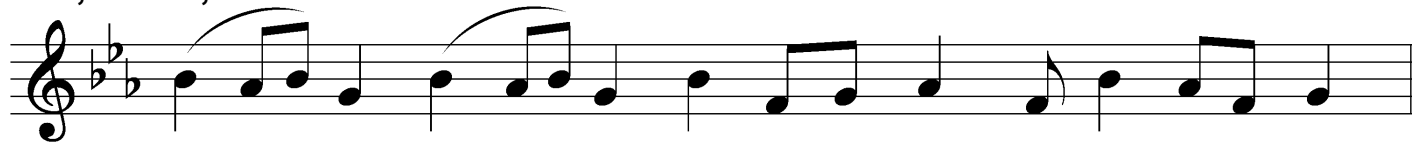


C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

M: It is truly good, right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who after his rising from the dead appeared openly to his disciples, and in their sight was taken up to heaven to assure us of his absolute rule and our eternal home. Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and saying:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

CW167



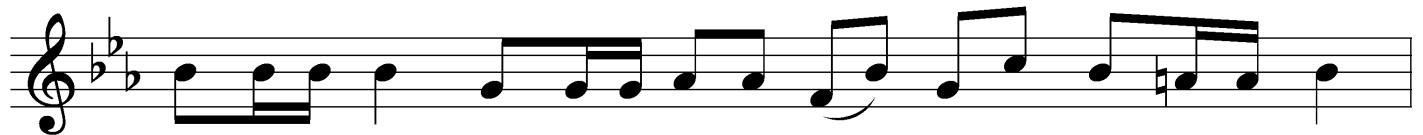
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na, ho -



san - na, ho-san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he,



bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



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

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, heavenly Father, for you sent your one and only Son into our world to save us from our sinful selves. By your grace you have joined us to him, that we may continue his ministry in this day and age. And now, to strengthen the faith given by your Holy Spirit, our Lord comes to us under the bread and wine. Grant us faithfully to receive him and thereby receive the blessings of forgiveness, new life and salvation in this holy meal. To you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be all praise and glory now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

CW169

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

Be seated.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Visitors: Please see the Communion Statement on the back page of the bulletin before joining us for Holy Communion.



DISTRIBUTION HYMN #472

“A Hymn Of Glory Let Us Sing”



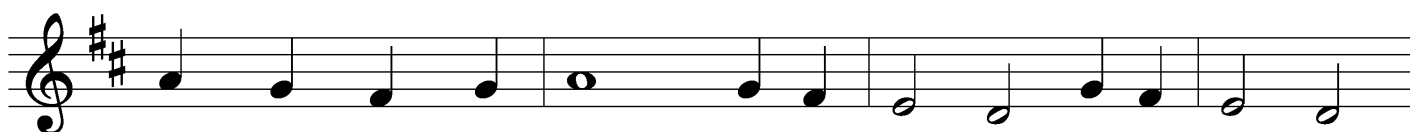
1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New songs through-
 2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band up - on the
 3 To them the shin - ing an - gels cry, “Why stand and
 4 “You see him now, as - cend - ing high up to the



out the world shall ring: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Mount of Ol - ives stand, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 gaze up - on the sky?” Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 por - tals of the sky.” Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Christ, by a road be - fore un - trod, as - cends un -
 and with his fol - low - ers they see their Lord as -
 “This is the Sav - ior,” thus they say. “This is his
 “Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall see re - turn - ing



to the throne of God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 cend in maj - es - ty. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 glo - rious tri - umph day.” Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 in great maj - es - ty.” Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

5 Be now our joy on earth, O Lord,
 and be our future great reward.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 Then, throned with you forever, we
 shall praise your name eternally.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

6 O risen Christ, ascended Lord,
 all praise to you let earth accord.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 You are, while endless ages run,
 with Father and with Spirit one.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN #446

“Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense”



1 Je - sus Christ, my sure de - fense and my Sav - ior,
 2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, lives; I, too, un - to
 3 No, too close - ly am I bound un - to him by
 4 I am flesh and must re - turn un - to dust, whence
 5 Glo - ri - fied, I shall a - new with this flesh then



now is liv - ing! Know - ing this, my con - fi - dence
 life shall wak - en. End - less joy my Sav - ior gives;
 hope for - ev - er; faith's strong hand the rock has found,
 I am tak - en; but by faith I now dis - cern
 be en - shroud - ed; in this bod - y I shall view



rests up - on the hope he's giv - ing, though the
 shall my cour - age then be shak - en? Shall I
 grasped it, and will leave it nev - er. E - ven
 that from death I shall a - wak - en with my
 God, my Lord, with eyes un - cloud - ed; in this



night of death be fraught still with man - y an anx - ious thought.
 fear, or could the head rise and leave his mem - bers dead?
 death now can - not part from its Lord the trust - ing heart.
 Sav - ior to a - bide in his glo - ry, at his side.
 flesh I then shall see Je - sus Christ e - ter - nal - ly.

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M: The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting.

C: Amen.

M: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

C: his mercy endures forever.

M: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C: we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN #472 sts.1 (early service) printed on page 12

“A Hymn Of Glory Let Us Sing”

CLOSING HYMN #693 sts.1-5 (late service) “O Gracious Lord, With Love Draw Near”



1 O gra - cious Lord, with love draw near to these, your
2 Sus - tain the work you have be - gun in these u -
3 De - liv - er them from ev - 'ry wile, from all that
4 Lord, keep them firm in their in - tent to you, your
5 O Fa - ther, grant that by your grace they may your



chil - dren gath - ered here; the Spir - it's gift in
nit - ed to your Son, for in that pure bap -
would their hearts be - guile, from world - ly ways and
Word, and sac - ra - ment. O make them bold, their
will each day em - brace, with fruits of faith their



them re - new, the gift of faith that clings to you.
tis - mal flood they have been cleansed by Je - sus' blood.
Sa - tan's lies, that they may not your Word de - spise.
faith to share, and make them strong, their cross to bear.
lives now bless, till they at death your name con - fess.

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YOUTH CONFIRMATION is today during late service. The confirmands will have their examination during Adult Sunday School. There will be cake and drinks in the parlor after late service. Please keep our confirmands in your prayers.

Kayla Beagle: Psalm 37:5 – Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will do this.

Savannah Schroeder: John 8:12 – I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

Caleb Morrison: John 15:5 – I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

CHANGE IN SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE We will no longer do different worship service times in the summer. Instead, we will continue with our 8:00 & 10:30 AM worship schedule all year. Youth Sunday School will only meet during the school year, and Adult Sunday School will meet year-round at 9:15 AM. We will also continue with our livestreaming of the 10:30 AM service.

THURSDAY ZOOM BIBLE CLASS @ 7:00 PM is studying "God's Covenant With Us." Pastor will email out a Zoom link; copies of the study guide are available in the entryway.

THE LIBRARY has been cleaned out. There are books in the coat area that are free for the taking. We do not want them returned.

Greeters	East Door	North Door
5/12 8 AM	Howard & Nancy	Volunteer
10:30 AM	Diane L.	Vern & Marjorie H.
5/19 8 AM	Bob H.	Volunteer
10:30 AM	Jan S.	Laura & Mike B.
5/26 8 AM	Karl & Lynn F.	Volunteer
10:30 AM	Deana H.	Bill & Helen R.

May Ushers: **8:00 AM Brad S., Howard W. **10:30 AM Bill R., Paul W.

Accompanist: Connie Krueger

Bible Study:

<i>Sunday</i>	Adult Bible Study	Trinity	9:15 AM
<i>Wednesday</i>	Adult Bible Study	Luke's Gospel	10:00 AM
<i>Thursday</i>	Adult Bible Study	God's Covenant With Us	7:00 PM

CALENDAR	Sunday	<i>Worship & Holy Communion, 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM</i> Youth & Adult Sunday School, 9:15 AM
	Monday	Church Council, 6:30 PM
	Wednesday	Adult Bible Class, 10:00 AM
	Thursday	Zoom Bible Class, 7:00 PM
	Sunday	<i>Worship, 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM</i> Youth & Adult Sunday School, 9:15 AM

Trinity Lutheran School in Jenera is selling their school **75th Anniversary Cookbook** for \$20. If you would like to purchase a copy, contact their office @ 419-326-4685 to arrange payment and pick up. There will be a special church service on: **Sunday, May 19, 2024 at 8:00 AM or 10:30 AM** with Guest Preacher: Rev. Silas Schmitzer, who was a 1997 Trinity graduate.

Welcome! We join together here to thank God for a new week of promise and possibilities. Let us welcome the opportunity of worship. Let us greet one another joyfully and lovingly! If you are searching for a church home, please feel free to talk to the pastor after the service.

Large print bulletins are available at the back of the fellowship hall.

There are visitor welcome packets available in the narthex.

There are children's books, coloring pages, pencils, and crayons available at the back of the fellowship hall. Please return the books, clipboards, pencils and crayons.

Silence is golden. Please silence cell phones before worship.

If you would like items displayed on the bulletin board please contact the office.

When receiving communion, it's very helpful when you extend your hand to receive the wafer of bread. If there is anyone who would prefer to receive the wine mixed with water, please contact the pastor. We also have low-gluten wafers available; please speak with the pastor or an elder.

Celebrating Communion in Love—In love, Jesus gives his body and blood in Holy Communion. In love, Jesus tells us we are prepared for his meal when 1) we recognize our sins and need for forgiveness; 2) we confess Jesus as the only true God and Savior, without whom we would be lost for eternity; 3) we have been instructed in the Biblical truths of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection; 4) we believe that in the Supper Jesus gives us his real body and blood in the bread and wine; 5) we publicly confess our oneness of faith and full agreement of belief with those whom we receive the Supper. In love, Jesus cautions us that if we are not properly prepared, then we are rejecting his love and would receive his Supper to our harm. Therefore, in love for all, we at Immanuel follow the ancient, Biblical practice of Close Communion, offering the Supper only to those who have professed their agreement with our Wisconsin Synod fellowship. If you are interested in receiving the Supper with us, we invite you to speak with our pastor about the important necessary pre-Communion instruction.

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