

I AM
t h e
RESURRECTION
and the **LIFE.** Whoever
BELIEVES
in me will
LIVE,
even if he dies. And
whoever lives and
BELIEVES
in me will
NEVER
PERISH.

John 11:25-26

Welcome to Immanuel

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 26th 2023
9:00am

Notes for your time in worship...

We are glad that you have chosen to be in the Lord's house today and pray that God will bless you in this time of worship. The words, "Stand," and "Sit," are for those who are able. If you are a guest, we ask that you please complete a Welcome Card, found in the card rack on the back of the pews, and place it in the offering plate.

We are delighted that you're here and hope to see you again!

Preparing for the Lord's Supper

All who receive the Lord's Supper at this church—members and guests alike—are encouraged to use the following questions as a guide to self-examination in preparation for Communion:

† **"Am I a baptized child of the Heavenly Father?"**

Acts 2:38-39. Peter said to them, "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."

† **"Have I confessed and repented of my sins?"**

Matthew 3:2. "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

† **"Do I trust that Jesus Christ alone is my Savior from sin?"**

1 John 1:7. But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

† **"Do I believe that in this Blessed Sacrament (Holy Communion) I am receiving the actual body and blood of Christ, under the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of my sins?"**

Matthew 26:26-28. Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." And He took a cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

† **"Do I intend, with the Lord's help, to amend my sinful life?"**

Galatians 5:22-25. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.

If, in good conscience, you are unable to affirm the above questions, we invite you to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms in front of you and the pastor or elder will offer a blessing to you. We are glad you are worshiping with us today!

Preparation for Worship

Our worship begins with the prelude. The prelude invites us to prepare our hearts and minds for worship. We invite you to separate yourselves from the clutter of everyday life and focus on God through prayerful meditation.

What does this look like?

- Close your eyes and take some deep breaths.
- Meditate upon the scripture lessons for today, listed in the bulletin.
- Read the "Before worship" prayer located in the front of the hymnal.
- Silence your phone and silence your mind.

Once the prelude begins, usually five minutes before the service, please refrain from loud conversation. The sanctuary, where the pews are, is a place of worship. While you are encouraged to welcome your brothers and sisters in Christ, we ask that you speak softly so as not to interrupt those who are taking this time to focus on God through the music presented.

From Our LiveStream Team...

Our worship today will be livestreamed for those members and friends that are unable to join us in person. By entering the Sanctuary, you give permission to Immanuel Lutheran Church and School to film or photograph you, and any minor children under the age of 18, and use your likeness on our social media channels and website.

If you would like to limit your time on camera please sit towards the back of the Sanctuary or off to either side. If you have any concerns, please speak with one of the ushers or elders before or after service today.

We are looking for volunteers. Are you interested in learning how to become part of the AV team? Contact the church office to let us know.

Eternal Light this month is given...

In Memory of Joel Purdie
by Kirsten and Family

Those serving in worship today

Presiding Minister & Preacher:

Pastor Doka

Assisting Minister

T.J. Keller

Communion Assistant:

Deb Hollrah

Acolyte:

Emilie Dupre

Organist/ Music Director:

Oyeniran Oyedeji

Cantor:

Michael Roehl

Reader:

Kate Dube

Ushers:

Alan & Carol Boyce
Ed & Tammy Eaton

Greeter:

Tary & Adele Tarlton

Altar Guild:

Claire Roehl and
Deb Lahr

Audio & Visual:

(a) Doug Igoe
(v) Megan Hollrah

Prelude "What Wondrous Love Is This" arr. Thomas Chesterton

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome

Announcements

Choral Introit "A Jubilant Song" Allen Pote
ILC Adult Choir

Stand

Opening Hymn Be Still, My Soul LSB 752

✠ **Confession & Forgiveness** ✠

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

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.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

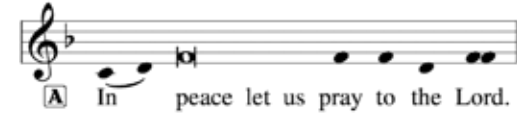
P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

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.

C Amen.

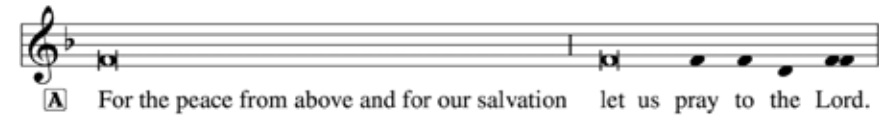
Kyrie (Lord, Have Mercy)



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



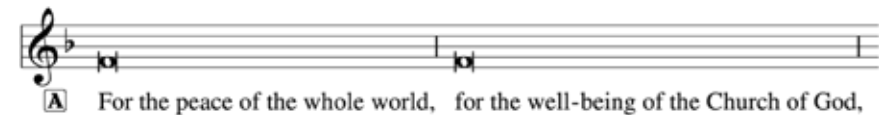
C Lord, have mer - cy.



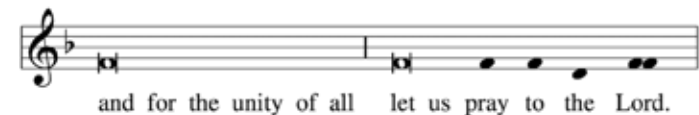
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



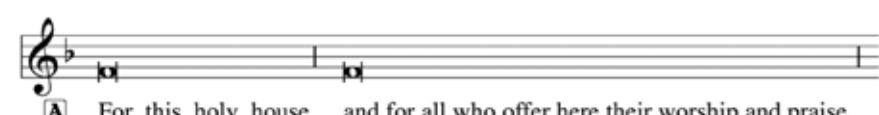
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



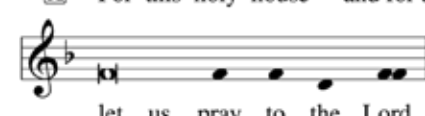
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



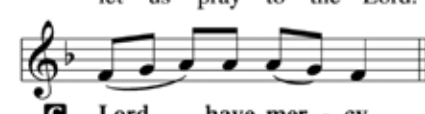
C Lord, have mer - cy.



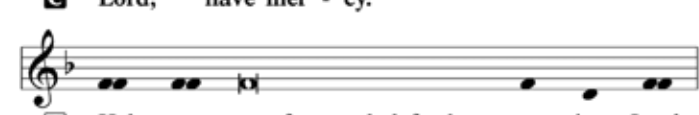
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Salutation and Collect (Prayer) of the Day



A The Lord be with you.



G And al - so with you.

A Let us pray together.

C Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



G A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 37:1-14

¹The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. ²And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." ⁴Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD."

⁷So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. ⁹Then 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." ¹⁰So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

¹¹Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.' ¹²Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalmody

The Psalm is chanted responsively and the Gloria Patri in unison

Psalm 130



¹Out | of the depths*

I cry to you, | O LORD!

²O Lord, | hear my voice!*

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for | mercy!

³If you, O LORD, should mark in- | iquities,*

O Lord, | who could stand?

⁴But with you there is for- | giveness,*

that you | may be feared.

⁵I wait for the LORD, my | soul waits,*

and in his | word I hope;

⁶my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the | morning,*

more than watchmen for the | morning.

⁷O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is | steadfast love,*

and with him is plentiful re- | demption.

⁸And he will redeem | Israel*

from all his in- | iquities.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son *

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning, *

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Epistle

Romans 8:1-11

¹There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. ⁸Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem

"With the Lord There Is Mercy"

William P. Rowan

ILC Adult Choir

Stand

Holy Gospel

John 11:17-27, 38-53

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



G Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

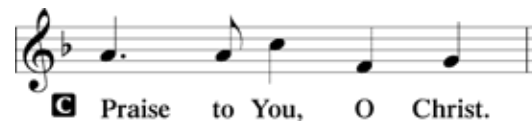
...¹⁷Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, ¹⁹and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. ²⁰So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." ²³Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again

in the resurrection on the last day." ²⁵Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, ²⁶and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

...³⁸Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." ⁴⁴The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

⁴⁵Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him, ⁴⁶but some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. ⁴⁷So the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered the Council and said, "What are we to do? For this man performs many signs. ⁴⁸If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation." ⁴⁹But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, "You know nothing at all. ⁵⁰Nor do you understand that it is better for you that one man should die for the people, not that the whole nation should perish." ⁵¹He did not say this of his own accord, but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, ⁵²and not for the nation only, but also to gather into one the children of God who are scattered abroad. ⁵³So from that day on they made plans to put him to death.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Children's Message Hymn of the Day

*My Song Is Love Unknown
congregation sings stzs. 2, 5-7*

LSB 430

Sermon

Offering

Stand

Offertory

LSB 159

C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

Prayers of the Church

- A** Let us pray to the Lord,
- C** Lord, have mercy.

Sharing of the Peace

The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

(Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

Preface

- P** The Lord be with you.

- C** And al - so with you.

- P** Lift up your hearts.

- C** We lift them to the Lord.

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

- C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. 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 (*Holy, Holy, Holy*)

LSB 161

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 Heav-en 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 who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

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

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

LSB 162

Pax Domini (*The Peace of the Lord*)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C A - men.

Agnus Dei (*Lamb of God*)

LSB 163

C 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.

Sit

Communion

Gluten-free options are available: please indicate to the pastor if you need one of these.

Communion Hymn We Sing the Praise of Him Who Died LSB 429

Communion Hymn What Wondrous Love Is This LSB 543

Stand after communion has finished




Dismissal

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis (Song of Simeon)

LSB 165



Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre-pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re-veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

Post-Communion Collect

A 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 A - men.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.



C A - men.

Hymn to Depart

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less
sung to the tune of Melita LSB 717

LSB 575

Dismissal

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Trumpet Tune in D Major”

Henry Purcell

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Join us for Worship

Sunday mornings at 9:00 am

Sunday School

Sunday mornings at 10:30 am



Upcoming Dates

Every Wednesday in Lent

**Mid Week Lent Organ
Meditations** | 11:30am

Mid Week Lent Worship

Prayer Time | 6:30pm
Service of Vespers | 7:00pm
with a Reading from the
passion narrative

Easter Egg Hunt & Social
April 1st | 1:00pm- 4:00pm
ILCS Family Life Center

Palm Sunday
April 2nd | 9:00am

Maundy Thursday
April 6th | 7:00pm

Red Cross Blood Drive
April 7th | 8:00am- 1:00pm
ILCS Family Life Center

Good Friday
April 7th | 7:00pm
Weeping Tree Cantata

Easter Sunday
April 9th | 9:00am
Easter Coffee Hour

Casablanca Gala & Auction
May 20th | 5:30pm
ILCS Family Life Center

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