IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Fourth Sunday of Easter May 8th, 2022

To God be glory for 143 years of His grace at Immanuel and 71 years of proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast!

Prelude Ringing of Bells Welcome

Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation #LSB 686 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing Stand*

- In the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B**ut with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and to call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- 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.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 98:2-6; antiphon: v. 1

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

The LORD has made known his salvation:

he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;

break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,

with the lyre and the sound of melody!

With trumpets and the sound of the horn

make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Gloria in Excelsis



God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. "A-men!" our glad re-ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious God, You want all to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. Magnify the power of the Gospel in the hearts of Your faithful people that Your Church may spread the good news of salvation. Protect, encourage, and bless all missionaries who proclaim the saving cross that Christ, being lifted up, may draw all people to Himself, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Combined Choir

Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 3:9–15

⁹What gain has the worker from his toil? ¹⁰I have seen the business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. ¹¹He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man's heart, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. ¹²I perceived that there is nothing better for them than to be joyful and to do good as long as they live; ¹³also that everyone should eat and drink and take pleasure in all his toil—this is God's gift to man.

¹⁴I perceived that whatever God does endures forever; nothing can be added to it, nor anything taken from it. God has done it, so that people fear before him. ¹⁵That which is, already has been; that which is to be, already has been; and God seeks what has been driven away.

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

Epistle

Revelation 21:1–7

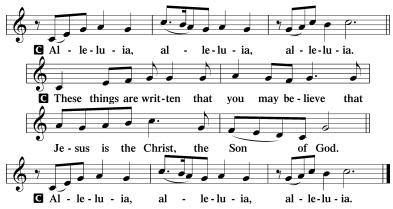
¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

⁵And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son."

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

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

John 16:12-22

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

¹²[Jesus said:] "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

¹⁶"A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." ¹⁷So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" ¹⁸So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." ¹⁹Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by

saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'? ²⁰Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. ²¹When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. ²²So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

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,
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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 ⅓ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day #LSB 733

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Sermon

Title: "Eternity in Their Hearts" Scripture: Ecclesiastes 3:9-15

Reflection Hymn #LSB 578

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Thy Strong Word

Offering

Stand

Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

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.

Benedicamus

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

Benediction

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 Amen.

Hymn to Depart #LSB 687

Thine Forever, God of Love

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The Lord's Week

Sun. 8:00am Board of Properties

9:00am Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300

Guest Pastor, Rev. David Federwitz

10:15am BC/SS

EVERYONE'S

INVITED

Mon. 8:30am Royal Oak Bible Study

1:00pm Finance Board

Wed. 10:00am Women's Bible Study

6:30pm Appreciation Dinner for those who worked on the

Sanctuary project

Sun. 9:00am Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300



The Congregation of Immanuel Lutheran would like to thank Rev. David Federwitz for leading our service this morning and for leading the Bible Class following church.

We also want to thank the members of the Combined Chori (Holy Cross & Immanuel) for sharing their vocal talents with us this morning. Such an enrichment to our worship experience.

Our radio broadcast this morning is being sponsored by Lois Gieseke & family in memory of Lana Scott and Harlan Gieseke. We thank them for sharing Christ's love and word with our radio listeners as they remember the joy and fellowship of their beloved Lana & Harlan.

The Care Team on behalf of Immanuel Congregation would like to thank the Board of Properties and all those who helped in any way with the renovation and painting process of the

sanctuary. (Moving pews, etc.) We also want to thank those who moved or helped to move the new piano to the balcony. Immanuel is very blessed to have such a devoted group of men and women who serve with their time and talents. To show our thanks there will be an Appreciation Dinner Wednesday May 11, at 6:30 PM in the church basement. All members who helped in any way are encouraged to attend as well as their spouse. If you are able to attend, please call the church office or sign the paper in the Narthex.

Those Serving

MISSOURI DISTRICT NEWS: Missouri District congregations are invited to participate in a special offering in connection with our upcoming convention. Sunday, May 22, is the day we are encouraging churches to remember the convention in prayer and take a door offering as we "Tell the Next Generation." Funds collected will support our work in equipping parents and grandparents as they teach the faith in the home, as well as a youth leadership summit for high school students within Missouri congregations. Thank you for your support!

MISSOURI DISTRICT NEWS: There are a number of ways for members of Missouri District congregations to play an active role in in our upcoming convention: sending delegates, remembering the convention in prayer, tracking the action on social media, and participating in the opening worship offering. Sunday, May 22, is the day we are encouraging churches to pray for the proceedings and take a door offering as we "Tell the Next Generation." Funds collected will support our work in equipping parents and grandparents as they teach the faith in the home, as well as a youth leadership summit for high school students within our congregations. Your generosity is a blessing. Thank you!

Tuition Brunch at Holy Cross, Emma: Please join us for brunch on Sunday, May 15, serving from 10am to 12:30pm. Free-will offering will go toward the Holy Cross tuition fund to support our members that attend area Lutheran schools.

Wondering what your children are going to do all summer? Saint Paul Lutheran High School is offering summer camps for grade school students (K-8th)! Camps include: Spanish; Hispanic Cooking; Girls Volleyball; Boys Basketball; Girls Basketball; Boys & Girls Soccer; Boys Football; Boys Punt, Pass, & Kick Competition; and Boys & Girls Athletic Training. For dates, times, grade levels, cost, registration, and more information, visit splhs.org/events. Have questions? Email Communications@splhs.org.

Benefit Concert for Ukrainian Women & Children Refugees

Sunday May 8th at 4:00pm Presented by:

Singing Saints of Saint Paul Lutheran High School and Members of the Sedalia Symphony Orchestra

at

Bethlehem Lutheran Church 607 N. Maguire, Warrensburg

Funds collected will be donated to Church World Service for Ukrainian Relief

Dear Immanuel Lutheran church,

Thank you for your continued support of my preparation for the pastoral office as I attend Concordia Seminary. Your continued support is greatly appreciated by me and my family. I am grateful to be attending such a faithful seminary that cares so much about pastoral formation for future pastors and workers in the Church.

The end of vicarage is just around the corner, which is absolutely wild to think about. I knew a year would go by fast, but it is still surreal. We have loved our time in Olathe, Kansas and it will be extremely difficult to leave. Everyone from my supervisor, the staff, the church leadership to the laity has been so good to us. We have made many connections here and we will miss the people and the church dearly.

My family and I are going to live on-campus for our fourth year of seminary. We are extremely excited to be in St. Louis again, we love the city of St. Louis as well as the seminary community. We believe it is one of the most beautiful places to live, so we will be soaking up every last minute next year. I will also be the Spiritual Life Chairman for my last year and am excited to see what that role will bring.

Our daughters are thrilled to be spending more and more time outside Our oldest, Tinley (3) has made friends with both of our next-door neighbors kids and she enjoys playing with them so much. It is a joy to watch her make friends and thrive. Isla just turned 9 months old and she is a *character*. She is so funny and she makes us laugh so much. Latashia has made many connections at church and she is going to miss the ladies that she gets together with quite a bit.

We have been so blessed in this our vicarage year. It makes the anticipation for ministry that much greater. Even though there be challenges in a life of ministry, the joy as we have experienced it this year is overwhelming.

In Christ, **Zachary Roll**(Our Adopt-A-Seminarian)

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Mr. & Mrs. Alberto Santos request the honor of your presence as their daughter

Maria Louise
— and —

Alan Ian Mueller

are united in Holy Matrimony placing their lives together under Christ

on Sunday, the twenty-second of May two thousand twenty-two at two o'clock in the afternoon

> Immanuel Lutheran Church 110 Main Street Sweet Springs, Missouri

Immediately following the ceremony, please join us in the church fellowship hall to congratulate the newlyweds. Light refreshments will be hosted by The Care Team.

PRAYER

Members of Immanuel

Randy Brandt, Bruce & Melissa Eckhoff, Lester & Louise Harms, and Carol Thurman

Family and Friends of Immanuel

Cindy Bernard, Shirley Colson, Alan Luebbert, Linda McFadden, Betty McKeage, John Richmond, Pastor Martin T. Schnare, Bill Taylor, Donnie Joe Underwood, Keith Ward, Larry and Eileen Winfrey.

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LoWanda Pinkepank, and Martha Jane Vogelsmeier (LGSNH)
Dolores Fischer (GSNH Apartments)
Dorothy Krause (The Villa)

Mission Workers

Josh, Coco, John, and Sophia Lange (China), Rev. Peter & Kristie Kolb (Thailand), Jim & Claudia Dahlke (Mission of Christ Network), those serving POBLO

Military

Owen Dobbins, MaKenna Eckhoff, and Chad Ziegelbein



Whether you are a lifelong member or visiting for the first time we are honored to have you here this morning. Please feel free to contact the office regarding questions of membership or of a spiritual or personal matter. *You may contact the office at:* 660-335-4141.

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May the Peace of Christ dwell in you!

