

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Fifth Sunday after Easter

May 7th, 2023

*To God be glory for 145 years of His grace at Immanuel and
73 years of proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast!*

Prelude
Ringing of Bells
Welcome

Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation #LSB 739

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Stand

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 Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, 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.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 30:1–5; antiphon: Psalm 149:1

Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the godly!

**I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.**

**O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.**

**O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;
you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.**

Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,
and give thanks to his holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

**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

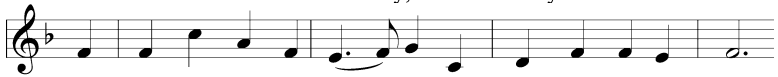


C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

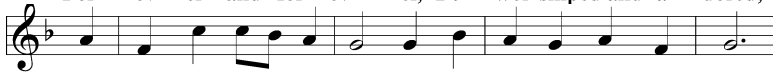
Gloria in Excelsis



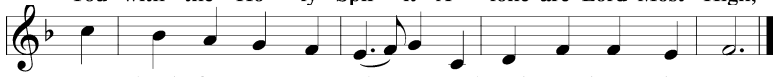
C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In 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.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will.

Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

¹Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution.

²And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. ³Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. ⁴But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” ⁵And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. ⁶These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them.

⁷And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

⁸And Stephen, full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and signs among the people. ⁹Then some of those who belonged to the synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called), and of the Cyrenians, and of the Alexandrians, and of those from Cilicia and Asia, rose up and disputed with Stephen. . . .

²And Stephen said: “Brothers and fathers, hear me. . . .

⁵¹You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you.

⁵²Which of the prophets did not your fathers persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now betrayed and murdered, ⁵³you who received the law as delivered by angels and did not keep it.”

⁵⁴Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth at him. ⁵⁵But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶And he said, “Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.”

⁵⁷But they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him. ⁵⁸Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” ⁶⁰And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Peter 2:2–10

²Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in Scripture:

“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

⁷So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,
“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone,”

⁸and

“A stone of stumbling,
and a rock of offense.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in a 7/8 time signature. The first staff is a melodic line with lyrics: **C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: **C** These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that. The third staff continues the melody with lyrics: Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God. The fourth staff is a final melodic line with lyrics: **C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 14:1–14

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

C Glory be to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] “Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to where I am going.” ⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” ⁹Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

¹²“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. ¹³Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles’ Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,

**the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

Sit

**Hymn of the Day #LSB 672
Sermon**

Jerusalem the Golden

Title: A Place Prepared

Scripture: John 14:1–14

Stand

Prayers of the Church

Offering

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also 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, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many. As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

- C** Amen.

Agnus Dei

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

Distribution

Distribution Hymn #LSB 645

Built on the Rock

Distribution Hymn #LSB 683

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

Distribution Hymn #LSB 411

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

C 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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 Amen.

Hymn to Depart #LSB 646

Church of God, Elect and Glorious

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The Lord's Week

- Sun. 9:00am** Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300
10:15am Sunday School/BC
- Mon. 8:30am Royal Oaks Bible Study
1:00pm Finance Board
(Judy out of office on Mon. Working T-F)
- Tues. **Rose orders for Mother's Day deadline today!**
6:00pm Property Board
- Wed. 10:00am Women's Bible Study
- Sun. 9:00am** Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300
10:15am SS/BC

Voter's Meeting Sunday, May 21st at 10:15am.



Our radio broadcast this morning is presented in loving memory of Harlan Gieseke & Lana Scott by Lois Gieseke and family. We thank them for sharing God's word with our radio listeners this morning. May God's love bring compassion, peace and love to all who hear his word.



Immanuel Friends,

I would like to thank you for your support and for taking me in as one of your own during my senior year at Sweet S[trings R-7. It is now time for me to graduate and celebrate a great year. Please join us at *Carl & Carolyn Colson's house~May 29th~5pm-?* and *celebrate with us*. No gifts please.*Matthew Wing*

It is spring and with that come *Graduations*. If you have a family member graduating this spring from *High School or college*, please let the office know. (Need name; school, degree (if college). I also need *6th grade &/or 8th grade promotions*. (Name and school). I will print these on May 21st so *would like to have names by May 16th*. Thanks for the help. Judy

Orders for Mother's Day Roses are being taken currently. Envelopes are available for your order on the Narthex table. Completed orders should be placed in the offering plate. Orders are due in the office by Tuesday, May 9th. Cost is \$2/rose.

Saint Paul Lutheran High School is offering a variety of camps over the summer for students entering Kindergarten through 8th grade (depending upon the camp). Camps include athletic training, volleyball, basketball, soccer, football, Spanish, and Hispanic cooking. More information and access to the Google registration form can be found at splhs.org/events

Those Serving

Musician.....Ron Baker
Acolyte:Ty Higgins
Radio and Sound.....Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies
Video.....Andrea Renken, Dana Melies, Debbie Vickrey & others
Ushers:.....Gary Anderson, Jon Cook, Matt Vogelsmeier, Jim Teufel
Church Secretary.....Judy Teufel
Pastor.....Pastor Alan Mueller

PRAYER

Members of Immanuel: Randy Brandt, Joyce Eckhoff, Cora Lee Fuchs, Louise Harms, Kenny Krause, Mary Opfer, and Mary Yokley.

Family and Friends of Immanuel: Cindy Bernard, Michelle Boland, Linder Hoffman, Jacob Neel, Gary Rapp, Tracy Schultz, Dana Sleeper, Jeff Vogt, Eileen Winfrey, Debbie Wulser, and Lisa Winter.

Shut-ins and Nursing Home Residents: Dolores Fischer, Lester & Louise Harms, & Martha Jane Vogelsmeier (LGSNH) Dorothy Krause (The Villa); Thelma Nienhueser (The Essex of Concordia)

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, and MaKenna Eckhoff



St. Paul's Grade School (Concordia) is having our annual end of the year, Spring Picnic on Wednesday, May 17th. Friends in Faith PTL is asking for parents/grandparents/family to volunteer their time to help prep, serve and clean up as well as donations of vanilla ice cream and pies. All help is greatly appreciated

and is what makes each year successful! Please consider signing up with the QR code attached. Feel free to contact Jaala Schlesselman at 660-238-2666, with any questions or desire to sign up without the code.

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!

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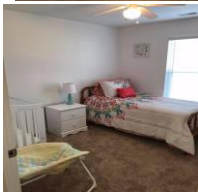
The Sunday School and the Adult Bible Class Project are financially supporting Zoe's Home in Clinton, MO. We are opening our giving to the congregation. You will find information about Zoe's Home below. There is a basket placed in the Narthex where you may place items from Zoe's "Tangible Needs". If you would like to give to their financial needs your donation may be made out to "Trinity Lutheran Church" with Zoe's Home in the Memo Line. Please place the donation in an envelope marked Zoe's home and put it in our offering plate. The financial donations will be given to Zoe's Home by the Adult Sunday School Class.



PREGNANCY AND PARENTING HOME CLINTON, MO

Zoe's home is a maternity and parenting home operated by Trinity Lutheran Church-Clinton, MO.

- We strive to provide women an opportunity to restore, redirect, and redeem their lives through the love of Christ.
- Zoe's Home is a comprehensive, live-in, full-time, life-skills training program for single, pregnant, or parenting women in crisis. All residents participate in household duties, parenting, financial, and spiritual classes. Residents attend all prenatal and postnatal appointments. Residents also address any substance abuse or mental health concerns.
- Residents are supported in their employment or educational needs.



Tangible needs

- Toiletries •Cleaning supplies •Hygiene items
- Socks/Underwear

Financial donations

- Check or cash mailed to the church

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