

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Palm Sunday (The Sunday of the Passion)

April 13th, 2025

*To God be glory for 146 years of His grace at Immanuel and
74 years of proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast!*

Prelude
Performed by Immanuel's Bell Ringers
Palms presented by Sunday School Children
Ring of the Bells
Welcome

Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation #443

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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 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 In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 24:7–10; antiphon: Psalm 118:26

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

Kyrie

LSB 152

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, gracious Lord.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 32:36–39

³⁶ The LORD will vindicate his people
and have compassion on his servants,
when he sees that their power is gone
and there is none remaining, bond or free.

³⁷ Then he will say, “Where are their gods,
the rock in which they took refuge,

³⁸ who ate the fat of their sacrifices
and drank the wine of their drink offering?

Let them rise up and help you;
let them be your protection!

³⁹ “See now that I, even I, am he,
and there is no god beside me;

I kill and I make alive;
I wound and I heal;
and there is none that can deliver out of my hand.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Philippians 2:5–11

⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but made himself nothing,

taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel

John 12:20–43

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



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. ²¹So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” ²²Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

²⁷“Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” ²⁹The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” ³⁰Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” ³³He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. ³⁴So the crowd answered him, “We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?” ³⁵So Jesus said to them, “The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know

where he is going. ³⁶While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light.”

When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them. ³⁷Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, ³⁸so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Lord, who has believed what he heard from us,
and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?”

³⁹Therefore they could not believe. For again Isaiah said,

⁴⁰“He has blinded their eyes
and hardened their heart,
lest they see with their eyes,
and understand with their heart, and turn,
and I would heal them.”

⁴¹Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him. ⁴²Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; ⁴³for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn of the Day #LSB 430

My Song is Love Unknown

Sermon

Text: Philippians 2:3-5

Stand

Apostles' Creed *(found in the back cover of the hymnal)*

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Sit

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.

Benediction

LSB 166

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 441

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

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The Lord's Week

Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300
		Palm Sunday-
		Sunday School Children bringing in the palms.
	10:15am	Fellowship Time with coffee & donuts.
		Followed by an Easter Egg Hunt on the east lawn.
Mon.	10:00am	Finance Board
		Easter Lily & Memorial Garden forms due in office
Tues.	8:30am	Braille
Thurs.	1:00pm	Orphan Grain Train
	6:00pm	Maundy Thursday Service
Fri.	6:00pm	Good Friday Service
Sat.	8:30am	Set up for Memorial Garden
Sun.	8:00 am	Fellowship & Light Breakfast
	9:00am	Easter Service on KMMO AM 1300

Thank you, Pastor Paul Mehl, for leading our service today!

Easter Fellowship Hour will begin at 8:00am with a light breakfast on April 20th before the Easter Service at 9:00am. This is hosted by the Ladies of the Congregation. Please come and join the celebration of our Savior's rise from the tomb



Our radio broadcast this morning is sponsored by Pete & Dana Melies as they celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on April 12th. We would like to wish them our warmest congratulations on this special day. May God continue to bless your marriage and service to this church family.

The Marshall Philharmonic Orchestra is especially proud and honored to conclude its 62nd Season ***Sunday, April 13 at 2:30 pm*** in Harold L. Lickey Auditorium at Bueker Middle School with Soprano, Amy Johns, Assistant Professor of Music at Central Methodist University. The concert will further showcase the talent of the highly successful Marshall High School Orchestra and its director, Jordan Summers.! All are welcome!

Those Serving

Musician:.....Bell Choir.....Organist:.. Ron Baker
Acolyte:.....Cayden Gieselman
Radio and Sound:.....Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies
Video:.....Andrea Renken, Dana Melies, Debbie Vickrey & others
Ushers:.....Allan Koch, James Nowland, Tim Schelp, Jon Cook
Pastor:.....Rev. Paul Mehl
Church Secretary.....Judy Teufel

Fish Fry! Support Christian Education Tuition Program on Saturday April 26th at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sweet Springs, 5:00pm-??.

Board of Education is asking for extra hands to help prepare the sides for the fish fry. *Meet us in the church basement at 2pm on April 25th.*

We appreciate your help.

The Board of Mission's is sponsoring a Heit's Point Camper Scholarship for this summer. It covers a week long summer camp at Heit's Point near Lincoln Mo. We would like to extend this to a student at Immanuel if they are interested in participating. If no one from our Congregation is interested, then we will send it on to Heit's Point for a student of their choice. If you are interested, please contact a member of the Board of Mission's. Thank you.

Easter Lily & Memorial Garden forms are available in the Narthex or the Office. *Please complete the forms and place them in the offering plate marked Altar Guild (with check for lily) Easter lilies. The price is \$9.50 per lily. Orders are due by Monday April 14th. Memorial Garden flowers/plants may be brought to the church by 8:30am on Saturday April 19th.* They may be put on the stage in the basement. Please complete the form available in the Narthex to indicate who placed the flower & in memory of whom. *Please place the form in the offering plate by Monday April 14th.*

Sunrise Service will be conducted by the Sweet Springs Ministerial Alliance on April 20th at 7:00am at the Christian Church in Sweet Springs. The speaker will be from the Presbyterian Church. All are welcome.

Women's Easter Breakfast All ladies are invited to join us on Saturday, April 19th at 8:30 am at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1501 Lipper Ave., Higginsville, MO in the church basement for our Women's Easter Breakfast. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Jerrode Marsh, the Executive Director of the Concordia Music Conservatory and Director of Music at St. Paul Lutheran High School. Dr. Marsh will share her musical experiences during her two decades in Germany as a pianist and conductor. An offering will be collected and ½ will be donated to the Concordia Music Conservatory, ¼ will go to the Altar Guild for new paraments and ¼ will go to Ruth Circle. Join us for food & fellowship as we share our faith & love for our Resurrected Savior.

The Concordia Music Conservatory is hiring an Administrative Assistant to the Executive Director. The applicant should preferably have some knowledge and experience working with databases, spreadsheets, word processing (Google), Square, and Squarespace. The position allows for much remote work with flexible hours, particularly during the busy times of the semester, but some in-person is expected. The applicant should be reliable, creative, self-motivated and visionary. Pay is \$20 per hour, with roughly 10 hours per week (max. 40 hours per month). Start date is negotiable but preferred by May 1st, 2025. Please contact email Jerrode.Marsh@cmc-music.org for a complete job description. Three references are required.

PRAYER

Members of Immanuel: Carol Brandt, Randy Brandt, Stanley Bredehoeft, Nolan Kirby, Carolyn Lubbert, Stevi Nowland, Mary Opfer, Lindsey Shockley.

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Millie Dohrman (Westport Assisted Living)
Dolores Fischer & Dorothy Krause (The Living Center)

Mission Workers: Rev. Peter & Kristie Kolb (Thailand), Jim & Claudia Dahlke (Mission of Christ Network), those serving POBLO. David & Valerie Federwitz (LBT West Africa Regional Director) Tim & Erin Schulte (LBT)

Military: MaKenna Eckhoff, Drake Batye



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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Fish Fry

FUNDRAISER



Join us for a Fish Fry!
Fundraiser for Christian Education
Tuition Program.

***Saturday
April 26***

at Immanuel Lutheran Church
Sweet Springs
5:00 PM - ??
\$13 all you can eat
Child 4-10: \$6
3 and under: Free

*Dinner includes: All
you can eat fresh fish,
hush puppies,
coleslaw, baked
beans, potato salad
and dessert*

Drive thru available