

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3rd, 2026

*To God be glory for 148 years of His grace at Immanuel and
76 years of proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast.*

*Prelude**Ringing of the Bell**Welcome*

Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation LSB #480

He's Risen, He's Risen

Please stand for the last stanza if you are able.

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.

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.

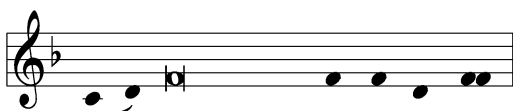
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song,

His praise in the assembly of the godly!

Kyrie

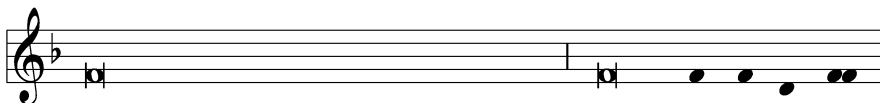
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A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



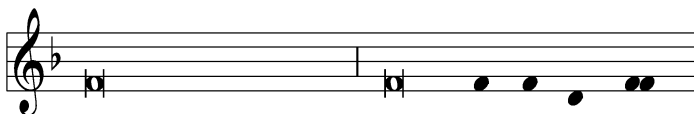
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



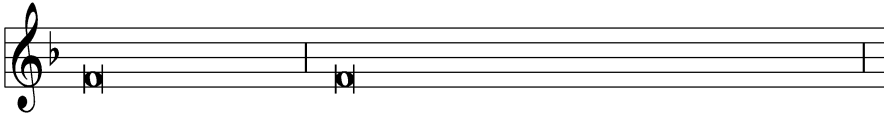
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



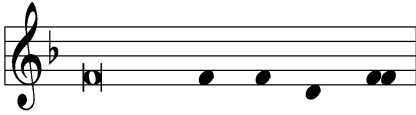
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



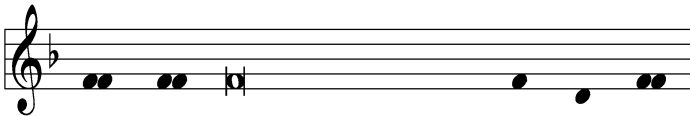
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C A - men.

This Is the Feast

Refrain



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



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



1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb ——— who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



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

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so 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 A - men.

Please be seated.

First Reading

Acts 6:1–9; 7:2a, 51–60

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.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1st 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.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand if you are able.

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156



C Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e-ter-nal life. 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 Glo-ry 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

**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 † of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

Please be seated.

Offering

Please stand if you are able.

Offertory

LSB 159



☐ 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.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 160

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. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

(found inside the back cover of the hymnal)

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



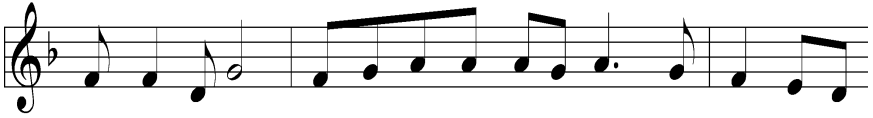
C A - men.

Agnus Dei

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.

Please be seated.

Distribution

Distribution Hymn LSB #829

Distribution Hymn LSB #618

Distribution Hymn LSB #467

*Christ, the Eternal Lord
I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table
Awake, My Heart, With Gladness*

Please stand if you are able.

Thank the Lord

LSB 164



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



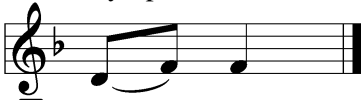
He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

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 A - men.

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 A - men.

Please be seated.

Hymn to Depart LSB #643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

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The Lord's Week of May 3rd

Sun.	9:00 am	Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300
	10:15 am	BC/SS
	4:00 pm	Pastor Engwall's installation service and dinner
Wed.	10:00 am	No Women's Bible Study until June 3, 2026
	5:30 pm	Board of Missions
Sat.		Andrea Renken's Grad Party-Fellowship Hall
Sun.	9:00 am	Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300
	10:15 am	BC & SS



Our radio broadcast this morning is to honor the memory of Harlan Gieseke, who entered heaven 12 years ago. His family wishes to celebrate Harlan's memory by sharing the word of our Lord with our radio audience. May God continue to bring all things to His glory. Thank you to Lois Gieseke and Harlan's family for sponsoring today's broadcast.

Food for this afternoon's carry-in meal. We are requesting that each family bring a meal of 2-3 or more dishes to this event. An example would be a meat dish, potato or veggie, salad and dessert or rolls.

News from Board of Ed: **Save the dates!** July 26-30 VBS

Our own Walk/Run & Vendor Fair is Saturday, May 30th. Vendors needed by April 30th. Registration is 8 am for the 5K at 8:30 am. Vendor Fair is 9 am-1 pm. To register contact the church or email: ssimmanuel.lutheran@gmail.com.

The Board of Properties is asking for monetary pledges towards the handicapped parking project. \$15,000 has been pledged thus far for this project. Approximate estimate is \$20-25,000. For details or to make a pledge please talk to Dave Gieselman at 660-815-7470 or any member of the Property Board. Thank you for your support.

Forms for the Mother's Day Roses are on the table in the Narthex.

Please complete the form, place it with the money in an envelope and put in the offering plate or return to the office. **Orders are due by Monday, May 4th.**

If you have any graduates (promotion 6th or 8th grade; High School, or post-high school graduate please give their name, level of education, degree, school) to the office. These must be turned in by May 19th.

PRAYER

Members of Immanuel: Ron Baker, Roy Hemme, Evelyn Kincaid, Nolan Kirby, Lindsey Shockley & Ryan Sims.

Family and Friends of Immanuel: Bryce Alkire, Zachary Brockman, Brandy Clevenger, Avery England, Jeff Fuehring, Debby Greer, Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan, Gail Foster Horman, Randy and Laurie Johnson, Kelly Krause, David Maas, Danny Merrick, Inez Navarro, Mary Lou Ramos, Kathy Shockley, Elliot Smith, Rev. Walt Snyder.

At-home and Nursing Home Residents:

Norma Gieseke and Walter Howard (at home)
Millie Dohrman (The Arbors Memory Care Assisted Living)
Dolores Fischer & Dorothy Krause (The Living Center)
Carol Thurman (Life Care Center of Carrollton)
Phyllis Bredehoeft (Primrose Retirement Community, Sedalia)

Mission Workers: Rev. Peter & Kristie Kolb (Thailand); Rev. David & Valerie Federwitz (LBT West Africa Regional Director)

Military & First Responders: MaKenna Eckhoff, Drake Batye, Ethan Sims

Ministry Move: Thankful for Rev. John, Teffie and Suzanne Engwall's move to Sweet Springs; remembering the members of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Aiken, South Carolina in their pastoral vacancy

For favorable weather for farming and safety in the fields.

For the students of the UCM Lutheran Student Center as the semester finishes. **For all students** at area schools as their school year also draws to an end. Especially bless all of the 2026 Graduates.

Those Serving Us in Worship Today

Musician..... Judy Teufel
Acolyte.....Sena Ohrenberg
Radio and Sound:Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies, Chad Ohrenberg
Video:.....Marsha Tyler, Andrea Renken, Dana Melies, & others
Ushers.....Gary Anderson, Dave Gieselman, Andrew Renken, Jason Staples
Pastor.....Pastor Mark Nebel
Church SecretaryJudy Teufel

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.*

If you get a chance check us out online at:

www.immanuelsweetsprings.com.

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May the Peace of Christ dwell in you!

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ATTENDANCE & GIVING FOR APRIL 2026

Church & Sunday School Attendance				Tithes and offerings for April 2026 Budget Amount Needed for April 2026: \$19,450. <i>Amount received for April 2026: \$20,994..</i> Receipts were above budget by-\$ 1544.
Date	Sunday Service	Adult Bible Class	Sunday School	
Apr. 5	80	No Class Easter		
Apr. 12	113	21	21	
Apr. 19	155	24	19	
Apr. 26	125	No Class	21	
Mid-week Services				
Apr. 2	81			
Apr. 3	86			
Apr 5	103	Sunrise		

Check out the bulletin board for details on these events:

May 10th-Downtown Mother's Day Breakfast & Blooms-at Mattingly Building-Proceeds support restoration efforts.

May 23rd Kids Market Day — Vendors & Shoppers Welcome! May 23rd at St. Paul's (Concordia) Gym Vendors register by May 1st.

June-SPLHS Summer Sports Camps-dates vary by camp

June 7-11th Concordia Music Conservatory offers a Kinderchor Camp.

Heit's Point Lutheran Ministries and Summer Camp

Go to HeitsPointLutheran.org for more info or to register. It's a great time to sign up for SUMMER CAMP! *Immanuel's Board of Missions* has designated funds for campers. Please contact them if interested in a camp at Heit's Point.

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported our Fish Fry. We truly appreciate your support. *A special thank you to all who helped prepare, cook, and serve. Your time and hard work made the evening a success.* We couldn't have done it without you! Thank you, Board of Education