

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 10th, 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 #816 *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

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 119:89–93; antiphon: v. 105

Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.

Forever, O LORD, your word
is firmly fixed in the heavens.

Your faithfulness endures to all generations;

you have established the earth, and it stands fast.

By your appointment they stand this day,

for all things are your servants.

If your law had not been my delight,

I would have perished in my affliction.

I will never forget your precepts,

for by them you have given me life.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

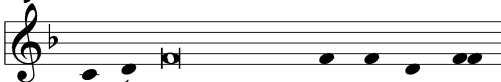
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Your word is a lamp to my feet

and a light to my path.

Kyrie

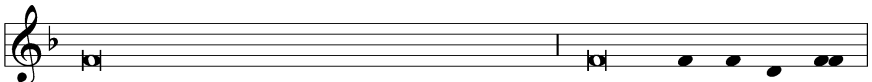
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A In peace let us pray to the Lord.




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.



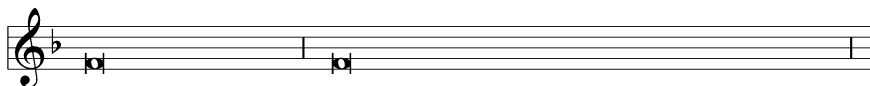
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



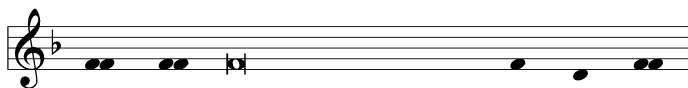
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C A - men.

Gloria in Excelsis

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A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; 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 17:16-31

¹⁶While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of

the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babblers wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? ²⁰For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for

“‘In him we live and move and have our being’;

as even some of your own poets have said,

“‘For we are indeed his offspring.’”

²⁹Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual *adapt from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

Christ has risen from the dead.

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle

1 Peter 3:13–22

¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand if you are able.

Alleluia and Verse

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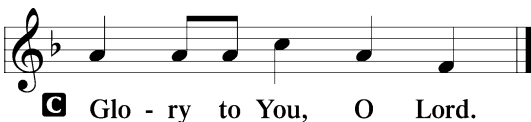


C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 14:15–21

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



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹⁵[Jesus said:] “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because

it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

¹⁸“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Hymn LSB #605 v. 1

Father Welcomes

Children's Message

given by Courtney Gieselman

Hymn of the Day LSB #725

Children of the Heavenly Father

Sermon

Please stand if you are able.

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 \dagger everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

Following the prayers, 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).

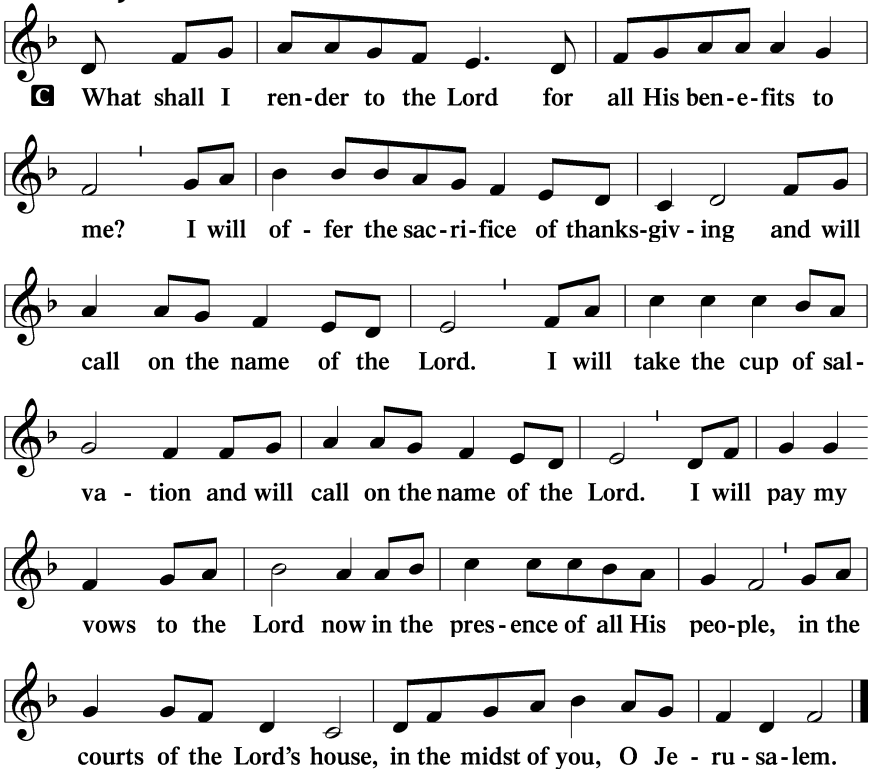
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Offering

Please stand if you are able.

Offertory

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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.

Lord's Prayer

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



Many thanks for the warm welcome. Your welcoming wishes, cards, and gifts are very much appreciated. We also have enjoyed getting to you know and thank everyone for their help as we have settled in our new surroundings

Pastor Engwall, Teffie & Suzy.

News from Board of Ed:

Save the dates! July 26-30 VBS

Our own Walk/Run & Vendor Fair is Saturday, May 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: ssimmanuellutheran@gmail.com.

The Board of Properties is asking for monetary pledges towards the handicapped parking project. Over \$21,000 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.

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. *Graduates must be turned in by May 19th.*

Check out the bulletin board for details on these Community Events:
May 11th St. Paul's Church in Concordia-Prayer Service for Miscarriage, Stillbirth, and Infant Loss

May 23rd Kids Market Day —Shoppers Welcome! May 23rd at St. Paul's (Concordia) Gym.

May 30-5K & Vendor Fair @ Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sweet Springs

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

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.



We wish to welcome Pastor John Engwall, his wife Teffie, and sister, Suzy to our church family. We have received their transfer of membership from Bethlehem Lutheran Church of Aiken, SC.

May God bless your home as you settle into your new surroundings.

PRAYER

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

Family and Friends of Immanuel: Bryce Alkire, 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, 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

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.....Ron Baker
Acolyte.....Olivia Dickinson
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 John Engwall
Church SecretaryJudy Teufel

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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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