

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



"The Ascension of Our Lord (observed)"

May 17th, 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 #525

Crown Him with Many Crowns

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 100; antiphon: Psalm 101:1

I will sing of steadfast love and justice;

to you, O LORD, I will make music.

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

Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

and his faithfulness to all generations.

Glorify be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

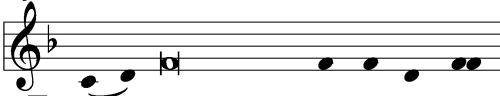
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

I will sing of steadfast love and justice;

to you, O LORD, I will make music.

Kyrie

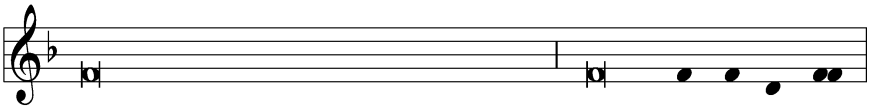
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A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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.



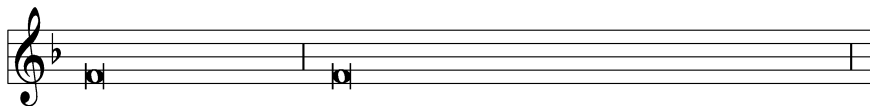
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



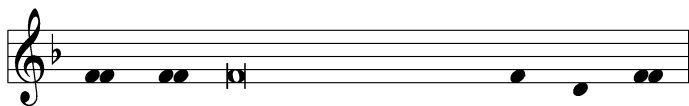
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



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

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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 King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Please be seated.

First Reading

Acts 1:1–11

¹In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ²until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³To them he presented himself alive after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

⁴And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” ⁹And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

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

Ephesians 1:15–23

¹⁵For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²²And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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

Luke 24:44–53

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

⁴⁴Then [Jesus] said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. ⁵¹While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³and were continually in the temple blessing God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Hymn of the Day LSB #491

Up through Endless Ranks of Angels

Sermon

Please stand if you are able.

Nicene Creed

C 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,
very God of very God,
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 \dagger of the world to come. 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).

Please be seated.

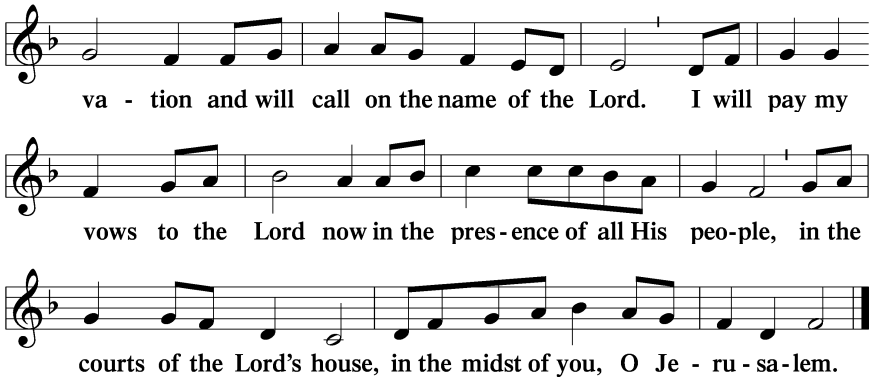
Offering

Please stand if you are able.

Offertory

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**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-**

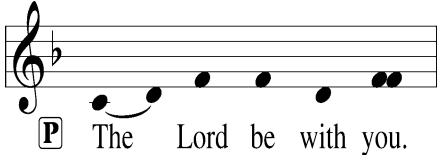


va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
 vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the
 courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

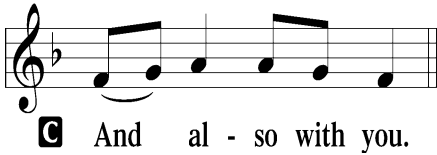
Service of the Sacrament

Preface

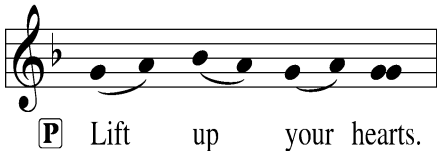
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P The Lord be with you.



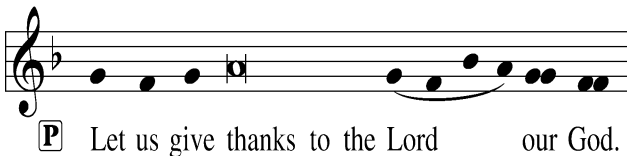
C And al - so with you.



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 . . . evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

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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

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The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ...As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ... teach us to pray:

C Lord's Prayer (*found inside the back cover of the hymnal*)

Thank the Lord

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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

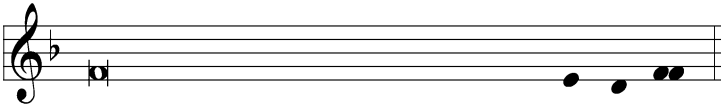


with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

Benediction

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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.

Hymn to Depart LSB #492

On Christ's Ascension I Now Build

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The Lord's Week of May 17th

Sun.	9:00 am	Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300
	10:15 am	Voters Meeting & SS
	11:15am	Board of Education Meeting
Mon.		Office Closed
Tues.	8:30am	Braille
Wed.	10:00 am	<i>No Women's Bible Study until June 3, 2026</i>
Thurs.	1:00pm	Orphan Grain Train
Sun.	9:00 am	Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300
	10:15 am	BC/SS

Our congregation will be taking up a **collection for Ryan Sims** the next two Sundays. There will be a basket in the back for your donation. If writing a check, please make it out to Ryan Sims directly. The money will be collected and given to him. Thanks!

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 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 5, 2026 Fish for Life Crappie Tournament & Fish Fry-Trinity Lutheran Church in Clinton, MO. Fish Fry begins at 5pm.

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.



PRAYER

Members of Immanuel: Ron Baker, Carol Brandt, Dolores Hemme, 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: Drake Batye, Ethan Sims

For favorable weather for farming and safety in the fields.

Those Serving Us in Worship Today

- Musician*.....Ron Baker
- Acolyte*.....Braelyn Johnson
- 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 Secretary*Judy 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!

