Immanuel Lutheran Church



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Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

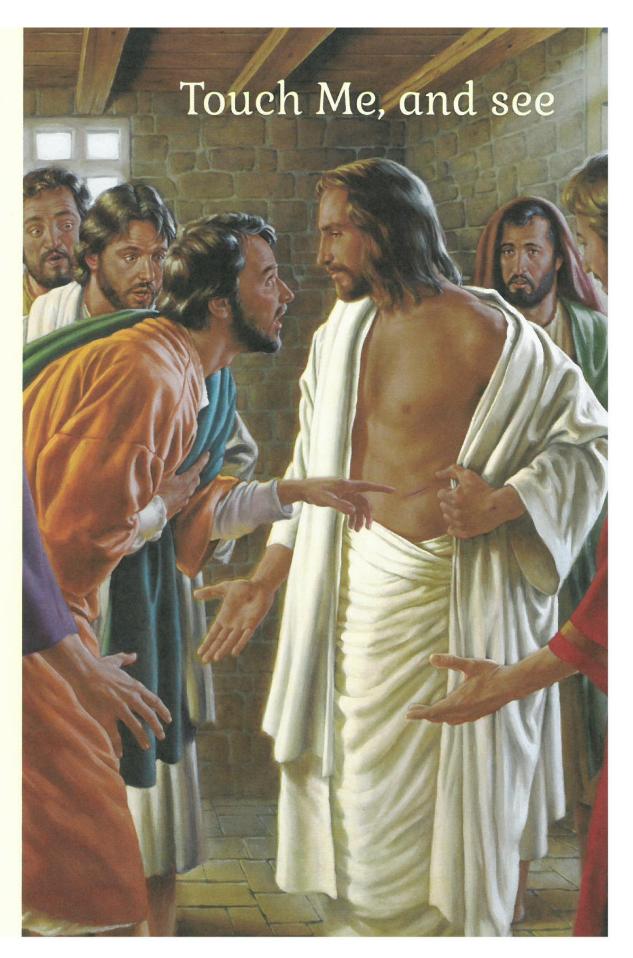
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class: 9:00 a.m.

Rev. Charles C. Minetree, Sr. Pastor

Rev. Lucas Witt, Missionary/ Assoc. Pastor

Muriel E. Hopkins, Music Director

Dr. Richard Wegner, Minister of Music, Emeritus



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Third Sunday of Easter

April 18, 2021 10:00 a.m.

THE VISION STATEMENT FOR IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

As the body of Christ, renewed by the Holy Spirit as a living community of believers, we are committed to sharing the love of Christ and the good news of salvation.

We build relationships with others in the **Community Around Us**, while nurturing the **Community Among Us**, so all may know of and grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.

GOD'S MISSION FOR IMMANUEL

Immanuel Lutheran Church is a community of God's people <u>rooted</u>, nourished, and educated in the Word of God, to include all people in its fellowship for the sake of Christ, and for their <u>eternal salvation</u>.

WELCOME VISITORS!

The Immanuel Lutheran congregation is pleased that you have joined us today. If you have no church home, we invite you to make your home among us.

COMMUNION AT IMMANUEL

We celebrate the Lord's Supper today! According to God's Word, you may commune with us if you:

- Have been baptized in the name of the Triune God,
- Have faith in Jesus Christ as God the Son, and your personal Savior from sin, death, and the devil,
- Have examined yourselves and recognize that you have sin that needs forgiveness, hurt that needs healing, faith that needs strengthening,
- Believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine you receive the true Body and Blood of the risen Christ, (1 Corinthians 10:16)
- Believe that the body and blood of the Lord will grant you forgiveness of your sins and new life.
- Desire to amend your sinfulness and live a life pleasing to God and in fellowship with His Church,
- Understand that to partake of the sacrament without examining yourself and recognizing the real presence of Christ's Body and Blood is to do so to your harm (1 Corinthians 11:27). If you do not agree with the above, or have questions, please see Pastor before communing at Immanuel.

Processional Hymn #700 - "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"



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Divine Service, Setting One

Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- In the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.
- **G** Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 30:1-5; antiphon: Psalm 16:11b



In your presence there is full- | ness of joy;* at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore. 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 be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

In your presence there is full- | ness of joy;* at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.

Kyrie

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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



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.



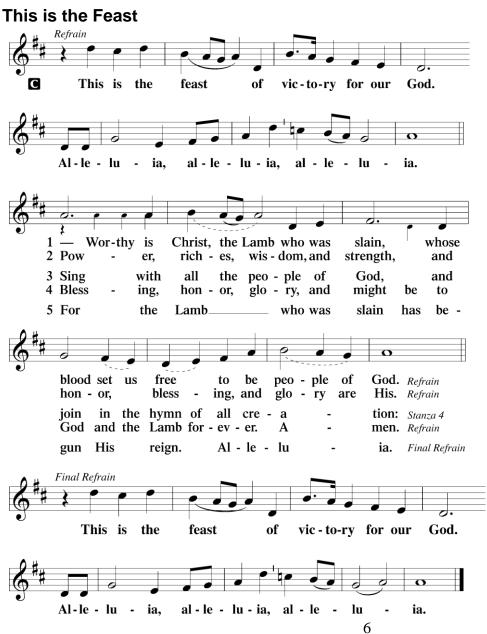
A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



Hymn of Praise



Salutation And Collect Of The Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

First Reading Acts 3:11-21

¹¹While [the lame man who was now healed] clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. 12 And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? 13The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. 14But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. 16And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all. ¹⁷"And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, ²⁰that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, ²¹whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago."

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

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

(Chanted by all)

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 un- | der his feet.

Epistle 1 John 3:1-7

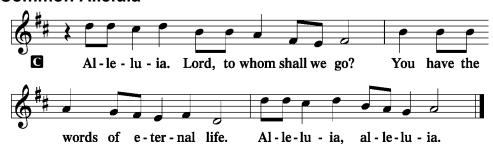
¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand

Common Alleluia



Holy Gospel Luke 24:36-49

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.



³⁶As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" ³⁷But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. ³⁸And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate before them.

⁴⁴Then he 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."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit



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Sermon - See what kind of Love

Stand

Apostles' Creed

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.

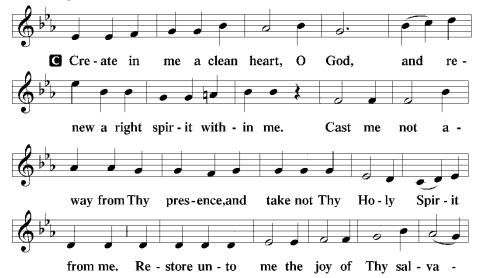
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life

→ everlasting. Amen.

Offering

(The offering plates are located in the Narthex in an effort to reduce the amount of touch points. Please place your offerings in the plate as you exit.)

Offertory





Prayer of the Church

Brief silence

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord God, in Your presence we find fullness of joy, and by Your right hand, Christ Jesus, You win and deliver peace forevermore. In the midst of this world's sins and sorrows, give us peace in the knowledge of His salvation and confident hope in the resurrection of the dead. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, by the incarnation of Your Son and the reconciliation of His cross, You have made us Your children and gathered us into Your Holy Church. Sustain the preaching of Your Holy Word and its message of repentance for the forgiveness of sins in Jesus' name among us and all the nations of the world. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Give peace, Lord, to our homes and enliven them by Christ's resurrected life. Let the forgiveness of sins reign among husband and wives, parents and children. Assure those who live alone that they, too, are Your children, upheld by Your right hand. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Gracious Father, as Your Son's wounds brought gl	ladness and peace to the troubled disciples,
give Your presence and comfort to the troubled in	our midst [especially].
Comfort also those who weep [especially] with the blessed joy of Easter
morning. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.	

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. **Amen.**

+ Service of the Sacrament +

Preface

P The Lord be with you.



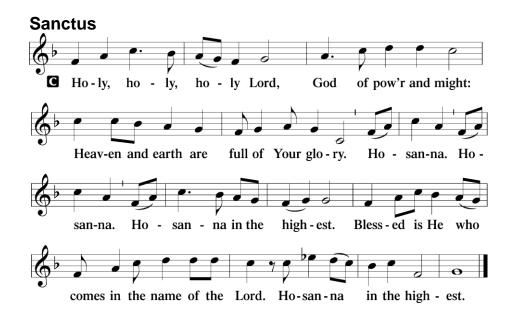
P Lift up your hearts.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed

Lord's Prayer

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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 as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation,

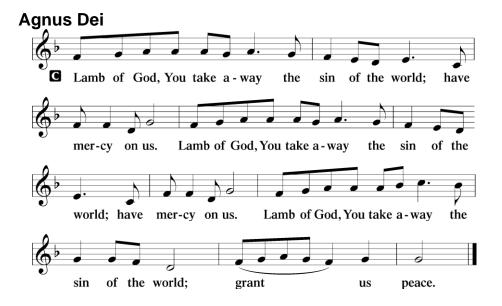
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

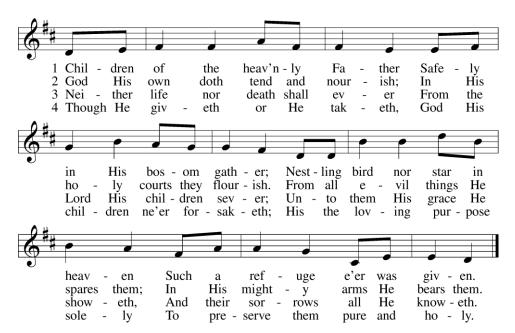




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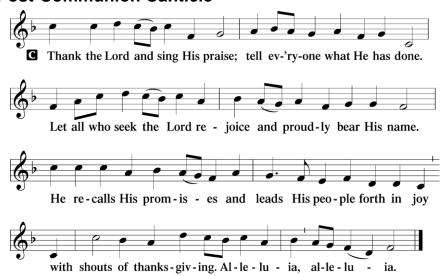
Distribution Hymn #725 – "Children of the Heavenly Father"



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Stand

Post-Communion Canticle



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.



Announcements

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.



Recessional Hymn #464 – "The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done"



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Organ Postlude - "Prelude and Fugue in C Major"

-Johann Krebs (1713-1780)

Those Serving Today:

Pastor Rev. Charles Minetree

Officiant Rev. Lucas Witt Director of Music Muriel Hopkins

Altar Guild Sally Hermann/Margaret Mitchell

Birthdays This Week:

- 18 Ellen Noel
- 19 Joan Goeller Jeanne Pfitzinger
- 21 Elaine Mueller Katelyn Griffin
- 22 Catherine Belz Gwen Heemann Moni Tenabe
- 23 Timothy Bardzik

This Week at Immanuel:

Sunday	April 18	9 am 10 am	Adult Bible Study Worship and Holy Communion
Wed	April 21	Noon 7 pm	Staff Appreciation Day Adult Bible Study Council Meeting
Sunday	April 25	9 am 10 am	Adult Bible Study Worship and Holy Communion

Ministry Notes

PARTICIPATING IN HOLY COMMUNION

Many of our members do not yet feel safe returning for worship on Sundays at the Church. They have been missing the sacrament of Holy Communion for many months now. Immanuel would like to help alieve that situation. Beginning November 1, you will be able to pick up a communion element cup from the church office. This pre-sealed package will have a cup of wine and a piece of wafer included. The Sunday Divine Service will continue the stream through the Sacrament to the end of the service. As we participate in the consecration and distribution, you will be able to follow along too at home. Please call Pastor Minetree or the Church office (443-615-4852 Pastor's Cell, 410-435-6861 Church Office) to arrange pick up of the elements package.

HOMEBOUND HOLY COMMUNION

Some of our homebound members do not feel safe having the pastors over for a "communion visit." In response to this, Immanuel has purchased pre-sealed packages of communion elements. These packages include a cup of wine and a bread wafer. These packages may be picked up by a friend or family member from the church office. Please call Pastor Minetree or the Church office (443-615-4852 Pastor's Cell, 410-435-6861 Church Office) to arrange pick up of the elements package. In some instances, the packages can be mailed to the Shut-in's home. One of Immanuel's pastors can schedule a phone visit for the Communion Liturgy and Devotion or a visit may be made by ZOOM. If neither of these options are workable, a devotion card will be included with a short Communion Liturgy and devotional thought the shut-in may read or have read to them. These elements sent to the homes of shut-ins will be consecrated with the Communion elements on the Sunday prior to pick up during the regular Divine Service. For more information please call Pastor or the Church office.

SUNDAY SCHOOL has been meeting during Church and dismissing during the sermon hymn. Please help all of our youngest members and their friends learn the Good News about Jesus by bringing them to Church. Snacks and crafts are provided. See you there?

CHURCH FLOWERS

If you would like a special arrangement, the procedure is to call Denise Waicker at (443) 981-0019 or Denisewaicker@mac.com. Denise needs to know the date you select and the statement you want to include so that she can order the flowers for that Sunday. The cost is \$20.00 for a Special Arrangement and \$40.00 for Altar Flowers. Pay by cash or check (made payable to the "Altar Guild") and give to Denise Waicker in person or mail checks via the postal service.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- -Lillian Noel, eye surgery
- -Richard Kruelle, who is being treated for cancer
- -Bradley Will, who is being treated for cancer
- -Kay Lietzau, who had surgery
- -Ray Will, who is having back problems