



5th Sunday in Easter
Immanuel Lutheran Church
May 15th, 2022

Welcome to this place of praise and prayer. We gather today in celebration of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, as part of God’s family. We would appreciate having you sign our guest book so that we can remember your presence with us. Please note that in the ELW the page numbers are printed at the bottom of the page and hymn numbers are located at the top. The order of worship is outlined on the following pages.

The offering reminds us that all of life is a gift of God. We are stewards of that gift. In response, a portion of our income is given as an act of worship to do God’s work in the world. Immanuel is a first-fruits congregation. That means that every Sunday when the offering is taken in, we give first to the mission and the ministry of the ELCA. We don’t wait to see if we can pay our bills before we give away for God’s mission. It is our hands doing God’s work, for the sake of the world our Lord loves.

We serve Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the month and at all festivals. We offer an open invitation to all baptized believers to participate. It is our understanding that Christ offers his body and blood with the bread and wine to forgive sin and strengthen faith and life. If you receive communion in your home church, you are welcome to receive communion here.

Because we strive to show equal respect for all preferences in worship music, we select hymns & songs meaningful to every age group via a balanced music selection consisting of (a) the great classic hymns written 1520-1870, (b) the old gospel hymns written 1871-1960, and (c) the three generations of contemporary praise songs written 1960-1978, 1978-1995, and 1995 to today.

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Worship is streamed live on Facebook
Recorded worships are found on our website
City Hall plays a recorded copy of worships on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM and Thursdays at 10:00 AM.
If the video is not showing, please call 507-725-3450.

For those without internet access, items can be mailed out each week as requested.

Church office hours: Monday – Thursday from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm.

Church Calendar

Sunday, 5/15: Senior Recognition Sunday

9:00 AM Worship

1:00pm Spring Grove Assisted Living Worship

Monday, 5/16: 12:45pm Claddaugh Communion

Tuesday, 5/17:

Wednesday, 5/18: 3:00pm Caledonia Care Communion

Thursday, 5/19:

Friday, 5/20: 11:00am Funeral: Ervin “Pinkie” Barth

Saturday, 5/21:

Sunday 5/22: 9:00 am Worship
10:15 am W-ELCA Meeting

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES!

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please stand as you are able)

GATHERING HYMN

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing (vs. 1,3,5)

#389

GATHERING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, **you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture readings, preaching and song.

FIRST READING: ACTS 11: 1-18

In defense of his earlier baptism of non-Jewish believers, Peter demonstrates to the members of the Jerusalem church that God's intention to love Gentiles as well as Jews is revealed in Jesus' testimony. In this way the mission to the Gentiles is officially authorized.

¹Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" ⁴Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ⁹But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' ¹⁰This happened three times; then everything was

pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹²The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' ¹⁵And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" ¹⁸When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM 148 (READ RESPONSIVELY)

¹Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens;
praise God in the heights.

²**Praise the LORD, all you angels;
sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.**

³Praise the LORD, sun and moon;
sing praise, all you shining stars.

⁴**Praise the LORD, heaven of heavens,
and you waters above the heavens.**

⁵Let them praise the name of the LORD,
who commanded, and they were created,

⁶**who made them stand fast forever and ever,
giving them a law that shall not pass away.**

⁷Praise the LORD from the earth,
you sea monsters and all deeps;

⁸**fire and hail, snow and fog,
tempestuous wind, doing God's will;**

⁹mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars;

¹⁰**wild beasts and all cattle,
creeping things and flying birds;**

¹¹sovereigns of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the world;

¹²**young men and maidens,
old and young together.**

¹³Let them praise the name of the LORD,

whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over earth and heaven.

¹⁴The LORD has raised up strength for the people and praise for all faithful servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near the LORD. Hallelujah!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

KIDS TIME

(Please stand as you are able)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lord I Lift Your Name On High

#857

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 13: 31-35

After washing the disciples' feet, predicting his betrayal, and then revealing his betrayer, Jesus speaks of his glorification on the cross. This deep complicated love of Jesus, even to death on the cross, will be the distinctive mark of Jesus' community.

³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

This is the gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ!**

(Congregation may be seated)

SERMON

Pastor Steven Meyer

HYMN OF THE DAY

Amazing Grace (vs. 1,3,4)

#779

APOSTLE'S CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The response to each prayer will be, "Lord, in your mercy,"

Congregation reply will be, "**Hear our prayer.**"

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

You are welcome to send a text or email to share peace with others.

OFFERING *(Offerings may be placed in the wooden offering box as you leave the sanctuary)*

OFFERING RESPONSE

Goodness Is Stronger than Evil

#721

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES

GRADUATE HYMN

This Little Light of Mine

#677

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

Go My Children with My Blessing

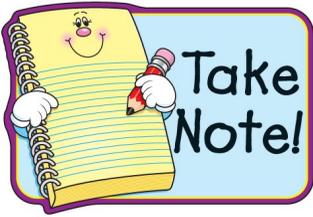
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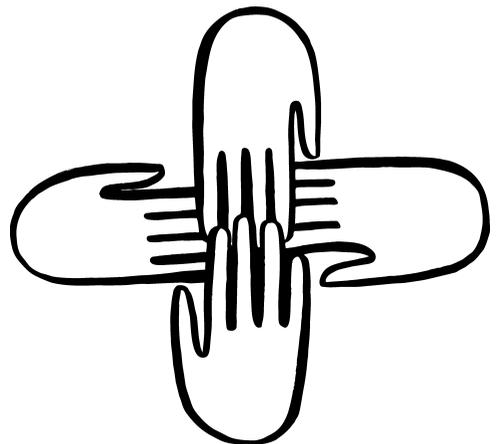
Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

PLEASE JOIN US IN THE SOCIAL HALL TO CONGRATULATE THE 2022 GRADUATES!



This space is reserved for you to jot down any scripture, prayer needs, notes, reminders or thoughts you may have.



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