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# The Fourth Sunday of Easter

11 a.m., April 30, 2023

arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church. God be with you in this Easter season now upon us. We are delighted that you are here and hope that you will return. Sunday by Sunday we gather for Coffee Hour in the church undercroft. We hope that you will join us. And if you do not already have a church home, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you.

God be with you always.

In Christ, Gregory Fryer Pastor Gregory Fryer



## Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting Two

**PRELUDE** 

*Improvisation* 

#### THE BELLS

Please stand when the minister approaches the center aisle.

#### BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### Amen

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### **G** 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 and self-examination.

- P Most merciful God,
- 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. 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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen** 

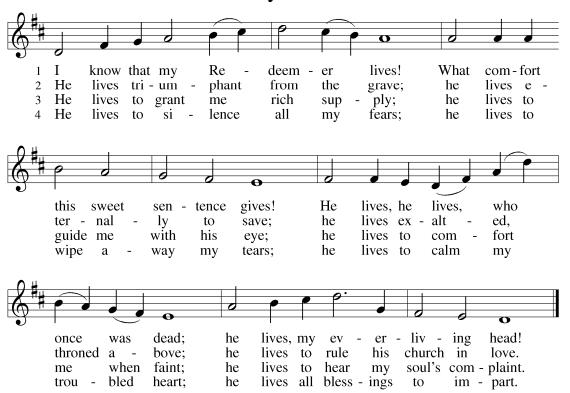
## The Entrance Rite

#### HYMN LBW 352

I Know that My Redeemer Lives!

**DUKE STREET** 

## I Know That My Redeemer Lives!



- 5 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to plead for me above; he lives my hungry soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; he lives and loves me to the end; he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing; he lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King!
- Text: Samuel Medley, 1738–1799, alt. Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death; he lives my mansion to prepare; he lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Savior, still the same; what joy this blest assurance gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

#### **EASTER GREETING**

- P Christ is risen! Alleluia.
- **G** He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

#### APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

## **G** And also with you.





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#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **And also with you.**
- P Let us pray. God of all power, you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep. Send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured, and to feed one another with knowledge and understanding; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Sit

# The Liturgy of the Word of God

Today's reading is a description of life in the community following Peter's sermon on the day of Pentecost, when the Spirit was outpoured, creating the young Church. This new community is founded on the teachings of the apostles and sustained in the breaking of the bread.

<sup>42</sup>And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

<sup>43</sup>And fear came upon every soul; and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. <sup>44</sup>And all who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup>and they sold their possessions and goods and distributed them to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup>And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they partook of food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup>praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**☑** Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23, LBW

tone: DUKE STREET



Cantor <sup>1</sup>The LORD | is my shepherd;\* I shall not | be in want.

All <sup>2</sup>He makes me lie down | in green pastures\* and leads me be- | side still waters.

Cantor <sup>3</sup>He re- | vives my soul\* and guides me along right pathways | for his name's sake.

All <sup>4</sup>Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no evil;\* for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

Cantor <sup>5</sup>You spread a table before me in the presence of those who | trouble me;\* you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

All <sup>6</sup>Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,\* and I will dwell in the house of the | LORD forever.

Doing the right things does not guarantee that one will not experience difficulties, hardships, rejection, or even suffering. Here Christ is presented as the model for our path of endurance and loyalty to God, particularly in the midst of adversity.

<sup>19</sup>For one is approved if, mindful of God, he endures pain while suffering unjustly. <sup>20</sup>For what credit is it, if when you do wrong and are beaten for it you take it patiently? But if when you do right and suffer for it you take it patiently, you have God's approval. <sup>21</sup>For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. <sup>22</sup>He committed no sin; no guile was found on his lips. <sup>23</sup>When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he trusted to him who judges justly. <sup>24</sup>He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup>For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**☑** Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Gospel Acclamation and for the reading of the Holy Gospel.

Gospel Acclamation (All)



Cantor Jesus says, I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me.

All Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL ...... John 10:1-10, RSV

#### Before the Gospel:

**P** The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the Tenth Chapter:



[Jesus said] Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber; <sup>2</sup>but he who enters by the door is the sheepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup>To him the gatekeeper opens; the sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup>When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. <sup>5</sup>A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." <sup>6</sup>This figure Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

<sup>7</sup>So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who came before me are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not heed them. <sup>9</sup>I am the door; if any one enters by me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

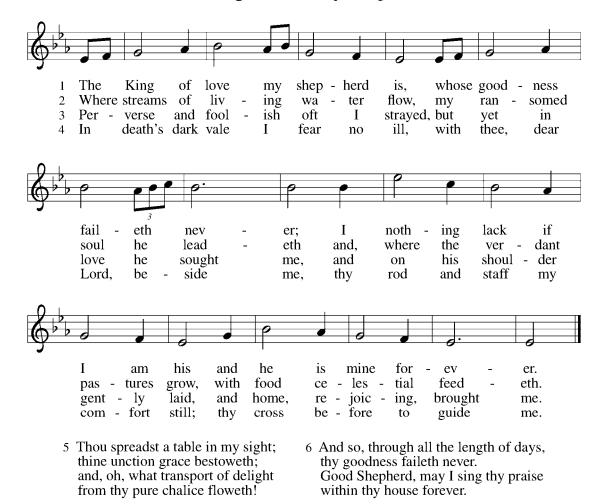
## *After the Gospel:*

P The Gospel of the Lord!



Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day. (Next page)

### The King of Love My Shepherd Is



Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877 Music: St. Columba, Irish tune

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#### **SERMON**

At the start of the sermon, the minister says and the people answer:

- P Christ is risen! Alleluia!
- **G** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

At the end of the sermon, the minister repeats:

- P Christ is risen! Alleluia!
- He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Silence for reflection after the sermon, then stand for the Creed, Intercessions and Exchange of Peace.

#### APOSTLES' CREED

**Q** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

#### **INTERCESSIONS**

## The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

#### THE PEACE

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us offer a sign of peace to our neighbors: "Peace be with you."
Sit

THE OFFERING You can give your tithes and offerings via our QR code. Just point the camera on your smart phone to this code on your screen:

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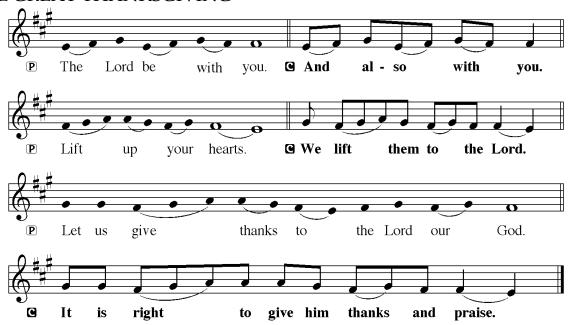
The Eucharistic Bread and Wine are moved from the credence table to the altar. The congregation remains in the pews until the Distribution of the Sacrament.

Solo Cello Solo Excerpt from Act II of Tchaikovsky's Sleeping Beauty
Daniel Yen, Cello

## Offertory Prayer

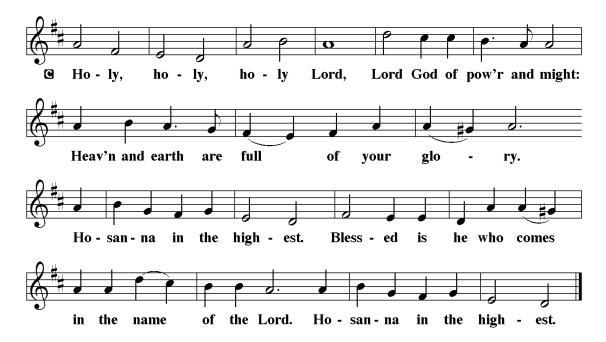
- A Merciful Father,
- we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



### Preface for Easter

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everliving God. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising has brought us to eternal life. And so with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



### Eucharistic Prayer II

P You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

## **©** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We

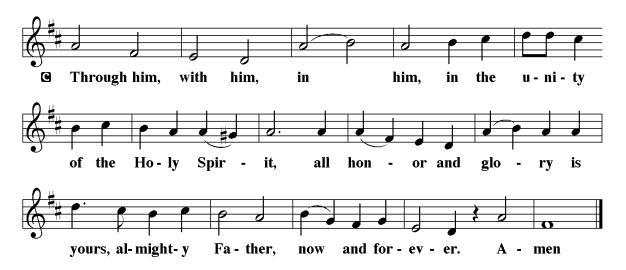
remember the sacrifice of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

### Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

### **9** Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

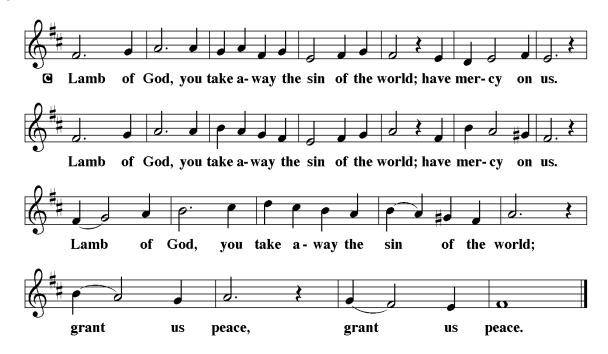
P Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.



## The 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, forever and ever. Amen.

### Agnus Dei



#### Sit

#### THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home during this pandemic, worshiping online with us, here is a possible "Prayer for Spiritual Communion" lifted up in *Forum Letter* (May 2020). *Forum Letter* is a respected Lutheran newsletter published by the American Lutheran Publicity Bureau:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

## The Lord's My Shepherd



- The Lord's my shep-herd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie me to walk doth make
- My soul he doth re store a gain, and Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;
- ta ble thou hast fur nish ed in pres-ence of my foes;
- Good-ness and mer cy all my life shall sure - ly fol - low me,



pas - tures green; he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by. with - in the paths of righ-teous-ness, e'en for his own name's sake; thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort my head thou dost with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows. and in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell-ing-place shall be;

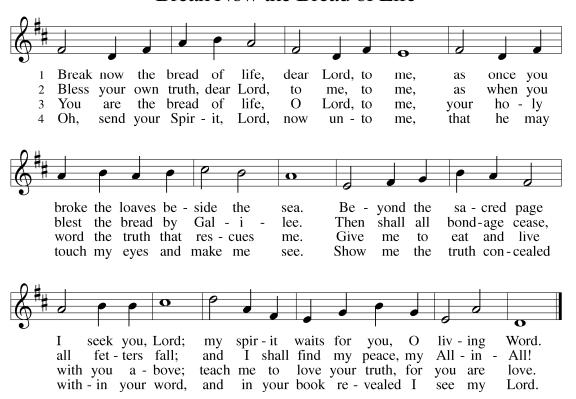


me, he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters He lead - eth the paths of righ-teous-ness, e'en for his own name's sake. with - in with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort My head thou dost with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows. in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell-ing-place shall be. and

Text: Psalter, Edinburgh, 1650

Music: BROTHER JAMES' AIR, J. L. Macbeth Bain, c. 1840-1925

### Break Now the Bread of Life



Text: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841–1913, alt. Music: BREAD OF LIFE, William F. Sherwin, 1826–1888

#### Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

# The Sending

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

HYMN LBW 481 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us (Next page)

HER VIL TIES

## Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us



- 1 Sav-ior, like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten der care.
- 2 We are yours; in love be-friend us, be the guard-ian of our way;
- 3 You have prom-ised to re-ceive us, poor and sin-ful though we be; 4 Ear-ly let us seek your fa-vor, ear-ly let us do your will;



In your pleas-ant pas - tures feed us, for our use your fold pre-pare. keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray, you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free. bless-ed Lord and on - ly Sav-ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



you have loved us,

Text: Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779–1847 Music: HER VIL TIES, Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887

Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus,

#### DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**©** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** 

Chorale

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

love us

still.

## Parish Announcements

- + COFFEE HOUR IN THE UNDERCROFT. You are invited to join us for refreshments and fellowship following the Liturgy. To get to the undercroft for Coffee Hour, bear to the left in the narthex as you would exit the church.
- + About Today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
- + COPYRIGHTS: Parts of the liturgy, scripture introductions, and blessing of our musicians come from or are based on those from *Sundays and*

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## Service Notes

Organist and Choirmaster	Zachary Schurman
Cantor	Olivia Ericsson
Greeters/Ushers	Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa
Altar Guild	Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer
Crucifer	Matthias Bhasin
Lector	Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer
Preacher	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer
Assisting Minister	Vicar Lara Bhasin

## Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Brad Bond (friend of Sigrid Sunstedt), David Kiehl, Clifford Rose, Jackson Greenberg (friend of Hans Kibler), Elida Burgos (sister of Luz Ortiz), Alma von Graffenried (requested by David Kiehl)

RECENTLY DIED ......Robert Lewis (October 11, 1938 - April 24, 2023)
BEREAVED .....Barbara Lewis (wife),
Elena Lewis Howell (daughter), Eugene Lewis (son)

# Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- + Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + You might be interested to hear about our reredos the wooden altarpiece at the front of our church. It was hand carved by artists in Germany's Black Forest. The left statue is Moses, with the Ten Commandments in his left arm and the two horn-like rays of light

- shining forth from his face after his encounter with the Lord on Mt. Sinai (Exodus 34:29-30). The right-hand statue is St. John the Evangelist, with a quill pen in his hand and an eagle at his feet. And the center statue is Jesus Christ, the personal unity and the most perfect meaning of the Law (Moses) and the Gospel (St. John).
- + Our painting of the Transfiguration of Our Lord, above the reredos, pays tribute to the founding liturgy of our congregation, Transfiguration Sunday, February 11, 1863. Our painting shows Jesus, Moses, and Elijah elevated above the ground, so that at first glance you might think that it is a painting of the Ascension. But the saintly company with Jesus Moses and Elijah on either side, with Peter, James, and John fallen down in awe at the sight point to the Transfiguration. Heaven knows and gives credit to the anonymous painter of our painting, but we note that it is in the style of Raphael's painting of *The Transfiguration* (1517-1520). Raphael also placed Jesus, Moses, and Elijah elevated above the disciples.
- + Our church windows were installed in 1973 and constitute a visual meditation on an ancient hymn of the Church, the *Te Deum*. Pamphlets are available in the rear of the church explaining the windows one by one.
- + Our church bells, named *Glaube*, *Hoffnung*, and *Liebe* for Faith, Hope, and Love, were a gift from German Empress Augusta Viktoria.
- + A hint about acoustics: you will be able to hear the choir and organ better if you sit toward the front half of the church. The overhanging choir balcony obscures some of the beauty of the music for those sitting under it.
- + Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me," and we view the presence of children in worship, even when they are wiggly and noisy, as a gift to the Church and an encouragement that our congregation is growing! Parents at their own preference are also welcome to take advantage of free childcare which we offer in the Undercroft every Sunday for children age 3-6. Our childcare worker will bring these children up to the Communion rail to receive a Blessing. We encourage older children to attend the entire service, either sitting with their parents or up in the balcony where the teens tend to congregate.
- + Our worship book is the green hymnal, the *Lutheran Book of Worship* ("LBW"). This book contains both liturgies and hymns, with liturgies in the first half and hymns in the second. Sometimes we include hymns

- from With One Voice ("WOV") or from Evangelical Lutheran Worship ("ELW").
- + If you have a cell phone, please silence it for the liturgy. And please finish coffee or other drinks out in the narthex rather than in the main nave.

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I 11 a.m. Sundays	
6:30 p.m. Wednesdays	
THURS. EVENING BIBLE STUDY 6:30 p.m., Martin Luther Room or via Zoom	
Karen Katz-Shea	
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Zachary Schurman	
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Organist and Choirmaster Zachary Schurman	
zac.schurman@juilliard.edu	
Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.com)	
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- a visitor, please fill out one of the cards in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Carol Fryer. If you are interested in membership here at Immanuel, please contact the church office for an appointment with Pastor Carol. Or you can email her at ceafryer@gmail.com.
- + HOLY COMMUNION is offered to all baptized Christians who have been instructed in the Church's faith, who confess it with us (as in the Creeds), and who may in good conscience receive the Sacrament in keeping with the understanding with which it is celebrated here: namely, that the Body and Blood of Christ are truly present in the consecrated bread and wine and are distributed to and received by all who commune.
- + HOLY BAPTISM is celebrated and MARRIAGES solemnized only after consultation with the pastor well in advance. If you or someone you know is

- ill, hospitalized, homebound, or otherwise in need of the ministry of the Church, let us know. Please call one of the Pastors (212-289-8128) or email them: gpfryer@gmail.com or ceafryer@gmail.com.
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- + LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING WITH OIL FOR THE SICK is available. Again, simply contact the pastors.
- + FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: There is a long line of Christians, both rich and poor, who have disciplined themselves to budget a portion of their income, put it into an offering envelope first thing, and give it to the church. Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer live by that tradition and commend it to you. Online giving is also available through our website, or by following this QR code with your phone camera:

