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## The Resurrection of Our Lord

Easter Morning, 11 a.m., April 9, 2023

**W**arm welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church.

This Easter morning liturgy is the culmination of our Holy Week celebrations. Our worship services for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil have all been pointing to this happy morn when we begin the liturgy with the three-fold Easter acclamation: "Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!" It is a glorious day, and your presence with us adds to the beauty of the day!

We are honored that you are worshiping with us today. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just speak with Pastor Carol or send me an email ([gpfryer@gmail.com](mailto:gpfryer@gmail.com)).

In Christ,

*Gregory Fryer*

Pastor Gregory Fryer

## ***Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting Two***

PRELUDE     *Prelude and Fugue in E-flat Major, BWV 552 "St. Anne"*  
J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

THE BELLS

*Please stand and turn toward the Cross for the Entrance hymn.*

### **The Entrance Rite**

HYMN LBW 151

*Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*  
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EASTER HYMN

# Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1-3; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4; tr. *Lyra Davidica*, London, 1708, sts. 1-3  
 Music: EASTER HYMN, *Lyra Davidica*, London, 1708

EASTER GREETING (*Repeat 3 times!*)

☐ Christ is risen! Alleluia.

☑ **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

APOSTOLIC GREETING

☐ 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.**

KYRIE (*Next page*)



**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



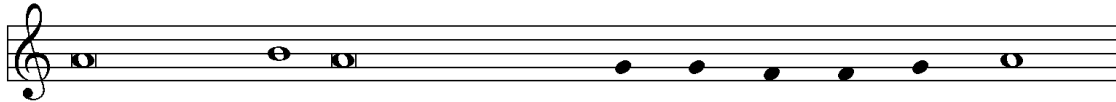
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



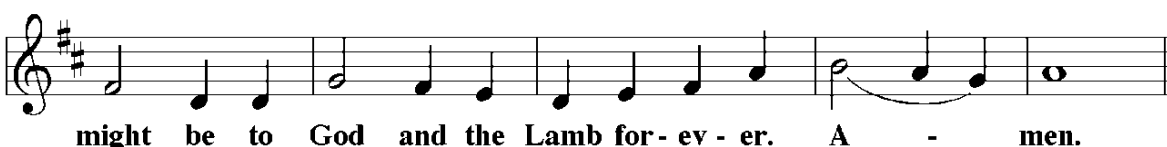
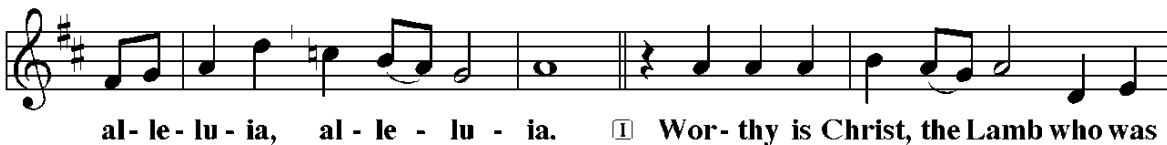
**A** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men



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☩ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ☩ For the Lamb who was  
 slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.  
 ☩ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

☩ The Lord be with you.

☩ And also with you.

☩ Let us pray: O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, so that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☩ Amen.

*Sit*

# The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON .....Jeremiah 31:1-6, NRSV

*Because the LORD's love is everlasting, he always remains faithful. Ancient Israel is assured that it will be rebuilt and have plentiful crops. The people of God too will ultimately be reunited.*

<sup>1</sup>At that time, says the LORD, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

<sup>2</sup>Thus says the LORD:

The people who survived the sword  
found grace in the wilderness;  
when Israel sought for rest,

<sup>3</sup>the LORD appeared to him from far away.

I have loved you with an everlasting love;  
therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.

<sup>4</sup>Again I will build you, and you shall be built,  
O virgin Israel!

Again you shall take your tambourines,  
and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers.

<sup>5</sup>Again you shall plant vineyards  
on the mountains of Samaria;  
the planters shall plant,  
and shall enjoy the fruit.

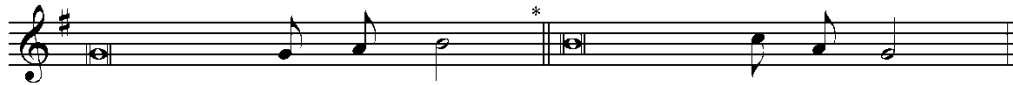
<sup>6</sup>For there shall be a day when sentinels will call  
in the hill country of Ephraim:  
"Come, let us go up to Zion,  
to the LORD our God."

**A** The word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.



PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24, LBW



Choir <sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;\*  
his mercy en- | dures forever.

All <sup>2</sup>Let Israel | now proclaim,\*  
"His mercy en- | dures forever."

Choir <sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength | and my song,\*  
and he has become | my salvation.

All <sup>15</sup>There is a sound of exulta- | tion and victory\*  
in the tents | of the righteous:

Choir <sup>16</sup>"The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!\*  
The right hand of the LORD is exalted!  
The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!"

All <sup>17</sup>I shall not | die, but live,\*  
and declare the works | of the LORD.

Choir <sup>18</sup>The LORD has pun- | ished me sorely,\*  
but he did not hand me o- | ver to death.

All <sup>19</sup>Open for me the | gates of righteousness;\*  
I will enter them; I will offer thanks | to the LORD.

Choir <sup>20</sup>"This is the gate | of the LORD;\*  
he who is right- | eous may enter."

All <sup>21</sup>I will give thanks to you, for you | answered me\*  
and have become | my salvation.

Choir <sup>22</sup>The same stone which the build- | ers rejected\*  
has become the chief | cornerstone.

All <sup>23</sup>This is | the LORD's doing,\*  
and it is marvelous | in our eyes.

<sup>24</sup>On this day the | LORD has acted;\*  
we will rejoice and be | glad in it."

SECOND LESSON ..... Colossians 3:1-4, NRSV

*Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives, since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.*

<sup>1</sup>So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things

that are on earth, <sup>3</sup>for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand for the Gospel Procession.*

SEQUENCE HYMN, LBW 138

*He Is Arisen! Glorious Word!*  
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# He Is Arisen! Glorious Word!

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He is a - ris - en! Glo - rious Word! Now rec - on - ciled is God, my

Lord; The gates of heav'n are o - pen. My Je - sus rose tri -

um - phant - ly, And Sa - tan's ar - rows bro - ken lie, De - stroyed hell's

fierc - est weap - on. Oh, hear, what cheer! Christ vic - to - rious, Ris - ing

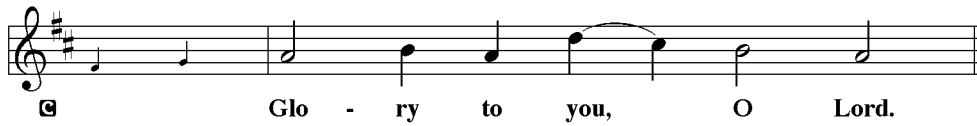
glo - rious, Life is giv - ing. He was dead, but now is liv - ing!

Text: Birgitte K. Boye, 1742-1824; tr. George T. Rygh, 1860-1942, alt.  
Tune: Philipp Nicolai, 1556-1608

WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET  
PM

*Before the Gospel:*

☐ The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the Twentieth Chapter:



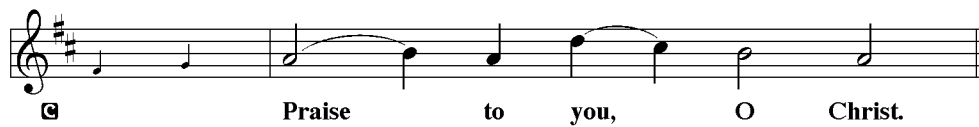
**N**ow on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. <sup>2</sup>So she ran, and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." <sup>3</sup>Peter then came out with the other disciple, and they went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup>They both ran, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first; <sup>5</sup>and stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup>Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; he saw the linen cloths lying, <sup>7</sup>and the napkin, which had been on his head, not lying with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup>Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup>for as yet they did not know the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup>Then the disciples went back to their homes.

<sup>11</sup>But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped

to look into the tomb; <sup>12</sup>and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. <sup>13</sup>They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." <sup>14</sup>Saying this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom do you seek?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup>Jesus said to her, "Do not hold me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brethren and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." <sup>18</sup>Mary Magdalene went and said to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

*After the Gospel:*

**P** The Gospel of the Lord!



*Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.*

HYMN LBW 129

*Awake, My Heart, with Gladness*  
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AUF, AUF, MEIN HERZ

## Awake, My Heart, with Gladness



1 A - wake, my heart, with glad - ness, see what to - day is done;  
 2 The foe in tri - umph shout - ed when Christ lay in the tomb;  
 3 This is a sight that glad - dens—what peace it does im - part!  
 4 Now hell, its prince, the dev - il, of all their pow'r are shorn;



now, af - ter gloom and sad - ness, comes forth the glo - rious sun.  
 but, lo, he now is rout - ed, his boast is turned to gloom.  
 Now noth - ing ev - er sad - dens the joy with - in my heart.  
 now I am safe from e - vil, and sin I laugh to scorn.



My Sav - ior there was laid where our bed must be made  
 For Christ a - gain is free; in glo - rious vic - to - ry  
 No gloom shall ev - er shake, no foe shall ev - er take,  
 Grim death with all its might can - not my soul af - fright;



when to the realms of light our spir - it wings its flight.  
 he who is strong to save has tri - umphed o'er the grave.  
 the hope which God's own Son in love for me has won.  
 it is a pow'r - less form, how - e'er it rave and storm.

5 Now I will cling forever  
 to Christ, my Savior true;  
 my Lord will leave me never,  
 whate'er he passes through.  
 He rends death's iron chain;  
 he breaks through sin and pain;  
 he shatters hell's grim thrall;  
 I follow him through all.

6 He brings me to the portal  
 that leads to bliss untold,  
 whereon this rhyme immortal  
 is found in script of gold:  
 "Who there my cross has shared  
 finds here a crown prepared;  
 who there with me has died  
 shall here be glorified."

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676; tr. John Kelly, 1833–1890, alt.  
 Music: AUF, AUF, MEIN HERZ, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

## SERMON

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

☐ Christ is risen! Alleluia!

☑ **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*At the end of the sermon, the minister repeats:*

☐ 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.*

**NICENE CREED** *In the Second Article of the Creed, in awe and gratitude for the Holy Incarnation, Passion, and Resurrection of the Second Person of the Holy Trinity, you might want briefly to bow your head, as was customary in the time of the Reformers. If you would like to do so, the place is marked by italics in this text:*

☑ We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he *became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man*. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS

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

*After each portion of the prayers:*

**A** Lord, in your mercy,

**G** hear our prayer.

*The prayers conclude:*

**P** Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

### THE PEACE

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

**G** 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.*

Offertory Anthem *Chorale Christ lag in Todesbanden v. 6, BWV 4*

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

So feiern wir das hohe Fest  
Mit Herzensfreud und Wonne,  
Das uns der Herre scheinen läßt,  
Er ist selber die Sonne,  
Der durch seiner Gnade Glanz  
Erleuchtet unsre Herzen ganz,  
Der Sünden Nacht ist verschwunden..  
Halleluja!

*Thus we celebrate the high feast  
with joy in our hearts and delight  
that the Lord lets shine for us,  
He is himself the sun  
who through the brilliance of his grace  
enlightens our hearts completely,  
the night of sin has disappeared.  
Alleluia!*



## Offertory Prayer

**A** Merciful Father,

**C** 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



**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.



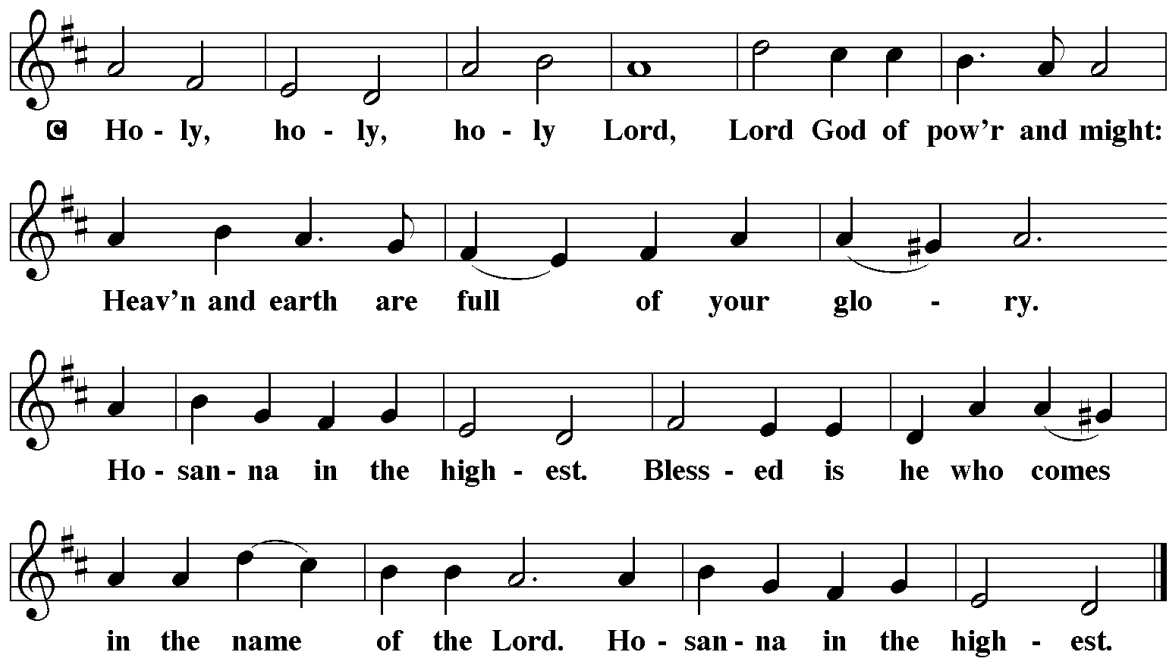
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

## *Preface for Easter Sunday*

**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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:  
 Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
 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.

*Eucharistic Prayer II*

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.**

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.

**C 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.

**C 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.

**C** Through him, with him, in him, in the u - ni - ty  
of the Ho - ly Spir - it, all hon - or and glo - ry is  
yours, al - migh - y Fa - ther, now and for - ev - er. A - men

*The 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, 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.

*The Fraction. The host is broken. Then is said:*

**P** Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**C** Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!

*Agnus Dei*



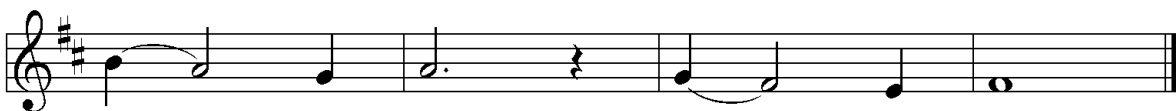
☪ Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

*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.

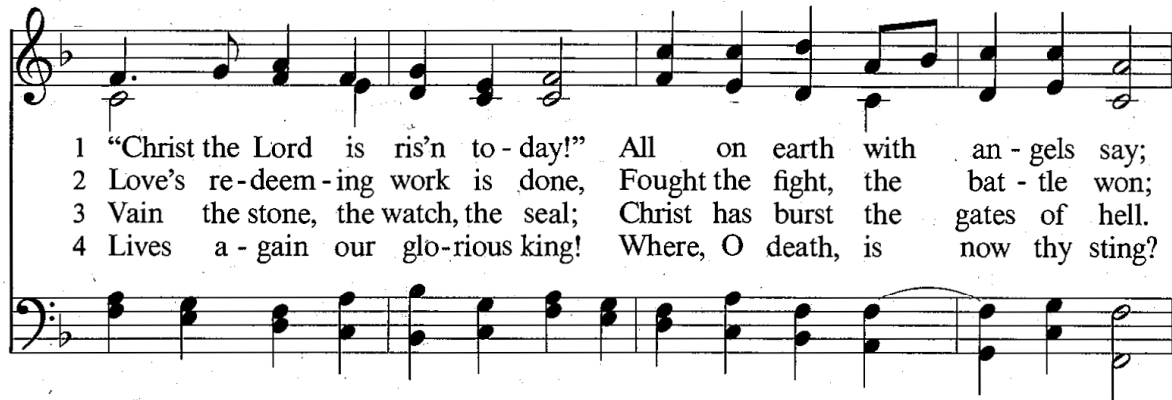
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*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!*  
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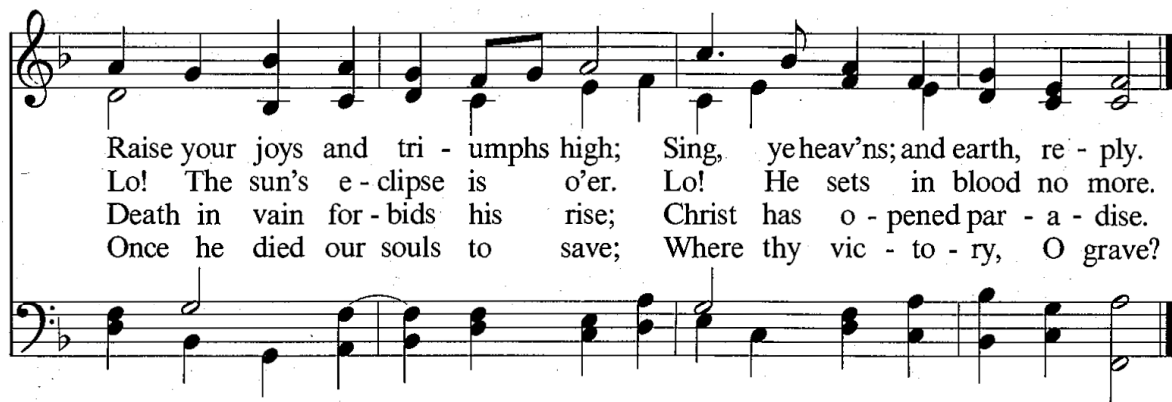
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# Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

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1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n to-day!" All on earth with an-gels say;  
2 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Fought the fight, the bat-tle won;  
3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ has burst the gates of hell.  
4 Lives a-gain our glo-rious king! Where, O death, is now thy sting?



Raise your joys and tri-umphs high; Sing, ye heav'ns; and earth, re-ply.  
Lo! The sun's e-clipse is o'er. Lo! He sets in blood no more.  
Death in vain for-bids his rise; Christ has o-pened par-a-dise.  
Once he died our souls to save; Where thy vic-to-ry, O grave?

5 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!  
Praise to thee by both be giv'n.  
Thee we greet triumphant now;  
Hail, the resurrection, thou!

6 King of glory, soul of bliss,  
Everlasting life is this:  
Thee to know, thy pow'r to prove,  
Thus to sing, and thus to love!

*Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.  
Tune: French, 13th cent.*

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## Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and  
 2 King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on  
 3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van - guard  
 4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph, cher - u - bim with



trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly mind - ed,  
 earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture,  
 on the way; as the Light of light, de - scend - ing  
 sleep - less eye, veil their fac - es to the pres - ence,



for with bless - ing in his hand Christ our God to earth de -  
 in the bod - y and the blood, he will give to all the  
 from the realms of end - less day, comes, the pow'rs of hell to  
 as with cease - less voice they cry: "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



scend - ing comes our hom - age to de - mand.  
 faith - ful his own self for heav'n - ly food.  
 van - quish, as the dark - ness clears a - way.  
 lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Text: Liturgy of St. James; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829–1885, alt.  
 Music: PICARDY, French folk tune, 17th cent.

**Welcome, Happy Morning!**

1 “Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing!” age to age shall say;  
 2 Mak - er and re - deem - er, life and health of all,  
 3 Source of all things liv - ing, you came down to die,  
 4 Free the souls long pris - oned, bound with Sa - tan’s chain;



“Hell to - day is van - quished, heav’n is won to - day!”  
 God from heav’n be - hold - ing hu - man na - ture’s fall,  
 plumbed the depths of hell to raise us up on high.  
 all that once had fall - en raise to life a - gain;



Christ, once dead, is liv - ing, God for - ev - er - more!  
 you, the true and on - ly Son of God a - bove,  
 Come then, true and faith - ful; come, ful - fill your word;  
 show your face in bright - ness, shine in ev - ’ry land



Him, their true cre - a - tor, all his works a - dore.  
 died as mor - tal man to save us by your love.  
 this is your third morn - ing: rise, O bur - ied Lord!  
 as in E - den’s gar - den when the world be - gan.



“Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing!” age to age shall say.

Text: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus, 530–609; tr. John Ellerton, 1826–1893, adapt.  
 Music: FORTUNATUS, Arthur S. Sullivan, 1842–1900

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C** Amen.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**A** Let us pray. Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our risen savior, Jesus Christ, and you have nourished us with the sacrament of his body and blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart: through Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

*Silence for reflection.*

## The Sending

### SOLEMN BLESSING

**P** May Almighty God bless you on the solemn feast of Easter, and may he protect you against all sin.

**C Amen.**

**P** Through the resurrection of his Son, God has granted us healing. May he fulfill his promises, and bless you with eternal life.

**C Amen.**

**P** You have mourned for Christ's sufferings; now you celebrate the joys of his resurrection. May you come with joy to the feast which lasts forever.

**C Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

**C Amen.**

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*Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!*  
*(See next page.)*

MORGENLIED



1 Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!  
 2 Christ is ris - en! All the sad - ness Of our Lent - en fast is o'er;  
 3 Christ is ris - en! All the sor - row That last eve - ning round him lay  
 4 Christ is ris - en! Hence - forth nev - er Death or hell shall us en - thrall;

Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!  
 Through the o - pen gates of glad - ness He re - turns to life once more;  
 Now has found a glo - rious mor - row In the ris - ing of to - day.  
 Be we Christ's, in him for - ev - er We have tri - umphed o - ver all.

Grate - ful - ly our hearts a - dore him As his light once more ap - pears;  
 Death and hell be - fore him bend - ing See him rise, the vic - tor now,  
 See the grave its first - fruits giv - ing, Spring - ing up from ho - ly ground;  
 All the doubt - ing and de - jec - tion Of our trem - bling hearts have ceased;

Bow - ing down in joy be - fore him, Ris - ing up from griefs and tears.  
 An - gels on his steps at - tend - ing, Glo - ry round his wound - ed brow.  
 He was dead, but now is liv - ing; He was lost, but he is found.  
 Hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

*(Refrain next page)*

*Refrain*

Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic -

to - rious head! Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ is ris - en from the dead!

## DISMISSAL

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

**G** Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

*Final from Symphony No. 1* Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

## 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!

- ✦ There will be an EASTER EGG HUNT for the children during Coffee Hour today.
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## Service Notes

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

## Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: David Kiehl, Clifford Rose, Irene Juhasz, Jackson Greenberg (friend of Hans Kibler), Sam Grenning, Elida Burgos (sister of Luz Ortiz), Alma von Graffenried (requested by David Kiehl)

RECENTLY DIED ..... Kathryn Jolowicz (cousin to our Kathy Jolowicz)  
 January 3, 1943 – March 29, 2023

## 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.

# Immanuel Lutheran Church

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LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION .....	11 a.m. Sundays
MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION .....	6:30 p.m. Wednesdays
SUNDAY SCHOOL .....	10 a.m. Sundays
THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY .....	6:30 p.m., Martin Luther Room or via Zoom
PARISH SECRETARY .....	Karen Katz-Shea
SEXTON .....	Gerry Britton
PARISH BOOKKEEPER .....	Charles Derderian
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SEMINARY INTERN .....	Vicar Lara Bhasin
PASTORAL ASSOCIATE .....	Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer
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### *Some Parish Ministry Opportunities:*

CHOIR .....	Organist and Choirmaster Zachary Schurman <a href="mailto:zac.schurman@juilliard.edu">zac.schurman@juilliard.edu</a>
MEALS ON HEELS .....	Barbara Chomko ( <a href="mailto:bchomko@nyc.rr.com">bchomko@nyc.rr.com</a> )

**W**e extend to you a cordial welcome and hope that you will return. If you are 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](mailto: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](mailto:gpfryer@gmail.com) or [ceafryer@gmail.com](mailto:ceafryer@gmail.com).
- ✦ We mean for PRIVATE CONFESSION to be available as often as you need. Please call one of the Pastors (212-289-8128) or email them: [gpfryer@gmail.com](mailto:gpfryer@gmail.com) or [ceafryer@gmail.com](mailto:ceafryer@gmail.com).

- ✦ 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:

