



Service starts in:

Immanuel Lutheran Church

May 16, 2021

Worship Begins at 9:30 am

Gather some food and drink for communion



11:00

Announcement for the Week of May 16

2020-2021 Sunday School Volunteers

Thank you to all the Sunday School Volunteers!

This past year, the volunteers on the following pages have graciously given their time and talents to continue our Sunday School Education for various ages.

They continued to maintain and foster relationships between our socially distanced families of Immanuel Lutheran Church!

Thank you for your service!

'Jesus Loves Me' performed on piano by Melissa Parry

Prelude

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!

Vocalist: Donna Slocum
Organist: Vernagene Mott

Text: Bede, 673-735; tr. Lutheran Book of Worship
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Welcome!

Whether you are joining us today for the first time or you are with us every week, we want to take a few moments to welcome each of you joining us today!

Candle Lighting



Thanksgiving for Baptism

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen indeed.
Alleluia!**

A: Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.



A: We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life, from tears to joy.



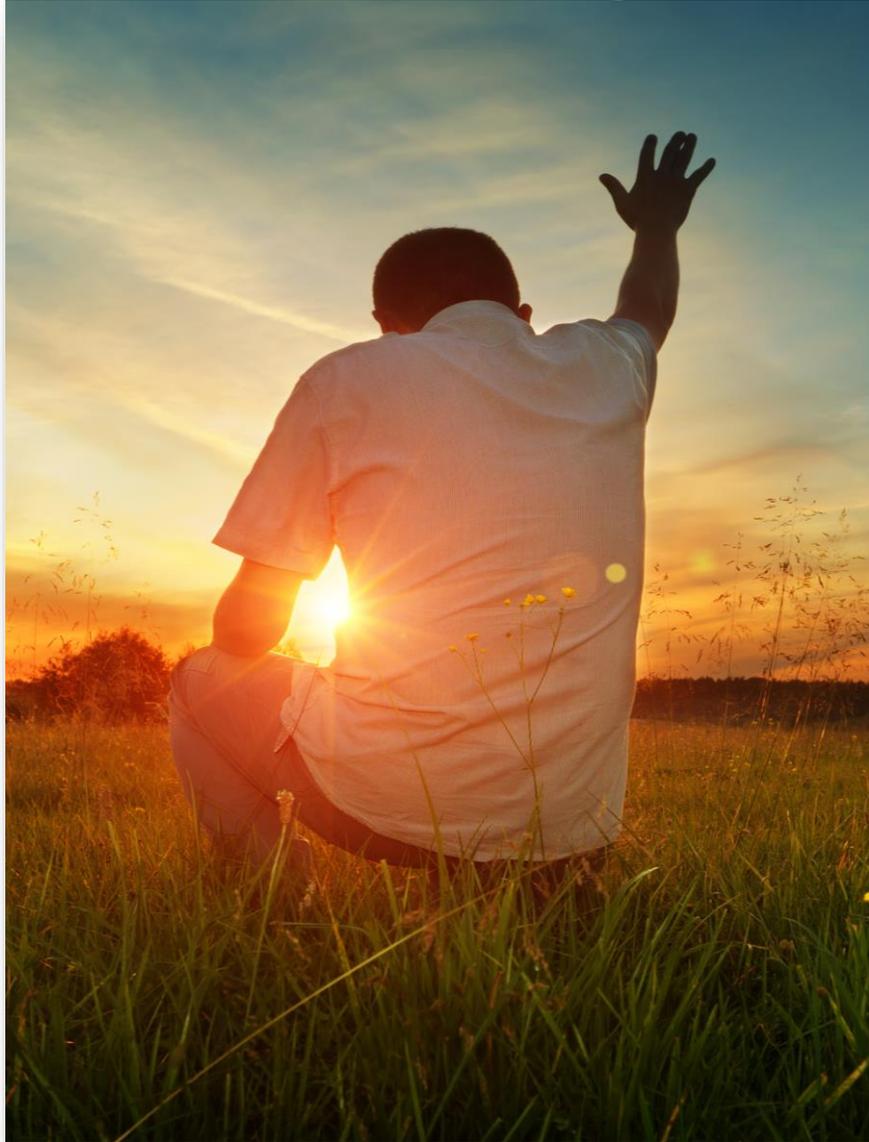
A: We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in the grace-filled waters of rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth, like streams that revive our souls, like cups of cool water shared with strangers.



A: Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear.

Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness.

Send us companions on our journey as we share your life.



A: Make us one, risen Christ. Cleanse our hearts. Shower us with life.

To you be given all praise, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Opening Song

LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH

Vocals & Guitar: Brian Markert
Keyboard: Joy Arnhamn

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First Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶“Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.”

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen

²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



Psalm 1 (read responsively)

¹Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

²**but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.**



³They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

⁴**The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**



⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

⁶**for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.**

Second Reading: 1 John 5:9-13

⁹If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



Children's Message

Gospel Acclamation

O Christ, Our Hope

Vocalists: Donna Slocum
Organist: Vernagene Mott

Text: Latin hymn, c. 8th cent.; tr. John Chandler, 1806-1876, adapt.

Gospel Reading: John 17:6-19

Jesus prayed: ⁶“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.

⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world.

¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon
Pastor Matthew Groenke

Sermon Song

Rise, O Sun of Righteousness

Vocalist: Pastor Matthew Groenke

Musician: Joy Arnhamn

Rise, O Sun of righteousness;
with your might creation bless.
Shine upon your church today,
showing all your gentle way.
Have mercy, Lord.

Rouse our hearts from slumber deep;
may your word within us leap.
Give us voices to proclaim
praises to your holy name.
Have mercy, Lord.

Gather in your scattered flock;
give us water from the rock.
Bless the unity we share
in our shepherd's loving care.
Have mercy, Lord.

Burst the bars of stubborn pride;
make the heav'nly pathway wide.
Raise us up from sin and death
with your Spirit's living breath.
Have mercy, Lord.

Honor, praise, and glory be
to the holy Trinity!

May your gracious will be done:
make us one, as you are one.
Have mercy, Lord.

APOSTLE'S CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**



**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.



Prayers of the People

A: Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

A brief silence.

A: Holy God, in Christ Jesus the joy of the church is made complete. Root the church in your Word and unify us as Christ's body. Send us into the world as your loving people, ready to testify to your Spirit at work. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Gracious Sovereign, those who follow your ways are like trees planted near streams of water. Establish the leaders of nations and all in authority in your grace and truth. Strengthen them, so that the people they serve will have abundant life. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Generous Savior, you befriend those who are sick, suffering, poor, lonely, outcast, rejected, or sick. Grant healing and love to all in need, *especially...*

Elois Sakewitz

Virginia Weiss

Judy Tawater

Nelvira Wolff

Deanna Davis

Doug Nowotny

Sandra Noton

Billie Becker

Eddie Zamora

Glen Randig

Tom Ferris

Shilo Gorham

Fred Scott

Melvin Eilers

Eryn Emken

Betty Wolf

Gail Hammett

James Kuempel

Sympathy extended to the family of Evelyn Luckmeyer.

A: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Saving God, your wonderful promise is the gift of eternal life in Jesus. Through the witness of those who have died in you, strengthen us now in this gift of life. We cherish the memory of your saints. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Offering Song

You Servants of God

Vocalist: Donna Slocum
Organist: Vernagene Mott

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

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Offering Prayer

P: God of love,

C: you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also 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 our thanks and praise.



Preface and Words of Institution

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.

COMMUNION

*You are invited to
commune:*

*This is the body of Christ,
given for you.*

*This is the blood of Christ,
shed for you.*



Communion Song

Lord, Be Glorified

Vocalists: Donna Slocum & Kathy McKee

Organist: Vernagene Mott

Text: Bob Kilpatrick, b. 1952

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Communion Blessing

P: May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Closing Song



Our Christian Lives Are Intertwined

Guitar & Vocals: Brian Markert

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Dismissal

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen indeed.
Alleluia!**

A: Go in peace. Share the
good news. Alleluia!

**C: Thanks be to God.
Alleluia!**

Let's share a little good news!





Thank you for joining worship!
We look forward to
seeing you next week!