Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church Murphysboro, Illinois The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (LCMS)



Fourth Sunday of Easter (*Jubilate*) April 21, 2024 + Divine Service, Setting Three +

Our Communion Practice

Immanuel Lutheran Church encourages confirmed members of Immanuel and of our sister congregations in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod to commune. Christians of other denominations or church bodies are respectfully asked to honor our practice and not to commune. Please see our statement **"Our Belief and Confession"** provided at the beginning of the Service of the Sacrament. **Guests** desiring to commune with us today are asked to speak to the pastor before service.

Hymn of Invocation - LSB 818 In Thee Is Gladness



Confession and Absolution

Stand

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

Invocation

■ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Exhortation

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Confession of Sins

- **P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- **C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution

LSB 185

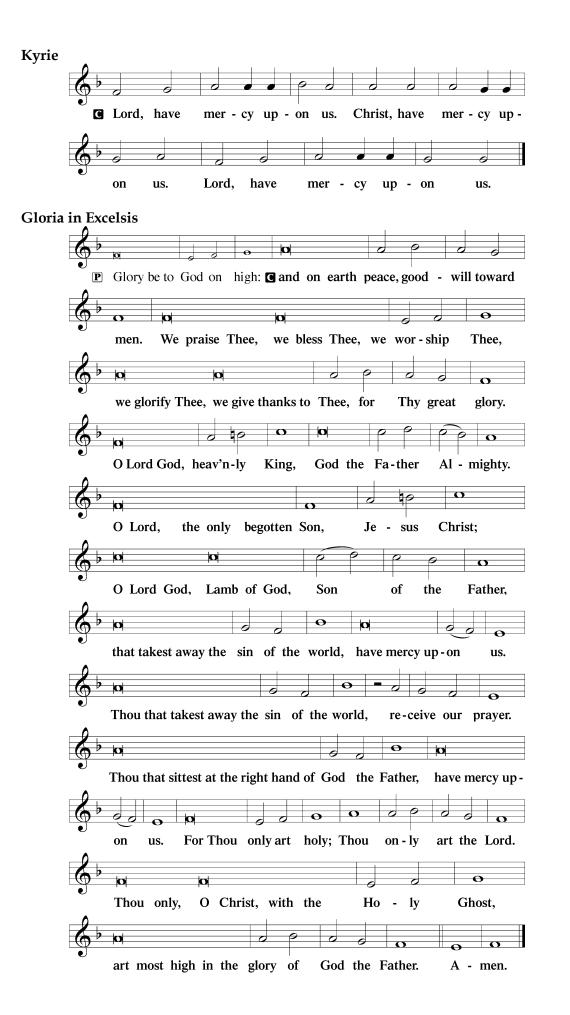
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Psalm 66:3, 5, 8–9; antiphon: vv. 1–2



Shout for joy to God, all the earth. Alle- | luia.* Sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise! Alle- | luia. Say to God, "How awesome | are your deeds!* So great is your power that your enemies come cringing | to you." Come and see what | God has done:* he is awesome in his deeds toward the chil- | dren of man. Bless our God, O | peoples;* let the sound of his | praise be heard, who has kept our soul among the | living* and has not let our | feet slip. 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. Shout for joy to God, all the earth. Alle- | luia.* Sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise! Alle- | luia.



Salutation and Collect of the Day



Almighty God, You show those in error the light of Your truth so that they may return to the way of righteousness. Grant faithfulness to all who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's Church that they may avoid whatever is contrary to their confession and follow all such things as are pleasing to You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





Old Testament Reading

²⁵To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One.
²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these?
He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one is missing.
²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel,
"My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"?

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Isaiah 40:25-31 ²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. ³⁰Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; ³¹but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Epistle

John 16:16-22

¹¹Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. ¹²Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

¹³Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, ¹⁴or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. ¹⁵For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. ¹⁶Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. ¹⁷Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

¹⁸Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust. ¹⁹For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. ²⁰For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand



Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.



¹⁶[Jesus said:] "A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." ¹⁷So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" ¹⁸So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." ¹⁹Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'? ²⁰Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. ²¹When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. ²²So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

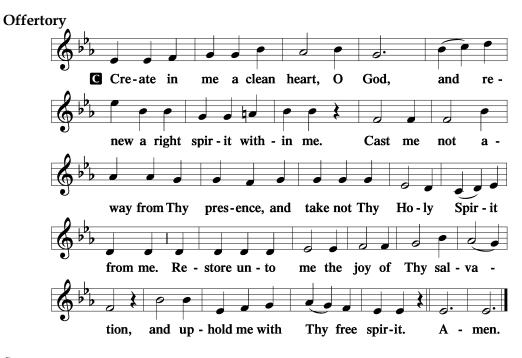
Sit



Hymn of the Day-LSB 483 With High Delight Let Us Unite

Sermon

Stand



"Sorrow into Joy" John 16:16–22

Offering

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Prayer of the Church

P ...let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

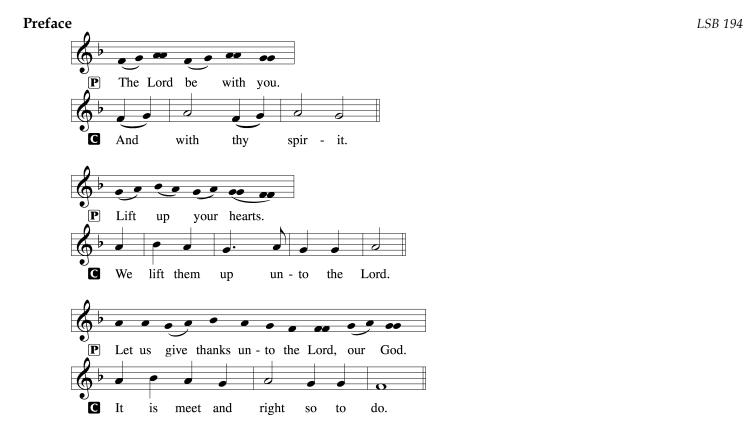
Service of the Sacrament

Our Belief and Confession

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes.

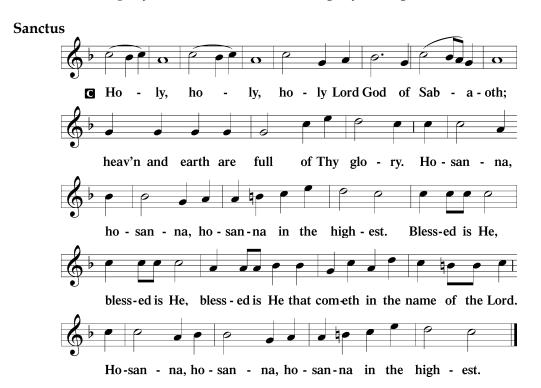
Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor. **If you are not communing** this day but wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest at the railing.

For further study, see Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.



Proper Preface

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Lord's Prayer

С

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. LSB 162

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



Sit

Distribution

Distribution Hymns LSB 155 This Is the Feast LSB 708 Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart LSB 809 Great Is Thy Faithfulness LSB 685 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus



LSB 708 Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart

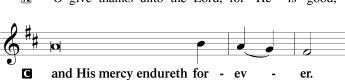
pray Thee, ne'er from 1 Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I 2 Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich boun-ty gave My bod - y, soul, and A - br'ham's bos - om 3 Lord, let at last Thine an - gels come, To With ten - der mer - cy cheer Earth me de - part, me. all T ĥave In this poor life of la bor. Lord, bear me home, That I may die un - fear ing; And ρ Ι no plea - sure would share. Yea, heav'n it - self were has Thy grant that I in ev - 'ry place May glo - ri - fy bod - y safe My in nar - row cham - ber keep its in 0 void and bare If Thou, Lord, wert not near And should my me. lav - ish grace And help and serve my neigh no false bor. Let peace-ful sleep Un - til Thy re - ap - pear ing. And then from heart for sor - row break, My trust in Thee can noth - ing shake. doc - trine me be-guile; Let Sa - tan not my soul de - file. death a wak - en me, That these mine eyes with joy may see, Thou the por tion Ι have sought; Thy pre - cious art pa -То un - to bear my Give strength and tience me glo - rious face, Ο Son of God, Thy My Sav - ior 10 blood my soul has bought. Lord Je -Christ, my God and sus Christ, my God and cross and fol - low Thee. Lord Je sus and my fount of grace. Lord Je sus Christ, my prayer at -Lord, my God and Lord, For - sake me not! Ι trust Thy Word. Lord, my God and Lord, In death Thy com - fort still af - ford. tend, my prayer at - tend, And I will praise Thee with - out end. Text: Martin Schalling, 1532–1608; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Tune: Zwy Bider. ... Tabulatur, 1577, Strassburg Text and tune: Public domain

LSB 809 Great Is Thy Faithfulness • 0 • 1 Great is Thy faith ful - ness, 0 God Fa - ther; my 2 Sum - mer and win ter and spring - time and har - vest, 3 Par - don for sin and а peace that en dur - eth, 0. There Thee. is shad of turn - ing with no OW Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es а bove -Thine own dear pres ence to cheer and to guide; 0 Thou Thy chang - est not: com - pas - sions, they fail not; man - i -hope for all with fold Join na ture in wit - ness Strength for to day and bright hope to - mor - row, . ø 9 Thou Thou for - ev - er As hast been, wilt be. great faith - ful-ness, mer - cy, Thy and love. То Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be side! Refrain ŧ . 0 Thy Great is faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith-ful-ness! ø 0. ø Morn-ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see; ed Thy All Ι hand hath have need pro - vid - ed; 0. Thy Great is faith ful-ness, me! -Lord, un - to Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866–1960 Tune: William M. Runyan, 1870–1957 Text: Public domain Tune: Public domain

LSB 685 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience 3 Let us Je - sus. glad - ly die with Since by death He al - so 4 Let us live with Je - sus. He has ris - en 0 am - ple pure, Through a world that would de-ceive us And to cross. bear our Joy will fol - low all our sad-ness; Where He con - quered death, He will free us from de-struc-tion, Give to from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus, . . . spir - its sin our lure. On - ward in His foot-steps tread-ing, Though to - day is, there is no loss. we sow no laugh-ter, us im - mor-tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion We Your own liv - ing mem-bers; You are now our head. are ø Pil - grims here, of home a - bove, Full faith and our We shall reap ce les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts -That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that there Where You live, we shall be In Your pres - ence . . ø . Fa-ther's bid-ding. hope and love, do the Faith - ful Let us Shall give way to that an - noy mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus, gate to heav-en. Shall but prove the Je - sus, shuts us in con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus, . Lord, with me a - bide; Ι shall fol - low where You guide. here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know. There to live with Ι die, here with You You on high. let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me. Text: Sigismud von Birken, 1626-81; tr. Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978, alt. Tune: Georg G. Boltze, 18th cent. Text: © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110001375 Tune: Public domain



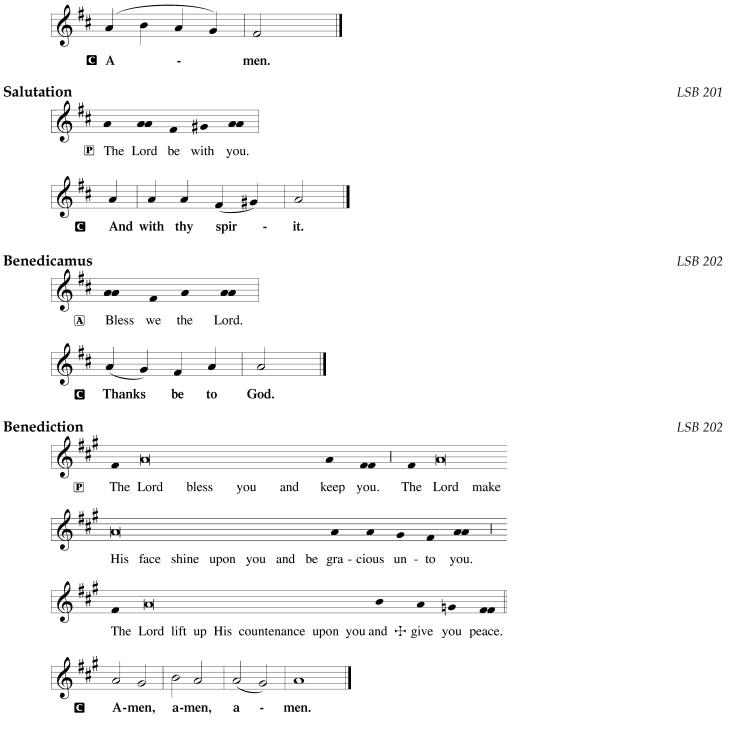




Post-Communion Collect

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.



Hymn to Depart - LSB 725 Children of the Heavenly Father 1 Chil dren of the heav'n - ly Fa ther Safe ly -2 God His own doth tend and nour ish; In His 3 Nei life ther nor death shall From the ev er 4 Though He He tak His giv eth _ eth, God or Nest - ling in His gath - er; bird nor in bos - om star ho ly courts they flour - ish. From all e vil things He Lord His chil - dren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He chil dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose 0 • heav en Such а ref uge e'er was giv - en. them; His He bears them. spares In might -У arms show - eth, And their all know - eth. _ rows He sor sole - ly To pre -Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Ernst W. Olson, 1870–1958 Tune: Lofsånger och andeliga wisor, 1873, Sweden ho - ly. serve them pure and Text: Public domain Tune: Public domain

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