Immanuel Lutheran Church and School

The Thread

Second Sunday of Easter (Quasimodo Geniti) ~ April 7th, 2024

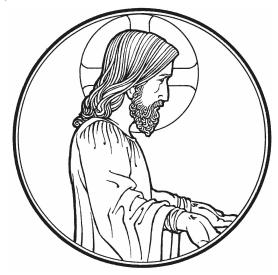
Lectionary Summary:

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Ezekiel 37:1–14 1 John 5:4–10 John 20:19–31

The Wounds of Christ Give Us Life

"For there are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood" (1 John 5:7). These three point to Christ and flow from Christ. Jesus shows His disciples His hands and side, from which blood and water flowed, saying "Peace be with you." He presents the wounds which turn our fear to gladness and which restore us to the Father. Jesus breathes on His disciples and says, "Receive the Holy Spirit" (John 20:23). His breath, His words are Spirit and life. They raise up our dry, dead bones and give us new and everlasting life (Ezek. 37:1-14). Christ now gives His ministers to speak His forgiving, Spiritfilled words to the penitent in His stead. Our Lord continues to come to His people, presenting His wounds to us in the Sacraments of water and blood. He bids us to touch His side at His table, to receive His risen body and blood in true faith, that believing we may have life in His name.



Sunday Divine Service - 9:00 am Sunday Bible Study - 10:15 am

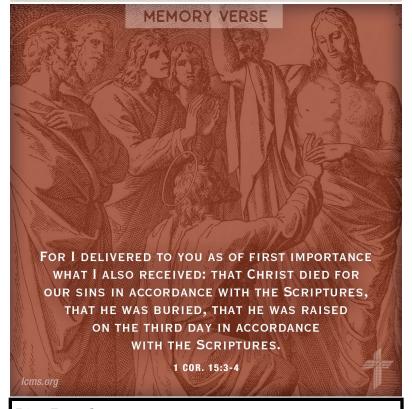
Contact Us:

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Office Hours: M–F: 7:30 am–3:30 pm (618) 684-3012 secretary@immanuelmurphy.com

Pastor Matthew J. Christian

Open Door Hours: M, W, Th 10 am-12 pm Other Meetings by Appointment (618) 684-3012 ext. 103 pastor@immanuelmurphy.com



Live Broadcast

If you are unable to join us for church today, don't miss the opportunity to listen to our service live this morning at 9:00 a.m. on 103.9 FM WXAN. The radio broadcast reairs on Sunday evenings at 9:00 p.m. You can also view the livestream or recording on our YouTube channel.

Church Announcements:

<u>Adult Bible Study Snack</u>: Here is a schedule of who will be providing snacks in upcoming weeks.

4/7 Lloyd & Ruth Mueller

<u>Pastor on Vacation</u>: Pastor will be out of town this weekend. Rev. Peter Glock will preach, celebrate the Lord's Supper, and lead Bible Study on April 7. Please thank him for providing Word and Sacrament Ministry in Pastor's stead.

High Chair Donation: We are hoping to provide better seating to welcome and encourage young families to attend church meals. If you or someone you know has an old high chair or booster seat you no longer need, please consider donating it for this purpose. Thank you!

<u>May Voters Assembly:</u> There are several positions for leadership within the congregation that will be filled this coming May at our Voters Assembly. If you are interested in serving the congregation in some capacity, please talk to Jim Zobel to discuss positions that might be right for you.

Rummage Sale: If anyone would like to volunteer their time and/or organizational talents to setting up or running the rummage sale, please contact Veronica Manwaring at 618-201-6168. We will have a few days to begin setting up (May 28-30) and two days to run the sale (May 31 and June 1). Many hands make for light work! Any and all assistance would be greatly appreciated.

<u>VBS</u>: Veronica Manwaring and Michele Carter are heading up VBS this summer at Immanuel. We will be celebrating our Savior with the program, "Jesus Gives Us Joy." VBS will run the week of June 24-28. We'll begin with a meal at 5:30pm, with VBS from 6:30pm-8:00pm. If you are interested in volunteering your time and talents to VBS, please contact Veronica at 618-201-6168. If anyone has a Thrivent action card that needs to be used, we could use a card for the free meals that we'll be offering the children attending VBS.







Lutheran Radio:



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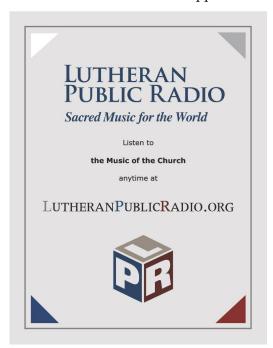
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Prepare for Worship Next Week:

14 April

Third Sunday of Easter (*Misericordias Domini*) Hymn of the Day:

LSB 709 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Readings:

Ezekiel 34:11–16 1 Peter 2:21–25 John 10:11–16



Daily Lectionary Readings:

Join in the congregation's daily devotional life with this week's readings.

Date	Old Testament Reading	New Testament Reading
4/7	Exodus 20:1–24	Luke 4:1–15
4/8	Exodus 22:20—23:13	Luke 4:16–30
4/9	Exodus 23:14–33	Luke 4:31–44
4/10	Exodus 24:1–18	Luke 5:1–16
4/11	Exodus 25:1–22 Exodus 25:23—30:38	Luke 5:17–39
4/12	Exodus 31:1–18	Luke 6:1–19
4/13	Exodus 32:1–14	Luke 6:20–38

KIDS IN THE
DIVINE SERVICE

What is the "Office of the Keys"?

When you hear this question, you might think that there is an office somewhere in the church building that holds a lot of keys. But this use



of "office" means duty and obligation. For example, when someone is elected to Congress, they are elected to a public office with authority and certain duties. The Office of the Keys is an authority given by Christ to His Church with the duty to forgive repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.

Why is this authority called "keys"?

This authority given to the Church works just like a set of keys that locks and unlocks the gates of heaven. When forgiveness is withheld, the door of heaven is locked. When forgiveness is given, the door of heaven is opened and God's forgiveness in Christ is poured out on the repentant person!



Parents: Trying to understand why the Church would withhold forgiveness may be difficult. Be sure to study John 20:22–23 and Matt. 18:18 with your child. Discuss what it means to be unrepentant as opposed to repentant. An unrepentant person is not sorry for their sins and does not believe in Jesus Christ. A repentant person is sorry for their sins out of love for God and believes in Jesus Christ for salvation!



Service Participants - This and Next Week

Sunday, April 7th, 2024 Organist: Landon Hicks Elder: Jeff Streuter

Ushers: Forrest Miesner, Bruce Mueller, Craig Mueller, Kent

James, Brad Jarrett, Steven Draves

Altar Guild: Sue Williams Acolyte: Charity Behm Greeters: Rick & Cindy Fager

Sunday, April 14th, 2024 Organist: Corey Williams Elder: Brian Manwaring

Ushers: Forrest Miesner, Bruce Mueller, Craig Mueller, Kent

James, Brad Jarrett, Steven Draves

Altar Guild: Sue Williams Acolyte: Abby Beckman Greeters: Terry & Jan Estel

Offering Income from last week:

March 24th 2024:

 Regular Offerings
 \$ 5,600.00

 Lenten Service
 \$ 125.00

 Maunday Thursday
 \$ 320.00

 Good Friday
 \$ 1,170.00

 Loose Plate
 \$ 1,045.00

 Total Offerings
 \$ 8,260.00

Restricted Fund:

Missions: \$ 50.00 Kroger: \$ 192.38

Attendance:

 March 28th, 2024 (Maundy Thursday):
 44

 March 29th, 2024 (Good Friday):
 44

 March 30th, 2024 (Vigil of Easter):
 24

 March 31st, 2024 (Easter Sunday):
 171



Comfort, health, recovery:

† Nelda Miesner

† Those in the Armed Forces, Law Enforcement, Fire, Emergency Medical Services, & Healthcare

† David Arbeiter † Wilma Nelson † June Ashman † Don Porter † Leah Carter † Jeff Presutti † Ben Dallas † Ruby Pulcher † Tina Doaen † Amanda Reinhardt † Paul Estel † Wes Stoffel † David Gregory † Becky Streuter † Beth Hicks † Richard Weber † Doris Williams † Mary Ann Hicks † Marilyn Imhoff † Sue Williams † Virginia Lewis † Beth Zobel † Dorothy Manwaring † Carol Zobel † Bonnie McMillan

Let us pray at all times in the Spirit with boldness and confidence
— making supplication for all the saints (Ephesians 6:18).

+ Pastor Christian

Anniversaries:

† 4-13 Eric & April Hollmann

Birthdays:

† 4-10 Gerald Strothmann

† 4-11 Cindy Boester

† 4-11 Shawn MacFarlane

† 4-11 Sam Heiple

† 4-12 Tony Cramer

Baptismal Anniversaries:

† 4-7 Larry Troue

† 4-7 Michelle Reames

† 4-8 Ryker Gregory

† 4-10 Charles James

† 4-13 Gerald Strothmann

† 4-13 Jeff Presutti

Immanuel Families:

- † Craig Mueller
- † Lloyd & Ruth Mueller
- † Bruce & Laura Lynn Mueller

† Bryce, Alyssa, Bryar, Bowan & Bennet Mueller





- 4-3 Cindy Fager
- 4-3 Jenna Draves
- 4-3 Brooks MacFarlane
- 4-4 Carolyn Stankovich
- 4-5 Cindy Gregory
- 4-6 Zack Cason
- 4-6 Mikah Streuter
- 4-10 Gerald Strothmann
- 4-11 Cindy Boester
- 4-11 Shawn MacFarlane
- 4-11 Sam Heiple
- 4-12 Tony Cramer
- 4-14 Janet Estel
- 4-14 Matthew Proctor

- 4-17 Corey Williams
- 4-17 Moriah Christian
- 4-20 Matthew Mayberry
- 4-21 Megan Pittman
- 4-21 Jo Troue
- 4-21 Jaxson Smith
- 4-25 Larry Troue
- 4-25 Ella Phillips
- 4-26 Aubrey Winters
- 4-28 Judy Baird
- 4-29 Kelly Lattan

Organists

- 4-7 Landon Hicks
- 4-14 Corey Williams
- 4-21 Luella McComb
- 4-28 Landon Hicks

Elders

- 4-7 Jeff Streuter
- 4-14 Brian Manwaring
- 4-21 Bryan Hollmann
- 4-28 Mike Clough

Altar Guild

Sue Williams

Ushers

Forrest Miesner Bruce Mueller Craig Mueller

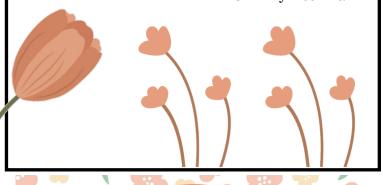
Steven Draves

Kent James

Brad Jarrett

Acolytes

- 4-7 Charity Behm
- 4-14 Abby Beckman
- 4-21 Gage Pittman
- 4-28 Emily Beckman







- 4-5 Irv & Rose Cartwright
- 4-5 Jason & Jessica Svanda
- 4-13 Eric & April Hollmann
- 4-16 Chancey & Vickie Hickman
- 4-16 Bruce & Laura Lynn Mueller
- 4-25 Lloyd & Ruth Mueller
- 4-28 Rick & Mary Beth Varner
- 4-29 Brian & Julie Marik



APRIL 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Spring Break - No School 6:30 pm Elders Mtg.	2 Spring Break - No School 6:30 pm School Board Mtg.	3 Spring Break - No School 6:30 pm Bible Study	4 Spring Break - No School	5 Spring Break - No School Pastor's Day Off	9
7 9:00 am Divine Service Rev. Peter Glock preaching 10:15 am Bible Study	8 Spring Break - No School The Solar Eclipse	9 Pastor out of town for Circuit Winkel	10 8:30 am Chapel 6:30 pm Bible Study	11	12 Pastor at Faith of our Fathers Conference	13 Pastor at Faith of our Fathers Conference
9:00 am Divine Service (3-8 Students Sing) 10:15 am Bible Study 11:30 am Catechesis	15 6:30 pm Board of Directors Mtg.	16	17 8:30 am Chapel 6:30 pm Bible Study	18	19 Pastor's Day Off	20
21 9:00 am Divine Service 10:15 am Bible Study 11:30 am Catechesis	22 6:30 pm School Stewardship Mtg	23	24 8:30 am Chapel 6:30 pm Bible Study	25	26 Pastor's Day Off	2.7
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