



*Jesus
Lives!
Let us
rejoice!*

Christ is risen from the dead. 1 CORINTHIANS 15:20 (NKJV)

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

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Sunday Worship

9:00 am

with

LIVESTREAM –

FB & YOUTUBE

and RADIO – 103.7 FM

Monday Worship

6:30 pm



A Stephen
Ministry Congregation

Isaiah 40:32

...But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

EXERCISE YOUR FAITH

...The Stewardship Board invites you to “Exercise Your Faith” and Read the Bible in a year! Each week a schedule of dates and verses will be listed; follow along to complete the Bible in 2024.

- April 22 – Luke 13, Numbers 34-36
- April 23 – Luke 14, Deuteronomy 1
- April 24 – Luke 15, Deuteronomy 2-3
- April 25 – Luke 16, Deuteronomy 4-5
- April 26 – Luke 17, Deuteronomy 6-9
- April 27 – Proverbs 8:12-21, Psalm 56-59
- April 28 – Home Devotion

BULLETIN COVERS

...for today were given by Norm & Florence Kuhl in celebration of their April 25, 60th Wedding Anniversary.

THE LADIES AID

...will meet at the Lamplighter at 11:30 for their meeting on Thursday, April 25. See you there!

TODAY'S RADIO BROADCAST

...was underwritten by Ken & Janet Rink.

VOTERS' MEETING

...is tomorrow, Monday, April 22 at 7:30 PM in the Great Room.

THANK YOU

...to Tom Eurich and Ken Engelhardt for their help in making come new hymn racks and repairing some of the old ones. – Tim Smith

MAILBOXES

...Take an extra minute today to locate your mailbox! The names have been updated and reorganized. Every confirmed member of Immanuel has a mailbox, including the 2024 Confirmands.

IN OUR PRAYERS

+ SPECIAL NEEDS

...Nancy Pommerenke, Gary Volz, Nelda Gnagey, Chuck Dutcher, Emily Smith, Donna Klaus, Sandy Gross, Shirley Sherman, LoAnn Rieman, Ernie Sbresney III, Sue McGathy, Jim & Shirley Simmet, Barb Nitz, Collin Nitz, Frank Gunsell, Randy Forbing, Ian Faist, Wayne Morris, Karen Swartzendruber, Stephen Sprague, Grayson Cohn, Scott Smith, Brenda Chambers, Rick Chambers, Carl Brandt and Pastor Phil Burkett.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

...Sunday, April 14, 2024; 9:00 – 146, Monday, 6:30 – 42

VALLEY LUTHERAN

...The Valley Lutheran Drama Department invites you to their spring production of 'Little Women'. Showings are nightly, May 2, 3, and 4th at 7 p.m. in the school gym. Tickets are \$7/adults, \$5/students, or \$24/family.

...Valley Lutheran is excited to host the Concordia Vocal Jazz Choir (from Concordia, Nebraska) on Monday, May 6 at 7 p.m.

...Summer Camps return to Valley Lutheran! Head to www.vlhs.com/camps to see this year's schedule and to sign-up! Contact Tasha Mulder at tmulder@vlhs.com with any questions.

School News

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

...Now is the time to enroll at Christ the King for the 24-25 school year. Enrolling early helps CTK plan and order supplies. Scholarships are available and applications are due to the school office by May 15. Reach out to the school office if you have any questions.

...Each year the Board of Education approves thousands of dollars in scholarship funds to our students to make it possible for children to attend CTK. We encourage you to prayerfully consider donating to the CTK Scholarship fund and if you have more questions, contact the office.

...Congratulations to Mrs. Brink who was recently selected as a Dow Sustainability Teacher Fellow for the 2024-25 Cohort! It is an honor to be selected and we are excited for her year of learning and growing.

...Our 8th graders, Mr. Deneen, and Mrs. Eifert are in Washington DC this week. We are so excited to put a face to all the learning that has taken place in the classroom this year. The itinerary includes the Capitol, Smithsonian, Holocaust Museum, National Cathedral, Mt. Vernon, Gettysburg, and many memorials. Please keep our travels in your prayers.

...Kindergarten screening is Monday, April 22. If you know of someone interested in CTK's kindergarten, contact teacher Emily Haubenstricker at haubenstrickere@ctkl.org.

...Upcoming Dates to Know

- 4/22 - Kindergarten screening
- 4/26 - 11:30 dismissal for teacher PD
- 4/28 - K/1 sing at Immanuel
- 4/30 -sports physicals
- 5/3 - mid quarter ends
- 5/9 - Unionville Muffins with mom, 7:45
- 5/17 - Unionville Duck Day
- 5/24 - No school
- 5/27 - No school
- 5/31 - K-8 Field Day
- 6/4 - Last day of Preschool and PS latchkey
- 6/5 - 10:00 Preschool graduation
- 7:00 8th grade graduation

Our Lord's Business this Week

April 21 – April 28

SUNDAY:	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	WORSHIP/Communion Sunday School & Bible Study
MONDAY:	5:00 PM 5:30 PM 6:30 PM 7:30 PM	Finance Christ's Messengers WORSHIP/Communion Voters' Meeting
TUESDAY:	9:00 AM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Quilters Public School Confirmation YABS
WEDNESDAY:	8:05 AM 9:30 AM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	CTK Chapel Adult Bible Class Glory Ringers Adoration Choir
THURSDAY:	12:00 PM 7:00 PM	Bulletin Deadline LWML
FRIDAY:	11:30 AM	CTK early release
NEXT SUNDAY:	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:15 AM	WORSHIP/Communion CTK grades K-1 sing at Immanuel Sunday School & Bible Study

SERVING NEXT WEEK (APRIL 28)

Acolytes: 9:00-Ben Bowman & Easton Neumann
Greeters: 9:00-Judy Gregory & Stacy Pommerenke
Scrip: 9:00-JoAnna Matthews
Ushers: 9:00-GROUP 8: Dave Wiltse, Mark Janke, George Eurich, Noah Eurich, Joshua Eurich, Dean Kuhl, Brian Rievert, Michael Rievert, Bruce Jubar, Gary Wissner, Ben Abke

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sebewaing

Fourth Sunday in Easter

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9:00 am

Divine Service 3

Announcements

Hymn – *Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me*

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Divine Service 3

Invocation, Confession and Absolution

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Psalm

Psalm 23; antiphon: v. 6



¹The LORD is my | shepherd;*

I | shall not want.

²He makes me lie down in green | pastures.*

He leads me beside still | waters.

³He re- | stores my soul.*

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his | name's sake.

⁴Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil, for you are | with me;*

your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

⁵You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my | enemies;*

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup | overflows.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days | of my life,*

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for- | ever.

Kyrie

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Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The First Reading – *Acts 4:1-12*

Come to Jesus – Adoration Choir

The Gradual

Christ has risen from the dead. [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor. He has given him dominion over the works of his hands; he has put all things under his feet.

The Epistle – *1 John 3:16-24*

Children’s Sermon

Alleluia and Verse

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The Gospel – *John 10:11-18*

Apostles’ Creed

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Hymn – *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

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Sermon

Offertory

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Offering – *The Lord’s My Shepherd* – Christ’s Messengers

Prayer of the Church

Communion Liturgy

Service of the Sacrament

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Preface

Sanctus

The Lord’s Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Agnus Dei



Distribution Hymns

All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name

LSB 549

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today – Annalise Harder, recorder

I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb

LSB 740

The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want

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Nunc Dimittis

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Thanksgiving

Salutation

Benediction

Closing Hymn – *We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God*

LSB 941

Acts 4:1-12

As they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, ²greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. ³And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. ⁴But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

⁵On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. ¹¹This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. ¹²And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

1 John 3:16-24

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. ¹⁷But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love

abide in him? ¹⁸Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

¹⁹By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; ²⁰for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; ²²and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴Whoever keeps his commandments abides in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

John 10:11-18

[Jesus said:] "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

PREACHER: Rev Michael Boyer
ELDERS: Mike Zagata & Matt Bumhoffer
ORGANIST: Barbara Bleck
ACOLYTES: Molly Gremel & Easton Konecny
GREETERS: Mary Engelhardt & Kristi Eurich
SCRIP: Stephanie Boyer
USHERS: GROUP 7: Larry Kuhl, Tim Irion, Andy Irion, Jim Hofmeister, David Mammel, Tim Beringer, Branden Gettel, William Harder

Who Should Commune?

In the Sacrament of the Altar we receive, as Christ says, His true body and His true blood for the forgiveness of our sins. Those who come to the Lord's Supper at this altar, are those who: 1 **Repent** of their sins, and earnestly seek to live according to God's will. 2 **Trust** the Word of Christ that His body and blood are truly present and received here for forgiveness. 3 **Confess** the faith of the Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod, as a member of this congregation or a member of another LCMS congregation. If you have questions about our communion practice, please speak to the pastor or an elder.



Our Congregation at Prayer
Daily Scripture and Prayer
To be Used in the Home
Getting Ready for Easter 5 B
Immanuel Lutheran Church

Theme for Sunday: Jesus is the True Vine and We are the branches, Abiding in Him We
Love One Another because He has Loved Us

The following short order may be used for devotions at home during the week or Daily Prayer for individuals and families may be used in the hymnal (LSB page 294 and following).

Invocation

In the Name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Introit

Psalm 145.1-2, 8, 10, 21; antiphon John 16.16

A little while, and you will see me no longer;
And again a little while, and you will see me.
I will extol you, my God and King,
And bless your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless you
And praise your name forever and ever.
The LORD is gracious and merciful,
Slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,
And all your saints shall bless you!
My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD,
And let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

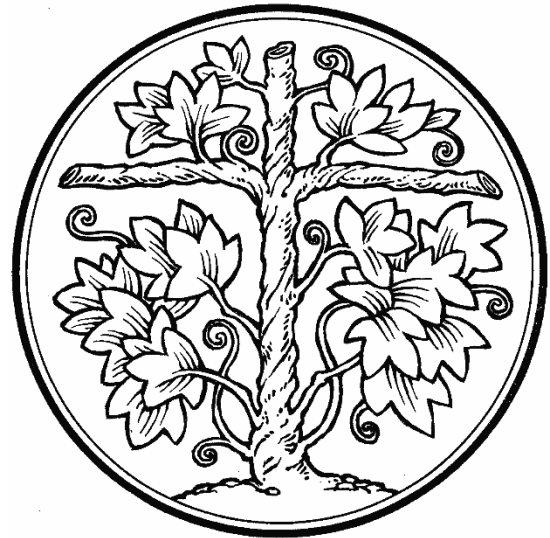
Glory be to the Father and to the Son

And to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning,

Is now, and will be forever. Amen.

A little while, and you will see me no longer;
And again a little while, and you will see me.



Collect

O God, You made the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who loves and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Gradual

adapted Matthew 28.7, Hebrews 2.7, Psalm 8.6

Christ has risen from the dead.

God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor,
He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;
He has put all things under his feet.

The Psalm for Easter 5 B may be read (Psalm 150) or those printed below.

Daily Psalms	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	93	97	98	99	47	96	92
Evening	136; 117	124; 115	66; 116	8; 118	68; 113	50; 138	23; 114

Readings for next Sunday (see below) or the readings for the upcoming Sunday may be used

Sunday	Leviticus 8.1-13, 30-36	Luke 9.1-17
Monday	Leviticus 9.1-24	Luke 9.18-36
Tuesday	Leviticus 10.1-20 (11.1-15.33)	Luke 9.37-62
Wednesday	Leviticus 16.1-24	Luke 10.1-22
Thursday	Leviticus 17.1-16	Luke 10.23-42
Friday	Leviticus 18.1-7, 20-19,8	Luke 11.1-13
Saturday	Leviticus 19.9-18, 26-36	Luke 11.14-36

Talk About Next Sunday's First Reading: Acts 8.26-40

What is the law (what we should do before God) in this reading?

What is the Gospel (what God does for us) in this reading?

Who was Philip? See Matthew 10.1-4.

Talk About Next Sunday's Epistle Reading: 1 John 4.1-11

What is the law (what we should do before God) in this reading?

What is the Gospel (what God does for us) in this reading?

How can we "test the spirits to see whether they are from God"?

Talk About Next Sunday's Gospel Reading: John 15.1-8

What is the law (what we should do before God) in this reading?

What is the Gospel (what God does for us) in this reading?

How is Jesus the true vine?

Catechism Selection (this may be read, recited, or spoken responsively)

The Lord's Prayer Continued

The Fifth Petition

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

What does this mean?

We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

The Sixth Petition

And lead us not into temptation.

What does this mean?

God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.