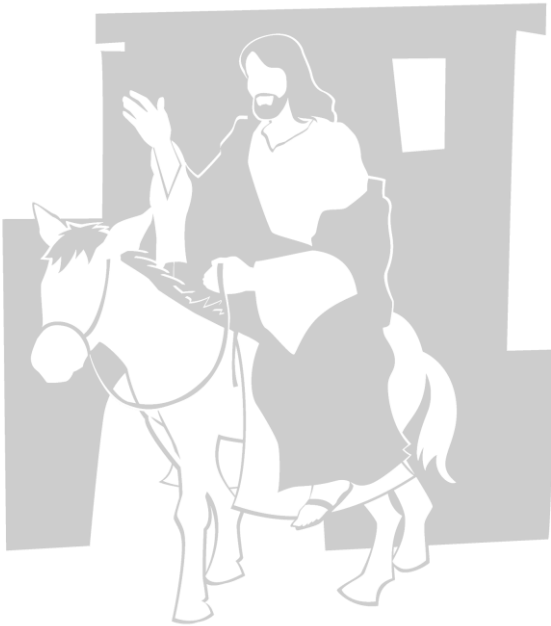




# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

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## **Palm Sunday**



**Saturday, March 27, 2021 – 5:30 pm**  
**Sunday, March 28, 2021 – 7:45 am & 10:15 am**

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“Making more and stronger disciples of Jesus Christ  
through the power of the Holy Spirit.”

# Welcome to Immanuel!

*Please turn off your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you!*

**If you are a guest**, please fill out a guests' card located in the cardholder on the back of each pew and then place it in the offering plate. We look forward to meeting you!

**Members**, please help us love and care for one another by filling out an attendance card. Remember to include all the members of your family who are present in worship today. If you are communing, please check in the appropriate place. Thank you for filling out an Attendance-Communion card every time you attend Church.

**We celebrate Holy Communion today!** In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. This Holy Communion is also a sign of our shared confession of the Christian faith. If you have not communed with us before, please speak with one of our pastors before doing so.

**During the communion service:** If you're not able to drink wine, the lighter colored glasses in the center of the tray of individual cups contain water with a drop of wine. These special glasses allow communicants to celebrate the Lord's Supper according to Christ's institution, but have a very small amount of alcohol.

## Worship at Immanuel is...

**Christ Centered.** We believe that at the heart of worship is the Good News that God has rescued us from our sins through Jesus' death on the cross and rising to life again.

**Trinitarian.** We believe that the object of worship is the only true God—The Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**Multigenerational.** We believe that it is a great blessing for family members to worship together. Taking seriously Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and so not forbid them" (Mark 10:14), we encourage children to worship with their parents and grandparents and provide resources such as children's bulletins and children's sermons.

**Eclectic.** Eclectic means, "selecting what seems best of various sources." We believe that we should strive to use the best hymns and practices that the church has to offer. Our worship may include hymns written 500 years ago as well as pieces written 5 months ago.

*In preparation for worship, we ask that you silence your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you. The time before service begins can be a good time to pray and prepare your heart and mind for worship. You will find helpful prayers on the inside cover of the hymnal located in the pew in front of you.*

## **Preservice Music / Bells / Welcome**

### **Opening/Processional Hymn, LSB 443, “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”**

- 1    Hosanna, loud hosanna,  
      The little children sang;  
      Through pillared court and temple  
      The lovely anthem rang.  
      To Jesus, who had blessed them,  
      Close folded to His breast,  
      The children sang their praises,  
      The simplest and the best.**
- 2    From Olivet they followed  
      Mid an exultant crowd,  
      The victor palm branch waving  
      And chanting clear and loud.  
      The Lord of earth and heaven  
      Rode on in lowly state  
      Nor scorned that little children  
      Should on His bidding wait.**
- 3    “Hosanna in the highest!”  
      That ancient song we sing;  
      For Christ is our Redeemer,  
      The Lord of heav’n our King.  
      Oh, may we ever praise Him  
      With heart and life and voice  
      And in His blissful presence  
      Eternally rejoice!**

*Please stand*

### **Invocation and Opening Sentences**

- P**    In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C**    **Amen.**
- P**    Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C**    **Hosanna to the Son of David.**

## Confession and Absolution

**P** We cannot come closer to God as we are. It is only through the gracious forgiveness Christ won for us that we are considered righteous under God's Law. Let us confess our sins, pleading, "Lord, have mercy" and "Save us, O Lord."

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and our sinful condition.*

**P** Father in heaven, David thanked You for answering him and becoming his salvation.

**C** **Your Son humbled Himself and became a human being to die in our place. But we confess that in our disobedience we have sinned in thought, word, and deed. Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Jesus was obedient to death and took our sins with Him to the cross. You have exalted Him, that every knee should bow.

**C** **We confess that without Your help we are bound to continue in sin as Your rebellious children. Hosanna! Save us, O Lord!**

**P** For Jesus' sake, our gracious God has given us His Son's own righteousness. The stone the builders rejected has become our salvation. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## Introit of the Day

(Psalm 118:19-29; antiphon: v. 16)

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

**We bless you from the house of the LORD.**

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,  
**that the King of glory may come in.**

Who is this King of glory?

**The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!**

Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,  
**that the King of glory may come in.**

Who is this King of glory?

**The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!**

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.**

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

**We bless you from the house of the LORD.**

## Collect of the Day

**P** Let us pray...

**C** Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Please be seated*

## Old Testament Reading, Zechariah 9:9-12

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup>I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. <sup>12</sup>Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

*After the reading:*

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle Reading, Philippians 2:5–11

<sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

*After the reading:*

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand*

**Holy Gospel, John 12:12-19**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>12</sup>The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup>So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!” <sup>14</sup>And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, <sup>15</sup>“Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt!” <sup>16</sup>His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. <sup>17</sup>The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. <sup>18</sup>The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. <sup>19</sup>So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him.”

*After the reading:*

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Apostles’ Creed**

**All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**Palm Sunday Video** [Preschool – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Sunday School Children]

**Children’s Message** (Parents of very young children are welcome to come forward with their children.)

## Hymn of the Day, LSB 442, “All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

*Refrain: All glory, laud, and honor  
To You, Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring.*

- 1    **You are the King of Israel  
      And David’s royal Son,  
Now in the Lord’s name coming,  
      Our King and Blessèd One. *Refrain***
- 2    **The company of angels  
      Is praising You on high,  
And we with all creation  
      In chorus make reply. *Refrain***
- 3    **The multitude of pilgrims  
      With palms before You went;  
Our praise and prayer and anthems  
      Before You we present. *Refrain***
- 4    **To You before Your passion  
      They sang their hymns of praise;  
To You, now high exalted,  
      Our melody we raise. *Refrain***
- 5    **As You received their praises,  
      Accept the prayers we bring,  
O Source of ev’ry blessing,  
      Our good and gracious King. *Refrain***

## Sermon, Zechariah 9:9-12, “Not Just a Certain Point of View”

*Please stand*

### **Prayer of the Church**

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.  
Almighty God, we give thanks for all Your goodness with which You bless Your whole creation. Above all, however, we give You thanks that You sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh

to be our true King, Your Suffering Servant whose death delivers us and all believers from sin, death, and hell. Give us Your grace that we be faithful in our walk and in our hope, love, and worship. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C**

**hear our prayer.**

**P**

Inspire Your whole Church throughout the world to rightly hear and follow Jesus, our eternal King and Lord, in humble faith with thanksgiving. Give wisdom and grace to all pastors that they give themselves to a living and lively proclamation of Your Law and Gospel through which You work true, saving repentance and faith in many. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C**

**hear our prayer.**

**P**

Give Your grace, forgiveness, wisdom, blessing, and guidance to all who bear the offices of government in our nation and throughout the world. Lead them to the faithful exercise of their authority for peace and justice, and for the defense and liberty of all people, especially the most vulnerable. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C**

**hear our prayer.**

**P**

Give peace and patience, comfort and healing to all who suffer illness or adversity or who are in sorrow or need, *[especially...]*. Deliver all who endure persecution for faith in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C**

**hear our prayer.**

**P**

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served You in Your Church on earth, who now rest from their labors. *[Silence for remembrance.]* Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, and bring us at last to the joys of Your heavenly kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C**

**hear our prayer.**

**P**

*(Special petitions...)* Lord, in Your mercy,

**C**

**hear our prayer.**

**P**

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

**C**

**Amen.**

**Offering** *(You can place your offering in the plate in the narthex or mail it to the church anytime.)*

**Preparatory Music**, LSB 767, “Jesus, Remember Me”



## ✠Service of the Sacrament✠

### Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with your spirit.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

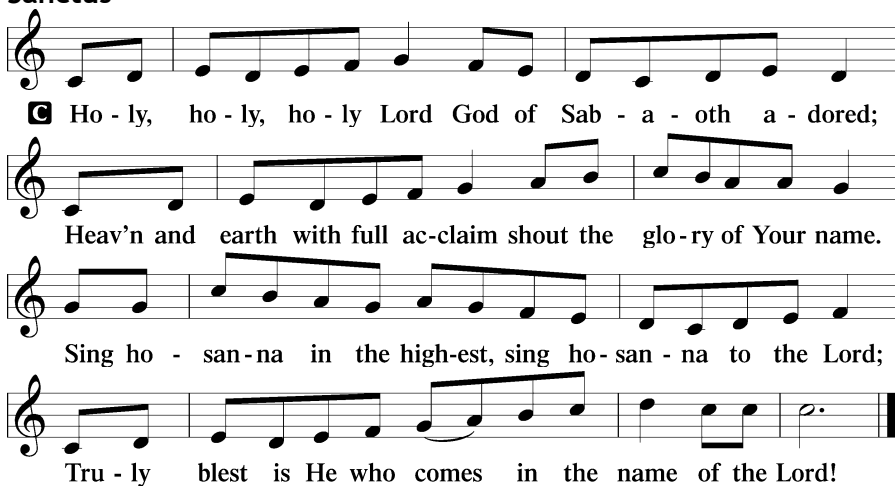
**C** We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;  
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

(Hosanna is a Hebrew word of praise meaning "save us now.")

### Proclamation of Christ

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

**P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## The Lord's Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13)

**All:** 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.

**Words of Our Lord** (Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

## Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always. (John 20:19)

**C** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

**G** 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

## **Distribution Hymns**

### **LSB 444, “No Tramp of Soldiers’ Marching Feet”**

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- 1    No tramp of soldiers’ marching feet  
      With banners and with drums,  
      No sound of music’s martial beat:  
      “The King of glory comes!”  
      To greet what pomp of kingly pride  
      No bells in triumph ring,  
      No city gates swing open wide:  
      “Behold, behold your King!”**
  
- 2    And yet He comes. The children cheer;  
      With palms His path is strown.  
      With ev’ry step the cross draws near:  
      The King of glory’s throne.  
      Astride a colt He passes by  
      As loud hosannas ring,  
      Or else the very stones would cry  
      “Behold, behold your King!”**
  
- 3    What fading flow’rs His road adorn;  
      The palms, how soon laid down!  
      No bloom or leaf but only thorn  
      The King of glory’s crown.  
      The soldiers mock, the rabble cries,  
      The streets with tumult ring,  
      As Pilate to the mob replies,  
      “Behold, behold your King!”**
  
- 4    Now He who bore for mortals’ sake  
      The cross and all its pains  
      And chose a servant’s form to take,  
      The King of glory reigns.  
      Hosanna to the Savior’s name  
      Till heaven’s rafters ring,  
      And all the ransomed host proclaim  
      “Behold, behold your King!”**

**LSB 627, “Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior”**

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- 1 Jesus Christ, our blessed Savior,  
Turned away God’s wrath forever;  
By His bitter grief and woe  
He saved us from the evil foe.**
- 2 As His pledge of love undying,  
He, this precious food supplying,  
Gives His body with the bread,  
And with the wine the blood He shed.**
- 3 Jesus here Himself is sharing;  
Heed then how you are preparing,  
For if you do not believe,  
His judgment then you shall receive.**
- 4 Praise the Father, who from heaven  
To His own this food has given,  
Who, to mend what we have done,  
Gave into death His only Son.**
- 5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken  
That this food is to be taken  
By the sick who are distressed,  
By hearts that long for peace and rest.**
- 6 Agony and bitter labor  
Were the cost of God’s high favor;  
Do not come if you suppose  
You need not Him who died and rose.**
- 7 Christ says: “Come, all you that labor,  
And receive My grace and favor:  
Those who feel no pain or ill  
Need no physician’s help or skill.**

- 8    **“For what purpose was My dying  
If not for your justifying?  
And what use this precious food  
If you yourself were pure and good?”**
- 9    **If your heart this truth professes  
And your mouth your sin confesses,  
You will be your Savior’s guest,  
Be at His banquet truly blest.**
- 10   **Let this food your faith so nourish  
That its fruit of love may flourish  
And your neighbor learn from you  
How much God’s wondrous love can do.**

*Please stand*

**Dismissal**

**P**     Now...Go in peace.

**C**     **Amen.**

**Post-Communion Thanksgiving**

**P**     We give thanks to You, almighty God, for the gift of forgiveness won by Your Son’s offering on the cross and for the strengthening of our souls and bodies by His body and blood. Go with us now and keep us steadfast in Your Word through the blessed days of this great and Holy Week and, beyond that, to our eternal life with Him who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C**     **Amen.**

**Benediction**

**P**     The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance on you and + give you peace.

**C**     **Amen.**

## Closing/Recessional Hymn, *LSB* 423, “Jesus, Refuge of the Weary”

- 1     **Jesus, refuge of the weary,  
        Blest Redeemer, whom we love,  
Fountain in life’s desert dreary,  
        Savior from the world above:  
Often have Your eyes, offended,  
        Gazed upon the sinner’s fall;  
Yet upon the cross extended,  
        You have borne the pain of all.**
  
- 2     **Do we pass that cross unheeding,  
        Breathing no repentant vow,  
Though we see You wounded, bleeding,  
        See Your thorn-encircled brow?  
Yet Your sinless death has brought us  
        Life eternal, peace, and rest;  
Only what Your grace has taught us  
        Calms the sinner’s deep distress.**
  
- 3     **Jesus, may our hearts be burning  
        With more fervent love for You;  
May our eyes be ever turning  
        To behold Your cross anew  
Till in glory, parted never  
        From the blessed Savior’s side,  
Graven in our hearts forever,  
        Dwell the cross, the Crucified.**

## Bells / Postlude

*We invite you to take the service folder and announcements home with you as you leave today so you can see what's happening this week as well as meditate on the Scriptures, prayers, and hymns from today's service as you go through the week. You can also find helpful information on our church website: [immanuelwaterloo.org](http://immanuelwaterloo.org).*

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## Worship Helpers

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### **Saturday, March 27, 2021 - 5:30 pm**

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski  
 Server/Lector - Rodney Clamors  
 Media - Greg Hoeffken

Pianist - Ron Jones  
 Acolyte - Sarah Alu

### **Sunday, March 28, 2021 - 7:45 am**

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski  
 Server - Cal Neeman  
 Acolytes - Kyle Rusteberg & Leah Worley  
 Ushers - Jason & Nick Valerius, Tyler Cooley

Celebrant - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup  
 Lector - Ollney Mueller, Jr.  
 Music Director - Ann Frank  
 Media - Lisa Clamors

### **Sunday, March 28, 2021 - 10:15 am**

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski  
 Music Director - Ann Frank  
 Acolytes - Kadin LaRue & Blake Nichols  
 Ushers - Alan Stumpf, Ian Schrader, Paul Broske Sr., Tom McDaniel  
 Media/Facebook Live - Cathy Whelan

Celebrant - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup  
 Server - Dean Harbison  
 Lector - Jen Janssen

### **Worship Helpers - Maundy Thursday, April 1, 2021 - 6:30 pm**

Ushers - Robert Mesnarich, Jr., Pam Nagel, Don & Carol Matzenbacher  
 Server - Rodney Clamors  
 Acolytes - Davin & Jacob Dethrow  
 Media/Facebook Live - Kelley Keller  
 Altar Guild - Janet Goessling

### **Worship Helpers - Good Friday, April 2, 2021 - 12:00 pm**

Ushers - Bill Stueve, Charles Lloyd, Kevin & Alex Whelan  
 Acolytes - Ashlyn Whelan & Ava Hemmer  
 Media -

### **Worship Helpers - Good Friday, April 2, 2021 - 6:30 pm**

Ushers - Elden Niemeyer, Sharon Osterhage, Wayne Hargrave, Warren Frank  
 Acolytes - Ben Janssen & Ryan Williams  
 Media/Facebook Live - Pam Nagel

### **Ushers - Sunday, April 4, 2021**

7:45 am - Allen Jacobs, Don & Gina Birrittier  
 10:15 am - Larry Goessling, Cal Neeman, Dean Harbison

### **Acolytes - Sunday, April 4, 2021**

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a  
 Sunday 7:45 am - K. & K. Roberts, N. Hoeffken  
 Sunday 10:15 am - J. & M. Fink, K. Rusteberg

### **Servers - Sunday, April 4, 2021**

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a  
 Sunday 7:45 am - Chuck Keller  
 Sunday 10:15 am - Warren Frank

### **Media - Sunday, April 4, 2021**

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a  
 Sunday 7:45 am - Greg Hoeffken  
 Sunday 10:15 am - Tim Scheibe (Facebook Live)

### **Lectors - Sunday, April 4, 2021**

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a  
 Sunday 7:45 am - Don Birrittier  
 Sunday 10:15 am - Ollney Mueller, Jr.

### **Altar Guild - Sunday, April 4, 2021**

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a  
 Sunday 7:45 am - Barbara Altes  
 Sunday 10:15 am - Susan Hargrave

## **Holy Week Services**

**Maundy Thursday, April 1**

**6:30 pm**

*Holy Communion and the Stripping of the Altar*

**Good Friday, April 2**

**12:00 pm & 6:30 pm**

Tenabrae Services

**Saturday, April 3**

*No regular service at 5:30 pm.*

## **Easter Services & Events**

**Easter Sunday, April 4**

6:00 am – Sunrise Service at Camp Wartburg

7:00 am – Pancake Breakfast at Camp Wartburg

7:45 am & 10:15 am – Easter Services at Immanuel

9-10 am – Easter Egg Hunt

***All are welcome to join us for all of these services!***

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