

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

The Resurrection of Our Lord



Sunday, April 20, 2025 7:45 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

"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 the pastor 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 / GREETING

Please stand

AGAPE RINGERS, Processional on "Hallelujah" (M.R. Keller)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN, LSB 457, "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

- 1 Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!
- 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- 3 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- 4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
 Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!
 Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!
 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. (Matt. 28:19b; 18:20)

C: Amen.

EASTER PROCLAMATION

- P: Rejoice now, all you heavenly choirs of angels; rejoice now, all of creation, sound forth—trumpet of salvation, and proclaim the victory of our King. Rejoice too, all the earth, for faithfulness of God is revealed in the Great IAM.
- C: IAM the Bread of Life...
- P: You are filled.
- C: IAM the Light of the World...
- P: You are My refection.
- C: IAM the gate...
- P: You are saved.
- C: IAM the Good Shepherd...
- P: You are protected.
- C: IAM the Way, the Truth, and the Life...
- P: You are Mine.
- **C:** IAM the True Vine...
- P: You are My disciples.
- C: IAM the King...
- P: You are My heirs.
- **C:** IAM the Sacrifice...
- P: You are forgiven.
- C: IAM stricken, smitten, and afflicted....
- P: Youu are redeemed.
- C: IAM the Resurrection and the Life...
- P: You are My Living Testimony.

CONFESSION/ABSOLUTION

P: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

"Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So, you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus."

(Romans 6:8-11)

C: "I caused Your grief and sighing by evils multiplying as countless as sands. I caused the woes un-numbered.

With which Your soul is cumbered. Your sorrows raised with wicked hands." (LSB 453/4)

All: It was our sin that caused Jesus to die to ransom us from death to sin. By the power of Your death and resurrection, forgive us—Lord Jesus, and raise us to new life—by Your Grace.

P: People of God, the Christ who died for you is Risen. He is the Great IAM and is for you today and always the "resurrection and the life". Therefore 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, declare all your sins forgiven—in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

INTROIT OF THE DAY (Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17-18; antiphon: v. 1b) I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously;

the horse and His rider He has thrown into the sea.

The LORD is my strength and my song,

and He has become my salvation;

Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,

Your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.

You have led in Your steadfast love the people whom You have redeemed:

You have guided them by Your strength to Your holy abode.

You will bring them in and plant them on Your own mountain,

the place, O LORD, which You have made for Your abode, the sanctuary, O Lord, which Your hands have established.

The LORD will reign forever and ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

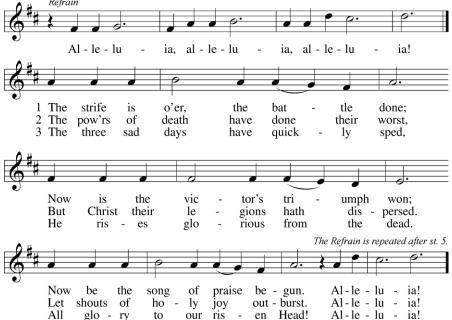
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously;

the horse and His rider He has thrown into the sea.

HYMN OF PRAISE, LSB 464, "The Strife Is O'er, the Battle

Done" [Text: Symphonia Sirenum Selectarum, 1695, Köln; tr. Francis Pott, 1832–1909, alt. Tune: Giovanni P. da Palestrina, c. 1525–1594, adapt. Text and tune: Public domain]



- 4 He broke the age-bound chains of hell; The bars from heav'n's high portals fell. Let hymns of praise His triumph tell. Alleluia!
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee, From death's dread sting Thy servants free That we may live and sing to Thee. Alleluia! *Refrain*

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you. (2 Tim. 4:22)

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's

resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST READING, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

¹Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ²and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. ³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHOIR ANTHEM, "Christus Victor (Amen)" (Boswell, Fowler, Getty & Papa) [The congregation will join in on the refrain after vs. 2 & 3.]

Now to the Lamb upon the throne Be blessing, honor, glory, power for the battle You have won. Hallelujah! Amen.

With every tribe and every tongue, We join the anthem of the angels in the triumph of the Son. Hallelujah! Amen.

SECOND READING, John 11:17-27

¹⁷Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, ¹⁹and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. ²⁰So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that whatever you

ask from God, God will give you." ²³Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." ²⁵Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, ²⁶and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand

GOSPEL PROCLAMATION, "Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia!" sung by the Adult Choir (setting M. Markworth)

EASTER GOSPEL, Matthew 28:1-10

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." ⁸So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

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 T everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (Parents of young children may also come forward with their children.)

HYMN OF THE DAY, "I AM Forever, WHO I AM" (Please see the words & music on pg. 15.)

SERMON, "IAM the Resurrection and the Life ... you are a living testimony" --- based on John 11/Matthew 28

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

- P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P: (Special petitions...) Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- P: Into Your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

Please be seated

OFFERING [Agape Ringers, "This Joyful Eastertide," arr. C. Moklebust]

Please stand

OFFERTORY, LSB 806, "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"

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Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One, Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son. (Repeat once)

And now let the weak say "I am strong,"
Let the poor say "I am rich,"
Because of what the Lord has done for us. (Repeat once)

Give thanks, give thanks.

★SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT★

In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also a sign of how we commonly confess the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you. (2 Tim. 4:22)

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. (Col. 3:1)

C: We lift them to the Lord.

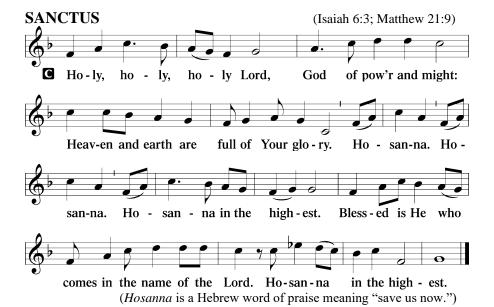
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. (Psalm 136)

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

PROPER PREFACE

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. 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:



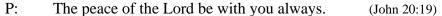
THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Matthew 6:9-13)

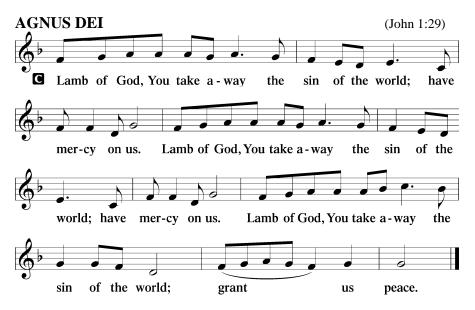
All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is 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







Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

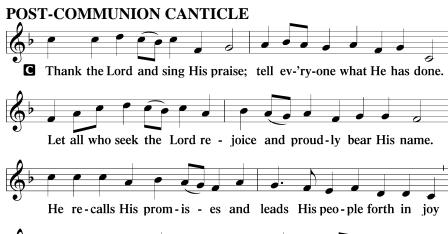
LSB 477, "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven" LSB 461, "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" LSB 463, "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia"

Please stand

DISMISSAL

P: Now may this...Go in peace.

C: Amen.





POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: 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.



BENEDICTION

(Num. 6:24-26)

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



RECESSIONAL HYMN, LSB 465, "Now All the Vault of

Heaven Resounds" [Text: Paul Z. Strodach, 1876–1947, alt. Text: © 1958 Augsburg Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110001526]

- 1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds
 In praise of love that still abounds:
 "Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
 Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!
 Repeat their song of glory here:
 "Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!"
 Alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 Eternal is the gift He brings,
 Therefore our heart with rapture sings:
 "Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
 Now still He comes to give us life
 And by His presence stills all strife.
 Christ has triumphed! He is living!
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; Set heart and will on things above That we conquer through Your triumph; Grant grace sufficient for life's day That by our lives we truly say: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- △4 Adoring praises now we bring
 And with the heav'nly blessèd sing:

 "Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"
 Be to the Father and our Lord,
 To Spirit blest, most holy God,
 All the glory, never ending!
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

BELLS / POSTLUDE

Please be seated as the ushers dismiss by pews today.

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.

Worship Helpers

Sunday, April 20, 2025 - 7:45 a.m.

Pastor - Rev. Brian Downs
Servers - Rodney Clamors & Greg Wiegand
Acolytes - Nolan Prather & Rosie Fink

Music Director - Ann Frank
Lector - Rodney Clamors
Crucifer - Brielle Fink

Ushers - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras, Maddy Prather

Altar Guild - Pam Nagel Media - Carson Filipiak

Sunday, April 20, 2025 - 10:15 a.m.

Pastor - Rev. Brian Downs
Servers - Doug Simms & Warren Frank
Acolytes - Everly Dethrow & Jase Gregory

Music Director - Ann Frank
Lector - Warren Frank
Crucifer - Jakson Gregory

Ushers - Dusty Dethrow, Davin Dethrow, Collin Dethrow, Jacob Dethrow

Altar Guild - Susan Hargrave Media/Facebook Live - Liam Garner

Ushers - Sunday, April 27, 2025

7:45 a.m. - Elden Niemeyer, Wayne Hargrave, Warren Frank, Daniel Niemeyer 10:15 a.m. - Lee Eggemeyer, Adam Eggemeyer, Chase Richey, Jakson Gregory

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Acolytes - Sunday, April 27, 2025
Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Audrey Braun

Lectors - Sunday, April 27, 2025
Saturday 5:30 p.m. - n/a

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Brady Drewes
Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Kenzie Wiegand & Rosie Fink
Servers - Sunday, April 27, 2025
Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Don Birrittier
Altar Guild - Sunday, April 27, 2025

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Howard Shive
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Rodney Clamors
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Barbara Altes

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Greg Wiegand & Jason Valerius Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Linda Gutknecht **Media - Sunday, April 27, 2025**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Clark Deptula Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Don/Gina Birrittier Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Lisa Clamors

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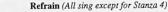
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stay the same, You teach us your - ter nal name. e noth-ing seems to oth - ers from our greed; You al - ways give us what we need. us and rage and burn and kill and steal, But you re-deem, re-store, and heal. we touch, we laugh. You came to earth on our be - half. see,





All 5 Each generation looks for truth, And doubt can trouble age or youth. If other gods would take your place, Remember us with love and grace. Reclaim us if we go astray; You are the Truth, the Life, the Way. Refrain

round you and with-in you.

All 6 Some days seem long, though life is brief, And death is waiting like a thief. When vision fades and dreams go dry, We will on unseen things rely. Our stories take up but a page, But yours goes on from age to age. Refrain

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