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

# Palm Sunday

**Saturday, April 12, 2025 – 5:30 p.m.**

**Sunday, April 13, 2025 – 7:45 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.**

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## 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.*

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### Divine Service, Setting Four

*(Lutheran Service Book, pg. 203)*

**Preservice Music** [7:45 a.m. – Agape Ringers, “The King of Glory,” arr. J. Honore’; 10:15 a.m. – Flute/Organ Selection, “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed/Amazing Grace Medley” (setting A. Mahnke) (Karen Hodapp, flautist)]

### Bells

### Welcome / Greeting

### Palm Sunday Gospel, Matthew 21:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, <sup>5</sup>“Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’” <sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. <sup>7</sup>They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their

cloaks, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” <sup>10</sup>And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” <sup>11</sup>And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

*Please stand*

**Opening Hymn**, *LSB* 441, “Ride On, Ride On in Majesty” (10:15 a.m. – The preschool-2<sup>nd</sup> grade children will process in during this hymn.)

✠ **Confession and Absolution** ✠

**Invocation**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** **Amen.** (Matthew 28:19b; [18:20])

**Confession and Absolution**

(Psalm 124:8; 30:3-4)

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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. (John 20:19-23)

**C** **Amen.**

✠ Service of the Word ✠

**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.**

**Kyrie**

(Mark 10:47)



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

**Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**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*

(7:45 a.m.) **Choir Anthem**, "O Savior of Our Fallen Race" [M. Larkin]

## Old Testament Reading, Deuteronomy 32:36-39

<sup>36</sup>The LORD will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants, when he sees that their power is gone and there is none remaining, bond or free. <sup>37</sup>Then he will say, “Where are their gods, the rock in which they took refuge, <sup>38</sup>who ate the fat of their sacrifices and drank the wine of their drink offering? Let them rise up and help you; let them be your protection! <sup>39</sup>“See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god beside me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand.”

*After the reading:*

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

(7:45 a.m.) **Choir Anthem**, “O Bride of Christ, Rejoice” [LSB 335. Public domain.]

## Epistle, 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, Matthew 21:12-17

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>12</sup>And Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. <sup>13</sup>He said to them, “It is written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer,’ but you make it a den of robbers.” <sup>14</sup>And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them. <sup>15</sup>But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, “Hosanna to the Son of David!” they were indignant, <sup>16</sup>and they said to him, “Do you hear what these are saying?” And Jesus said to them, “Yes; have you never read, ““Out of the mouth of infants and nursing

babies you have prepared praise'?" <sup>17</sup>And leaving them, he went out of the city to Bethany and lodged there.

*After the reading:*

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

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

## Apostles' Creed

**C** 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*

(10:15 a.m.) **Sunday School Anthem**, “Hosanna! Hosanna!” (K.D. Tunseth) [PreS – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade]

**Children's Message** (Parents of young children may also come forward with their children.)

**Hymn of the Day**, *LSB* 444, “No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet”

**Sermon**, “I AM the King...you are My heirs”

*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** (*During our Saturday evening service, please feel free to place your offerings and attendance cards in the plate in the narthex.*) [7:45 a.m. – Agape Ringers, “What Wondrous Love Is This,” arr. S. Geschke; 10:15 a.m. – Flute/Organ Selection, “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded,” setting A. Mahnke (Karen Hodapp, flautist)]

*Please stand*

**Offertory, LSB 767, “Jesus, Remember Me”**

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Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when You come in - to Your king - dom.



Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when You come in - to Your king - dom.

*Repeat once*

**✠ 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 Timothy 4:22)
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 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**

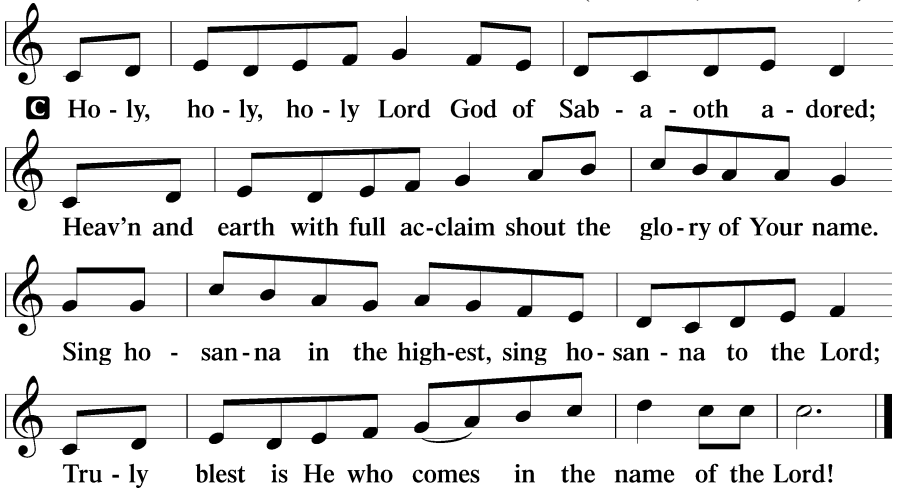
- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. 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

(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)



**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!

### 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)

### The Peace of the Lord

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

# Agnus Dei

(John 1:29)

**C** 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.

*Please be seated*

## Distribution

- LSB 446, "Jesus, Greatest at Thy Table"
- LSB 452, "O Perfect Life of Love"
- LSB 427, "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

*Please stand*

## Dismissal

- P** Now...Go in peace.
- C** Amen.

## Nunc Dimittis

(Luke 2:29-32)

**C** 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the



glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

### 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.

**C**

**Amen.**

### Benedicamus and Benediction

**P**

Let us bless the Lord.

(Psalm 103:1)

**C**

**Thanks be to God.**

**P**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

(Numbers 6:24-26)

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 Hymn, *LSB* 443, “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

### 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, April 12, 2025 - 5:30 p.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Brian Downs  
 Server/Lector - Rodney Clamors  
 Altar Guild - Marilyn Collette

Organist - Joan Ruwald  
 Acolyte - Lorelei Griffin  
 Media - Tyler Major

**Sunday, April 13, 2025 - 7:45 a.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Brian Downs  
 Server/Lector - Don Birrittier  
 Acolytes - Mason Wilhelm & Olivia Rusteberg  
 Ushers - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras, Maddy Prather

Music Director - Ann Frank  
 Altar Guild - Amy Kolweier  
 Media - Cathy Whelan

**Sunday, April 13, 2025 - 10:15 a.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Brian Downs  
 Servers - Doug Simms & Don Birrittier  
 Acolytes - Brady Drewes & Logan Kettler  
 Ushers - Alan Stumpf, Paul Broske Sr., Tom McDaniel  
 Media/Facebook Live - Nash Bradley

Music Director - Ann Frank  
 Lector - Daniel Niemeyer  
 Altar Guild - Carol Kassel

**Worship Helpers - Maundy Thursday, April 17, 2025 - 6:30 p.m.**

Servers - Greg Wiegand & Dusty Dethrow  
 Acolytes - Gwen & Kenzie Wiegand  
 Ushers - Allen Jacobs, Don & Gina Birrittier, Mason Wilhelm  
 Media/Facebook Live - Melissa Wiegand

Lector - Don Birrittier  
 Altar Guild - Susan Starbuck

**Worship Helpers - Good Friday, April 18, 2025 - 12:00 p.m.**

Acolytes - Quinn Menke & Avery Griffin  
 Ushers - Kevin Whelan, Alex Whelan, Cal Neeman

Media - Lorelei Griffin

**Worship Helpers - Good Friday, April 18, 2025 - 6:30 p.m.**

Acolytes - Nash Bradley  
 Ushers - Rodney Clamors, Jenna & Nicholas Hoeffken, Masson Fink

Media/Facebook Live - Lisa Clamors

**Ushers - Sunday, April 20, 2025**

7:45 a.m. - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras, Maddy Prather  
 10:15 a.m. - Dusty Dethrow, Davin Dethrow, Collin Dethrow, Jacob Dethrow

**Acolytes - Sunday, April 20, 2025**

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Nolan Prather, Rosie & Brielle Fink  
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - E. Dethrow, Jase & Jakson Gregory

**Lectors - Sunday, April 20, 2025**

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Rodney Clamors  
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Warren Frank

**Servers - Sunday, April 20, 2025**

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Rodney Clamors & Greg Wiegand  
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Doug Simms & Warren Frank

**Altar Guild - Sunday, April 20, 2025**

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Pam Nagel  
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Susan Hargrave

**Media - Sunday, April 20, 2025**

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Carson Filipiak  
 Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Liam Garner

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