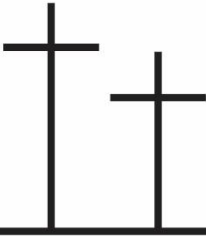


Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and

hope does not disappoint,

ROMANS 5:5

because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. Romans 5:1-9, NRSU



welcome to
IMMANUEL
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior!

Thank you for joining our church family for worship this morning. Immanuel is a Bible based Christian congregation and so our worship reflects deep devotion to God and to His Holy Word. We especially welcome any guests or visitors and invite you to sign our guest book in the entryway of the church and invite you to join us again.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE is printed in this bulletin and will be projected on the screen in the front of the sanctuary.

RESTROOMS are located at the bottom of the stairs to the right when you exit the narthex into the school building.

AMPLIFYING HEADSETS are available in the Deacons room. Please see any usher if you would like assistance.

THE MOTHER'S ROOM is next to the bookshelf and stained glass window in the corner of the entryway and is meant only for women and children. Fathers may use the bathroom in the upstairs school hallway. Kid's bulletins and quiet bags can also be found in the entryway.

QUESTIONS? Please contact the Deacon on duty or any of the ushers. They would love to assist you!

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2nd Weekend in the Season of

Easter

SERVICE OF THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

based on The Lutheran Hymnal (p. 15)

The Invocation

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. *Matthew 28:19*

Congregation (C): ♪ Amen.

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn

TLH 188 “Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!”

Confession and Absolution of Sins

P: Beloved in the LORD! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. *Hebrews 10:22*

P: Our help is in the name of the LORD.

C: ♪ Who made heaven and earth. *Psalm 124:8*

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD.

C: ♪ And You forgave the iniquity of my sin. *Psalm 32:5*

All: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You. I justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am wholeheartedly sorry for my sins and sincerely repent of them. I pray that You would of Your boundless mercy and because of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus

Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called 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, I 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.

Responsive Reading

Psalm 122

P: I was glad when they said to me,

C: "Let us go into the house of the LORD."

P: Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!

C: Jerusalem is built as a city that is compact together,

P: Where the tribes go up, The tribes of the LORD, To the Testimony of Israel,

C: To give thanks to the name of the LORD.

P: For thrones are set there for judgment,

C: The thrones of the house of David.

P: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you.

C: Peace be within your walls, Prosperity within your palaces."

P: For the sake of my brethren and companions, I will now say, "Peace be within you."

C: Because of the house of the LORD our God I will seek your good.

P: Glory be to God!

The Gloria Patri † *Glory to the Father*

♪ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, forevermore. Amen.

The Kyrie † *O Lord*

♪ Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Mark 10:47

Gloria in Excelsis † *Glory in the Highest*

♪ Glory be to God on high:
And on earth, peace, goodwill toward men.
We praise You, we bless You, we worship You,
We glorify You, we give thanks to You
for Your great glory.
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the Only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
Who takes away the sin of the world,
Have mercy upon us.
You who takes away the sin of the world,
Receive our prayer.
You who sits at the right hand of God the Father,
Have mercy upon us.
For You only are holy, You only are the Lord.
You only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
Are most high in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray... Almighty God, we pray that by Your grace
You will help us continue to celebrate our Lord's
resurrection by bearing its fruits in every aspect of our
lives. We pray through Jesus Christ, who lives and rules
with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 40:6-11

The voice said, "Cry out!" And he said, "What shall I cry?"
"All flesh is grass, And all its loveliness is like the flower of

the field. **7** The grass withers, the flower fades, Because the breath of the LORD blows upon it; Surely the people are grass. **8** The grass withers, the flower fades, But the word of our God stands forever." **9** O Zion, You who bring good tidings, Get up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, You who bring good tidings, Lift up your voice with strength, Lift it up, be not afraid; Say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" **10** Behold, the Lord GOD shall come with a strong hand, And His arm shall rule for Him; Behold, His reward is with Him, And His work before Him. **11** He will feed His flock like a shepherd; He will gather the lambs with His arm, And carry them in His bosom, And gently lead those who are with young.

C: ♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Second Reading

John 12:37-45

C: ♪ Glory be to You, O Lord!

But although He had done so many signs before them, they did not believe in Him, **38** that the word of Isaiah the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spoke: "Lord, who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?" **39** Therefore they could not believe, because Isaiah said again: **40** "He has blinded their eyes and hardened their hearts, Lest they should see with their eyes, Lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, So that I should heal them." **41** These things Isaiah said when he saw His glory and spoke of Him. **42** Nevertheless even among the rulers many believed in Him, but because of the Pharisees they did not confess Him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue; **43** for they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God. **44** Then Jesus cried out and said, "He who believes in Me, believes not in Me but in Him who sent Me. **45** "And he who sees Me sees Him who sent Me.

C: ♪ Praise be to You, O Christ!

Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day

WS 778 "Grace Has a Thrilling Sound"

Sermon

Romans 4:23-5:5

Now it was not written for his sake alone that it was imputed to him, **24** but also for us. It shall be imputed to us who believe in Him who raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead, **25** who was delivered up because of our offenses, and was raised because of our justification.

5:1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, **2** through whom also we

have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. **3** And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; **4** and perseverance, character; and character, hope. **5** Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

The “Therefore” of Easter

1. Therefore, We Have Peace with God
2. Therefore, We Glory in Tribulations

Preaching today: Pastor Joe Naumann

Offertory

**♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Your presence
and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation
and uphold me with Your free spirit.
Amen.**

Psalm 51:10-12

Offering of Thankful Hearts

Offering Hymn

TLH 443 v.6,8

**C: ♪ For souls redeemed, for sins forgiven,
For Means of Grace and hopes of Heaven,
What can to You, O LORD, be given,
Who gives us all?

Dear LORD, from You we all derive
Our life, our gifts, our pow’r to give.
Oh, may we ever with You live,
Who gives us all!**

The General Prayer

COMMUNION SERVICE

P: The LORD be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

2 Timothy 4:22

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: ♪ We lift them up unto the LORD.

P: Let us give thanks to the LORD, our God.

C: ♪ It is good and right so to do.

Psalm 136

P: It is truly fitting, right, and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O LORD, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God: ... Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, as described in the vision of Isaiah:

Sanctus † Holy

♪ Isaiah, mighty seer in days of old,
The LORD of all in spirit did behold
High on a lofty throne, in splendor bright,
With robes that filled the temple courts with light.
Above the throne were flaming seraphim;
Six wings had they, these messengers of Him.
With two they veiled their faces as was right,
With two they humbly hid their feet from sight,
And with the other two aloft they soared;
One to the other called and praised the LORD:
 “Holy is God, the LORD of heav’nly hosts!
 Holy is God, the LORD of heav’nly hosts!
 Holy is God, the LORD of heav’nly hosts!
 His glory fills the heavens and the earth!”
The beams and lintels trembled at the cry,
And clouds of smoke enwrapped the throne on high.

Isaiah 6

The Lord's Prayer

P: 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;

C: ♪ **For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the
glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Matthew 6:9-13

The Words of Institution

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was
betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks,
He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take,
eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in
remembrance of me."

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave
thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of
you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is
shed for you for the forgiveness of sins, Do this,
whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Matthew 26:26-28; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always!

John 20:19

C: ♪ **Amen.**

Agnus Dei † *Lamb of God*

C: ♪ **O Christ, the Lamb of God,
Who takes away the sin of the world,
Have mercy upon us.**

**O Christ, the Lamb of God,
Who takes away the sin of the world,
Have mercy upon us.**

**O Christ, the Lamb of God,
Who takes away the sin of the world,
Grant us Your peace. Amen.**

John 1:29

Distribution

Distribution Hymns

TLH 431 “The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

TLH 305 “Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness”

Nunc Dimittis † *Now Let Depart*

**C: ♪ Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace
according to Your word.**

**For my eyes have seen Your salvation,
which You have prepared before
the face of all people.**

**A Light to lighten the Gentiles,
and the glory of Your people Israel.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost.**

**As it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, forevermore. Amen.** *Luke 2:29-32*

Benediction

P: The LORD bless you and keep you.

**The LORD make His face shine upon you and be
gracious to you.**

**The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give
you peace.** *Numbers 6:24-26*

C: ♪ Amen! Amen! Amen!

Closing Hymn

TLH 201 “Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won”

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Our Practice of Close Communion	Communing
<p>A Holy Sacrament - Holy Communion is correctly called a ‘Sacrament’ because it is a “Sacred act;” not in what WE do for Christ, but in what CHRIST does for us.</p> <p>Spiritual Unity - God’s Word also presents the reception of this Sacrament as a most intimate expression of spiritual and confessional unity (1 Cor. 1:10; 10:16-17; Rom. 15:5,6).</p> <p>Close Communion - We ask only those who have publicly professed such oneness of faith and belief with us by membership here or another CLC church to come forward for Communion at this time. This is not a judgment of anyone’s faith, but rather an expression of ours (Rom. 16:17-18).</p> <p>Visitors - If there are visitors present who wish to commune with us in the future, you are invited to speak with the pastor about this at your convenience. We’d love to have you!</p>	<p>Kneeling rail - Members who have difficulty at the kneeling rail may sit in the front pews. The pastor will bring communion to you there.</p> <p>Balcony - Any communicants sitting in the balcony should please come down to the narthex for direction to the table.</p> <p>Direction - Communicants are ushered to the communion table. If you desire the bread in your hand, simply extend your hand to the pastor as he approaches you with the bread. Those desiring an individual cup, please take a cup when the tray is offered. The common cup will follow.</p> <p>Gluten Free Bread / Non-alcoholic Wine - Communicants can find these items on the way up to the Lord’s Table.</p> <p>Cup disposal - Please dispose of your individual cup in the baskets located on each side or in the center aisle.</p>

LAST WEEK

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

(APR 17-18 REPORTED)

Budgetary

\$1,435 Current Expenses

Non-Budgetary

\$50 Land Purchase

\$4,550 ILS Designated

\$2,565 Maundy Thursday

\$50 Easter

\$88 MPF Free Will

\$100 Facility Use

\$26 Evangelism PR

\$77 Ambassadors

\$88 MPF Free Will

\$2,607 Good Friday



Maundy Thursday 2pm: 68

Maundy Thursday 6pm: 117

Good Friday 2pm: 117

Good Friday 6pm: 119

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Type	# Souls
Old Main/AZ Pioneer Home	Yes	11:00 AM	2 nd , 4 th Mondays	Worship	12
Latitude	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	18
New Perspective	Yes	10:15 AM	1 st , 3 rd , 5 th Tuesdays	Study	7
Laurel's Edge/Street	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	5
Women's Bible Study	Yes	5:00 PM	Every Wednesday	Study	5
Oak Terrace	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	12
Cottage Senior Community	Yes	9:45 AM	1 st , 3 rd Thursday	Study/Worship	9
Walnut Tower	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	8
Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	15
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	35
Mankato Lodge	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Friday	Study	5
Autumn Grace	Yes	10:45 AM	2 nd , 4 th Friday	Study/Worship	6
Pathstone	Yes	10:00 AM	1 st , 3 rd Friday	Worship	8
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					145
Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!					

THIS WEEK

Sat May 3	6:00p	Divine Worship Service with Communion
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School
Sun May 4	9:00a	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School
	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	Divine Worship Service with Communion
		Live Stream – CLICK HERE
	11:00a	Anchored in Hope: Loss & Grief Meeting
	11:00a	Coffee Fellowship Hour
	12:00p	Banquet Encore
	2:00p	Craft Du Jour- Colorful Inked Coasters Craft
Mon May 5	7:00p	Recessed Voters Meeting
Tues May 6	7:00p	Outreach Meeting
Wed May 7	4:30p	Confirmation Class
	5:00p	Women's Bible Study
Thu May 8	10:00a	Women's Book Club Meeting
	6:15p	Church Choir Practice
Fri May 9	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
	7:00p	Ladies Bible Study- Finding Christ in the Old Testament
Sat May 10	9:00a	Adopt-a-Highway Clean Up
	6:00p	Divine Worship Service
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School
Sun May 11	9:00a	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School
	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	Divine Worship Service
	11:00a	Anchored in Hope: Loss & Grief Meeting
	4:30p	Pool Adventure Day

UPCOMING EVENTS

Adopt-a-Highway Clean Up- May 10th 9am

Pool Adventure Day- May 11th 4:30pm

Evening Ambassadors Study- May 12th 5pm

Graduation Day- May 16th 6:00pm

Rummage Sale- May 24-25th

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

RUMMAGE SALE Mark your calendars! Dates for the church wide rummage sale are **Friday May 23- Saturday May 24th** all day. Sunday will be a 'bag sale' or giveaway day depending on what's left. Set up will be all day Thursday, including rolling out gym floor coverings, setting up tables and marking items. Items you'd like to donate to the sale can be marked 'rummage sale' and placed on the stage

after May 5th. Furniture and other large items are accepted but cannot be stored anywhere prior to the day of the sale. If you have questions or are willing to help with any part of the rummage sale days please speak to Jackie Friedrichs. All proceeds will be donated to support the ILS/ILHS Athletic Programs.

POOL ADVENTURE DAY On **May 11th from 4:30-6:30pm** we will be renting out the Lake Crystal Rec Center Pool for our use only! Water slide included! Come enjoy the day with us! This event will have a small fee of \$5 per person. **Please sign up in the narthex or talk with Hilary Lien** in the church office to get on the list!

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY Our first clean up day of the year is scheduled for **Saturday, May 10 at 9:00am!** Our highway that we clean for our community is located on Monks Avenue starting at Stadium road and heading south 2 miles to County Road 90. This project will need volunteers to come out and clean up trash and debris. Wear any Immanuel Gear you may have, bring a pair of gloves and walking shoes. We plan to meet at the 'Free Lot 23' for MSU (right across from the Kwik Trip) before we get started! Hope to see you there!

BANQUET 2025 ENCORE Join us this **Sunday May 4, at 12 pm** for the Banquet 2025 Encore performance. This play was written by the Junior class and performed in honor of the Seniors. Come enjoy refreshments and entertainment in the Multi-Purpose Facility.

MOLE INFESTATION Pilgrims Rest Cemetery continues to fight the mole infestation. We want to thank all the volunteers who volunteered last year. You made a difference! However, they are making a SIGNIFICANT comeback and they are now killing off sections of grass in areas of the cemetery. The devastation in some areas is unprecedented. I can only theorize that the mild winters have allowed them to increase their population. The moles dig around the flat stones and monuments causing them to tilt and /or sink leading to complaints from families, not to mention the numerous ruts left all over the cemetery. We are in desperate need of volunteers that can make a weekly commitment. The board is again looking for approximately 6 or more volunteers willing to donate 1-2 hours a week to assist with mole control. We have increased our supplies over the winter so it should not run out this summer like it did last year. Once we have a number of volunteers I will provide you with a map of the cemetery with your area of responsibility highlighted. If you are interested in volunteering, please speak with Tony Harris for further details. Email: anthony.j.harris.222@gmail.com or phone: (507) 382-3081.



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We Thank Those Serving Us Today

(1st Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Joe Naumann	DEACON Brent Schreyer
ORGANIST Vickie Schreyer	SCREEN Furst/Theneman
HEAD USHER Kyle Hulke	ASST USHER Karl Friedrichs
USHERS Mac Friedrichs, Matt Hagen, Alan Olmanson, Brent Schreyer, Philip Stelter, Ross Theneman, William Roettger	
COMMUNION SET UP Dicks, Hoffman, Millers	
COMMUNION DISTIRUTION Lentz, Stratton, Heinze, Olmanson, Pfeiffer	

Serving Us Next Weekend

(2nd Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Nathanael Mayhew	DEACON Joel Enter
ORGANIST Laura Heinze	SCREEN Macias/Carstensen
HEAD USHER Paul Bade	ASST USHER Mike Schweim
USHERS Jeremy Hanel, Scott Kruse, Kaden Kruse, Todd Kruse, Alex Matzke, Justin Mueller	