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Worship & Holy Communion
The Resurrection of Our Lord - Sunrise Service
20 April Anno Domini 2025

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Order of Service - Divine Service III - Lutheran Service Book

Opening Hymn "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness" # 467

Invocation (stand)

Confession and Absolution page 184 - 185

Service of the Word

Psalm 118:15-29

(Found numerically, front pages of Hymnal)

We will use the tone below and chant whole verse by whole verse, concluding with the "Glory be to the Father" at the end of the Psalm.



Kyrie page 186

Gloria in Excelsis page 187

Salutation and Collect of the Day page 189

Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Reading Job 19:23-27

"Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book! Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!

Gradual (all)

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.

Epistle Reading 1 Corinthians 15:51-57

Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel (stand)

John 20:1-20

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter.

C: **"Glory to You, O Lord"**

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Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself.

Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples went back to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?"

Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"—and that he had said these things to her.

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you. When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord

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C. **"Praise be to Thee, O Christ."**

Nicene Creed

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Sermon Hymn "Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"

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Sermon

"The Fruit of the Spirit - Joy"

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John 20:1-20

The Offertory

"Create in Me"

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Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

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Sanctus

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The Lord's Prayer (sung) Pastor sings, congregation joins as indicated on page 196

Pax Domini (The Peace of the Lord)

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

Distribution Hymns

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Canticle Song of Simeon

"Nunc Dimittis"

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Benedicamus / Benediction

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Closing Hymn

"Make Songs of Joy"

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Bulletin Cover art Scripture reference:

(Artist Christopher Powers)

John 21:19 - "Follow me." Through suffering into the glory that turns sorrow into joy.

Announcements

The Eternal Light shines in loving memory of parents from Allan & Marilyn Schmidt.

The Eternal Light shines from Keith & Jan Horgen in loving memory of family.

The Eternal Light shines from the Woods family in memory of Randy and loved ones.

Thank you to Immanuel's Adult Choir for providing special music during worship.

Thank you to the LYF kids and parents for serving breakfast this morning.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study is at 9AM.

LYF Circuit Bible Study rotation resumes April 23rd, meeting in Riceville.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study will resume on April 23rd.

Blessings to those celebrating **birthdays** April 20-26:

Arlyn Priem, Colton Gerdts, Tami Woods, and Maezie Jean Williams.

Next Sunday, April 27th, plan to stay for **Prayer & Potluck**. We'll begin at 11AM with a brief Bible Study, continuing our review of "The Fruits of the Spirit". There will be music and activities for kids - and always great food and fellowship. (You don't have to bring food - just come and enjoy!)

Sunday, April 27th, you're invited to attend the Installation of Pastor Northwick at Messiah Lutheran Church at Mason City. Refreshments following

Looking ahead:

On May 8th, Immanuel is scheduled to host the monthly BirthDay Party at Good Samaritan. We need a few volunteers to help with the 'program', (probably a Sing-a-Long where the residents join us in singing favorite hymns and other songs.) The Party is held in the dining-room and begins at 2:30PM, right after they are done playing Bingo. Refreshments are served following the program. ***This is open to men and kids as well as women!*** Help us celebrate with the residents of Good Sam by making a joyful noise!!

On Friday, May 9th, at 2PM, Pastor Squire leads Chapel at Good Sam's.

This week at Immanuel - April 20 - 27, 2025

Today:	6:30 AM	Easter Sunrise Worship Service and Holy Communion
	7:30 AM	Breakfast served by LYF kids and parents
	9:00 AM	Easter Festival Worship Service & Holy Communion
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Morning Bible Study
	6:00 PM	LYF Circuit Bible Study - Riceville.
	7:00 PM	Evening Bible Study
Thursday	4:30 PM	Tai Chi Class
Next Sunday	9:00 AM	Worship and Holy Communion
	10:00 AM	Sunday school
	10:15 AM	Fellowship
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study
	11:00 AM	Prayer & Potluck - begins with a brief Bible Study, continuing in "Fruits of the Spirit". Music and activities for kids - great food and fellowship.
	1:30 PM	Sunday, April 27th, you're invited to attend the Installation of Pastor Northwick at Messiah Lutheran Church in Mason City. Refreshments following.

Serving today:

Elders:	David Falk, Steve Groth, Brian Steinberg, Melvin Schroeder
Organists:	Carol Pahl, Emma Squire
Trumpet:	Melvin Schroeder
Acolyte:	refer to posted schedule
Sound System:	Jonathan Pahl, Mark Bless
Altar Guild:	Mike and Denise Gerdts

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Communion Statement

Our worship today is marked by hymns, joyful praise, readings recalling God's saving grace, and the celebration of Holy Communion. As we celebrate Holy Communion, we come before the altar of Christ examining ourselves, as the Apostle Paul taught (1 Cor. 11:28).

Therefore, if anyone wishes to commune, we ask him or her to consider the following:

Have you been baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit?

Do you believe that you are a sinner in need of forgiveness?

Do you wish to be saved through the body and blood of Christ?

Do you believe that the true body and blood of Christ are present, though mysteriously, in, with, and under the bread and wine in this Sacrament, and that you receive his body and blood in your mouth and for your benefit? Have you been instructed in the historic Christian faith, as taught in the Lutheran Church through the Small Catechism, and do you confess the same?

Have you been examined in this belief, either through confirmation or by another means?

Are you a member of a church which is in altar and pulpit fellowship with the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod?

If you are not a member of Immanuel, but answer “yes” to these questions, we ask you to speak with the pastor or an elder beforehand to make known your intention to commune. If you answer “no” to any of these questions, please speak with the pastor or elder for more information. If you are unable to commune with us today, we recommend that you set aside time with the pastor to learn more about what we believe, teach, and confess.

During the distribution, you are encouraged to pray for the time when Jesus will come again and abolish all divisions, bringing true unity to his Church on Earth. In Christian fellowship, you are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor. Just cross your hands over your chest. Thank you for being with us in Worship today.