IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Divine Service Setting Three

May 5, 2024—8am

We celebrate the Lord's Supper today! Please prepare yourselves using these questions as a guide:

- Have I been baptized in the Name of the Triune God, Father, Son & Holy Spirit?
- Do I believe that I am a sinful being without hope for eternal life except in mercy of Jesus Christ?
- Do I believe in Jesus as My Savior?
- Do I believe that Jesus Christ is personally present in communion with His body and blood to forgive my sins, as the Bible teaches?
- Do I desire and strive by the power of the Holy Spirit to live a God-pleasing life?

As you come to the Lord's Supper you are affirming with each communicant that Jesus is your Lord and Savior, and that the Lutheran Church's confession of Jesus Christ and His Supper is your confession as well. White grape juice is now available in the center of the communion tray for those who cannot partake of alcohol

Prelude

Welcome:

Please note that in the hymnal whenever we see a small triangle next to a hymn verse, that triangle means the Trinity is proclaimed in that verse and we are to stand for that verse.



Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our

Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord

People: who made heaven and earth

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father

People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever

offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You or Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to

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

Pastor: 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 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.







The Salutation

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

The Collect for The Day

Pastor: Let us pray:

People: O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things

that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our

Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

(Please be seated)

The First Reading – Acts 10:34-48

³⁴So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

³⁶ As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷ you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

³⁹ And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all

the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

- ⁴² And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead.
- ⁴³ To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."
 - ⁴⁴ While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word.
- ⁴⁵ And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles.
- ⁴⁶ For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, ⁴⁷ "Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?"
- ⁴⁸ And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Reading – 1 John 5:1-8

- ¹ Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him.
 - ² By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments.
- ³ For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome.
- ⁴ For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.
 - ⁵ Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?
- ⁶This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth.

⁷ For there are three that testify: ⁸ the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon

The Gospel

Pastor: The Holy Gospel is written in the 15th chapter of St. John beginning at the 9th verse.

People: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

⁹ As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love.

¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.

- ¹¹These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.
- ¹² "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.
- ¹³ Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.
- ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you.
- ¹⁵ No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.
- ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.
 - ¹⁷These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The 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.



Sermon: "Confirming your Faith"

Offerings are gathered

The Prayers

Peace & comfort for the family of brother of Jackie, friend of Joan Crouse Comfort, strength & healing for Tim Swarr, friend of the Trathowen's Successful back surgery & healing for Carol Hill, mother of Angie Rodriguez Healing from knee replacement for Sara Howard, sister of Angie Rodriguez Safe travels for Joe & Susan Tumlin

The Lord's Prayer (Please stand)

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.

ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

(Please help us keep our attendance numbers accurate by filling out the attendance cards and giving to Ushers at communion.)

Preface

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

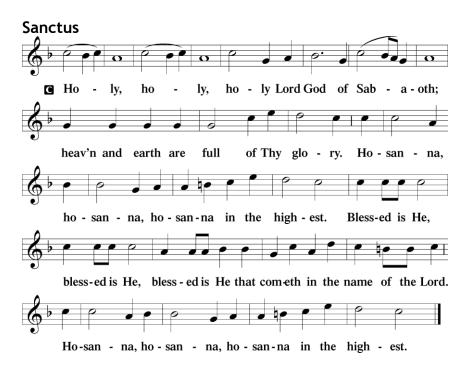
People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

People: It is meet and right so to do.

Pastor: 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 Words of Institution

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was

betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

Sharing the Peace – Greet One Another with the Peace of the Lord



Distribution

Distribution Hymn: #544 "O Love, How Deep"



- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed, For us, in crown of thorns arrayed, He bore the shameful cross and death; For us He gave His dying breath.
- For us He rose from death again;
 For us He went on high to reign;
 For us He sent His Spirit here
 To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.
- 7 All glory to our Lord and God For love so deep, so high, so broad; The Trinity whom we adore Forever and forevermore.

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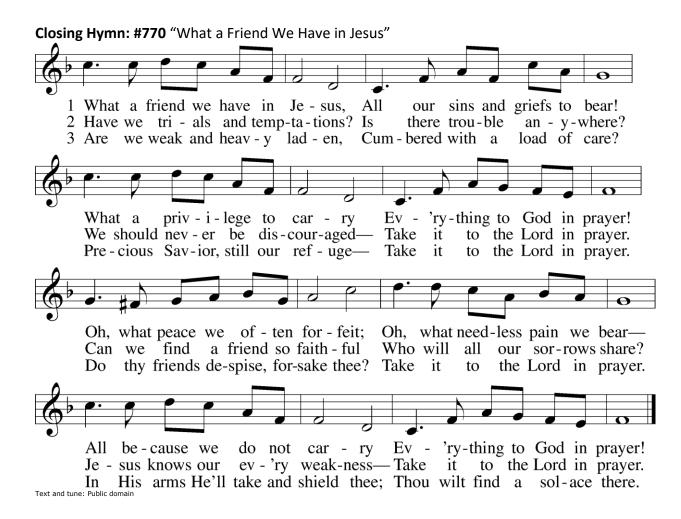


Benediction

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto

you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

People: Amen, amen, amen.



Our Vision

Pastor: As a reminder of the reason why we exist as a church let us speak our vision statement together.

All: Through Word and Sacrament ministry, we share the love, joy, and peace of Jesus Christ among

ourselves and with those around us.

Pastor: Our worship has ended, our service now begins.

Let us go in peace.

All: And serve the Lord.

Altar flowers are placed to the glory of God and in memory of Charles Lemke, by Irene Davis, Tim, Danny & Kathy Garcia and in honor of the 21st birthday of Will & Wendy Proeschel

Services will be live-streamed and a recording of service will be posted by the end of the day. You may watch these on Facebook, YouTube or go to website under Worship or scroll down on home page and find the latest services.

<u>Please keep the church office updated on prayers that have been asked to be kept on indefinitely, military and ones for continued healing or cancer treatments.</u>

Continued Prayers

Praise and thanks for Pastor Phil and all God is doing through him already here at Immanuel. Continued strength, energy and guidance for Pastor Phil and Pastor Miguel as they form relationships and further God's Kingdom in Brandon through the English and the Hispanic ministries at Immanuel.

Healing or Good Test Results

Sue Steenis Pam Murphy Harold Blanton, father of Colleen Webb Stephanie Winn Kathy Hogue

Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness

Edith Boerner, friend of Jeannine DePaola Kelsey Hilscher, friend of Jeannine DePaola Brother of the Kelps Adam, nephew of the Kelp's

Karen Webb, with ALS, neighbor of Pat Cook

Carson Cox, boyfriend of Kim Blomquist

Don Monahan, friend of Cathy Wilson

Terry McCann, friend of the Plumb's

Don Swisher, step-father of Larry Habeck

Fred Wiener, friend of the Habeck's

Ronnie Tumlin, brother of Joe Tumlin

Rev. Stu Merkle, cousin of Nancy Trathowen

Carol Guiler, Pat Cook's sister.

Andrew Hynick, father of Aaron Hynick

Heather Boatwright, friend of Cindy Szczesny

David, son-in-law of Nancy Christianson

Cassandra, niece of Steve & Pat Cook

Walt Nea

Christine Van Etten

Barbara LaVere

Cathy Nichols with terminal cancer, mother of Cathy Wilson

Tom Meyferth

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Safety for... and strength for families:

Kincaide Green, stationed at Mountain Home AFB, Idaho

Robert Lowry

Joshua Littrel, stationed at Ft. Campbell, KY with the 101st Airborne/Air Assault Division, 3rd Brigade "Rakkasans

Luke Buchholz, Navy, grandson of Ann Donahue, stationed at Norfolk, VA

Matthew Reikowski as he is deployed on the Carl S. Vinson

Logan Crouse, US Army, great-nephew of Joan Crouse, stationed at Ft. Campbell in NC

Samuel Drake, Captain stationed at Holloman AFB in Alamogordo, NM, son of Kerry Drake

Gavin Mattson, para-rescue man, stationed in the Panhandle of FL, grandson of Edith Mattson

ALSO, FOR ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND FIRST RESPONDERS

PRAYERS FOR OUR FAMILIES

Sunday: Steven Massey, Marco Monday: Edith Mattson

Tuesday: Pat McMullen

Wed: Tom & Wilma Meyferth
Thurs: Martina & David Miller
Friday: William & Jessica Mooney, Luke

Saturday: Fran & Beverly Mackey

PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Sunday Emily Gonzalez-Milo Monday: Avery, Charlie & Evely Graf Tuesday: Emily & Isabella Guevara

Wed: Isabella Gutierrez
Thurs: Bobby Gutierez, Jr.
Friday: Leonardo Guzman
Saturday: Matthew Guzman

PRAYER FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Risen and ascended Lord, while we were still in our sins You chose us, laid down Your life for us, and called us friends. By Your great love for us, inspire us to love one another and to go out into the world to bear fruit according to Your promise, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.