

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Second Sunday of Easter

April 11, 2021—9am

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.

## Prelude

Hymn: #472 These Things Did Thomas Count as Real



1 These things did Thom - as count as real: The  
2 The vi - sion of his skept - tic mind Was  
3 His rea - soned cer - tain - ties de - nied That  
4 May we, O God, by grace be - lieve And



warmth of blood, the chill of steel, The grain of wood, the  
keen e-nough to make him blind To an - y un - ex -  
one could live when one had died, Un - til his fin - gers  
thus the ris - en Christ re - ceive, Whose raw im - print - ed



heft of stone, The last frail twitch of flesh and bone.  
pect - ed act Too large for his small world of fact.  
read like braille The mark - ings of the spear and nail.  
palms reached out And beck - oned Thom - as from his doubt.

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## The Invocation

Matthew 28:19

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

## The Confession of Sins

P: 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.

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

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

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

C: **And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**All:** I, a poor miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment, but I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of 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.

### **The Word of Absolution**

**P:** 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, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

### **The Kyrie**

**C:** Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

### **The Salutation**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And with Thy Spirit.

### **The Collect for the Day**

**P:** Let us pray:

**C:** Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

### **Gospel Reading**

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 20<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C:** **Glory be to Thee, O Lord!**

<sup>19</sup> On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

<sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

<sup>21</sup> Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

<sup>22</sup> And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

<sup>23</sup> If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

<sup>24</sup> Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came.

<sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

<sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

<sup>28</sup> Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

<sup>29</sup> Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

<sup>30</sup> Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book.

<sup>31</sup> But these are written that you may believe<sup>[b]</sup> that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Praise to you, 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 life everlasting. Amen

### Hymn: #470 O Sons and Daughters of the King Verses 1, 2, 3, 5 & 9



1 O sons and daugh - ters of the King, Whom heav'n - ly  
2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, The faith - ful  
3 An an - gel clad in white they see, Who sits and  
4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; A - mong them



hosts in glo - ry sing, To - day the grave has lost its sting!  
wom - en went their way To seek the tomb where Je - sus lay.  
speaks un - to the three, "Your Lord will go to Gal - i - lee."  
came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace be with you here."



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

5 When Thomas first the tidings heard  
That they had seen the risen Lord,  
He doubted the disciples' word.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

9 On this most holy day of days  
Be laud and jubilee and praise:  
To God your hearts and voices raise.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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## Sermon - "What's all this breathing about?" *John 20:19-31*

- I. **Jesus gives a special authority, "office of the keys" connected with this breathing.**
  - A. The authority to bestow forgiveness of sins.
  - B. The authority to withhold forgiveness of sins.
- II. **Confession is the portion of the worship service where this office of the keys is exercised publicly.**
  - A. First, we confess our sins.
    1. The law pierces our heart
    2. Hearing the law, we recognize we are sinners
      - B. Second, we are absolved of our sins.
    1. Faith reminds us that in Christ we are forgiven.
    2. Publicly our pastors administer that forgiveness and shows us our savior.
      - C. Other things to note.
        1. When we confess our sins we cannot possibly remember every sin we have committed.
        2. Lutherans have a tradition of individual confession and absolution.
        3. You can exercise confession and absolution with others in your vocations.

## The Prayers

Peace & comfort for the family of Bobby Bragg, cousin of Beverly Lowe  
Healing for Shirley Barberg, mother of Kathy Hogue  
Situation of Corona Virus

*(Please help us keep our attendance numbers accurate by filling out the attendance cards and putting in basket on the way out.)*

## The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

## The Words of Institution

**P:** 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."

## Salutation and Benedicamus

**P:** The Lord be with you.  
**C:** **And with thy spirit.**  
**P:** Bless we the Lord.  
**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

## The Benediction

**P:** 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.  
**C:** **Amen, Amen, Amen!**

**Wait for Ushers to excuse you. Please leave nothing in the pews. Place pencils, attendance card and offering in the basket in front of the Baptismal Font. Please quietly return to your cars.**

**Communion Distribution (during final hymn)**

**The Closing Hymn #623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray**



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, we hum - bly pray That we may  
2 Give us, who share this won - drous food, Your bod - y  
3 By faith Your Word has made us bold To seize the  
4 One bread, one cup, one bod - y, we, Re - joic - ing  
5 Lord Je - sus Christ, we hum - bly pray: O keep us



feast on You to - day; Be - neath these forms of  
bro - ken and Your blood, The grate - ful peace of  
gift of love re - told; All that You are we  
in our u - ni - ty, Pro - claim Your love un -  
stead - fast till that day When each will be Your



bread and wine En - rich us with Your grace di - vine.  
sins for - giv'n, The cer - tain joys of heirs of heav'n.  
here re - ceive, And all we are to You we give.  
til You come To bring Your scat - tered loved ones home.  
wel - comed guest In heav - en's high and ho - ly feast.

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**Altar flowers are placed to the glory of God and in honor of Heather Drake's birthday**

*Services will be live-streamed and a recording of service will be posted by the end of the day.*

**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**

**Continued Prayers**

Peace & comfort for the family of Henry Ruiz (Tedd Webb)  
Peace & Comfort for the family of Michael, son of Mike & Jenny Childers  
Thanksgiving for the 58<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Bill & Jackie Anton  
Thanksgiving for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Immanuel Lutheran Church and  
Its congregation  
Employment for those struggling to find a job

**Healing**

Kara Montruer, daughter of Bill & Kim Stromberg  
Jim Taylor, neighbor of Pat Cook  
Sasha Farnsworth  
Desiree & her caregiver, Tammie, friends of Sandy Goode  
Marilyn Hayden, friend of Don Case  
Rachel, daughter-in-law of Cathy Wilson  
Jim Nichols, father of Cathy Wilson

### **Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness**

Carol, sister of Trish Smith  
Don & Bev Cook, brother of Steve Cook  
Chad Pry, boyfriend of Cheryl, daughter of Joan Crouse  
Cathy Nichols with terminal cancer, mother of Cathy Wilson  
Raymond, brother of Barbara LaVere  
Mercedes, grand-daughter of Nancy Christianson  
David, brother of Larry Habeck  
Walt Braudis  
Barbara LaVere  
Tracy, cousin of Jacquelyn Hahn  
Lisa Steinbrueck, niece of the Steinbrueck's  
Andrew Krauska, brother-in-law of Sally James  
Kevin Eads, brother of Karri Funk  
Kathy, daughter of Walt Braudis  
Keith Stallings  
Alan Sparks, and strength & comfort  
Don Swisher, step-father of Larry Habeck  
Paul Braudis, brother of Walt  
Bill, (w/brain cancer) uncle of Brian Littrel  
Cheryl Ford  
David Parkinson, brother of Betty Loraamm  
Regina Goodwin, niece of Plumb's  
Mike Kurtz  
Lois Sutton, mother of Ruth Krause  
Kathy Kane, sister of Ray Dempsey  
Tom Meyferth  
Glenn Turner, uncle of Tammie Farnsworth  
Peggy & Larry Audler, cousins of Irv Dupre

### **PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY**

#### **Safety for... and strength for families:**

Samuel Drake, son of Kerry Drake  
Matt Murphy as he in Ft. Gordon, GA  
Jeremy Brockmeier (USMC) & family, stationed in South Korea, son of Jerry and Janice Brockmeier  
Xander Ritter stationed at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, CA, (USMC)  
Matthew Albers, Major in USAF and in command in Sacramento, CA, son of Deb Albers  
Logan Crouse as he is undergoing Army air borne training, great-nephew of Joan Crouse  
Carson Crouse, (army) great-nephew of Joan Crouse, stationed in Georgia  
Gavin Mattson, para-rescue man, stationed in the Panhandle of FL, grandson of Edith Mattson  
Nick Dillon as he travels on an aircraft carrier in the Middle East, nephew of Kim Blomquist

### **PRAYERS FOR OUR FAMILIES**

Sunday: Michael & Haley Dignan, Liam & Jackson  
Monday: Marsha Doon, Jacob  
Tuesday: Kerry & Heather Drake, Nicole  
Wed: Neoda Dumke  
Thursday: Felton & Carol Dunnehoo  
Friday: Col Irv & Franci Dupre  
Saturday: Richard Ensor

### **PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES**

Sunday Makenzie Rea  
Monday: Cai, Camden Redmond  
Tuesday: Julian Rivera  
Wed: Daniella Rivicci  
Thursday Joelys & Jolena Rodriguez  
Friday: Melanie Rodriguez  
Saturday Veronica Rueda