

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 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: #461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives *Verses 1-4, 5, 8*



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to
4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious
plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry
guide me with His eye; He lives to com - fort



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

5 He lives to silence all my fears;
He lives to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart;
He lives all blessings to impart.

8 He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

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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: **O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

C: **Amen.**

The Gospel

Pastor: The Holy Gospel is written in the 15th chapter of St. John beginning at the 1st verse.

♪ **People: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!**

¹I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener.

²He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful.

³You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you.

⁴Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine.

Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

⁵“I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

⁶If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned.

⁷If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

⁸This is to my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

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 life everlasting. Amen

Hymn: #768 To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray



1 To God the Ho - ly Spir - it let us pray
2 O sweet - est Love, Your grace on us be - stow;
3 Tran - scen - dent Com - fort in our ev - 'ry need,
4 Shine in our hearts, O Spir - it, pre - cious light;



For the true faith need - ed on our way
Set our hearts with sa - cred fire a - glow
Help us nei - ther scorn nor death to heed
Teach us Je - sus Christ to know a - right



That He may de - fend us when life is end - ing And from
That with hearts u - nit - ed we love each oth - er, Ev - 'ry
That we may not fal - ter nor cour - age fail us When the
That we may a - bide in the Lord who bought us, Till to



ex - ile home we are wend - ing. Lord, have mer - cy!
strang - er, sis - ter, and broth - er. Lord, have mer - cy!
foe shall taunt and as - sail us. Lord, have mer - cy!
our true home He has brought us. Lord, have mer - cy!

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Sermon - "A clear and direct understanding of Prayer" *John 15:7*

⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

I. God hears the prayers of the righteous

²⁹The LORD is far from the wicked, but he hears the prayer of the righteous. Proverbs 15:29

- A. God declares us qualified to pray.
- B. Beware of false prophets of prayer
- C. Pray with joy and boldness

II. Abide is the key. *John 15:7*

- A. Meditate on God's Word
- B. God's Word transforms our values and priorities
- C. Begin a new life of prayer.

1. Hear God's invitations to pray

⁷"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. Matthew 7:7

¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Romans 12:12

²Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. Colossians 4:2

²First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, 1 Timothy 2:1

2. Meditate on the promises of God offered to you through prayer.

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Romans 8:31-32

3. Prepare to receive blessings

²⁰Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, Ephesians 3:20

The Prayers

Healing from pneumonia for Marilyn Wessel

Healing for Christal Trlak

Healing for Josephine, friend of Beverly Lowe

Healing for Valentina Cespedes

Healing for Desiree and strength for Tammi, her mother and caregiver, friends of Sandy Goode

Healing from quadruple bypass for Joe, husband of Ellen, friend of Kim Blomquist

Healing for Russell Cauley, father of Christal Trlak

(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 #525 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,
3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,
4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave
5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.
Whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won Which now His brow a -dorn:
Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won - drous name of Love.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And
Fruit of the mys - tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The
No an - gels in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But
His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who
Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.
down-ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.
died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.
Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

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Altar flowers are placed to the glory of God.

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 Eric Gillis, 15 yr old son of Anona, friend of Susan Tumlin
Thanksgiving for the 50th anniversary of Immanuel Lutheran Church and
Its congregation
Employment for those struggling to find a job

Healing

Sara Plumb
Diane Drew, sister of Jackie Anton
Kendall Lowe
Ray Dempsey
Richard, husband of Nancy Richards

Battling with Cancer or Serious Illness

Anona, friend of Susan Tumlin
Jim Nichols, father of Cathy Wilson
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
David, brother of Larry Habeck
Walt Braudis
Barbara LaVere
Tracy, cousin of Jacquelyn Hahn
Lisa Steinbrueck, niece of the Steinbrueck's
Kevin Eads, brother of Karri Funk
Kathy, daughter of Walt Braudis
Keith Stallings
Alan Sparks
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
Tom Meyferth

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Safety for... and strength for families:

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

PRAYERS FOR OUR FAMILIES

Sunday: Marc & Ildiko Giller, Christian
Monday: Sandra Goode
Tuesday: Alecia Grever, Macayla, Noah, Matthew, Daiveon
Wed: Patti & Scott Grice, Kaitlyn, Kaylee
Thursday: Cathy Gustavus
Friday: Joyce Guzel
Saturday: Ian Habeck

PRAYERS FOR OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Sunday Jaydelyn Teng
Monday: Austin, Lillianna, Ryker Thacker
Tuesday: Zion & Zoe Thompson
Wed: Brayden Thorpe
Thursday Lauren Torres-Diaz
Friday: Fayola & Schadrac Toussaint
Saturday Genesis Vargas

PRAYER FOR FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Risen and ascended Lord, You are the vine and we are the branches.

Apart from You there is no life.

By Baptism You have grafted us into Your gracious life.

Cause Your Word to abide in us and make us fruitful to the glory of your Father, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one

God, now and forever.

Amen.