

# **Immanuel Lutheran Church**

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**The Second Sunday of Easter**

**April 27, 2025**

# I.N.I.

## Divine Service II

Lutheran Service Book pp. 167ff

*Stand to face the cross*

### Processional Hymn

*All the Earth with Joy Is Sounding*

LSB 462

### Invocation, Confession and Absolution

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Kneel, as you are able, for a time of silent reflection and self-examination*

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

*Stand*

### Service of the Word

#### Introit

*Psalms 105:1-5, 8; 1 Peter 2:2-3*

*Refrain (all)*

Like new-born babes, de - sire pure milk, Spir - it - ual  
milk—the Gos - pel Word. Thus to sal - va - tion  
may you grow. Oh, taste and see, how good the Lord!

#### Verses



- A Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to sal- | vation—\*  
if indeed you have tasted that the | Lord is good.
- C **Oh give thanks to the Lord; call up- | on his name;\***  
**make known his deeds among the | peoples!**
- A Sing to him, sing prais- | es to him; \* tell of all his | wondrous works!
- C **Glory in his | holy name; \* let the hearts of those who seek the | Lord rejoice!**
- A Seek the Lord | and his strength; \* seek his presence con- | tinually!
- C **Remember the wondrous works that | he has done, \***  
**his miracles, and the judgments he | uttered.**
- A He remembers his covenant for- | ever, \* the word that he commanded, for a thousand gener- | ations.
- All: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning, \* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

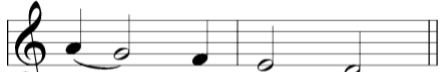
*All sing refrain*

## Kyrie

*LSB 168*



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



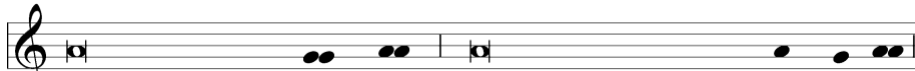
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



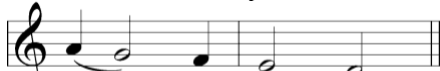
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise  
 let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.  
**A** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.  
**C** A - men.

## Hymn of Praise

LSB 171

**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.  
**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
 whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.  
 Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and  
 hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.  
 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -  
 lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to

God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,

for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

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** A - men.

*Sit*

## First Reading

Acts 5:27–32

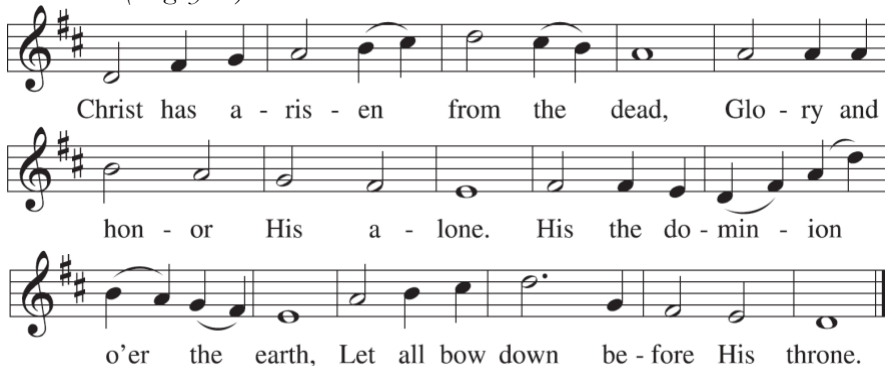
<sup>27</sup>And when they had brought [the apostles], they set them before the council. And the high priest questioned them, <sup>28</sup>saying, “We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man’s blood upon us.” <sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than men. <sup>30</sup>The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup>God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup>And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## Gradual *(sung by all)*

Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6



## Epistle

Revelation 1:4–18

<sup>4</sup>John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup>and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood <sup>6</sup>and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. <sup>7</sup>Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen. <sup>8</sup>“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.” <sup>9</sup>I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. <sup>10</sup>I was in the Spirit on the Lord’s day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet <sup>11</sup>saying, “Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea.” <sup>12</sup>Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, <sup>13</sup>and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. <sup>14</sup>The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, <sup>15</sup>his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. <sup>16</sup>In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength. <sup>17</sup>When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, “Fear not, I am the first and the last, <sup>18</sup>and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia and Verse

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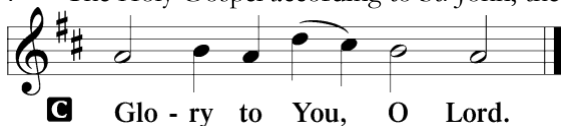


Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

John 20:19–31

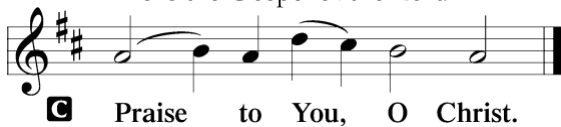
P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>19</sup>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.” <sup>20</sup>When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” <sup>22</sup>And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld.” <sup>24</sup>Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them 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 in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.” <sup>26</sup>Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although 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, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup>but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to You, O Christ.

# Hymn of the Day

*O Church, Arise*

1. O Church, a - rise, and put your ar-mour on; Hear the  
 2. Our call to war, to love the cap-tive soul, but to  
 3. Come see the cross, where love and mer-cy meet, as the  
 4. So Spir - it, come, put strength in ev - ry stride, give—

call of Christ our Cap - tain. For now the weak can say that  
 rage a - gainst the cap - tor; And with the sword that makes the  
 Son of God is strick - en; Then see His foes lie crushed be -  
 grace for ev - 'ry hur - dle; That we may run with faith, to

they are strong, in the strength that God has giv - en  
 wound - ded whole, we will fight with faith and val - our.  
 neath His feet, for the Con - quer - or has ris - en.  
 win the prize of a serv - ant, good and faith - ful.

With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand a -  
 When faced with trials on ev - 'ry side, we know the  
 And as the stone is rolled a - way and Christ e -  
 As saints of old still line the way, re - tell - ing

gainst the dev - il's lies; An ar - my bold, whose bat - tle  
 out - come is se - cure. And Christ will have the prize for  
 merg - es from the grave, this vic - t'ry march con - tin - ues  
 tri - umphs of His grace, we hear their calls, and hun-ger

cry is Love, reach - ing out to those in dark - ness.  
 which He died, an in - her - it - ance of na - tions.  
 till the day ev - 'ry eye and heart shall see Him.  
 for the day when, with Christ, we stand in glo - ry.

Sermon

*Stand*



## Confession of Faith

**All:** 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.

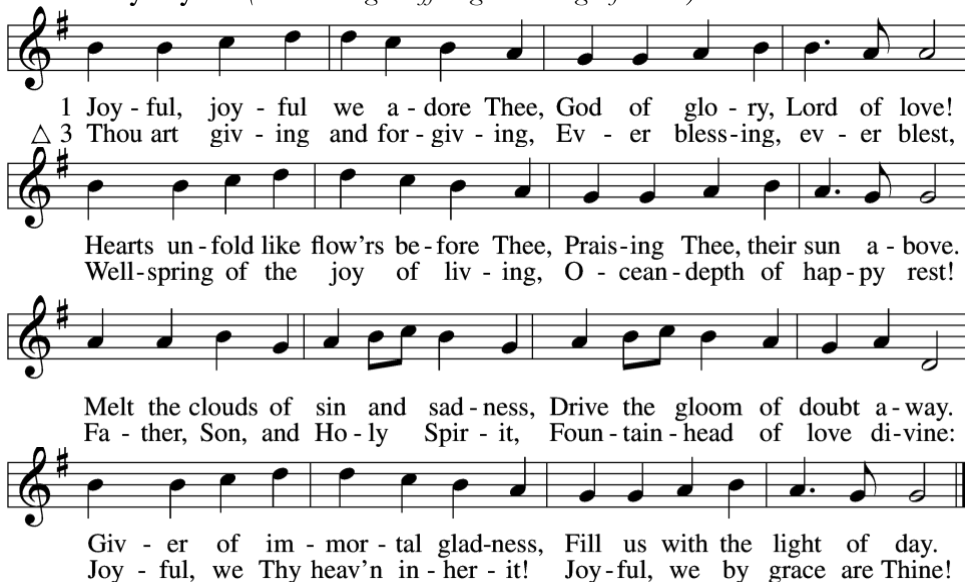
## Prayer of the Church

*Following the prayers, the people greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).)*

*Sit*

## Offering & Offertory Hymn *(stand to sing as offerings are brought forward)*

LSB 803 sts, 1, 3



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
△ 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,  
Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore Thee, Prais-ing Thee, their sun a - bove.  
Well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean-depth of hap - py rest!  
Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a - way.  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Foun - tain - head of love di-vine:  
Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day.  
Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy-ful, we by grace are Thine!

## Service of the Sacrament

LSB 177

### Preface



**P** The Lord be with you.



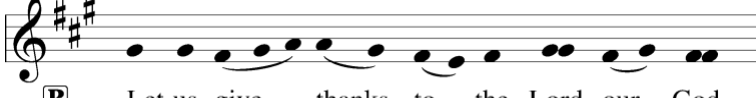
**C** And al-so with you.



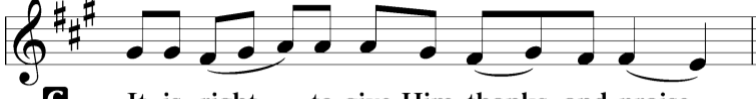
**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



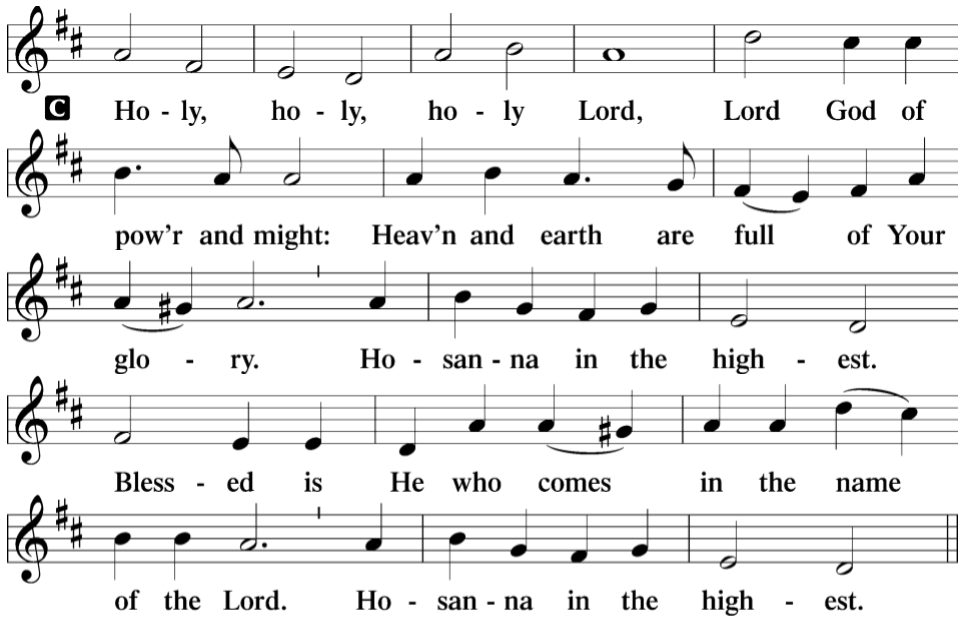
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### Proper Preface

**P** 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:

## Sanctus

LSB 178



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name  
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## The Words of Our Lord

- 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 T 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 T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Proclamation of Christ

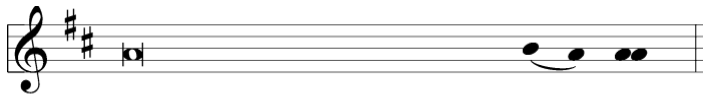
- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## The Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

## Pax Domini

LSB 180



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 180



**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



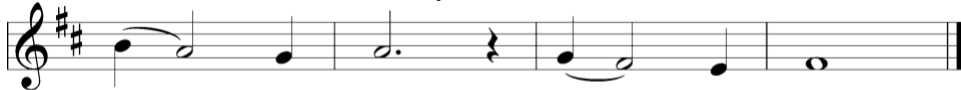
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

*Sit*

## The Distribution & Distribution Hymn

*Awake, My Heart with Gladness*

LSB 467

*I Leave All Things to God's Direction*

LSB 719

*After all have communed, stand.*

### Post-Communion Canticle

LSB 181



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
He has done. Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-  
joice and proud-ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-  
es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

### Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Benediction

**P** The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The LORD look upon you with favor and T give you peace.



## Recessional Hymn

*This Joyful Eastertide*

*LSB 482*

*Brief Silence*

**P** Christ is Risen!

**C** He is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia!

**P** Go in Peace and live in the Lord!

**C** Thanks be to God!

