# Praise Be to our God, the Father Almighty, Christ Has Risen! He has Risen Indeed!!! His Victory is complete. We live in the life He has given.

#### IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of Easter

Church Phone: 812- 867-5088 — May 10, 2025 --- 5:30 pm Worship with Holy Communion

Opening Prayer /// Opening Hymn: "All Glory Be to God Alone" 948 vs. 1-3

**Invocation:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

P: O Lord, open my lips.

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

P: The Lord has risen from the dead.

P: Christ was raised from the dead

P: Christ was delivered for our offenses

P: In that He lives

P: This is the day the Lord has made

**C:** And my mouth will declare Your praise.

**C:** *Make haste to help me, O Lord.* 

**C:** He has risen indeed!!!

**C:** His victory over death is complete

**C:** And raised again for our justification

C: He lives unto God.

**C:** We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalmody: Psalm 23

- P: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. **C:** He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside quiet waters, He restores my soul.
- P: He guides me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake. C: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.
- P: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. **C:** You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- P: Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, **C:** *And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**Collect:** Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C:** *Amen.* 

**Hymn:** "Spread the Reign of God the Lord" 830 vs. 1-4

**N.T. Lesson:** *Acts* 20: 17-35 /// **Epistle Lesson:** *Revelation* 7: 9-17

Holy Gospel: John 10: 22-30 /// Hymn: "Father's Welcome" 605

Children's Sermon /// Sermon /// Confession of Faith: Nicene Creed (back of hymnal)

#### Offering brought to the Altar

**Prayers:** The families of Simmons, Luke, Lyndsi, Layne and Leo; Simmons, Pauline; Smith, Paul, Tammy, Jaelin; Faw, Melissa, Jimmy and Cody; Smith, Emily and Jessa.

Lord's Prayer (Back of Hymnal)

#### **Confession of Sins**

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, our Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive 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.

**Absolution:** 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. Amen.

Admonition to Communicants: I exhort you in Christ, that you give attention to the Testament of Christ in true faith, and above all take to heart the Words with which Christ presents His body and blood to us for forgiveness. That you take note of, and give thanks for, the boundless love that He showed us when He saved us from the wrath of God, sin, death, and hell by His blood; and that you then externally receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a guarantee and pledge. Let us then in His name, according to His command, and with His own Words administer and receive His Sacrament.

#### **Blessing of Elements /// Distribution**

**Hymn:** "All Glory Be to God Alone" 948 vs. 4-5

Closing Collect: Heavenly Father, You grant us Your Spirit to open our eyes and enlighten our minds to serve You and fellow believers; lead us by Your Spirit to enable us to witness of Your love, live according to Your will, bring Your Word of life to others, rejoice in the goodness You have showered upon us, and reflect Your love in how we reach out to others; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

#### Benediction

#### Kirk Horstmeyer, Pastor Mary Burgeson, Organist

#### WHAT THE SCRIPTURES TEACH CONCERNING THE LORD'S SUPPER

In I Corinthians 11 the Holy Spirit led Paul to write, "This is my body" and "This cup is the new covenant in my blood" to explain the spiritual truth of the Supper: Christ is truly present in His body and blood in the bread and wine. This is a mystery, a Heavenly gift; one we can only understand in faith. Paul further says, "Therefore whoever eats the bread and drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord" and, "let a man examine himself...for he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not judge the body rightly." There is no doubt from our Lord's Word, we are receiving His body and blood. The Father offers us forgiveness, unity of faith, strengthening of faith, etc.; it is never our right, we approach His altar only by His invitation. If you are visiting we ask that you please speak with the Pastor before receiving the Lord's Supper. We strive to lovingly carry out our responsibility to ensure the supper remains a blessing for all, never a curse. May His richest blessing be upon you all.

#### THIS WEEK

**TONIGHT:** Worship w/HC 5:30 pm

**SUNDAY:** *Mother's Day* - Worship 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am

**THURSDAY:** Bible Study 9:30 am and 6 pm

**Next SATURDAY:** Worship w/HC 5:30 pm

**Next SUNDAY:** Worship w/HC 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship w/HC 10:15 am

**WEEKLY ATTENDANCE:** Sat, May 3: 37; Sun, May 4: 8 am: 66 LS: 47; 10:15 am: 57

LS: 35

**MEMBER PRAYER LIST:** Next Sat and Sun we will be praying for the following Snow, Jeff and Debbie; Snow, Amanda, Amelia and Audrey; and Snyder, Cindy.

**LEAH VANDERGRIFF'S COOKBOOKS – NOW AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE**: Proceeds going to her Memorial Scholarship. Cost is \$25.00 per book. Please contact Steven Vandergriff by text (812)454-8116 or see him at church. This is a LIMITED PRINTING so don't wait.

**CEMETERY FLOWERS & DECORATIONS:** As we prepare for mowing season, we ask that you would remove any flower containers or decorations placed on the ground around the cemetery plots that are not fastened to the headstone, as these hinder the mowing crew from effectively maintaining the cemetery. Thank you for helping take care of our cemetery.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

#### **SUMMER FUN CELEBRATION & VBS KICK-OFF**

Sunday, June 1st – During Sunday School Kona Ice – Games – Snacks – Crafts

Sunday School resumes on Rally Day – August 17<sup>th</sup>

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

TRUE NORTH

Trusting Jesus in a Wild World
Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup> -Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>
6-8 pm
Meal served nightly at 5:15 pm

**ORGANIST NEEDED:** Immanuel is looking for an experienced organist, preferably familiar with Lutheran liturgy and order of service, to play for our 8:00 a.m. worship services. This is a paid position. Members of Immanuel can forward any organist prospects to Warren Korff at 812-550-7662 or wmkorff@gmail.com.

**LWML Indiana District Convention:** Another BIG EVENT is happening at the 4-H Center, June 26-28, 2026, our District Convention. We will need A LOT OF HELP, men and women, with the work leading up to the event. Carol Grimm from St. Paul's is the District Vice President. She will be coming to Immanuel in the near future to talk to all of us.

**MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATIOIN:** The Lutheran Cemetery Board would like to invite you to celebrate Memorial Day with us. Rev. Case Farney of St. Paul's Lutheran Church will lead us in a service on Monday, May 26, at 11 a.m. at the Cemetery. Refreshments will be served in the Cemetery office following the service to offer an opportunity for fellowship and to answer any questions you may have. The Cemetery is located at 1305 North St. Joseph Avenue in Evansville. We look forward to seeing you on May 26!