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Sunday, April 21, 2024, 9:30am

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Welcome to
worship! Please
complete a
Connection Card
and place the
card in the
offering plate.
Thank you!

*The image of the
good shepherd
shows us how the
risen Christ brings
us to life. It is the
relationship be-
tween the shep-
herd and the
sheep, one of
mutual
knowledge and
love, that gives
the shepherd
authority. The
shepherd's will-
ingness to lay
down his life for
the sheep shows
his love. First
John illustrates
what it means to
lay down our lives
for one another
by the example of
sharing our
wealth with any
sibling in need.*

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please stand as you are comfortable in body or spirit)

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.
Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

GATHERING SONG

He Leadeth Me

LBW#501

GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
 slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.
Final refrain
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, **you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

(Please be seated)

WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 4:5-12

⁵The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹This Jesus is ‘the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.’ ¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.”

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Shepherd Me, O God

#780

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:16-24

¹⁶We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the

Peter and John had been arrested the previous day because they were proclaiming the news of the resurrection to the people. In today’s reading, Peter is filled with the Holy Spirit so that he can proclaim salvation in Jesus’ name to the religious authorities.

Jesus' death on our behalf is the clearest demonstration of divine love. This is the very love we share with others, not just through our words but especially through our deeds. In sharing such love we fulfill God's commandments.

In language that recalls the twenty-third psalm, Jesus describes himself as the shepherd who cares for his sheep. He is willing to die for them, and he is able to overcome death for them.

world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? ¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand as you are comfortable in body or spirit)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Alleluia* **#142**

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

GOSPEL: John 10:11-18

The holy gospel according to...
Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

SERMON **Pastor Bre Kinnunen**

(Please stand as you are comfortable in body or spirit)

HYMN OF THE DAY *Have No Fear, Little Flock* **#764**

APOSTLE'S CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

Shepherding God, gather your church whenever we wander from you and one another. Empower our church in ministries around the world to worship and serve alongside global companions as equal partners and coworkers in the gospel.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Nurturing God, preserve the health of biomes and ecosystems. Inspire scientists, researchers, conservation organizations, and all people entrusted with the task of caring for creation, that we may be better stewards of the world around us.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, lead nations and communities to share resources, cooperate in solving conflicts, and listen to the wisdom of Indigenous peoples. Help all those with power to share it and to use such power for good.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, protect the very young and the very old, those living without housing, victims of domestic abuse, and all who live with chronic illness or compromised immune systems.

Guide communities to actively care for people who are vulnerable.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, help this and all communities of faith to listen for your voice. Call us away from things that distract us from following you. Invite us to more deeply love and serve people who are lonely, isolated, and on the margins.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Living God, we give thanks for our ancestors in faith (*including Anselm of Canterbury and all who labored to help generations understand the good news of the gospel*). Strengthen us to share the good news in our own day.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

(Please be seated)

MEAL

OFFERING

(Please stand as you are comfortable in body or spirit)

OFFERING SONG

He is Lord. He is Lord.

He is risen from the dead and He is Lord.

Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess.

That Jesus Christ is Lord.

OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

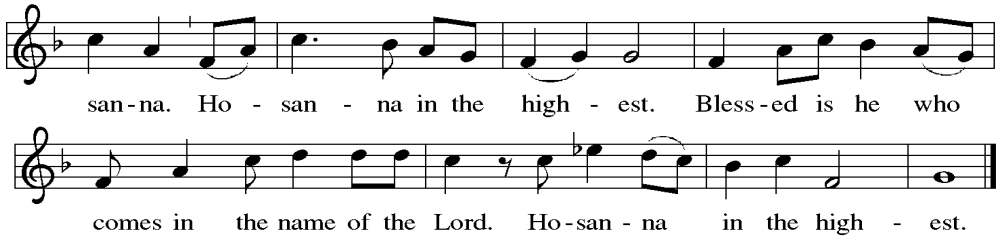
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God,

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ... with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

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| COMMUNION HYMNS | <i>Savior, like a Shephard Lead Us</i> | #789 |
| | <i>You Satisfy the Hungry Heart</i> | #484 |

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Shepherding God, **you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen.**

SENDING

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Bre Kinnunen

(Please stand as you are comfortable in body or spirit)

BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope
✠ bless you now and always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF April 21—April 28, 2024

***FELLOWSHIP HOUR**: Are you willing to help with Fellowship hour? Donations that are needed are bakery items, crackers, cheese, fruit, or whatever suits your fancy, & cleanup! Your Fellowship Hour committee for April is Property Committee. If it fits your schedule to bring items before Sunday morning, there are shelves in the refrigerator tagged for **Coffee Hour** or leave on the counter marked "Coffee Hour". Please contact **Walter Scanlon or Marty Saari** with your date and any item you wish to bring. **THANK YOU ALL FOR VOLUNTEERING!**

***TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY** All are welcome to come to our study on **TUESDAYS** from 7:30pm-9:00pm at Pasquali's in Negaunee. We welcome you to drop in as your schedule allows. Each week's discussion will be structured as a stand-alone study. **This week's Bible Study will be Exodus 13:17-22; 14:1-29; 15, Crossing the Red Sea**. Bring your questions, confusions, and doubts! If you have questions, call or text 540-435-4915.

***WELCOME CHILDREN & FAMILIES** We don't mind the noise. We're glad you're here! The family room across the hall has toys if that would be helpful. Activity bags are also available for the children to use during the service.

***NEW ORLEANS YOUTH TRIP** This summer, a group of youth from Immanuel is going to New Orleans for the national youth gathering. At this event, they will expand their faith through worship, interactive learning, Bible study, service, and fellowship. It is a unique experience for all those involved. They would really appreciate the continued support from the congregation. The youth are extremely grateful for all the generous donations that they have received. Without the love from you, they would never be able to go! The group is on their way to hitting their goal and could use your help. If you would like to donate, there are envelopes on a white board in the fellowship hall. Please put your donation in one of the envelopes and then put it in the offering plate. Thank you!

***VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** will take place from **June 10-14, 2024**. Registration forms are available on Immanuel's website. Forms are available for both students and volunteers who would like to participate in this important ministry. Our coordinating team has made good progress in planning. Several congregations from the area are cooperating. **Please text Paulette Patron (906)361-1562- or leave a message with the Office for more details.**

***COUNTERS NEEDED** We are in need of additional captains and counters starting this summer. Please contact the church office if you are interested. Training is available.

***COMMUNITY MEAL** The Community Meal will be held **TODAY, April 21**, at 5:00pm. This month will be a tater tot bar with all the fixings. There will also be root beer and ice cream available to make floats.

***HYMN SING WORSHIP** **TODAY, April 21, the 6:00 pm** service will be an abbreviated service (including communion) followed by time to sing favorite hymns.

* **CPR/AED TRAINING** will be held on **Wednesday, May 1, 2024**, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. People from across the ministries of Immanuel are encouraged to attend including those from both Sunday worship services, the quilters, and various Bible Study and committee members, etc. Contact the church office to sign up.

* **PRISON MINISTRY KERYX #53 POSTPONED** Due to a staffing shortage at Marquette Branch Prison, the Keryx weekend for April has been cancelled until further notice. Thank you to those who signed up for the prayer vigil and the Keryx team asks for your continued prayers for the inmates and staff at the prison. When staffing levels return to normal, hopefully by the fall of this year, we will try to hold a Keryx in the trustee division of the prison. Again, thank you for your support and prayers!

* **NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS' DAY** National Administrative Professionals' Day is this **Wednesday, April 24**. Today, we recognize Julie Vargason and Sharon Cottrell for their dedication, organization, and unwavering support in keeping our church office and community running smoothly. Join us in expressing thanks and gratitude for their tireless efforts and commitment to excellence.

* **HONORING GRADUATES** On **May 19th**, we will honor all graduates during and after the 9:30 am worship service. Together we'll celebrate and pray God's blessings on and through these dear brothers and sisters in Christ. Our tentative High School graduates for 2024 are: ***Courtney Beckman, Cassidy Crabb, Owen Debelak, Emily DeMaroise, Madison Frustaglio, Alec Nelson, and Eliza Williams.*** *Congratulations to all of you!* If you know of persons graduating from high school, college, trade school, etc., please call the office and let us know (906) 475-9161.

* **NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION** We will welcome all new members during the 9:30 service on **May 5**. The new members will be recognized during the service and cake will be served during fellowship following the service. Chyrl Hemmila and Luanne Skrenes will be available to take pictures of all of the new members. They will also be available to take pictures of anyone else that would like to update their directory photos.

* **THE FREE STORE** is an interfaith, non-profit group supporting people in the greater Marquette area who express a need for free clothing, linens, personal hygiene items, and household cleaning supplies. Over 1,600 families are registered to shop for free. And the number continues to grow. At this time they especially need bedding including sheets in all sizes, blankets and comforters. For April, they are also collecting laundry soap, dish soap and bars of soap. A tub for our donations can be found by the stewardship corner.

* **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY** Immanuel will be providing breakfast during the week of **July 29-August 2** for the volunteers of Habitat for Humanity. The volunteers are staying at Immanuel that week. Please contact Linda Sjolund or the Church Office if you would be willing to help.

* **DAY OF RENEWAL SPRING 2024** The Women's Spring Cluster 8 program and meeting will be held on **Saturday, May 4** at Prince of Peace in Harvey, MI. Registration starts at 9:30 am and the program and business meeting start at 10:00 am. Lunch will be served at 12:00 pm. The cost is \$5 which is payable upon registration. Make checks payable to NGLSWO. We will be supporting the Alger-Marquette Community Baby Shower. You will hear from Barbie Dupras about how our work and donations help. Monetary offerings or any of the following new baby items will be accepted: diapers, bibs, crib sheets, burp cloths, toys for 6 months or younger, bottles, books or anything you think a new mother/infant may need. Please sign up on the sheet on the women's table by the quilt by **April 30** if you would like to attend.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 21—April 28, 2024

YOU CAN FIND ALL ONLINE INFORMATION REFERENCED BELOW AT...

www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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| Sunday | <i>Admin Appreciation</i> |
| | 9:30am Worship Service |
| | 9:30am Sunday School |
| | 10:30am Coffee & Fellowship |
| | 5:00pm UPLIFT |
| | 5:00pm Community Meal with Root Beer Floats |
| | 6:00pm Hymn Sing Worship Service |
| | 7:30pm AA Group Meets (men & women) |
| Monday | 8:00-4:00pm Kindergarten Make-up Registration |
| | 1:00pm Companion Congregation |
| Tuesday | 10:00am Bible Study |
| | 7:00 pm Bible Study @ Pasquali's |
| | 6:00-9:00pm PEO |
| Wednesday | 6:00pm Choir |
| Thursday | 10:00am Quilting |
| Friday | OFFICE CLOSED |
| | 10:00am AA |
| Sunday | <i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i> |
| | 9:30am Worship Service |
| | 9:30am Sunday School |
| | 10:30am Coffee & Fellowship |
| | 6:00pm Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall |
| | 7:30pm AA Group Meets (men & women) |

(FYI: Pastor Bre can be reached at 507-993-1909 or email: upbre3@gmail.com)

ASSISTING IN SERVICE

SERVING IN WORSHIP: *Pastor Bre Kinnunen*

ORGANIST/PIANIST/MUSICIAN: *Connie Scanlon*

Office Hours are 8:00am-2:00pm, Monday-Thursday (or by appt.)

VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE:

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| 9:30am GREETERS | <i>Dave Hallgren Judy Hallgren</i> | 6:00pm GREETERS | <i>Connie Kemper</i> |
| 9:30am USHERS | <i>Dave Hallgren Judy Hallgren</i> | 6:00pm USHERS | <i>Connie Kemper</i> |
| 9:30am LECTOR | <i>Jill Sladek</i> | 6:00pm LECTOR | <i>Sheila Meier</i> |
| 9:30am COMM ASST | <i>Sara Garceau Terry Garceau Alice Mutkala</i> | 6:00pm COMM ASST | <i>Sheila Meier</i> |
| 9:30am TECH TEAM | <i>Tyler Moore</i> | 6:00pm TECH TEAM | <i>Ben Raymond</i> |

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Pray For: *Lori Bell, Betty Carilli, Kevin Carlson, Karen Couture, Christine Hendrickson, Dan Hendrickson, Betty Kinnunen, Michael Kjellman, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Marsha Lucas, Kathryn Madison, Diane Nault, Gerald Neldon, Ezra Newman, Kathy Palomaki, Shirley Pizziola, Cindy, Jim Ritzenhein, Jessica Roberts, Marlene Romback, Reuven Romback, Louise Spickerman, Kathy Stambaugh, Molly Taseris, and Bob Walker.*

Our Shut-ins: *Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, June Jarvi, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Butch Pynnonen, Dolores Reichel, Lillian Rivers, Paul Alan Smith, Elsie Suardini, and Lynne Tossava.*

Members in the Armed Service: *Luke DeWitt, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Spencer Harvala, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Tanner Romback, Michael Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, and all Armed Services Families.*





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IN APRIL our **ELCA World Hunger** will be our Monthly Mission Emphases. The world provides enough food for all, but more than 800 million people around the world face chronic hunger. We believe in a God of abundance, so as a church, we live out our call in baptism to strive for a just world where all are fed.

ELCA World Hunger is this church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, at work. We walk alongside our partners and companions in the United States and more than 60 other countries. Generating unique solutions to local challenges starts by listening to our neighbors and communities. Then, together, we work and serve to help break the cycle of hunger and poverty – for good.

If you wish to give to ELCA World Hunger, use the *April Monthly Mission envelope* from your offering envelope box or in some other way designate your gift. *Thank you for your generosity!*

Thank you for giving \$1,010.69 in March to

Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp.

The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity! Thank you!