# Easter



9:00 a.m. April 20, 2014

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### THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

#### Gathering

#### **PRELUDE**

**EASTER VIDEO** 

P Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed!

**HYMN** 

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

ELW #365

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

PSALM 118: 1-2, 14-24

Read responsively by the congregation

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;

God's mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup>Let Israel now declare,

"God's mercy endures forever."

<sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength <sup>1</sup> and my song,

and has become my salvation.

<sup>15</sup>Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!

<sup>16</sup>The right hand of the LORD is exalted!

The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

<sup>17</sup>I shall not die, but live,

and declare the works of the LORD.

<sup>18</sup>The LORD indeed punished me sorely,

but did not hand me over to death.

<sup>19</sup>Open for me the gates of righteousness;

I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.

<sup>20</sup>"This is the gate of the LORD;

here the righteous may enter."

<sup>21</sup>I give thanks to you, for you have answered me

and you have become my salvation.

<sup>22</sup>The stone that the builders rejected

has become the chief cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup>By the LORD has this been done;

it is marvelous in our eyes.

<sup>24</sup>This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

#### Meal

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

All Christians are welcome to commune with us. A communion minister will offer you the host and wine. After receiving the bread and wine, please return to your seat by the side aisle. Grape juice is in the center of the wine tray and Gluten free wafers are available upon your request. Children not yet communing can come forward to receive a blessing and a fish-shaped cracker.

6:30 AM — Communicants receive Communion at the altar rail.

9:00 AM — Communicants will form two lines and receive in a continual flow at the bottom of the stairs.

#### Standing

#### **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER**

- P Eternal God, through baptism into the death and resurrection of Christ you welcome us to this table and nourish us with the food and drink of the promised land. Now send us forth into the world, that we may be witnesses to your glory made known to us in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.
- C Amen.

HYMN "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

ELW #367

### Sending

#### BLESSING

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- P Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and raise you to newness of life, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### **DISMISSAL**

- P Go in peace. Serve the risen Christ.
- C Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

#### POSTLUDE

#### **GREETING**

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- The grace of our risen Savior, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### Hearing

READING ACTS 10:34-43

34 Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, 35but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. 36You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christhe is Lord of all. 37That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: 38how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. 39We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; 40but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, 41not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. 43All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

#### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

All children are invited to come forward for a special Easter lesson & gift

ELW #151

## Alleluia! Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!

- P The holy gospel according to John the twenty-first chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. 2So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." <sup>3</sup>Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup>The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup>He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup>Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup> and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. 8Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup> for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup>Then the disciples returned to their homes. <sup>11</sup>But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; <sup>12</sup> and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup>They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." <sup>14</sup>When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away," 16 Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup>Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." <sup>18</sup> Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Seated

**SERMON** 

Pastor Christa Forsythe

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen" (vs. 1, 2, 4 & 5)

ELW #377

Standing

#### NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Seated

**OFFERING** 

Special Music — Immanuel Lutheran Church Choir (9 a.m.)

Standing

**OFFERTORY** 

"Create in Me"

ELW #186

Create in me a clean heart, Oh God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and uphold me with your free Spirit.

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

- P To you, O Giver of life,
- C we offer our thanks, our praise, and these gifts from your living world. As you give new life to us, so may we live always in you for the sake of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

#### PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

#### This Week At Immanuel

Next Sunday, April 20 - Easter Sunday
6:30 a.m
Monday, April 21
10:30 a.m1:30 p.m
9:00 a.m
6:00 p.m. (approx)
9:00 a.m
Today's Worship Assistants
Communion Assistants
Financial Report  Total Offering (April 13, 2014) \$2757.0  Total Offering (April 9 & April 13) \$3393.0  Total Attendance (April 13, 2014)
Remembering in Our Prayers
Taylor Frericks-healing John Holm-healing Chet Johnson-healing Danny Herdina-healing Bob Kirk-continued healing Elaine Wothe-continued healing Darlene Kirk- continued healing Linda Burns-continued healing Melissa Rossell-healing Bill Hutchinson Dale Kragenbring-healing All Immanuel Shut Ins James & Carol Sack - our missionaries in Japan
(People will only be listed with their permission. Please contact Pastor Christa if you would like to be listed in Immanuel prayers.)

#### Welcome to Worship at Immanuel!

We invite visitors to sign our guest book in the entry of the church. We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today, and hope you will be back to worship with us again. If you would like more information about Immanuel, contact the pastor or a Council member. Join us for refreshments in the basement Fellowship Hall following worship.

**Volunteers Needed** to refill the children's church activity bags each week. If interested, please leave your name in the office.

**Vacation Bible School** - Please note the following location change: VBS will now be at Immanuel, June I-5 (NOT Bethlehem). Registration forms will be distributed next week. <u>PreK-6th Graders</u> are welcome to participate!

**Lenten Service Project -** We have been able to collect 31 complete kits for Lutheran World Relief! . We have some extra items that we would love to be able to make them into complete kits, for a total of 37 kits. The remaining items needed are on tags in the narthex.

**Camper Book Sale** - Books for all ages! \$1/hardcover & \$.50/ paperback. Thanks for supporting Immanuel's Bible Campers!

**7th-12th Graders** will be serving Easter Breakfast from 7:15 a.m. - 9: a.m. Free Will donation for the Youth Mission Trip 2014.

Meals at the Nutrition Site - The Atwater Nutrition Site has room for many more diners each day. Meals are nutritious and available for diabetic and fat restricted diets. Tickets for meals are available for purchase at the Atwater City Office and the LAHBNP office. The ticket price is a suggested donation of \$4 or whatever you can afford to pay. Meals must be reserved a day ahead by 12:30 pm. Delivery to your home is also available if you so choose. To reserve or to cancel a meal or to have a meal delivered to your home, call Sue Peterson at 320-262-1180."

**20/20 Club -** Brayden Johnson has hit the 10/10 level PreK-6th graders, keep filling out your 20/20 cards and putting them in the offering plate to record your attendance. Kids that reach the '20' mark will be recognized during worship in May.

Benefit for Sue (Bluhm) Whitcomb - April 26, 3-7 p.m., at the Atwater Community Center. Bake sale and silent auction (3-6:45 p.m.), live auction (5:30 p.m.), hamburger/hotdog supper. Sue was diagnosed with pancreatic and liver cancer January 22, 2014. Any donations towards the cost of the benefit, an item for the silent auction or bake sale, or help organizing or cleaning up afterwards would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to help or have any questions, contact Melissa (Missy) Litzau at 979-0628. Thanks!

**Paper/Document Shredding** - The Kandiyohi County Thrivent Chapter board will be sponsoring a paper and document shredding event Tuesday, May 6, at the Vinje Lutheran parking lot in Willmar. Materials accepted from 4-7 p.m. Open to the general public. In conjunction with this event, we are teaming with Safe Avenues in Willmar for donations of kitchen and bath products that we will accept on their behalf. These are much needed products going to an excellent organization. There will be plenty of help on site to help unload boxes. Check the Safe Avenues web site for specific needed products.

**Email Addresses -** We use the addresses to send out various church info and reminders. Please leave a note with your email address or send a message to imman@frontiernet.net