



Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church

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Sunday, April 20, 2025

Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Day, Year C



Please welcome Kathy Robinson as she leads us in Worship today.

Prelude

Announcements

Introduction

“The last enemy to be destroyed is death,” Paul writes. Today Christ is risen, and we gather together with astonishment and joy. Christ is risen, and we have been set free from the bonds of death. Christ is risen, and we are forgiven. Christ is risen, and with the women at the tomb and Peter, we are amazed. Let us rejoice: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Please stand if able.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of ✙ the One
who was, who is, and who is to come.

Amen.

Baptized into Christ’s death and resurrection,
and called to live the baptized life,
let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.

Holy God,

we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that make a people your own,
that restore to wholeness,
and empower us to be witnesses in your name.

Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,
waters that strengthen believers
and give new life to beloved servants of your church;
waters that extend your boundless love

and cross barriers of our own making.

Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,

waters that open the hearts of believers

and give a voice in the night to those in captivity;

waters that set your people on a new path,

rejoicing in the Spirit's power.

Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,

that our every day is shaped by these waters

that give us our very lives in you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

#365

Greeting: “The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all” (2 Corinthians 13:14).

C: And also, with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

³⁴ Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how 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. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not 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. ⁴² He 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. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

R: Word of God. Word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

R: Please read responsively to Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Ps. 118:24)

¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for the ¹ LORD is good;
God's mercy en-¹dures forever.

² **Let Israel ¹ now declare,**
"God's mercy en-¹dures forever."

¹⁴ The LORD is my strength ¹ and my song,
and has become ¹ my salvation.

¹⁵ **Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents ¹ of the righteous:**

- “The right hand of the ¹ LORD acts valiantly!**
¹⁶ The right hand of the LORD ¹ is exalted!
 The right hand of the ¹ LORD acts valiantly!”
¹⁷ **I shall not ¹ die, but live,**
and declare the works ¹ of the LORD. R
¹⁸ The LORD indeed pun- ¹ ished me sorely,
 but did not hand me o- ¹ ver to death.
¹⁹ **Open for me the ¹ gates of righteousness;**
I will enter them and give thanks ¹ to the LORD.
²⁰ “This is the gate ¹ of the LORD;
 here the righ- ¹ teous may enter.”
²¹ **I give thanks to you, for you have ¹ answered me**
and you have become ¹ my salvation. R
²² The stone that the build- ¹ ers rejected
 has become the chief ¹ cornerstone.
²³ **By the LORD has ¹ this been done;**
it is marvelous ¹ in our eyes.
²⁴ This is the day that the ¹ LORD has made;
 let us rejoice and be ¹ glad in it. **R**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Paul describes the consequences of the resurrection, including the promise of new life in Christ to a world that has been in bondage to death. He celebrates the destruction of evil and the establishment of God’s victorious rule over all.

¹⁹ If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹ For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²² for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he

has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

R: Word of God. Word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Please stand for the Gospel.

Gospel Acclamation

“Alleluia”

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Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Evidently expecting to find Jesus' corpse, some of the women among his followers go to the tomb with embalming spices. After a perplexing encounter with the empty tomb and angelic visitors, the women become the first to proclaim the amazing news of resurrection.

¹ On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵ The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶ Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” ⁸ Then they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹² But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Pulpit Hymn “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!” #385

Sermon

Kathy Robinson

Silence for reflection.

Hymn of the Day “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!” #369

Please stand if able.

Apostles’ Creed See the yellow sheet in the back of your hymnal.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The Peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also, with you.

P: I invite you to share the Peace however you feel comfortable.

Please be seated for the Prayers.

Prayers of Intercession

Read by our Lector today:

Rev. Doug Helling

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

After “God, of grace,” please respond with “hear our prayer.”

A brief silence.

The Lord’s Prayer

Offertory Hymn

“I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me”

#860

The usher will bring up the offering plate.

Please stand if able.

Offering Prayer

P: Risen One,

you have gathered us around your table of grace
along with these gifts we bring.
Come among us again,
breathe your life into us,
and enliven us with this meal,
that we may live as your risen body in the world.
Amen.

Blessing

The triune God,
who was, who is, and who is to come,
Sovereign, ✝ Savior, and Spirit,
light your way with resurrection dawn,
now and always.
Amen.

Sending Hymn

“Thine Is the Glory”

#376

Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Attendance on 4/13/2025: 39

Prayer Concerns: Joan Bonstead, Judi McGill and Bob Henning for medical challenges. Joan Winterhoff, Karen Spoehrs. (For updates, please contact the ILC Office)

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Our Sister Church is the Lobatla Parish. Pastor Elijah Lekwate. Email for Justice Pule: pulejustice74@gmail.com

Volunteers needed to Host Coffee Hours. The sign-up sheet is in the kitchen.

Serving us Today

Leader: Kathy Robinson

Organist/Pianist: Karen Z.

Reader: Rev. Doug Helling

Usher: Kathy and Bruce Knox

Video Recorder: Bob Henning

Altar Guild: Kathy Knox, Joanne Distelhorst, and Pattie Bricko

There will be a Special Congregation Meeting called by the President Bob Henning on April 27, at 9:15am. The purpose is to vote on the “Sale of Immanuel Lutheran Church Building and Grounds”. This is notification per Immanuel Lutheran Church Constitution and Bylaws, Chapter 9. Congregation Meeting, C9.02. Voting by proxy or by absentee ballot shall not be permitted (C9.05). Meeting will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 630 Adams Street, Wausau, WI 54403

Mark Your Calendars for these dates in May 2025:

The members of Immanuel Lutheran Church will be attending worship services at the following churches on the dates indicated in May 2025:

- **Sunday, May 4, 2025.** Worship service starts at 9:00am at **Saint Andrew Lutheran Church**. The address is 150202 County Rd. NN, Wausau, WI 54401
- **Sunday May 11, 2025.** Worship service starts at 9:00am at **St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**. The address is 5304 44th Avenue, Wausau, WI 54401
- **Sunday, May 18, 2025.** Worship service starts at 9:00am at **First English Lutheran Church**. The address is 402 N 3rd Ave, Wausau, WI 54401

Remember, there will be NO services at Immanuel Lutheran Church for the three weeks listed above.


The Men's Discussion Group meets Thursdays at 7:30 am, in the Koinonia room. New participants are always welcome.

Strong Bones Senior Exercise Group meets every Tuesday and Thursday in the old Nursery at 10:30 am. The class is open to anyone wishing to improve balance and maintain strength to prevent falls. New faces are happily welcome.



Food Pantry Donations for the Neighbors' Place

Place your items on the black cart next to the pew near the Gathering Room and they will be delivered to the Neighbors' Place.


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Amy Yanzer, Accompanist



First Presbyterian Church
406 Grant Street, Wausau
Friday, May 9, 2025 7:00pm
Saturday, May 10, 2025 3:00pm

In lieu of tickets, a free will donation would be greatly appreciated.

