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The Resurrection of our Lord

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VISITORS – WE WELCOME YOU to this house of prayer this morning. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast of forgiveness in which we partake of the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. The Bible gives specific instructions about the Lord's Supper. As it can be received to one's blessing or to one's harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with a sincere faith and a Biblical understanding. That's why all who are new to the Lutheran faith are instructed about this sacred meal before attending the Lord's Supper. Moreover, this Sacrament is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17). Therefore, we welcome to the Holy Supper all members of Immanuel who have been confirmed and those confirmed members of sister congregations with whom we are in fellowship through unity in teaching (LCMS and TAALC). All guests who wish to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with Pastor Sorenson before the service. The faith that we believe and confess is a beautiful gift of God. If you are new to Immanuel, we warmly welcome and encourage you to learn about this faith.

Prelude
Ringing of the Bell
Cross Procession and Opening Hymn: #457,
"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

Greeting and Acclamation

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

C: And also with you.

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Confession and Announcement of Grace

P: Dearly Beloved: On this joyful Eastertide, let us draw near with a true heart and confess ours sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

(Silence for self-examination)

- P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed; wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.
- P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His Name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, O Lord, unto us all.

C: Amen.

Introit for Easter, prayed responsivelyworship insert Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor

Hymn: "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" #469 Verses 1-3

Choral Anthem: "Mary Told the Good News" John D. Horman Mary Jo Arndt, Bongo; Donna Meyer, Cabasa

Hymn: "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" Verses 4-6

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 65:17-25

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P: This is the Word of the Lord.C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual for Easter, chanted by Pastor

Epistle 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Procession/Hymn: #488, "He Is Arisen! Glorious Word"

Holy Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

The Nicene Creedback cover of the hymnal

Hymn of the Day: #490, "Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won"

Sermon: "Who's Afraid of Easter?"

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also 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

Sanctus (L. Sorenson/Tune: Nicaea)

1) Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Heaven opens wide today as we partake of Thee. Blessed, Holy Savior, In the Lord's Name coming. God in the highest, Hail the glorious King!

2) Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Grant, O Lord, that in true faith we feast today on Thee.
Saints and all the angels, Heav'nly anthems singing.
Fall down and worship, Hail the glorious King!

The Lord's Prayer back cover of the hymnal

The Words of Institution

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Distribution (by continuous line)
#633, "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"
#477, "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"

Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

Acclamation

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn: #465, "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

Chimes/Silent Prayer Announcements Postlude