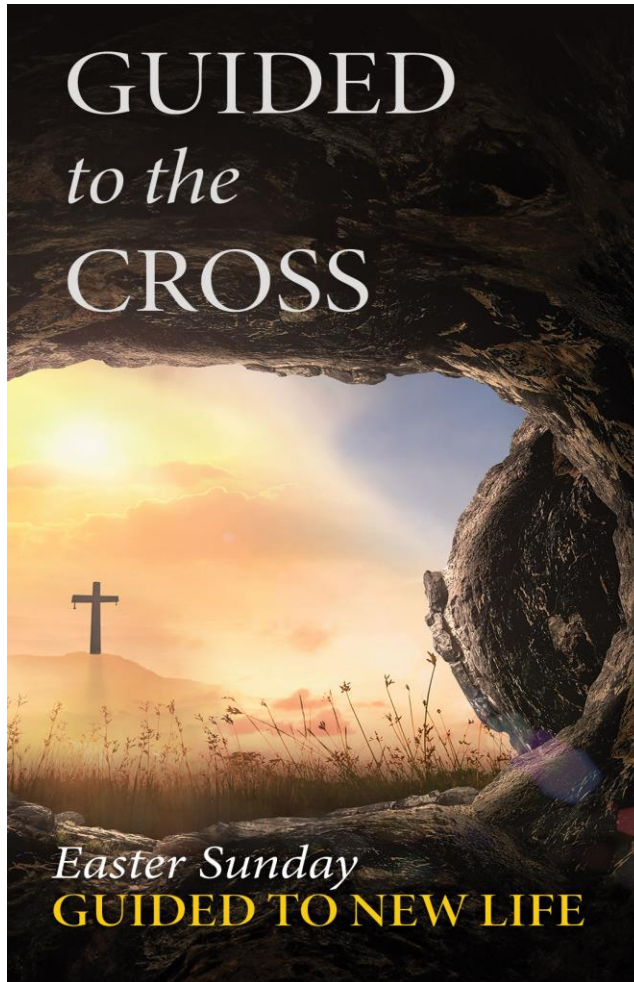


IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

1 Peter 2:9



EASTER SUNRISE

MARCH 31, 2024

6:00 AM



EASTER SUNDAY: GUIDED TO NEW LIFE

"We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life."

Romans 6:4

AS YOU WORSHIP WITH US

- **Assisted Listening Devices** are available from an Elder or Usher.
- **If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion but would like a blessing**, simply come forward during the distribution, cross your arms when you approach the Pastor and he will speak a blessing.
- **Holy Communion** is offered to those who have been instructed in what the Scriptures teach about Communion. We believe the Bible teaches:
 - 1) Jesus Christ is our only Lord and Savior from all sin, death, and the power of evil;
 - 2) The Risen Christ is really present in the Sacrament and that with the bread and wine we receive His Body and Blood; and
 - 3) We resolve to dedicate our lives to the service of our Lord in His Body, the Church, through worship, sacrificial giving, and thankful living.
- **Non-alcoholic wine** is available for those who prefer this substitute. **Gluten-free wafers** are also available. Please inform the pastor of your preference when you approach.

EASTER PROCLAMATION

Pastor: Christ is Risen!

All: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

CALLING ON GOD'S NAME

GOOD NEWS

(From the four Gospels; NLT version)

Saturday evening, when the Sabbath ended, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome went out and purchased burial spices so they could anoint Jesus' body. Very early on Sunday morning, while it was still dark, just at sunrise as the new day was dawning, the women, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, went out to visit the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. On the way they were asking each other, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?"

Suddenly there was a great earthquake! For an angel of the Lord came down from heaven, rolled aside the stone, and sat on it. His face shone like lightning, and his clothing was as white as snow. The guards shook with fear when they saw him, and they fell into a dead faint. As the women came to the tomb, they looked up and found that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled away from the entrance.

SONG**"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"**

LSB 461 Sts. 1, 2

Verse 1

I know that my Redeemer lives;
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my ever-living head.

Verse 2

He lives triumphant from the grave;
He lives eternally to save;
He lives all glorious in the sky;
He lives exalted there on high.

GOOD NEWS

(continued)

So they entered the tomb, but they didn't find the body of the Lord Jesus. As they stood there puzzled, two men suddenly appeared to them, clothed in dazzling robes.

The women were terrified and bowed with their faces to the ground. Then the men said to the women, "Don't be afraid! I know you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. Why are you looking among the dead for someone who is alive? He isn't here! He is risen from the dead, just as he said would happen! Remember what he told you back in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be betrayed into the hands of sinful men and be crucified, and that he would rise again on the third day." Then they remembered that he had said this. "Come, look, this is where they laid his body. And now, go quickly and tell

his disciples, including Peter, that Jesus has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you to Galilee. You will see him there, just as he told you before he died. Remember what I have told you.”

The women fled quickly from the tomb, trembling and bewildered, and they said nothing to anyone because they were too frightened. They were very frightened but also filled with great joy, and so they rushed back from the tomb to give the disciples the angel’s message—to tell his eleven disciples and everyone else what had happened.

SONG

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

LSB 461 Sts. 5, 6

Verse 5

He lives to silence all my fears;
He live to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart;
He lives all blessings to impart.

Verse 6

He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He live, I'll sing;
He lives, my Prophet, Priest and King.

GOOD NEWS

(continued)

Mary Magdalene ran and found Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved. She said, “They have taken the Lord’s body out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!” Peter jumped up, and he and the other disciple started out for the tomb to look.

They were both running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He stooped and looked in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he didn’t go in. Then Simon Peter arrived. Stooping, he peered in and went inside. He also noticed the linen wrappings lying there, while the cloth that had covered Jesus’ head was folded up and lying apart from the other wrappings. Then the disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in, and he saw and believed—for until then they still hadn’t understood the Scriptures that said Jesus must rise from the dead. Then they went home again, wondering what had happened.

After Jesus rose from the dead early on Sunday morning, the first person who saw him was Mary Magdalene, the woman from whom he had cast out seven demons. Mary was

standing outside the tomb crying, and as she wept, she stooped and looked in. She saw two white-robed angels, one sitting at the head and the other at the foot of the place where the body of Jesus had been lying. “Dear woman, why are you crying?” the angels asked her. “Because they have taken away my Lord,” she replied, “and I don’t know where they have put him.” She turned to leave and saw someone standing there. It was Jesus, but she didn’t recognize him. “Dear woman, why are you crying?” Jesus asked her, “Who are you looking for?” She thought he was the gardener. “Sir,” she said, “if you have taken him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will go and get him.”

“Mary!” Jesus said. She turned to him and cried out, “Rabboni!” (which is Hebrew for “Teacher”). “Don’t cling to me,” Jesus said, “for I haven’t yet ascended to the Father. But go find my brothers and tell them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’”

SONG

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

LSB 461, Sts. 7, 8

Verse 7

He lives and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives my mansion to prepare;
He lives to bring me safely there.

Verse 8

He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Savior, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

GOOD NEWS

(continued)

And as the women went, Jesus met them and greeted them. And they ran to him, grasped his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, “Don’t be afraid! Go tell my brothers to leave for Galilee, and they will see me there.”

As the women were on their way, some of the guards went into the city and told the leading priests what had happened. A meeting with the elders was called, and they decided to give the soldiers a large bribe. They told the soldiers, “You must say, ‘Jesus’ disciples came during the night while we were sleeping, and they stole his body.’ If the governor hears about it, we’ll stand up for you so you won’t get in trouble.” So the guards

accepted the bribe and said what they were told to say. Their story spread widely among the Jews, and they still tell it today.

Then Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and several other women found the disciples, who were grieving and weeping, and told them what had happened. Mary Magdalene told them, "I have seen the Lord!" Then she gave them his message. But when she told them that Jesus was alive and she had seen him, the story sounded like nonsense to the men, so they didn't believe it.

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE GOOD NEWS IS SHARED

Pastor Warren

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✕ everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS

Following the prayers, you may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matthew 5:22–24; Ephesians 4:1–3).

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OFFERING SONG

“Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

LSB 457

Verse 1

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Verse 2

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

Verse 3

But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Verse 4

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!
Praise Him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We will proceed outside to the Bell tower to conclude our worship.

THE WORDS OF JESUS *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

LORD'S PRAYER

(forgive us our trespasses)

COMMUNION

EASTER BLESSING

*May the celebration of resurrected life bring new hope to your being.
May the victory over earthly death turn your eyes to the promises of heaven.
May the empty tomb help you to leave your sorrows at the foot of the cross.
So that God's hope, promises and forgiveness reign in your life forever.*

SENDING SONG

“Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”

LSB 477

Verse 1

Alleluia, alleluia!

Hearts to heav'n and voices raise:

Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise
He who on the cross a victim For the world's salvation bled
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, Now is risen from the dead.

Verse 2

Alleluia, Christ is risen!

Death at last has met defeat:

See the ancient pow'rs of evil In confusion and retreat;
Once He died, and once was buried: Now He lives forevermore,
Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer, Who we worship and adore.

Verse 3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory be to God on high:

Alleluia to the Savior Who has gained the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctity!
Alleluia, alleluia To the triune Majesty!

Jenny Laabs, Pianist

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