

# Bridge Service (9:15am)



Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)  
**April 20-21, 2024**

## WELCOME

**SPECIAL MUSIC** ∞ ILS SINGING KNIGHTS

“Make a Joyful Noise”

## INVOCATION

**C** In the name of the Father and of the **✝** Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## OPENING SONG

“Psalm 150 (Praise the Lord)”

**You made the starry hosts  
You traced the mountain peaks  
You paint the evening skies with wonders  
The earth it is Your throne  
From desert to the sea  
All nature testifies Your splendor**

*Chorus:*

**Praise the Lord  
Praise the Lord  
Sing His greatness  
All creation  
Praise the Lord  
Raise your voice  
You heights and all you depths  
From furthest east to west  
Let everything that has breath  
Praise the Lord**

**You reached into the dust  
In love Your Spirit breathed  
You formed us in Your very likeness  
To know Your wondrous works**

**To tell Your mighty deeds  
To join the everlasting chorus**

*Chorus:*

**Praise the Lord  
Praise the Lord  
Sing His greatness  
All creation  
Praise the Lord  
Raise your voice  
You heights and all you depths  
From furthest east to west  
Let everything that has breath  
Praise the Lord**

**Let symphonies resound  
Let drums and choirs ring out  
All heaven hear the sound of worship  
Let every nation bring  
Its honors to the King  
A roar of harmonies eternal**

*Chorus 2:*

**Praise the Lord  
Praise the Lord  
Sing His greatness  
All creation  
Praise the Lord  
Raise your voice  
You heights and all you depths  
From furthest east to west  
You distant burning stars  
All creatures near and far  
From sky to sea to shore  
Sing out forevermore  
Let everything that has breath  
Praise the Lord**

## FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 4:1-12

<sup>1</sup>As [Peter and John] were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, <sup>2</sup>greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. <sup>3</sup>And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. <sup>4</sup>But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

<sup>5</sup>On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, <sup>6</sup>with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. <sup>7</sup>And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” <sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, <sup>9</sup>if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>et it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. <sup>12</sup>And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

## SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

1 John 3:16-24

<sup>16</sup>By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. <sup>17</sup>But if anyone has the world’s goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God’s love abide in him? <sup>18</sup>Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

<sup>19</sup>By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; <sup>20</sup>for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; <sup>22</sup>and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. <sup>23</sup>And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>Whoever keeps his commandments abides in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

## READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

<sup>11</sup>[Jesus said:] “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may

take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”

## SPECIAL MUSIC ∞ ILS SINGING KNIGHTS

“Joshua Fit the Battle”

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

## CHRIST FOR KIDS WORSHIP DISMISSAL

*At this point in the service, Pre-K and early elementary age students may follow a leader to the Fellowship Hall to have a time of worship designed just for them. They will return to their parents during the video announcements.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY ∞ LSB #461

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort  
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -  
7 He lives and grants me dai - ly breath; He lives, and  
8 He lives, all glo - ry to His name! He lives, my



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who  
ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious  
I shall con - quer death; He lives my man - sion  
Je - sus, still the same; Oh, the sweet joy this



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.  
in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.  
to pre - pare; He lives to bring me safe - ly there.  
sen - tence gives: I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

## MESSAGE

## OFFERING

*Our Lord works through His people in our offerings and tithes. If you choose to give electronically, an **offering card** is available in the pew rack, including a QR code to make an immediate contribution through your smartphone. As an act of worship, you may place the card in the offering plate in lieu of a physical contribution. If you have not yet done so, please add your name to the **fellowship register** found along the center aisle of the pew and pass it along to those seated in your row.*

## VIDEO ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **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.**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

### **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.**

### **BENEDICTION**

### **SENDING SONG**

**In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My comforter, my all in all  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.**

“In Christ Alone”

**In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
‘Till on the cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied.  
For ev’ry sin on Him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.**

**There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world, by darkness slain;  
Then, bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin’s curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine,  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.**

**No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the pow’r of Christ in me;  
From life’s first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
‘Til He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand!**



*Following the service, members of Immanuel’s Prayer Team are available  
in the front of the Sanctuary for a time of intercessory prayer.*

**Leading Worship Today:**

Pastor Keith Richard

Music: Aaron Kortze

Choir: Singing Knights

Lector: Connie Campbell

Acolyte: Andres Flores