

Easter Sunday

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WELCOME To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world

Organist Mrs. Kathy Lueck

Choir *Alleluia! Christ has Destroyed Death*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ has destroyed death!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

And has brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hymn 728 *Christ is Living*

Responsive Reading (from 1 Corinthians 15 & Job 19)

P: If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen.

C: I know that my Redeemer lives, And He shall stand at last on the earth;

P: And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins!

C: And after my skin is destroyed, this I know,

P: Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.

C: In my flesh I shall see God,

P: If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable.

C: Whom I shall see for myself,

P: But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

C: And my eyes shall behold God, and not another.

P: For since by man came death,

C: By Man also came the resurrection of the dead.

P: For as in Adam all die,

C: Even so in Christ all shall be made alive.

P: But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits,

C: Afterward those who are Christ's at His coming.

P: Hallelujah! Christ has risen, as He said!

C: He has risen from the dead. Hallelujah!

P: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Christ has destroyed death.

C: And has brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel.

Hallelujah! Praise the LORD!

Scripture Reading Matthew 28:1-10

Hymn 191:1-4 *Christ the Lord is Risen Today, Alleluia!*

Scripture Reading Mark 16:1-8

Hymn 192 *Awake, My Heart With Gladness*

V1 All

V2 Center Pews

V3 Side Pews

V6 All

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 15:35ff.

Hymn 208:1-3, 9 *Ye Sons and Daughters of the King!*

Scripture Reading John 20:11-18

Hymn 200:1-3, 5 *I Know That My Redeemer Lives!*

Sermon 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time. For I am the least of the apostles, who am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God *which was* with me. Therefore, whether *it was* I or they, so we preach and so you believed

The Easter Doctrine...

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.

Offering of Thankful Hearts

Choir *The Power of the Cross*

Oh, to see the dawn Of the darkest day:
Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men,
Torn and beaten, then Nailed to a cross of wood.

CHORUS:

This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us;
Took the blame, bore the wrath— We stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see the pain Written on Your face,

Bearing the awesome weight of sin. Ev'ry bitter thought,
Ev'ry evil deed Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

Now the daylight flees; Now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head. Curtain torn in two,
Dead are raised to life; "Finished!" the vict'ry cry.

Oh, to see my name Written in the wounds,
For through Your suffering I am free. Death is crushed to death;
Life is mine to live, Won through Your selfless love.

This, the pow'r of the cross: Son of God—slain for us.
What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.

Hymn 732 *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*

Prayer + The Lord's Prayer + The Benediction

Hymn 199 *Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia!*

V1 All

V2 Women

V3 Men

V4 All

CATECHISM CLASS The 6th Grade Class will meet on Wednesday afternoon at 4:30. Plans are to have the 8th Grade Class at 6:30 that evening.

THANK YOU A special thanks to all who provided special music during the Lenten/Easter season. We appreciate the hours of practice and rehearsal.

Thanks are also due to those who brought food and worked on the breakfast earlier today.

ILC VISITORS DAY Young people grades 7 and up are invited to attend Immanuel Lutheran High School Visitors Day in Eau Claire, WI on Friday, April 27. See the bulletin board for more information.

USHERS Phil S., Zachary S., Nathan V., Anthony F., Ryan D.
Bruce E., Steve R., Joe L., Nathan A.

CLEANING (Wk 3) The Boernsens and Liepolds
The Luecks and Strikes