

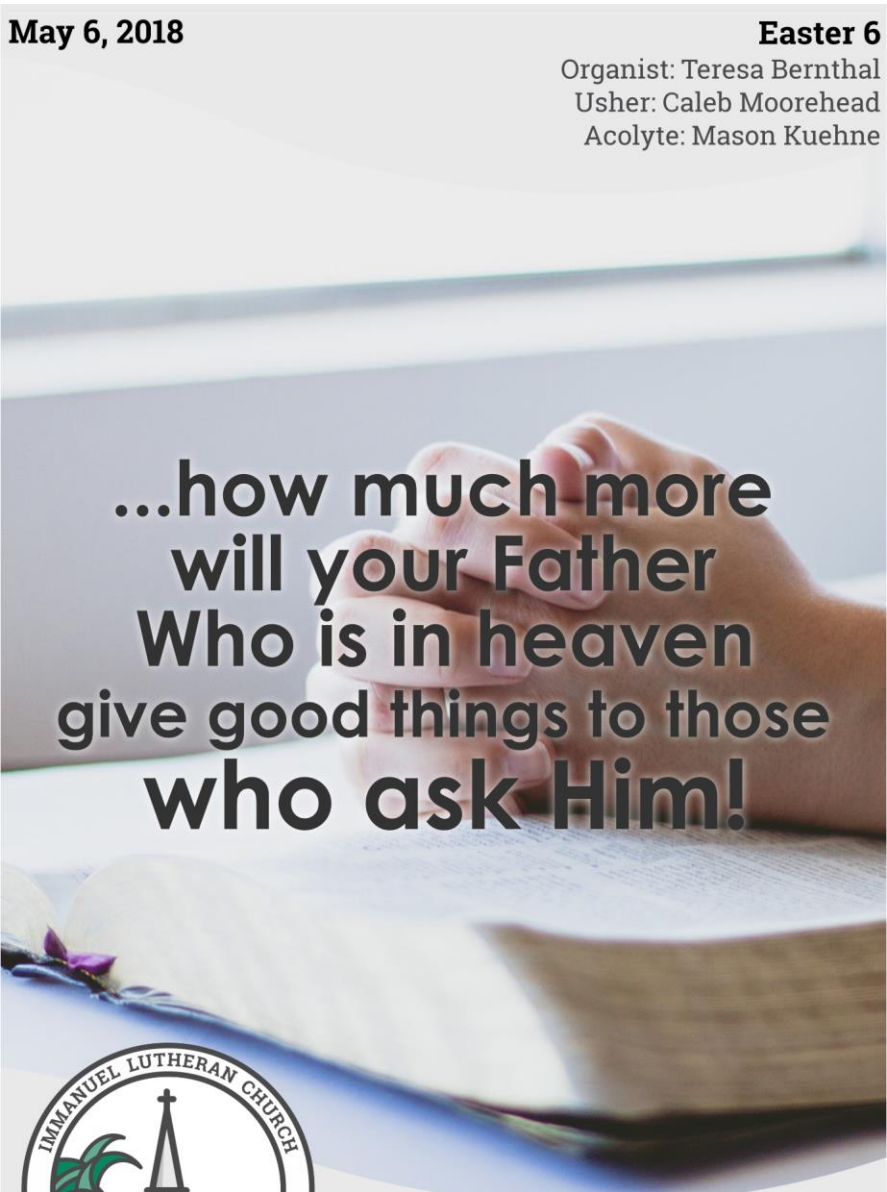
**May 6, 2018**

**Easter 6**

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**...how much more  
will your Father  
Who is in heaven  
give good things to those  
who ask Him!**



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## PRE-SERVICE MEDITATION

*Psalm 34:1,6-8,10,15,17,19*

<sup>1</sup> I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. <sup>6</sup> This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles. <sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. <sup>8</sup> Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him! <sup>10</sup> The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing. <sup>15</sup> The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry. <sup>17</sup> When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. <sup>19</sup> Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

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## ✠ Order of Divine Worship ✠

### OPENING PRAYER

**HYMN: TLH #19:1-3,6**      **“All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”**

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**G** Amen.

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

*We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.*

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**P** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

**G** **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from *conception*. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

**P** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will!

**G** Amen!

### INTROIT

*Ps. 66:1-2,8-9,16,20*

*A collection of passages that set the tone for the service.*

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**P** Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what He has done for my soul.

**C** Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!

**P** Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of His praise be heard,

**C** Who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip.

**P** Blessed be God, because He has not rejected my prayer or removed His steadfast love from me!

**C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

### LORD, HAVE MERCY and GLORY TO GOD

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C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,  
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,  
Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.  
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:  
We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,  
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,  
Lord God, al - mighty Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.  
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.  
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY:

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**P** Let us pray . . . through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING – Hosea 14:5-9** I will be like the dew to Israel; he shall blossom like the lily; he shall take root like the trees of Lebanon; <sup>6</sup> his shoots shall spread out; his beauty shall be like the olive, and his fragrance like Lebanon. <sup>7</sup> They shall return and dwell beneath my shadow; they shall flourish like the grain; they shall blossom like the vine; their fame shall be like the wine of Lebanon. <sup>8</sup> O Ephraim, what have I to do with idols? It is I who answer and look after you. I am like an evergreen cypress; from me comes your fruit. <sup>9</sup> Whoever is wise, let him understand these things; whoever is discerning, let him know them; for the ways of the LORD are right, and the upright walk in them, but transgressors stumble in them.

**GOSPLE READING – Matthew 7:7-12** "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>8</sup> For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. <sup>9</sup> Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? <sup>10</sup> Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent? <sup>11</sup> If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him! <sup>12</sup> "So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.



**P** Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

## *The Apostles' Creed*

*The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles. We boldly confess what God has taught us to believe.*

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**I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.**

**HYMN: TLH #459:1-4**

**“Come, My Soul, Thy Suit Prepare”**

**SERMON – 1 John 5:11-15** And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup> Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. <sup>13</sup> I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. <sup>14</sup> And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. <sup>15</sup> And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

### **God's Testimony Instills Confidence**

I. Confidence in our Eternal Life

II. Confidence for our Prayer Life



### **OFFERTORY**

*WS p.16*

*In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.*

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**☞** **♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.**


**SERMON HYMN: TLH #201**

**“Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won”**

## - OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS –

*Followed immediately by the Offering Hymn printed below:*

### OFFERING HYMN: TLH #568:1

- C**  We praise Thee, O God, our Redeemer, Creator,  
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring;  
We lay it before Thee, We kneel and adore Thee,  
We bless Thy holy name, glad praises we sing.

### PRAYER and the LORD'S PRAYER

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**Order of Holy Communion**  
pg. 17-21 in tan Worship Supplement



**Please Note:** The Lord's Supper is described in 1 Corinthians 11:23-32 as a most precious medicine for the soul. Like all medicines, of course, it must be used at the right time for the right purpose by the right person, lest it do more harm than good. That is one reason we ask our visitors...please speak to the pastor before you commune with us. Thank you!

*After the distribution, we continue with the communion liturgy starting on WS p.20.*

### THE BENEDICTION:

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*The blessing given by God for His people (Numbers 6:24-26).*

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- P** The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

**C** Amen!

**CLOSING HYMN: WS #755**

**“What is This Bread?”**

## ✠ Announcements ✠

### **Arise and Shine (20's & 30's Retreat)**

is coming up June 14th-17th at Camp JIM in Pillager, MN. If you are in your 20's or 30's (or thereabouts) and are able to make the time, please plan on joining us for this faith-building weekend. There will be delicious

food, great fellowship, and plenty of activities. The theme this year is "Discipl(in)e." The premise is that as disciples of Christ, we can expect to receive discipline. This is not something to lose hope over, "For the Lord disciplines the one He loves, and chastises every son whom He receives." For more info & to register, go to our website: [www.ariseandshineretreat.com](http://www.ariseandshineretreat.com). The cost is \$140 per adult (12 & up) and \$100 per child. Child care is provided at no additional charge. We ask families to try to register by May 25th, so we can arrange child care assistance. If you have any questions, please contact us:

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### **Looking Ahead...**

- ✠ **Today:** Fellowship Snack
- ✠ **May 13:** Mother's Day
- ✠ **May 20:** 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation
- ✠ **May 23:** School's End of Year Program @7pm

**Candidates for Immanuel Professor Call:** The Board of Regents for Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary invites "all pastors, professors, male teachers, and voting members of member congregations of the Church of the Lutheran Confession" (CLC Constitution) to nominate an individual or individuals to fill the vacancy which will be created by the retirement of Professor Paul Schaller at the end of the 2018-19 academic year. The position would require the ability to teach in a variety of areas, which may include courses in English (high school and college) and history (high school, college, and potentially seminary). With the duties including teaching God's Word to adult males, the person is to be a male (1 Tim. 2:12). To fill a current need on campus, this individual would need to be able to provide spiritual counsel and encouragement to students in the Word of God, understanding and addressing the particular challenges that students often face today, preferably someone who is pastorally experienced. This person may potentially serve as the Dean of Students, one who counsels and disciplines students on campus. The position would, God-willing,

commence with the 2019-20 academic year. Those submitting nominations are strongly encouraged to verify that the individual would be willing to be nominated and would need to include information regarding their nominee's educational background and teaching and/or professional experience, also indicating how the person might help our school in supervising extracurricular activities or serving in administrative positions. Nominations are to be received by email or letter no later than midnight July 15, 2018 (letters postmarked July 1, 2018) to: Dr. Daniel Schierenbeck; [23 SE 240th Rd.; Warrensburg, MO 64093](mailto:danschierenbeck@gmail.com); email: [danschierenbeck@gmail.com](mailto:danschierenbeck@gmail.com).

**CLC Call News** Faith Lutheran, Markesan WI, has called Principal Ted Quade, Messiah Lutheran, Hales Corners WI, to be principal/teacher. <> Redeemer Lutheran, Cheyenne WY, has called Kirsten Gullerud, St. Stephen Lutheran. Mountain View, CA.

**Shut-in/Encouragement List** **Loye Issitt** continues to remain housebound for several more months due to a kidney ailment. **Virginia Tetens** continues to battle advanced pancreatic cancer. **Kelsey Rodebaugh** had surgery on the 26th in Oahu, HI. She is recovering at home. **JoAnne Weis** recently cut open her foot doing yard work, and after receiving stitches, the wound became infected. She has been in and out of the hospital and is currently recovering at home. **Fred Jackson** has recovered better very well from his pancreatic condition, and now only has follow-up tests. Praise the Lord! **Patti Meno** has been waiting for a kidney transplant. **Sharon Brown** recently had open heart surgery and is continuing her recovery at home. **Ray Seger** remains shut-in at Spring Lake Rehabilitation Center. **Bill Issitt III** remains mostly housebound while recovering from several health problems. **Richard Cook** remains mostly housebound due to bouts of severe dizziness. **Johanna Jaehnigen** remains mostly housebound, being no longer able to drive.

**Last Week (4/29)** Attendance: WH – 50

General = \$1,353 | CLC Missions = \$50 | Tuition = \$650 |  
**Total Offering = \$2,043**

**April Usher: C. Moorehead | Acolyte (5/13): Joel**  
**| Cleaner (5/12): Bernthal**