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PRESERVICE PRAYER: Heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for the salvation which You have provided for a fallen world by sending your Son to die for us upon the cross. We rejoice in Your grace that in raising Jesus from the dead You have proclaimed that we have remission of sins and everlasting life. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that our faith in Christ as our Risen Lord may be strengthened unto eternal life. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: (p. 5 the Lutheran Hymnal)

HYMN 207 1-4: Like the Golden Sun Ascending

^{1.} Like the golden sun ascending Breaking thro' the gloom of night,

On the earth his glory spending So that darkness takes to flight,
Thus my Jesus from the grave And Death's dismal, dreadful
cave

Rose triumphant Easter morning At the early purple dawning.

^{2.} Thanks to Thee, O Christ victorious! Thanks to Thee, O Lord
of Life!

Death hath now no power o'er us, Thou hast conquered in the
strife.

Thanks because thou didst arise And hast opened Paradise!
None can fully sing the glory Of the resurrection story.

^{3.} Though I be by sin o'ertaken, Though I lie in helplessness,
Though I be by friends forsaken And must suffer sore distress,
Though I be despised, contemned, And by all the world
condemned

Though the dark grave yawn before me,
Yet the light of hope shines o'er me.

^{4.} Thou hast died for my transgression, All my sins on Thee were
laid; Thou hast won for me salvation, On the cross my debt was
paid.

From the grave I shall arise And shall meet thee in the skies.
Death itself is transitory; I shall lift my head in glory.

April 19, 2020

1st Sunday after Easter

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy
Ghost

C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and
confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the
name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins, and by thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father hath had mercy upon us and hath given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgiveth us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He giveth power to become the sons of God and hath promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C: Amen

The Responsive Introit:

¹ Peter 2:2 as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby,

³ **if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious.**

Psalm 105:1. Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name;

Make known His deeds among the peoples!

² Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him;

Talk of all His wondrous works!

³ Glory in His holy name;

Let the hearts of those rejoice who seek the Lord!

⁸. He remembers His covenant forever,

The word *which* He commanded, for a thousand generations,

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Hymns 189: He is arisen! Glorious Word!

He is arisen! Glorious Word! Now reconciled is God, my Lord;

The gates of heav'n are open. My Jesus did triumphant die,

And Satan's arrows broken lie, Destroyed hell's direst weapon.

Oh, hear What cheer! Christ victorious Riseth Glorious, Life He giveth - He was dead, but see He liveth!

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them,

²² "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know— ²³ Him, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death; ²⁴ whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it. ²⁵ For David says concerning Him:

'I foresaw the Lord always before my face,

For He is at my right hand, that I may not be shaken.

²⁶ Therefore my heart rejoiced, and my tongue was glad;

Moreover my flesh also will rest in hope.

²⁷ For You will not leave my soul in Hades,

Nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.

²⁸ You have made known to me the ways of life;

You will make me full of joy in Your presence.'

²⁹ "Men *and* brethren, let *me* speak freely to you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ Therefore, being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that of the

fruit of his body, according to the flesh, He would raise up the Christ to sit on his throne, ³¹ he, foreseeing this, spoke concerning the resurrection of the Christ, that His soul was not left in Hades, nor did His flesh see corruption. ³² This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:19-31

Then, the same day at evening, being the first *day* of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace *be* with you." ²⁰ When He had said this, He showed them *His* hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

²¹ So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." ²² And when He had said this, He breathed on *them*, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the *sins* of any, they are retained."

²⁴ Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord."

So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe."

²⁶ And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" ²⁷ Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand *here*, and put *it* into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing."

²⁸ And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!"

²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed *are* those who have not seen and *yet* have believed."

³⁰ And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

THE APOSTLES CREED

Hymn 196: I am Content! My Jesus Liveth Still

^{1.} I am content! My Jesus liveth still, In whom my heart is pleased.

He hath fulfilled the Law of God for me, God's wrath He hath appeased.

Since He in death could perish never,

I also shall not die forever. I am content! I am content!

^{2.} I am content! My Jesus is my head; His member I will be.

He bowed His head when on the cross He died

With cries of agony. Now death is brought into subjection

For me, too, by His resurrection. I am content! I am content!

^{3.} I am content! My Jesus is my Lord, My Prince of Life and Peace;

His heart is yearning for my future bliss

And for my soul's release. The home where He, my Master, liveth

He also to His servant giveth. I am content! I am content!

^{4.} I am content! My Jesus is my Light, My radiant Sun of Grace.

His cheering rays beam blessings forth for all,

Sweet comfort, hope, and peace. This Easter sun doth bring salvation

And everlasting exultation. I am content! I am content!

^{5.} I am content! Lord draw me unto Thee And wake me from the dead

That I may rise forevermore to be With Thee, my living Head.

The fetters of my body sever, Then shall my soul rejoice forever.

I am content! I am content!

THE SERMON: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Theme: Resurrection Hope

I. A Living Hope that Does Not Fade Away

II. Hope in the Face of Trials

III. Hope for What Matters Most - Salvation!

SERMON TEXT: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, ⁵ who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

⁶ In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷ that the genuineness of your faith, *being* much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, ⁸ whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see *Him*, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, ⁹ receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of *your* souls.

OFFERTORY, PRAYER; THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hymn 206: Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense

¹ Jesus Christ, my sure Defense And my Savior ever liveth;
Knowing this, my confidence Rests upon the hope it giveth
Though the night of death be fraught Still with many an
anxious tho't.

² Jesus, my Redeemer, lives I, too, unto life shall waken.
Endless joy my Savior gives; Shall my courage, then, be
shaken?
Shall I fear, or could the Head Rise and leave His members
dead?

³ Nay, too closely am I bound Unto Him by hope forever;
Faith's strong band the Rock hath found,
Grasped it, and will leave it never;
Even death now cannot part From its Lord the trusting heart.

⁴ I am flesh and must return Unto dust, whence I am taken;
But by faith I now discern That from death I shall awaken
With My Savior to abide In His glory, at His side.

⁵ Glorified, I shall anew With this flesh then be enshrouded;

In this body I shall view God, my Lord, with eyes unclouded;
In this flesh I then shall see Jesus Christ eternally.

BENEDICTION;

C: Amen. Amen. Amen.

Hymn 50:1 Lord Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

Lord dismiss us with thy blessing, Fill our hearts with joy and peace.

Let us each, Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace.
Oh, refresh us, Oh, refresh us, Trav'ling thro' this wilderness.
Amen.

CALENDAR

TODAY: No Sunday school or Bible class

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship **on-line! No in-person worship.**
Text: Luke 24:13-35

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

April Cleaning: Ubl

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: April 12 worship - 5 (for service recording) No
Sunday school no Bible class

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,250.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$ 1,995.00	Missions \$30.00
Needed for Year:	\$18,750.00	Kinship \$30.00
Received for Year:	\$17,473.00	Prop. Imprv Fund \$100.00
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Memorials: Irene Eichstadt ILC Building Fund - \$150.00 Lincoln Cole Property Improvement Fund - \$50.00

Immanuel College Tour Choir: There are hopes that the choir tour **may** be rescheduled for May 24-31.

Retirement Gift: Professor Paul Sullivan is retiring at the end of this academic year. His faithful service to our church and school will be acknowledged during the ILC Class Day/Graduation festivities on May 22-23, 2020. CLC members are invited to contribute to a monetary gift which will be presented to Professor Sullivan at Graduation. Please make your checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran College and indicate: "Prof. Sullivan Retirement." Send your gift to: Immanuel Lutheran College, 501 Grover Road, Eau Claire, WI 54701.

THE 34th CONVENTION OF THE CLC has been **postponed** until July 30-August 2, Thursday through Sunday in Eau Claire, WI.

DAILY REST SUBSCRIPTIONS: The Daily Rest devotional periodical annual subscriptions are due by the end of this month. Starting this year they will be mailed directly to our homes. The cost is \$15.00 which should be **paid to St. Paul's**. One check from St. Paul's will be sent for the group subscription.