



EASTER SUNDAY

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

March 31, 2024

Ten O' Clock

+ PRELUDE CONCERT Prelude and Fugue in d minor *J.S. Bach*
Steven Jensen Organ Mike Lorenz Timpani

*Welcome to our combined online and onsite worship service.
The order of service is designed for worshipers to participate
virtually from home or in the Sanctuary.*

Please enjoy the prelude as a time of silent preparation for worship.

INTROIT An Easter Symphony *arr. Rusch*
*Joy dawns again on Easter Day, the sun shines out with brighter ray. Alleluia, alleluia!
All praise, O risen Lord, we give to Thee, Who now again dost live; all praise, all praise.
Alleluia, alleluia!*

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, we greet You.
The cross has not defeated You,
the grave has not kept You silent.
At the first dew of the morning,
You met the women and greeted them with new life.*

People: We are Your family and friends,
and though numbed by Your death and
aware of our complicity in it,
we come hesitantly but gladly,
to confirm the rumor that You are alive.

*Leader: We fail to understand how;
we puzzle at the reason why.*

People: But You come to meet us;
not to answer our questions, but to show us Your face.

*Leader: You come to greet us;
to dispel our fears, and to send us on Your way.*

People: Your sisters proclaim, Your brothers believe;
all creation rejoices that You are alive!

*Adapted from the Book of Common Order,
The Church of Scotland © 1994*

+*HYMN 624 (stzs. 1-4) I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art
Toulon

+ *Worshipers in the Sanctuary may be shown to their pews. * Stand as you are able.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Psalm 118:1, 21-24

*Leader: Give thanks to the Lord,
whose steadfast love endures forever.*

People: I thank You that You have answered me
and have become my salvation.

*Leader: The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.*

People: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

*Leader: This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

All: Eternal God, Giver of life and new life:
We bring to You our old selves,
with our betrayals of trust and denials of conviction,
our cowardice in the face of evil,
and our rejection of hope.
We confess our sin and our need for mercy.
Forgive us in Your grace,
recreate us by Your transforming power,
and infuse us with courage and love,
so that we live as bold and faithful disciples of
our Crucified and Risen Lord; Amen.

* DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

* THE PEACE

*Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ,
let us forgive one another.*

All: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with us all.

* RESPONSE *(the congregation sings)*

Our hope is in no other save in Thee;
Our faith is built upon Thy promise free;
Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,
That in Thy strength we ever more endure.

+++ *Latecomers may be seated following the response.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SCRIPTURES Isaiah 44:6-8

(NT 673)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER

- * HYMN 239 Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing! *Gelobt Sei Gott*

GREETINGS AND INVITATIONS

THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH OFFERINGS

Worshippers in the Sanctuary are invited to sign the red Friendship Folder in each pew and greet one another following the worship service.

Online worshippers are invited to indicate their "presence" by using the Virtual Worship Sign-in link: <https://bit.ly/IPCVirtualWorshipSignIn>

- OFFERTORY *Fugue in G Major* *J.S. Bach*

(Children and youth are invited to come forward to the font for prayer and then return to their pews.)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE 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 debts as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

- * HYMN 609 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*

THE EASTER GOSPEL Mark 16:1-8 (NT 54)

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

- ANTHEM *Alleluia* *Randall Thompson*

- SERMON "Unfinished Business" *Mr. Ater and Ms. Larson*

- * HYMN 232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today *Easter Hymn*

Worshippers in the Sanctuary turn to the camera on the back wall so that online and onsite worshippers are facing one another for the closing hymn and benediction.

- * BENEDICTION

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Festival Alleluias
Toccata from Symphony No. 5

*arr. Ferris/
Charles-Marie Widor*

*The flowers in the Chancel vases are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of Jim Brindley by Marge Brindley.*

The lilies throughout the church are given in memory of loved ones by members and friends.

Following the postlude, a minister and elder
will be at the font to receive prayer requests.

Welcome!

Members and friends are invited to a **Formal Coffee Hour in the Parlor**. **Coffee hosts** are Allyson Nemeck, Trent and Joelle Poole, Sue and Rabah Rennane, and Randy and Alex Trumbull-Holper. **Welcome Team** members this morning are Lisa Lauren, and Jim Schlieff and Bill Morley. They are wearing nametags and are available to answer questions about the church and to give tours of the building.

If you are visiting Immanuel Church today, we welcome you to Milwaukee's first church, marking its **187th anniversary** in April. Today's congregation of over 500 members comes from next door, neighborhoods throughout the city, and as far north as Port Washington, as far south as Kenosha, and as far west as Summit. Our livestream worship extends our community across the country. Committed to "keeping faith in the city," Immanuel supports the Interchange Food Pantry and is active with Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity and Southeastern Wisconsin Common Ground. Global mission projects reach to Zambia and Cuba. Worship is our first priority and education is emphasized for all ages. Contact Associate Pastor Rob Ater (robertater@immanuelwi.org) for more information about Immanuel or church membership.

Nursery care for infants and toddlers is provided until noon. The **Immanuel Nursery** is located on the lower level, to the right of the northeast staircase. Elevator access is also available. There is also a "**crying room**" **on the second floor** with sight and sound of the Sanctuary for parents with small children who prefer an alternate space during the worship service.

Church School classes will not be held this Sunday so that children and youth can experience Easter worship with the whole congregation. Classes will resume next Sunday, April 7. Click <https://conta.cc/4a8jj1T> to read this week's "Wednesday Grace" email with helpful and interesting information about Christian education at Immanuel Church.

Congratulations to Ahna Olson and Ludwin Duque on the birth of a son, Benjamin Stevens Duque Olson on March 26, 2024. Benji is the grandson of Julia Vosper and the late Jon Olson.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

The One Great Hour of Sharing offering is a Lenten tradition at Immanuel Church and in Christian congregations around the country. The offering supports disaster relief, self-development, and hunger and health programs here and around the world. Offering envelopes are available in the pew racks. You may also make a gift online at: <https://www.immanuelwi.org/onlinegiving>. The One Great Hour of Sharing offering will be dedicated NEXT Sunday, April 7.

“CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM: THE FALSE WHITE GOSPEL”

with Jim Wallis

THIS Friday, April 5 + 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

United Methodist Church of Whitefish Bay + 819 E. Silver Spring Dr.

Jim Wallis, author of several books, including *God's Politics*, will offer a discussion on his latest book, *The False White Gospel: Rejecting Christian Nationalism, Reclaiming True Faith, and Refounding Democracy* at the **United Methodist Church of Whitefish Bay**. In this new book, scheduled to be released on April 2, Wallis argues that it's time to call out genuine faith – specifically the “Christian” in White Christian Nationalism – and invite all who can be persuaded to reject and help dismantle a false gospel that propagates white supremacy and autocracy. The event is free to attend. For more information and to register in advance, click here: https://bit.ly/IPC_Outing_JimWallisEvent. In 2019, Immanuel hosted Mr. Wallis for a similar presentation on his book *Christ in Crisis*. An Immanuel book discussion on the book was hosted in 2020.

PASTORAL TRANSITION UPDATE

Interim Pastor Randy Bush

begins his ministry at Immanuel on April 14

With the recent retirement of Immanuel's longtime pastor, the Rev. Dr. Deborah Block, the congregation now moves into a time of transition. The Rev. Dr. Randall “Randy” Bush was introduced to the congregation as Immanuel's new interim pastor last month. Dr. Bush will begin his ministry at Immanuel on Sunday, April 14. For more information about him and his call to serve Immanuel, follow this link to Immanuel's website: <https://www.immanuelwi.org/ministers-and-staff>. *Do you have any questions about this time of transition in our life together?*

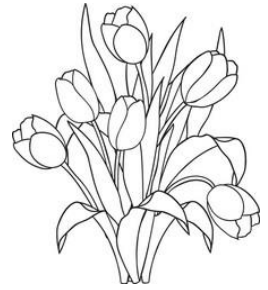
Please feel free to reach out to one of the ministers or a member of the Human Resources Transition Team (Debbie Anderson, Jill Fahr, David Plank, Victor Plantinga, Sharon Rose). You may also send an email to the team at hr@immanuelwi.org.

IN REMEMBRANCE

*The Easter lilies adorning the church today
are given by members of the congregation in testimony of faith in everlasting life
and in memory of the following loved ones:*

Jerry and Joanne Anderson	Sarah Frank Tess and George Geroulis	David and Evangeline Parks
John F. Anderson	Judy Gillard	Mary Rickey
William and Sue Baer	George A. Goetz	Cary Ross
Lois M. Bauer	Louise Tice Jacobs	Linda Joyce Salisbury
Phillip F. Bauer	Jack Jacobson	Margaret Salisbury
Richard M. Bauer	Dr. Maxwell A. and Elizabeth B. Johnson	Nancy Salisbury Johnson
Sandy L. Bauer	Charlotte P. Johnstone	Wallace and Beverly Schmitz
Alfred and Carol Block	John P. and Harriet S. Hein	Don and Jean Schulz
James F. Block	Jeanne Kraft	Marv, Marie, Bill, and Scott Schweers
Mary and John Brahm	Martha and Herbert Kuehn	Claudine Schwellinger
Ellie Smith Bunker	Melinda Johnson Lazor	Steve Sell
Tom and Mary Callen	Mary and John MacLeod	Ruth Severns
Grace Mary Anne Carlton	Larry MacIver	Kay Helen Silet
Myron and Sylvia Cramer	Daniel Ellis McCarley	Molly Dow Spinar
Mary Irene Curley	Robert J. and Anna M. Morrisey	George B. Sletteland
Bob Davis	Edith and Allison William Merriam Sr.	Betty Vosper
Nona Dawson	Robert K. Morrisey	James Vosper
John and Marcie Dombrock	Thomas E. and Janet Neubauer	Jean McNeely Weins
David and Breta Peterson Dow	Jon Nels Olson	Vance Werner, Sr.
Philip Dow	Mary H. Olson	Alan Day "A.D." Whitmore
Robert Eisenbrown	Nels Olson	Robert and Rosemary Winters
Marjory Honstead Fahr	Keith and Helen Fahr O'Malley	Vernon and Jeanne Witte
Evelyn Kinmond Findlay		Lillian Worthington
Louise Ruth Frailing		

Spring is Coming!



*Mark your calendar
for these upcoming Immanuel events*

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER + April 14 Immanuel welcomes new interim pastor, the Rev. Dr. Randy Bush!

Dr. Bush will preach and the Human Resources Committee will host a special Coffee Hour following the worship service for members and friends to greet Randy and his spouse, Beth Johnstone Bush.

“CREATION SUNDAY” + May 12

The Church School children, youth, and teachers will celebrate Creation Sunday on May 12 with lessons and activities that celebrate the gift of God’s good creation! Following worship, members and friends will be invited to join in the celebration and enjoy eating some “dirt cake,” a favorite Creation Sunday treat.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY AND PENTECOST + May 19

The Day of Pentecost is the day that the Church celebrates its birthday – the day we recall the coming of the Holy Spirit to the first disciples of Jesus Christ, fifty days after his resurrection. It is an Immanuel tradition to celebrate Pentecost by receiving our confirmation students as full members of the church followed by our annual *Pentecost Party*. All will be invited to the Upper Room to enjoy a light lunch, complete with “Fruit of the Spirit” salad, and a birthday cake for the Church! We will also thank the 2023-24 Church School teachers. **RED** is the color of the day – the Holy Spirit came with wind and fire to those first disciples.

NEW MEMBERS WILL BE WELCOMED AGAIN THIS SPRING

A spring Membership Welcome and Orientation Brunch is being planned.

Watch the bulletin and email blast for more information.

A date for the next IPC 101: Introductory Tour will be announced soon, too!

New friends: contact Mr. Ater (robertater@immanuelwi.org) in the church office to express an interest in attending one or both of these welcome events.

YOUR OFFERING, here and afar
In addition to offerings during onsite worship:

1. **Mail a check** to the office: 1105 N. Waverly Place, Milwaukee, WI 53202.
2. **Go to our web site** at <https://www.immanuelwi.org/onlinegiving>
3. **Scan this QR** (“Quick Response”) code with your smart phone camera for immediate connection to giving options on the Immanuel site.
4. **Text 833-712-0259** (number for Immanuel giving only). Enter the amount in a message bubble and you will receive a registration link for payment information and verification by text or email.



In Memoriam

Helen Griffith Dixon died on March 24. She joined Immanuel Church in 2012. Our prayers and sympathy are with the Dixon and Griffith families. A memorial service will be held in the Sanctuary on Friday, April 5 at 2:00 p.m.

Alan “A.D.” Whitmore, husband of Immanuel member Deborah “Debbie” Whitmore, died on February 29. Our prayers and sympathy are with the Whitmore family. A memorial service will be held in the Sanctuary on Saturday, April 6 at 2:00 p.m.

Thank you to this morning’s worship volunteers: Ushers – Dick Myers, Steve Jacobs, Mark Connelly, Jeff McEathron, Victor Plantinga, and Tom Neubauer; Camera operator – Christine Karpowicz.

SUNDAY MORNING PARKING: Worshipers may park behind another car in the Waverly or Telluris/Brico (north) lots. **PLEASE place a Sunday bulletin on your dashboard with your name and cell phone number and move your car immediately after worship.**

WEEKLY CALENDAR AND UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY		RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
MARCH 31	8:30	Choir rehearsal
	8:45-noon	Nursery care ~ <i>Lower level</i>
	9:45	Organ and timpani prelude concert
	10:00	Easter Morning Worship; Mr. Ater and Ms. Larson preaching
	11:00-12:00	Formal coffee hour in the Parlor
Monday		Easter Monday; Church Office Closed
Tuesday	6:00	Meeting of the Deacons ~ <i>Block Conference Room</i>
Thursday	6:00	HR Committee meeting ~ <i>Block Conference Room</i>
NEXT SUNDAY		SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 7	8:55	Choir rehearsal
	8:45-noon	Nursery care ~ <i>Lower level</i>
	10:00	Morning Worship; Ms. Larson preaching The Sacrament of Holy Communion
	10:50-noon	Church School for children and youth ~ <i>The Peaceable Kingdom, lower level</i>
	11:00-12:00	Coffee hour in the Parlor
April 8	6:00	Choir rehearsal ~ <i>Choir Room, lower level</i>

The **Immanuel Columbarium** is open today and every Sunday until noon.

Available dates for Chancel flowers: If you would like to donate flowers on **April 28 or May 5 or 26**, please contact the church office.

SUNDAY MORNING PARKING: Worshipers may park behind another car in the Waverly or Telluris/Brico (north) lots. **PLEASE place a Sunday bulletin on your dashboard with your name and cell phone number and move your car immediately after worship.**

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art 624

1 I greet thee, who my sure Re-deem-er art,
 2 Thou art the King of mer-cy and of grace,
 3 Thou art the life, by which a-lone we live,
 4 Thou hast the true and per-fect gen-tle-ness;
 5 Our hope is built in no oth-er save in thee;

my on-ly trust and Sav-ior of my heart,
 reign-ing om-ni-po-tent in ev-ery place;
 and all our sub-stance and our strength re-ceive;
 no harsh-ness hast thou and no bit-ter-ness,
 our faith is built up-on thy prom-ise free;

who pain didst un-der-go for my poor sake;
 so come, O King, and our whole be-ing sway;
 sus-tain us by thy faith and by thy power,
 O grant to us the grace we find in thee,
 Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,

I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.
 shine on us with the light of thy pure day.
 and give us strength in ev-ery try-ing hour.
 that we may dwell in per-fect u-ni-ty.
 that in thy strength we ev-er-more en-dure.

The original French text, sometimes attributed to John Calvin, seems to be a Protestant reworking of a Roman Catholic hymn, not a typical practice for him. Yet this text and tune (adapted from GENEVAN 124) clearly date from the early years of the Reformed tradition.

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing! 239

1 Good Chris-tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Death's might - y stone is
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which
4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with

of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
rolled a - way. Let all the earth re - joice and say:
can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:

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

This 20th-century Easter text is both a song of encouragement (stanzas 1–3 directed to the congregation) and a song of praise (stanza 4 addressed to the risen Christ), all ending with joyous alleluias. It was written specifically for the dancelike 17th-century tune found here.

TEXT: Cyril A. Alington, 1931, alt.

MUSIC: Melchior Vulpius, 1609; harm. *Pilgrim Hymnal*, 1958

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8.8.8 with alleluias

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



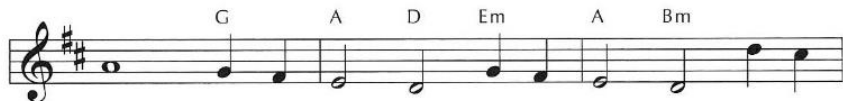
Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise God, all crea-tures



high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise



God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it



one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en - dured,
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove,

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,
 un - to Christ, our heav - en - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured.
 praise e - ter - nal as God's love.

who did once up - on the cross,
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now a - bove the sky he's King,
 Praise our God, ye heav - en - ly host,

It seems likely that this beloved Easter text began in Latin and moved through German before reaching English, where it combined with the present tune in the emerging English evangelical style, a reaction to the restrained one-note-per-syllable psalmody that preceded it.



suf - fer to re - deem our loss.
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing.
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.





Bulletins returned to the tables in the Narthex will be recycled.



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The Angel of the Resurrection (east wall) is one of three Tiffany stained glass angels in the Sanctuary of Immanuel Presbyterian Church; together they proclaim the good news of the birth, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus Christ. This window was a memorial gift by the Timothy and Gertrude Goodrich family and was dedicated in March, 1911.