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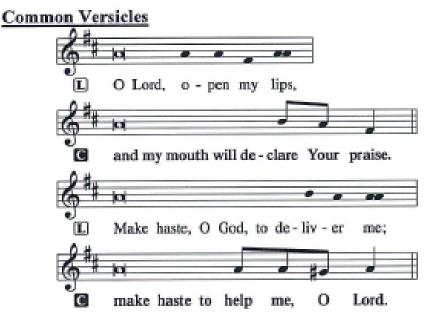
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As We Gather ~ The Spirit of Truth Bears Witness to Jesus

The Spirit of Truth bears witness to Jesus, who is the truth. But the world does not receive the truth. It loves its own and hates those who are of the truth. Just as Jesus was scorned, so is His Church. "The hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God" (John 16:2). Yet it is by Jesus' suffering and death that we are saved. Therefore we rejoice to share in His sufferings, that we may also share in His resurrection glory (1 Pet. 4:7-14). Through the ministry of the Spirit of Truth, we are cleansed from the deceit of our idols and given a new heart and a new spirit, the heart and Spirit of Christ (Ezek. 36:22-28). He now works in us fervent, self-giving love for one another, love which covers a multitude of sins, "that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen" (1 Pet. 4:11).

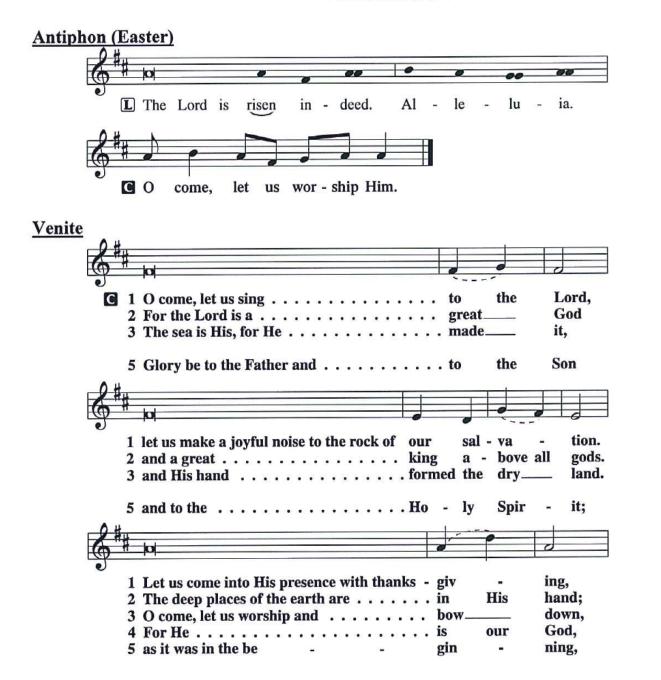
913 O Holy Spirit, Enter In 1 OHo - ly Spir - it, And in our hearts en - ter in, 2 Give to Your Word im - pres - sive pow'r, That in our hearts 3 O might - y Let Your dear Word, Rock, O Source of life, Your dwell - ing place now make us. Your work be - gin, from this good hour be glow ing, As: fire it may burn doubt and strife, be strong - ly ing In US. in. Sun of soul, 0 Light di-vine, A - round and in. the We faith - ful That. in Chris - tian u - ni - ty wit true That we bc. faith - ful un - to death And live in love and glad - ness wake bright-ly shine, To. joy. us. us. ev - er show ing. ness - es may be, Your glo ry ho - ly faith, From You true wis - dom learn ing. and That Tru - ly liv - ing. To You giv - ing we may be. By Your teach-ing; Let our preach - ing Hear us, cheer us Your grace and peace On us show - er; By. Your pow - er Prayer un - ceas - ing And in love be. still in - creas - ing. la - bor Praise You, Lord, and serve our neigh - bor. And our Sav-ior's bless - ing. Christ con - fess - ing, Let us. see our Tune and text: Public domain

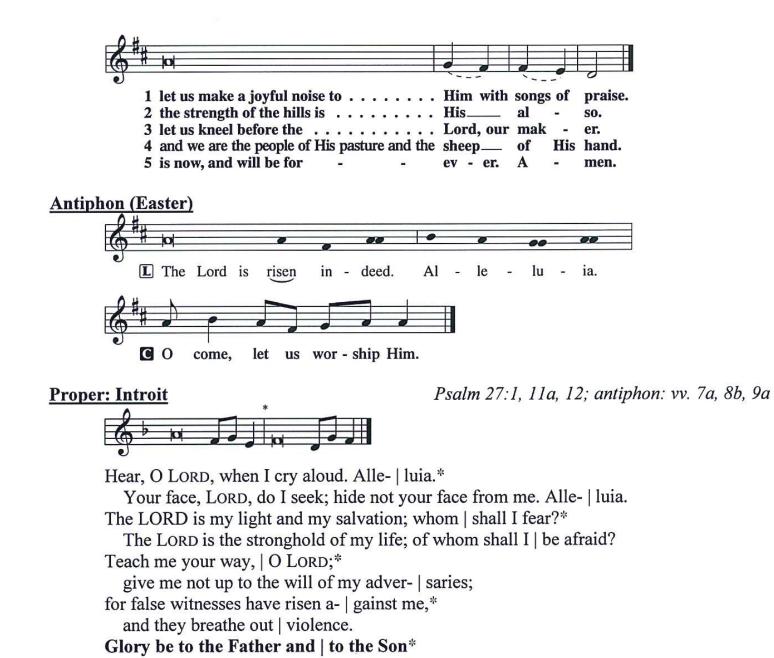
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and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen. Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud. Alle- | luia.*

Your face, LORD, do I seek; hide not your face from me. Alle- | luia.

501 Come Down, O Love Divine

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Ŭ 1	Come down, O Love di - vine; Seek Thou this soul of mine,
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3	Let ho - ly char - i - ty Mine out - ward ves - ture be
4	And so the yearn - ing strong, With which the soul will long,
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U	And vis - it it with Thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
	To dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
	And low - li - ness be - come mine in - ner cloth - ing-
	Shall far out - pass the pow'r of hu - man tell - ing;
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+ READINGS +

Reading: Ezekiel 36:22-28

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²²"Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. ²³And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord GOD, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. ²⁴I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. ²⁵I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my just decrees. ²⁸You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God."

A O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading: 1 Peter 4:7-14

⁷The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. ⁸Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. ⁹Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: ¹¹whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.

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- **C** Thanks be to God.

Reading: John 15:26-16:4

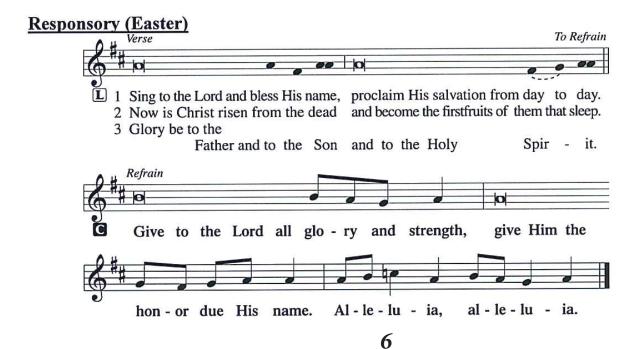
²⁶[Jesus said:] "When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. ²⁷And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

¹"I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. ²They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. ³And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. ⁴But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you."

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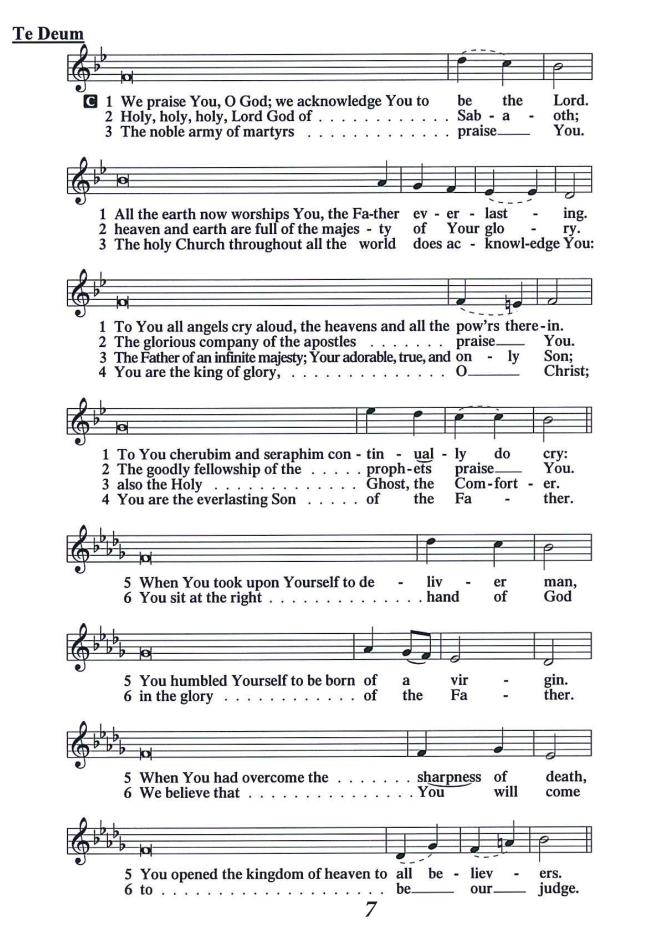
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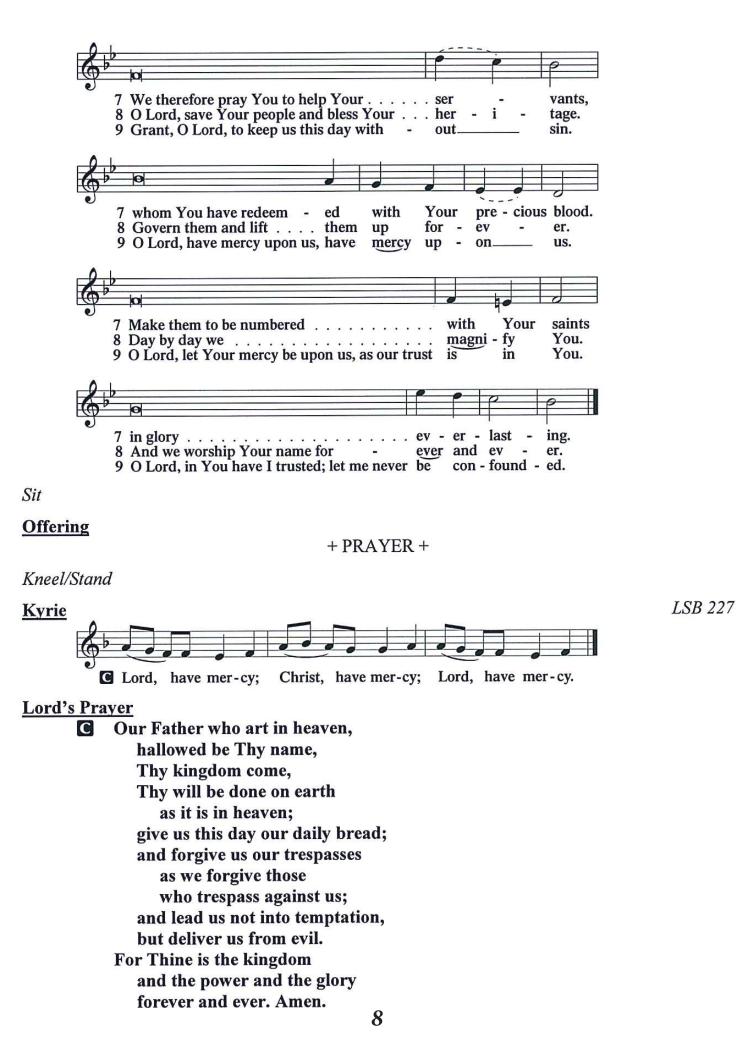
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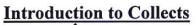
"Replacing a Stone Heart"

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Collect of the Day: Easter 7

Easter 7

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Prayer of the Church

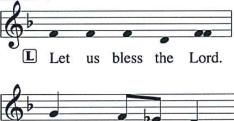
Collect for Grace

I O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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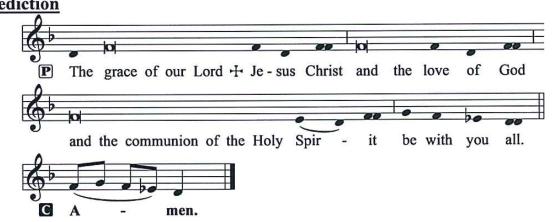
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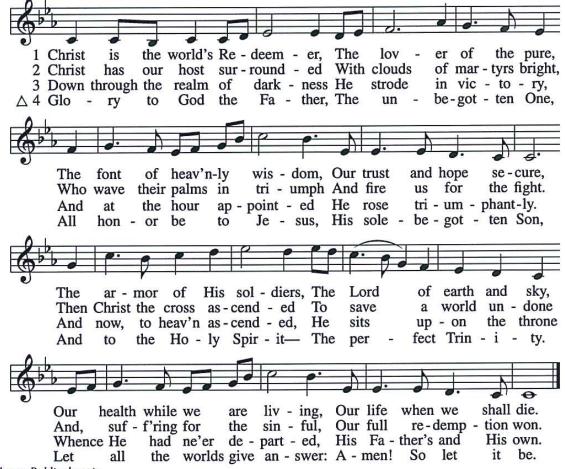
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The Immanuel Spirit

Welcome!

Scripture Lessons for next Sunday: Genesis 11:1–9, Acts 2:1–21 and John 14:23–31.

Stewardship: 1 Peter 4:10 – "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." God's grace is His undeserved mercy toward us. And what do we have that is not a gift flowing from God's grace? He means for us to use all these gifts in service toward our neighbor. And chief among the ways we serve one another is to support the Church's work of bring-ing more of God's grace to more of God's people. And that's what it means to be a steward!

Building Healthy Families While Staying Home: Are you looking for ways to fill your child's extra time at home with positive, Godly activities each day? What's simpler than a piece of paper hanging on the fridge? Not much! That's why a "living" prayer list is super easy to do. Engaging the whole family to decide who to pray for helps take the focus off our own worries and helps focus on what we can do for others. Add a new name, or group of people (like nurses), each day at dinner time. In addition to your regular dinner prayer, include the newest prayer list addition. Remind your children to pray throughout the day and before they go to bed for all the names and groups of people on the living prayer list and encourage their growing prayer life by teaching them the words of 1 John 5.14: "This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us." ~ Lutheran Family Service of Iowa: Des Moines (515) 251-4900. www.LutheranFamilyService.org

June Newsletter: Prayer requests, Birth/Anniversary/Graduation announcements need to be submitted as you want it to appear in the newsletter by Tuesday, May 26 to the church secretary at immanuelutheran@iowatelecom.net. For those of you without email access, please call or submit your written request to the church secretary. Life Quote for May 24th: "It was many long years before Elizabeth had the joy of seeing, in her own body, that God had not forgotten her. 'He looked on me,' she said. The proof was the baby growing inside her, though she was an old woman by that time. But you and I don't need to wait so long. God has looked on us, too. The proof is the baby growing inside of Mary—God's own dear Son Jesus, Who came to be your Savior. In Jesus, you can see that God has remembered you. He has looked on you with love—He has even made you His own child. You are not forgotten. You are beloved." Dr. Kari Vo, Lutheran Hour Ministries ~ A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life www.lutheransforlife.org

Lutheran Hour Ministries for May 31st: Hear "Jesus Doesn't Babble" based on John 14 by Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison. Jesus brings the Word of peace to those who have grown weary of all the babble. ~ Listen next Sunday on 600 WMT at 6:30 a.m., 1190 KFJB at 8:30 a.m., WHO-1040 at 7:30 a.m., & 1410 KGRN at 7:30 a.m.

Life Thought in the Church Year for May 24th: "Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God," who "settles the solitary in a home" (Psalm 68:5-6). He has not left us orphaned in our sins but has taken each of us for His own family. So we need not limit our enthusiasm for adoption only to addressing infertility. We can open not just our mouths but our hands, hearts, and homes, because children need them, and we have in abundance.

Hear the sanctity of life throughout Scripture and all year long! LifeMoments from Lutherans for Life listens to each week's appointed lectionary readings with life ears and applies God's Word to life hurts. For more information, visit lutheransforlife.org.

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Celebrating Birthdays This Week

Monday...Brian Mintle Thursday...Julie Roberts

We pray God's blessings upon you in the coming year.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

Week of May 17th

Attendance	40
Communion	31
General:	\$345.00
Missions:	N/A

March & April Missions Total for Orphan Grain Train: \$507.00

WEEK AHEAD

Thursday, May 28	11am	Bible Study
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Next Sunday 9am Whitsunday The Day of Pentecost Divine Service w/ Holy Communion Food Pantry Sunday