



**4th Sunday
of Easter**

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Sunday & Monday, 9:30 am/6:00 pm, May 8th & 9th, 2022

COVID Protocol Update: Council has lifted COVID protocols as a result of low county numbers, but encourages awareness of ongoing county numbers and personal health.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the waters of baptism, we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation. For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, who was, who is, and who is to come.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We thank you, God, for your river of life, flowing freely from your throne: through the earth, through the city, through every living thing. You rescued Noah and his family from the flood; You opened wide the sea for the Israelites.

Now in these waters you flood us with mercy, and our sin is drowned forever. You open the gate of righteousness and we pass safely through. In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety. You call us forth and send us out. In lush and barren places, you are with us. You have become our salvation. Now breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more. Claim us again as your beloved and holy people. Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.

To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!*

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GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. I Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

The gift of new life, of eternal life, is the gift of the risen Christ. It is the promise of Jesus. It was true for Dorcas in Joppa. It was true for those "who have come out of the great ordeal" in the Revelation vision. It is true for us and for all the baptized: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Welcome to worship! Please complete a Connection Card and place the card in the offering plate. Thank you!

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of peace, **you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WORD

CHOIR ANTHEM

The Gift of Love

Senior Choir

FIRST READING: Acts 9:36-43

³⁶Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴²This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

²**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

³You restore my ¹soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

SECOND READING: Revelations 7:9-17

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." ¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun

Dorcas was a faithful and devoted woman of charity in the community of Joppa. Her kindness and her work with clothing were well-known, especially to the widows in town. When she fell ill and died, Peter raised her back to life through the power of prayer.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. (Ps. 23:1)

Christ is the shepherd who leads his faithful to springs of the water of life. Christ is also the lamb who vanquishes sin and suffering.

will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Jesus responds to questions about his identity with the remarkable claim that he and the Father are one. Those who understand this are his sheep; they hear his voice, follow, and will never be snatched from his hand.

GOSPEL: John 10:22-30

The holy gospel according to...

Glorify to you, O Lord.

²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” ²⁵Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one.”

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Bishop Emeritus Thomas Skrenes

SONG

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

#502

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Gentle Shepherd, enable your church to respond to the voice of Jesus. Give us unflinching trust, unafraid to join in Jesus' work of renewing all things. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Feed your people at the table of creation. Prepare a safe place for those whose environments are dangerous or unhealthy, especially those making difficult journeys. Prosper your creation for the sake of every living thing. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Warm the hearts of all who celebrate and all who mourn on Mother's Day. Accompany those yearning to be mothers. Help us to heal from broken family relationships and open us to receive your nurturing love from all who serve mothering roles in our lives (*especially*). God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Seek out those who weep while they await healing or consolation. Set people in their path who can provide the care they need, and wipe away every tear from their eyes. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Inspire the words of prophets and saints who employ innovative imagery to stretch our understanding as did Julian of Norwich, whom we commemorate today. Send Christ to instruct us with motherly care. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Enfold us in the great multitude of saints from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages. Wash us in your saving grace every day, guiding us to your waters of life. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Renew our lives that we may welcome and care for one another and that we may live and serve within the greater community of Negaunee and the world, witnessing to others your abundant love, grace, and welcome.

MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG

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Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ dwells with us here: All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

Parents,
We
believe
that the
true
body
and
blood of
Jesus
Christ is
in/with/
under
the
bread
and
wine.

COMMUNION LAMB OF GOD

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Have No Fear, Little Flock

#764

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart (Gift of Finest Wheat)

#484

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, + bless you now and forever. Amen

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF May 8, - May 15, 2022

***BIRTHDAYS:** Happy 83rd Birthday to **Ruth Mattson** on May 12th.

***SYMPATHY & GOD'S PEACE TO:** Heidi (Kim) Lenten (a former member of our congregation, now a member of Community Lutheran Church in Palmer) on the loss of her grandfather, **Kurt Brintlinger**, of St. cloud, Minneapolis. Also, condolences to his wife, Trish, and all of the Brintlinger Family.



***WORDS OF THANKS FROM CLERGY OF THE NORTHERN GREAT LAKES SYNOD (OUR MONTHLY MISSION FOR MAY).** . . . *“Such a generous gift will allow me to continue to chip away at my student loan.”* — **Rev. John Ansell** of United, L’Anse, MI.
“This wonderful gift is another step to secure financial future for my family!”
— **Rev. David Tielbar** of Zion, St. Ignace & Trinity, Brevort, MI.



***ARE YOU WANTING A WAY TO SUPPORT FINANCIAL UKRAINE’S REFUGEES?** We can work through Lutheran World Relief (LWR), donating through Immanuel, noting “LWR” or “Ukraine”. Or you can give online directly to LWR’s “World of Good Fund,” providing families facing crisis with emergency food, clean water, safe shelter, medical supplies & more. Your love will reach neighbors in Ukraine & around the world with the lifesaving care they need.



***GIVING YOUR OFFERINGS:** Thank you for continuing to financially support our on-going congregational mission. **NOTE:** The GivePlus Mobile App was phased out by April 30th. You now can download the **VANCO Mobile app**. VANCO Mobile is a free app and offers a better user experience with easy giving options, including giving to special funds. Here are the steps to follow: 1) **Search for Our Church** - Enter our church’s name or use the invite code and click SEARCH. Then, select our church. 2) **Select Your Fund and Amount** - Select your fund and donation frequency, then select your payment method. 3) **Enter Payment Method** - Select a payment method and enter your credit card, debit card, or bank account information. You can save this payment method for future donations. 4) **Choose to Cover Processing Fees** - You can choose to cover the donation processing fees by adding a small amount on top of your gift. Click the button to opt in. 5) **Complete Your donation** - Review and complete your gift by clicking SUBMIT. If giving online through Immanuel’s website, there is no change.



***SUMMER VBS IS BACK! JULY 25 - 28, MONDAY - THURSDAY** To help with your family summer plans, we thought we should put this news out now! Currently, we are in the planning stages for our Vacation Bible School (VBS), so more information will be available in the spring. The Fortune Lake VBS Program and staff will be leading the program! Diana Hetrick is the coordinator, should you have questions or need more information ((906) 235-7110). Oh, and, yes, we will have multi-generational volunteer opportunities for all! The Preschool will be the morning program and the School Age will be a full day.



NOTE: WE ARE LOOKING FOR 2-3 HOST FAMILIES FOR THE FORTUNE LAKE STAFF. ALSO, A FEW ADULT & YOUTH VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED. CALL 234-7110 or email: dianahetr@gmail.com .



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***MEN'S SATURDAY BREAKFAST** The men's Bible study breakfast **WILL STILL BE HELD** on the **1st Saturday of each month** until further notice. **It is now being held from 8:00-10:00 am.** Come to the Fellowship Hall for a nourishing breakfast of body & mind. A discussion of Sunday's readings or any topic that you may want to share follows the breakfast. For more information, please call Walter Scanlon @ 906-235-2294.



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pray For: Nancy Burton, Joann Connors, Pat DeWitt, Martha Hayward, Dan Hendrickson, Pete Hicks, Peggy Jackson, Tom Johnson, Betty Kinnunen, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Stephanie Penhale, Joyce Peterson, Delores Reichel, Jessica Roberts, Richard Toyra, and all COVID patients.

Our Shut-ins: Bettie Ahola, Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, Charlene Kivisto, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Leo Nirva, Vera Palomaki, Janet Penhale, Butch Pynnonen, Lillian Rivers, Paul Smith, Lynne Tossava.

Members in the Armed Service: Luke DeWitt, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Dennis Koski, Jacque Kurian, Tanner Romback, Trevor Romback, Michael Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, all Armed Services Families.

VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN SERVICE

SERVING IN WORSHIP: Pastor Tom Skrenes

ORGANIST/PIANIST/MUSICIAN: Connie Scanlon

Worship Services: Sun. @ 9:30 am / Mon. @ 6 pm

Office Hours: 8 am-2 pm, Monday-Thursday (or by appt.)

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE:

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| 9:30 am USHERS/GREETERS | — | Deb Moyer |
| | | Bobbie Minzey |
| | | Needing a Volunteer |
| 6 pm USHERS/GREETERS | — | Needing a Volunteer |
| 9:30 am LECTOR | — | Linda Derocher |
| 6 pm LECTOR | — | Kay Korpi |
| 9:30 am COMM. ASST.'S | — | Heidi Hill |
| 6 pm COMM. ASST.'S | — | Virginia Paulson |
| 9:30 am Tech Team | — | Tyler Moore |
| 6 pm Tech Team | - | Rory Smith |



Synod Assembly Workshops

For those who wish to participate in any of the following workshops but don't have tech access at home or simply wish to participate with others, each workshop can be accessed at church, typically in the fellowship hall. Perhaps we can even have the coffee on!

**Live workshops will be presented online in conjunction with the 2022 Assembly of the Northern Great Lakes Synod
Monday, May 9 - Thursday, May 12**

The interactive programs are 50 minutes long, with time for questions and comments. Zoom links will be posted on the Synod Assembly website prior to each workshop. Promotional videos will also be available. Advance registration is not required, and all are welcome.

- **My Bias, My Privilege: How Do We Continue the Conversation of Racial Equity? with Rev. Jared Howard, Faith, Calumet**
Monday, May 9 at 5 pm ET / 4 pm CT & Wednesday, May 11 at 11 am ET / 10 am CT
Together we hope to identify some of our own biases in an effort to actively address racial disparities in ourselves and our own communities.
- **All Creation Sings with Lucas Wickstrom and Dave Dagenais**
Monday, May 9 at 6 pm ET / 5 pm CT
An introduction to the newest worship supplement from Augsburg Fortress which invites us to expand our prayer and song, joining our voices with the praise and sighs of the whole creation God so marvelously made.
- **Youth Ministry in the Northern Great Lakes Synod with Stefanie Ehle, NGLS Youth Ministry Coordinator and Amanda Rasner, Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp Director**
Monday, May 9 at 7 pm ET / 6 pm CT & Thursday, May 12 at 10 am ET / 9 am CT
Learn more about faith opportunities for youth, share ideas about what is working in your congregation, and hear what we can all do to "Grow Younger."
- **Nurturing Hope: Building a Lay Visitation Team with Rev. Micah Cavaleri, Grace, South Range**
Tuesday, May 10 at 6 pm ET / 5 pm CT & Thursday, May 12 at 4 pm ET / 3 pm CT
As Christians, we are all called to care for one another. Using *Nurturing Hope* by Lynne Baab as a framework, we will look at grace Lutheran's experiment in building a Lay visitation team.

- **Creating, Maintaining and Crossing Bridges with Sister Noreen Stevens, Minister of Word and Service**
Tuesday, May 10 at 7 pm ET / 6 pm CT and Wednesday, May 11 at 4 pm ET / 3 pm CT
 Called to serve at the intersection of church and society, ELCA Deacons create, maintain and cross bridges in their ministry. Explore the diversity of their ministries and consider other needs in God's beautiful, broken world.
- **One Size Fits Nobody: A Tiered Approach to Stewardship with Rev. Mike Markwell, Immanuel, Escanaba**
Wednesday, May 11 at 1 pm ET / 12 noon CT & Thursday, May 12 at 7 pm ET / 6 pm CT
 Does your congregation send out one stewardship letter to all your members? Take a look at a tiered approach to stewardship to better meet the needs and resources of the members in our congregations.
- **Taco, Cat, Goat, Bible, Pizza: Interpreting the Word as a Lutheran Today with Rev. Sarah Semmler Smith, Campus Pastor, Finlandia University**
Wednesday, May 11 at 7 pm ET / 6 pm CT
 Explore how ELCA Lutherans approach the Bible, and participants will walk away with a stronger sense of how to apply the Word to their daily life and values.

MAY'S MONTHLY MISSION

**IN MAY, our Monthly Mission is ELCA
Missionary Support via Superior Central**

conference. Our Superior Central Conference 8 of the Northern Great Lakes Synod seeks financial help annually for support of Pastors Mark and Cynthia Rich in their ministry of teaching at Tumaini University Makumira, an institution of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania. They are deep into the first semester of the 2021-2022 academic year. Their classes are humming along and other projects are progressing as well. They write of two classes: (1) an Intensive Student Reading Group on Race and Christian Theology, and (2) an experiment in training for congregations in Mission engagement. The Riches are still at work in Tanzania. Check out their blog page: — (<https://mcintz.wordpress.com/>).



If you wish to give to Immanuel's ELCA Missionary Support via Superior Central Conference, use the *May Monthly Mission envelope* from your offering envelope box or in some other way designate your gift. *Thank you for your generosity!*

Thank you for giving \$ 1,125.00 in April to
ELCA World Hunger.

The recipients will be richly blessed
with your generosity!
Thank you!

