Immanuel-Trinity Lutheran Church ORDER OF SERVICE

April 20 and 21, 2024 Saturday 5:30pm & Sunday 9:30am

The Prelude Welcome, Announcements and Moment of Prayer

* The Call to Worship

- P: The Good Shepherd calls us into the fold.
- C: Where divine strength and love protect us.
- P: The Good Shepherd guides us with divine wisdom and feeds us with divine abundance.
- C: We come to rest in the safety of God's realm where all creation is welcomed in joy and glory. Praise God.

The Opening Hymn "Thine Is the Glory" ELW #376

The Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. *C: And also with you.*

The Hymn of Praise "Jesus, Name Above All Names" Insert.

CCLI Song #21291 by Naida Hearn

*The Prayer of the Day (Spoken all together)

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The First Reading: Acts 4: 5-12

The Word of the Lord; Thanks be to God.

The Second Reading: 1 John 3: 16 - 24

The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Acclamation: "He Is Lord"

*The Holy Gospel: John 10:11-18

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Children's Message Sermon

The Hymn of the Day "Shepherd Me, O God" ELW #780 vs 1,2,3,

The Apostles Creed pg. 105

The Prayers of the People (Spoken all together)

P: Rejoicing in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we pray for the witness of the church, the wholeness of creation, and all who are in need.

C: Bless all who shepherd your sheep and guide them in their serving. We pray for church office staff, music and teaching staff, pastors, youth workers, and bishops. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Protect and guide first responders. military personnel, firefighters, paramedics, and police officers, and for disaster relief and crisis intervention teams. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Heal and renew all who ache for a better tomorrow. We pray for the unemployed and underemployed. We pray for all who live with chronic pain, who live with anxiety, and who are ill or hospitalized especially, ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

P: We entrust all our prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them by the power of the Holy Spirit and the love of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Offering "O Bless the Gifts" Tune: Verse only of ELW #336

Offertory Prayer (Spoken all together)

Glorious God, we know that your capacity to love is infinitely greater than our own ability. Indeed, you call us to love one another in truth and in action. We yearn to be active disciples, so that our hearts truly abide with you. Use these gifts to increase our ability to be your followers. In the name of the One who laid down his life for us, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Now let us feast this day with Christ, the bread of heaven. Hallelujah!

The Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer (Spoken all together)

Distribution of Communion

Prayer after Communion (Spoken all together)

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection, you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

May God, who has brought us from death to life, fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

The Sending Song "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!" ELW #385 vs 1,3,4

Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.

Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

5:30pm Saturday Worship Service

Scripture Reader Carla Kenas

Communion Assistants Carla Kenas and Barbara Hurtgen

9:30am Sunday Worship Service

Scripture Reader Nancy Morris

Communion Assistants Hattie and Lucy Waisanen

A MEASURE OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

April 13 & 14 5:30pm - 35 9:30am - 83 YT - 68 FB - 12 Total: 198

Announcements:

We received a note of appreciation from the school counselor at Waters Elementary for our recent donations of supplies and clothes. Thank you to all who contributed.

Aurora Medical Center, 210 Wisconsin American Drive, Fond du Lac, is celebrating the opening of their building addition on Thursday, April 25 from 4pm – 7pm. Shuttles will be picking up in the church parking lot and bringing you back. They look forward to showing you around!

We are grateful for our current helpers but we need more. Please sign-up on-line on the website, www.immanueltrinity.org to be a lector, communion assistant or an AV assistant. Look ahead and check your availability. If you have any questions, call the office, 920-921-4545.

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