

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Palm Sunday**

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April 10, 2022**

## **Prelude**

**Procession of Palms** - *The branches of palm to be carried will be distributed before the procession starts.*

**P:** We gather today as the children of the God who was made incarnate in Jesus of Nazareth, in the Name of the Father, † the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

**P:** Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

**P:** Let us pray. Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

Reading of the Word: Luke 19: 29-38

**C: Yes, indeed, 'Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven!'**

**R:** *This is the Word of the Lord.*

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

**P:** It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day, he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along the way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

## **The Processional**

*"Amazing Grace"*

1 Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found;  
Was blind, but now I see.

P: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: **Hosanna in the highest.**

R: *Let us go forth in peace.*

C: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

P: "This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God." *John 3: 19-21*

Let us be that faithful witness to the Light of God today.

C: **Let us be the faithful witness to the Light of God every time, all the time. May God help us. Amen.**

**Praise Song**                    *"This Little Light of Mine" while processing behind Pastor, Cross, and Bible*

P: Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up in joy, but first, suffered pain and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: Welcome, all, to the house of the Lord. This Holy Place is a safe harbor of Peace and Redemption for everyone without any exceptions. Let this worship experience today, as we remember Jesus' Triumphal Entrance into Jerusalem, be an encounter with his self-giving love and mercy. Let us journey with God's Son as he encounters death and hatred. Let us die with Him to our old self so we can be resurrected with Him on the Last Day.

C: **Let this be our prayer and hope. Blessed is Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.**

*We enter the Church in silence as organist plays Amazing Grace. Please remain standing.*

**Brief Order for Confession & Forgiveness**

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**Hymn**

*"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"*

**LBW # 108**

**Prayer of the Day**

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

**Reading**

**Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29**

**Gospel**

**John 12: 12-19**

**Sermon**

**Pastor Eric Miletta**

**Hymn of the Day**

*"Prepare the Royal Highway"*

**LBW # 26**

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**Announcements**

**Welcome to our worship in Jesus’ name!** Your presence in worshipping the Lord is our joy. Thank you for your faith which brings you here; please come again. Join us for coffee and fellowship in the Parish Hall between services.

**The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Will & Renee Scull**

**Attendance and Prayer Request Card** – Please complete any pertinent information. **If you do have a Prayer Request, hand it to the usher during the first hymn**, otherwise, place it in the offering plate later in the service. The attendance card is very important to having an accurate count of the services and your participation.

**Offering and Attendance on 4/10/22** was \$6,023; there were 119 members and 19 visitors signed in. Those engaging in Facebook Live during the service and throughout the week total 118 viewers.

**Holy Communion: All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the Sacrament are welcome to join us at the Lord’s table.** Come forward at the direction of the usher. If you are unable to come forward to receive the Sacrament, please let the usher know, and the Sacrament will be brought to you. **Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are also available;** let the pastor or communion assistant know of your need as you are served. Any who have not been instructed in the Sacrament may come forward to receive a blessing.

**The Nursery Room / Cry Room** We are looking for volunteers of all ages to cover the nursery for the 8:00 am and 10:30 am services; please let us know if you can help. We are hoping to have enough volunteers to reopen the nursery / cry room on a weekly basis.

## THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

<b>Sun</b>	8:45a	Coffee & Fellowship – PH Sunday School/Confirmation – PH
	10:00a	Worship with Holy Communion – S
<b>Mon</b>	<b>6:00p</b>	<b>Council Meeting – P</b>
<b>Thur</b>	5:15p	Bell Choir Practice - A
	<b>7:00p</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday Service - S</b>
<b>Fri</b>	10:00a	La Vernia Cross Walk at the LV City Park
	<b>7:00p</b>	<b>Good Friday Tenebrae Service – S</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>7:00</b>	<b>Easter Sunrise Service – S</b>
	<b>8:30</b>	<b>Sr. High Youth's Annual Pancake Breakfast – PH</b>
	<b>9:30</b>	<b>Easter Egg Hunt – Church Grounds</b>
	<b>10:30</b>	<b>Easter Resurrection Service – S</b>

PH – Parish Hall, P – Parsonage, A – Annex, S – Sanctuary

**The Church Council Meeting is on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Parsonage.**

**Financial Reports will be due for April** – All ministry groups are now required to submit quarterly reports – **April, July, October, and January**. If you have questions, please contact the Council President.

**Women's Retreat** – Please contact Chrystal Coble for more information if you might be interested in attending the Women's gathering in Rosenberg on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Registration forms can be found as you enter the church.

**Sewing Circle** – The ladies will meet on **Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>** at 9:00 AM instead of the usual 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month.

**Newsletter** – Please submit your articles and photos to the office by **the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month** to have the newsletter ready in time. Share what's happening in your group!

**Day Camp will take place the week of June 13 -17;** youth helpers are needed to assist the Cross Trails staff. Please let the office know if you are interested in volunteering or donating toward the expenses.

**VBS** – Plans are underway now for our summer Vacation Bible School, **June 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022** from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. This year's theme is MONUMENTAL – Celebrating God's Greatness. Sign up the kids online at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/d41784> There is a sign-up sheet in the church's narthex if you would like to volunteer to help. If you have any questions or would like to help, contact Rebe Peshorn or Renee Scull.

**VBS Volunteer Meeting** - There will be VBS volunteer meeting April 24, 2022, immediately after the second service. If you have any questions or would like to help, contact Rebe Peshorn or Renee Scull.

**Outreach Ministry** – Help us share the Word of God and what is happening here at Immanuel. Consider becoming a Facebook Live operator on Sunday mornings, newsletter article writer or photographer, or posting content on FB for us.

## OUR PRAYER LIST

**Those in our congregation:** Larry Bailey, *Yvonne Beran*, Willie Jean Boeck, Kyle Ferguson, Mary Ann Mattke, Ronnie Moore – *that his MRI test results are positive, Phyllis Stensgaard, and Martha Trotter.*

**Those in our community:** (will remain on list for three weeks unless otherwise instructed) Virginia Babcock, Ivy Baumann, Baby Berkowsky and parents, Chris Bozeman, John Briscoe, Rodney Brown, Susan Bruno, Jay Bullington, Gordon Coble, Pennye DUEwall, Jim Ellis, CJ Lambeck, Chelsey Lyssy, Kathy Markgraf, Austin Murray, Collins Ortmann, *Edna Otto*, Teresa Plesek, Geary Ransom, Carl (Kip) Richter, Russell Smith, Charlene Stacy, Sasha Tralka, Alene Wanek, Billy Willeford, Leemarie, *Maggen, Robert, Gerald, and the Kairos Central Texas prison ministry.*

**For those grieving:** *The family of Paul Mattke*

**For peace, understanding, & acceptance for all:**

**For those affected by war & natural disasters:**

**For our building project:**

**For our country and for world peace:**

**For those affected by COVID, cancer & other illnesses:**

**For those serving in military service here and abroad:** Brian Alderson, Thomas Elder, Stephen Ferry, Eric Koepp, Stephan Mattke, Nathan Pianfetti, Farrah Schluter, Larkin Tremaine, Ashley Trompeter, and Michael Troy, Jr.

# Holy Week & Easter Schedule

<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	<b>April 14</b>	7:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Service
<b>Good Friday</b>	<b>April 15</b>	10:00 AM	La Vernia Cross Walk at LV City Park
		7:00 PM	Tenebrae Service of Darkness
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	<b>April 17</b>	7:00 AM	Easter Sunrise Service with Holy Communion
		8:30 AM	Sr. High Youth's Annual Pancake Breakfast
		9:30 AM	Easter Egg Hunt
		10:30 AM	Easter Service with Holy Communion

## Easter Lilies

Order Easter lilies to beautify the Sanctuary on Easter morning for \$10 until Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. Please make your check payable to the *Immanuel Lutheran Church Women.*

## Easter Cross

Bring freshly cut flowers to decorate the cross in front of the church on Easter morning.

## Welcome to our New Members received by Affirmation of Baptism

**Juan, Cynthia, and Giovanna Baez Lopez** - Cynthia, Juan, and Giovanna have been assisting our music ministry.

**Jameson, Brittany and Brynn Baker** – Jameson, Brittany, and Brynn are friends of Jacy & Robert Reeves.

**Bradly, Heather, Bowen and Lillie Bales** – Bradly, Heather, Bowen, and Lillie are related to the late Bernie & LaDonna Bloch.

**Jesse Jefferson** – Jesse is married to Donna. He likes to volunteer at the Christmas Market and attends the Men of Immanuel breakfasts and projects.

**Mark Kunnemann** – Mark comes with Marie Becker to church and has been a vendor along with his wife Fawn at our Christmas Market. He recently helped with the ramp build in Kenedy.

**Vernon and CJ Lambeck** – Vernon and CJ have decided to join because her daughter, Jacy, belongs to our church.

**Wayne, Wanda and Travis Mabry** – Wayne, Wanda, and Travis live in Adkins and want a home church nearby.

**Betty Maultsby** – Betty is Heather Bales mother and daughter of the late Bernie & LaDonna Bloch.

**Kelly and Jacque Miller** – Kelly and Jacque are Jameson and Brittany Baker's in-laws; they have enjoyed worshiping with us recently. We welcome the whole family today.

**Joyce Bloch Miller** – Joyce is Bernie & LaDonna Bloch's daughter; she wants to come back!

**Katie, Joshua and Regan Smithpeter** – Katie, Joshua, and Regan are Renee Scull's sister, nephew, and niece.

**Dan and Karen Spinuzzi** – Dan and Karen have recently moved to LaVernia from Colorado where they also attended Immanuel Lutheran Church

### This week's NALC devotions: April 10 – April 16

#### Sunday

▪ Zechariah 12:9-11; 13:1, 7-9 ▪ 1 Timothy 6:12-16 ▪ Luke 19:41-48 ▪ Psalms 84 & 150 (AM) ▪ Psalms 42 & 32 (PM)

#### Monday

▪ Lamentations 1:1-2, 6-12 ▪ 2 Corinthians 1:1-7 ▪ Mark 11:12-25 ▪ Psalms 119:73-80 & 145 (AM) ▪ Psalms 121 & 6 (PM)

#### Tuesday

▪ Lamentations 1:17-22 ▪ 2 Corinthians 1:8-22 ▪ Mark 11:27-33 ▪ Psalms 34 & 146 (AM) ▪ Psalms 25 & 91 (PM)

#### Wednesday

▪ Lamentations 2:1-9 ▪ 2 Corinthians 1:23-2:11 ▪ Mark 12:1-11 ▪ Psalms 5 & 147:1-12 (AM) ▪ Psalms 27 & 51 (PM)

#### Thursday

▪ Lamentations 2:10-18 ▪ 1 Corinthians 10:14-17; 11:27-32 ▪ Mark 14:12-25 ▪ Psalms 27 & 147:13-21 (AM) ▪ Psalms 126 & 102 (PM)

#### Friday

▪ Lamentations 3:1-9, 19-33 ▪ 1 Peter 1:10-20 ▪ John 19:38-42 ▪ Psalms 22 & 148 (AM) ▪ Psalms 105 & 130 (PM)

#### Saturday

▪ Lamentations 3:37-58 ▪ Hebrews 4:1-16 ▪ Romans 8:1-11 ▪ Psalms 43 & 149 (AM) ▪ Psalms 23 & 114 (PM)