

Season of Easter Theme



During Jesus Ministry and after his resurrection, Jesus met people around the table and shared food with them. In fact, some followers only recognize the Risen Jesus after he eats something! You probably know that some of the best conversation and connection happens around tables—coffee tables, family dinner tables, backyard BBQs with friends, holiday feasts, the list goes on. Controversy followed Jesus, not so much but *what* he was eating, but *who* dined with him. Who has a place waiting for them at *your* table?

Podcast Series: A Longer Table

In this podcast we consider not just what's on our tables, but also who has a place set for them. In each episode, we will gather around a table and chat with some folks who know a thing or two about creating spaces where relationships can be built and wisdom shared across differences that often divide us. Episodes will post every Wednesday through the Season of Easter.

*You're a part of this conversation too!
There's a place for you as we build together, a longer table.*

Welcome to Worship at Immanuel
Easter 7—May 12, 2024
10 am

Gathering

Prelude

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Song of Mercy: "Kyrie" (ELW 157)

Song of Mercy: "Now the Feast" (ELW 167)

Apostolic Greeting

Prayer of the Day

The Word

Readings:

Acts 1:1-5

Psalm 1

1 John 5:9-13

Gospel Acclamation: "Gospel Verse" (NTFaC)

John 17:6-19

Children's Message

Sermon

Pastor Molly Sasser-Goehner

Song of the Day: "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" (ELW 815)

Prayers of the People

Sharing of the Peace

Offering /Song

"As the Grains of Wheat" (ELW 465)

Offering Prayer

The Meal

The Great Thanksgiving

Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy (ELW 191)

Eucharistic Prayer

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer (spoken, traditional)

Communion & Songs: "Lamb of God" (NTFaC))

"Nailed to the Cross" (Rend Collective)

Post-Communion Blessing

Prayer After Communion

The Sending

Ministry Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song

"Christ is Risen! Alleluia!" (ELW 382 v.1,3,4)

Dismissal

Welcome to Immanuel!

Are you visiting? Please fill out a yellow card from the pew racks and place it in the offering plate so we can reach out to you. The purple pew cards are for electronic giving.

Communion

While the meal of the baptized, Christ is the host and welcomes all. The promise “given and shed for you” requires a simple trusting heart. Those not receiving may come up for a blessing. White grape juice and gluten/dairy free bread is available. Please contact the pastors for further conversation about Baptism and Communion.

Worship Assistance

Assisted listening devices, earphones, and reading glasses are available. Ask an usher for assistance.

Children

We welcome children of all ages to our services. Busy Bags for kids are available from the ushers. Toys are in the family area by the Luther Wall. Children may bring their offering forward to place in the little white church by the altar.

For prayer requests, visitation or a ride to church please contact the church office.

Welcome Statement

Immanuel Lutheran Church is committed to seeing Christ in everyone. We are rooted and united in Christ. We grow by acknowledging and embracing our differences. We celebrate our human family’s diversity of sexuality, gender identity, marital status, race, ethnicity, age, faith story, economic status, physical and mental ability, education, and the many other identities that make our community beautiful. All people are invited to grow with us toward greater love, understanding, and mutual respect - seeing Christ in everyone.

Immanuel is a Reconciling Works Congregation

We advocate for the full welcome, inclusion, and equity of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and asexual/aromantic (LGBTQIA+) Lutherans in all aspects of the life of their Church, congregations, and community.

Please join us for refreshments after worship.

Announcements

Quilting No Quilting May 16; we will resume meeting on Thursday, May 23 at 9:30 am.

What is Christian Nationalism Study This 3—part series will answer the questions, “What is Christian Nationalism”, and “How should Christians respond to it?” Sundays, June 9, 16, and 23 at 11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. or Wednesdays, June 12, 19, 26 7 p.m.

Grad recognition on Sunday, May 19 during worship. If any members are graduating, either High School, College, or other degrees, please send Sonja (sonja@imluchurch.org) the following information by May 10: Name, degree and where you are graduating from, other activities involved with, future plans and a photo of the graduate. Also, please let her know if you will be in attendance that day.

Volunteer Opportunities Are you interested in volunteering? Many opportunities exist, including construction, yard work, fellowship serving, and worship assistants. Sign up via the Immanuel Website to join.

Red Cross Blood Drive Save the Date for Thursday, May 23 from 10 am to 3 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up via the Red Cross website or link through the QR code.



Pardon Our Dust No work this week. We will resume working on the dish room on Monday, May 20 from 9-3, and will continue to meet MTW through June. Stop by if you are able to help!



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At Immanuel
Participants and volunteers needed!

June 17-20, 9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Sign up online or

Contact Sonja Wolsky Sonja@imluchurch.org.

Dough for Daily Bread Bike Ride/Run/Walk

June 23 – Ft. Peck – Wolf Point

June 29 – Bozeman to Livingston

July 13 – Hamilton to Missoula

Sign up for one or both. To benefit the ELCA Montana Synod Hunger Fund. Entry is \$60 for your first event and \$25 for each subsequent event. Thank you for your participation in this important ministry! It has been the work of a team from across Montana, with people from each location working to set up our bike rides/runs/walks. To register or for more information please contact Brenda Frelsi at bfrelsi@montanasynod.org.



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