# + *Jubilate* + The Fourth Sunday of Easter

+Sunday, May 3, 2020 +



# **▼ Emmanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, Soest ▼**

9909 Wayne Trace, Fort Wayne, IN, 46816 Worship Services: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

### Those Who Wait on the Lord Shall Rejoice

The people of God are pilgrims and sojourners in this world, looking ahead to a destination yet to come (1 Peter 2:11–20). Though we are now children of God, the fullness of what we shall be has not yet been revealed (1 John 3:1–3). We are those who wait on the Lord. "The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him" (Lam. 3:25). Jesus tells us that the wait is just a little while. "A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me" (John 16:16). Though you must experience sorrow for a time, though you must live as strangers in a world that is at enmity with Christ, yet your sorrow will be turned to joy when He returns. "But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength" (Is. 40:31). The little while of weeping shall be replaced with an eternity of rejoicing in the presence of Christ the crucified and risen Savior. "And no one will take your joy from you" (John 16:22).

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# **♣ DIVINE SERVICE IV ♣ (WITHOUT COMMUNION)**



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#### **★ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION ★**

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **©** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- **⚠** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives You all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I Therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### **★ SERVICE OF THE WORD ★**

## **INTROIT** (Congregation speaks bold)

- P Shout for joy to God, all the earth. Alleluia.
  Sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise! Alleluia.
- Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
  So great is Your power that Your enemies come cringing to You."
- P Come and see what God has done: He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.
- © Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of His praise be heard,
- P who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P Shout for joy to God, all the earth. Alleluia. Sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise! Alleluia.

#### **KYRIE**



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

#### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**



- **C** 1 To God on high be glo ry And peace to all the earth; 2 To You, O sole-be got ten, The Fa ther's Son, we pray;
  - 3 For You a-lone are ho ly; You on ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth! O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way. For - ev - er and for - ev - er. Be wor-shiped and a - dored:



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

#### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, You show those in error the light of Your truth so that they may return to the way of righteousness. Grant faithfulness to all who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's Church that they may avoid whatever is contrary to their confession and follow all such things as are pleasing to You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Sit)

#### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Lamentations 3:22-33

<sup>22</sup>The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; <sup>23</sup>they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. <sup>24</sup>"The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." <sup>25</sup>The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. <sup>26</sup>It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. <sup>27</sup>It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. <sup>28</sup>Let him sit alone in silence when it is laid on him; <sup>29</sup>let him put his mouth in the dust— there may yet be hope; <sup>30</sup>let him give his cheek to the one who strikes, and let him be filled with insults. <sup>31</sup>For the Lord will not cast off forever, <sup>32</sup>but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; <sup>33</sup>for he does not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men.

P This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE 1 John 3:1-3

<sup>1</sup>See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

P This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

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#### ALLELUIA AND VERSE



HOLY GOSPEL John 16:16-22

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

## C Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>16</sup>"A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." <sup>17</sup>So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" <sup>18</sup>So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." <sup>19</sup>Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'? <sup>20</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. <sup>21</sup>When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. <sup>22</sup>So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to You, O Christ.

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen

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#### **SERMON**

(Stand)





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#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(After each petition:)

- **P** Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

#### CLOSING COLLECT

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, heavenly Father, give us grace to trust You during this time of illness and distress. In mercy put an end to the epidemic that afflicts us. Grant relief to those who suffer, and comfort all that mourn. Sustain all medical personnel in their labors, and cause Your people ever to serve You in righteousness and holiness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

#### BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- P The Lord bless you and keep you.

  The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

  The Lord look upon you with favor and 

  → give you peace.
- C Amen.

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# The Congregation at Prayer

#### For our Shut-in members:

Vi B., Sharon B., Robert B., Jake & Arlene B., Ida G., Ned & Ruth K., Robert M., Ruth M., Alice S., Louva H. and June S.

*For all others in our prayers this week:* 

DeWayne D., Wilmer R., Jim B., Rick S., Cindy H., Aaron L. and Paul G. – continued recovery

Malinda S., Mary B., Millie R., Larry S., Bob S. (Lora A.'s father), Philip B, (Katherine H's father), Karl H. (Josh H's uncle) and Ryan B. – health issues

David S., Tony F. and Mike M. (Michelle B's father), Bill T. (Mary H's brother-in-law), Diane D.— cancer treatments

Zach and Amber E. - blessings on a new son, Colin, born on April 20th

**Chris S.**– healing for ankle injury

**Kenneth H.** – recovering from open heart surgery

Marilyn W.'s sister, Priscilla – recovering from surgery

Jim M. -- hospitalized

