

### Immanuel Lutheran Church

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# The Third Sunday of Easter

11 a.m., Sunday April 14, 2024

arm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church! We are honored and delighted that you are here and hope that you will return. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com) or speak with Pastor Carol Fryer (ceafryer@gmail.com) or with Pastor Lara Bhasin (lara.bhasin@tsm.edu).

> In Christ, Gregory Fryer

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

### Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting Two

+ Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863. We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC).

+ A hint about acoustics: you will be able to hear the cantors and organ better if you sit toward the front half of the church. The overhanging choir balcony obscures some of the beauty of the music for those sitting under it.

PRELUDE Alléluias sereins d'une âme qui désire le ciel Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

#### THE BELLS

#### Please stand as the minister approaches the center aisle.

#### BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- **P** In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen
- Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### **G** Amen

■ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

#### Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- Most merciful God,
- We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

### The Entrance Rite

With High Delight Let Us Unite

MIT FREUDEN ZART

### With High Delight Let Us Unite



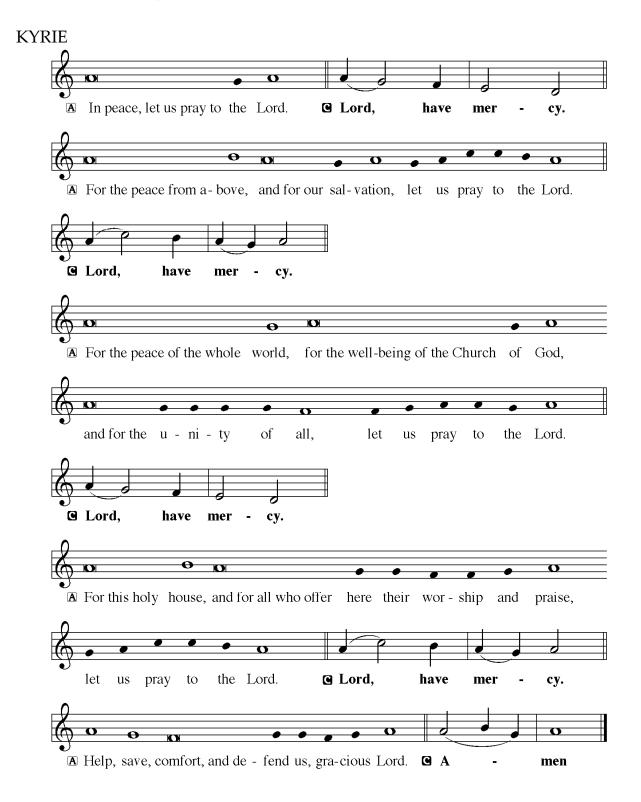
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- EASTER GREETING
- **P** Christ is risen! Alleluia.
- **G** He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

#### APOSTOLIC GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- **G** And also with you.



This Is the Feast



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- O God, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world, rescuing us from the hopelessness of death. Grant your faithful people a share in the joys that are eternal; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **G** Amen
- Sit

### The Liturgy of the Word of God

<sup>11</sup>While he clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's Portico, utterly astonished. <sup>12</sup>When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? <sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, <sup>15</sup>and you

**A** The word of the Lord.

killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

<sup>17</sup>"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup>In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. <sup>19</sup>Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out, <sup>20</sup>so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord..."

#### **G** Thanks be to God.



Cantors <sup>1</sup>Answer me when I call, O God, defender | of my cause;\* you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and | hear my prayer.

#### All <sup>2</sup>"You mortals, how long will you dishon- | or my glory;\* how long will you worship dumb idols and run af- | ter false gods?"

Cantors <sup>3</sup>Know that the LORD does wonders | for the faithful;\* when I call upon the LORD, | he will hear me.

All <sup>4</sup>Tremble, then, and | do not sin;\* speak to your heart in silence up- | on your bed.

- Cantors <sup>5</sup>Offer the appointed | sacrifices,\* and put your trust | in the LORD.
- All <sup>6</sup>Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see | better times!"\* Lift up the light of your countenance upon | us, O LORD.

Cantors <sup>7</sup>You have put gladness | in my heart,\* more than when grain and wine and | oil increase. All <sup>8</sup>I lie down in peace; at once I | fall asleep;\*

for only you, LORD, make me | dwell in safety.

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

<sup>4</sup>Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup>No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

A The word of the Lord.C Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Alleluia Verse and the reading of the Holy Gospel.



HOLY GOSPEL .....Luke 24:35-48, NRSV

#### Before the Gospel:

▶ The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the Twenty-fourth Chapter:



<sup>35</sup>Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread. <sup>36</sup>While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

<sup>37</sup>They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup>He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup>Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." <sup>40</sup>And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup>While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" <sup>42</sup>They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup>and he took it and ate in their presence. <sup>44</sup>Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you-- that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things.

After the Gospel:

**₽** The Gospel of the Lord!

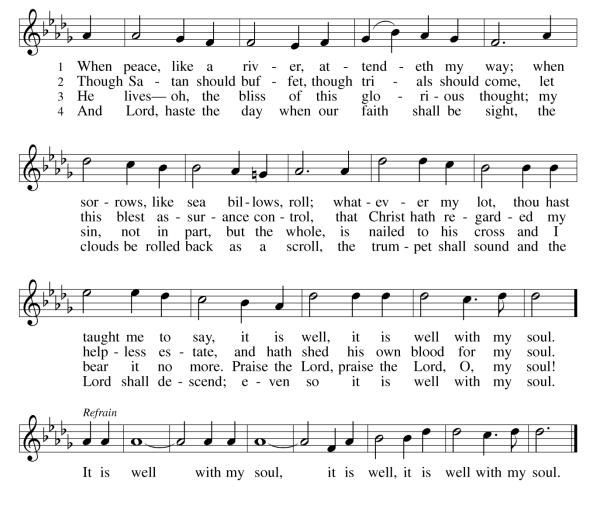


Continue to stand for the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN LBW 346

When Peace, like a River IT IS WELL, VILLE DU HAVRE

When Peace, like a River



Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888 Music: VILLE DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876

#### SERMON

At the start of the sermon, the minister says and the people answer:

- **ℙ** Christ is risen! Alleluia!
- **G** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

At the end of the sermon, the minister repeats:

**P** Christ is risen! Alleluia!

#### **G** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Silence for reflection, and then stand.

#### APOSTLES' CREED

**G** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

INTERCESSIONS

### The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

#### GREETING OF PEACE

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **G** And also with you.

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Sit

*The Eucharistic Bread and Wine are moved from the credence table to the altar. The congregation remains in the pews until the Distribution of the Sacrament.* 

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J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

#### Offertory

Verleih uns frieden gnädiglich, Herr Gott! zu unsern zeiten Es ist doch ja kein ander nicht, Der für uns könnte streiten, Denn du unser Gott alleine.

Gib unserm Land und aller Obrigkeit Fried' und gut Regiment, daß wir unter Ihnen ein christlich, ehrbar, geruhig Leben führen mögen, In aller Gottseligkeit und Wahrheit. Graciously grant us peace Lord God, in our time; there is no one else who could fight for us except you ,our God, alone.

Grant to our princes and those in authority peace and good government so that we under them may lead a calm and peaceful life in all godliness and respectability.

Amen.

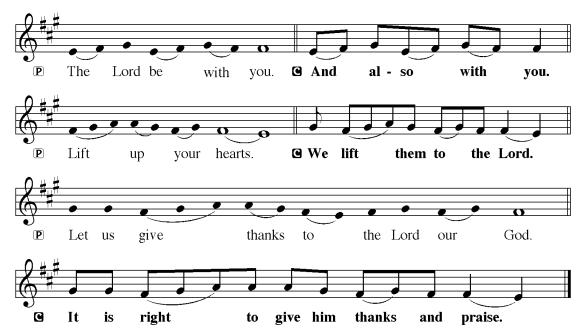
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#### Offertory Prayer

Amen.

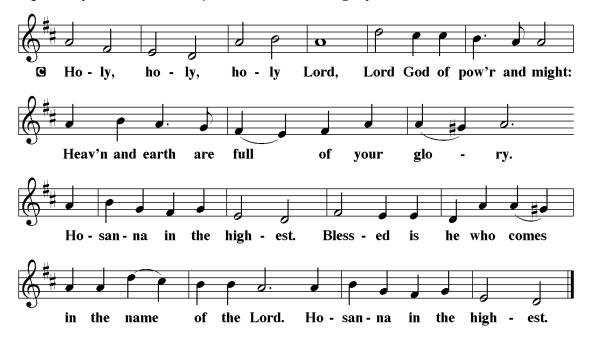
- A Merciful Father,
- **G** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



#### Preface for Easter

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and ever-living God. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising has brought us to eternal life. And so with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### Eucharistic Prayer II

You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

#### **G** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

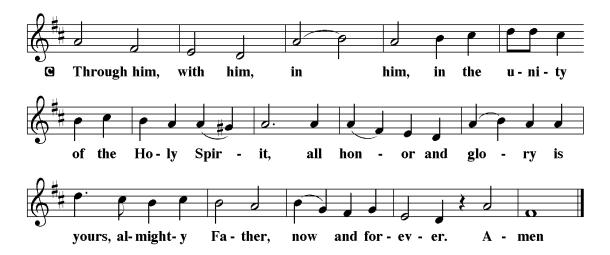
P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly on this day we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

#### G Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

#### **G** Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Doin our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

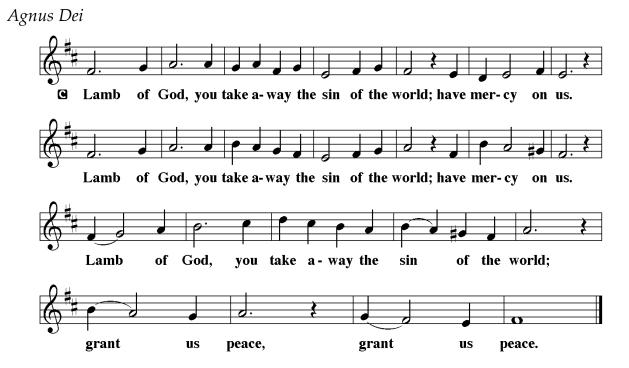


#### The Lord's Prayer

• 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.

#### THE FRACTION. *The host is broken*.



#### THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home, worshiping online with us, here is a possible "Prayer for Spiritual Communion" lifted up in *Forum Letter* (May 2020). *Forum Letter* is a respected Lutheran newsletter published by the American Lutheran Publicity Bureau:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

| HYMN LBW 496 | Around You, O Lord Jesus | O JESU, ÄN DE DINA |
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#### Around You, O Lord Jesus



Text: Frans Mikael Franzén, 1772–1847; tr. composite Music: O JESU, ÄN DE DINA, H. Thomissön, *Den danske Psalmebog*, 1569 Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress

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#### Stand

#### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

HYMN LBW 135

*The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done (Next page)* 

VICTORY



Text: Symphonia Sirenum, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832–1909 Music: VICTORY, Giovanni P. da Palestrina, 1525–1594, adapt.

#### DISMISSAL

- **A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.

#### POSTLUDE

Transports de Joie

Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

# Parish Announcements

- + LOOKING AHEAD, our Choirmaster and Organist, Zac Schurman, is set for his graduate recital this Friday, April 19th at 7 pm, at the grand organ of St. Ignatius Loyola. Music of Bach, Messiaen, Brahms, and Duruflé. St. Ignatius Church is nearby: Park Avenue and East 83/84 Streets. Welcome!
- + About Today's PARAMENTS AND VESTMENTS. Today's dazzling white paraments shout the news He is Risen!
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# Service Notes

| Choirmaster and Organist        | Zac Schurman                                 |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Cantors                         | Teresa Castillo, Kerrigan Bigelow, Tony Beck |
| Greeters/Ushers                 | Luz Ortiz and Jazo Ichikawa                  |
| Crucifer                        | Matthias Bhasin                              |
| Altar Guild                     | Ester and Eric Neubacher                     |
| Live stream                     | Jeff Rudat and Chris Siverd                  |
| Lector                          | Maria Barbera                                |
| Preacher and Assisting Minister | Rev. Lara Bhasin                             |
| Presiding Minister              | Rev. Gregory P. Fryer                        |

## Intercessions

FAIRLY NEW TO THE PRAYER LIST: Edna Szmodis, Jazo Ichikawa, Jonathan Jenkins and Judy McKee (friends of Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer), Dorothy Leung and Dakota Chin (family to Priscilla O'Carroll), Wolfgang Hahn, Richard Ortiz, his wife, Maria, and their daughter, Damaris (Richard is Luz Ortiz's cousin), Edna Szmodis, Carole Smith, Davida Goldman, Clifford Rose, Susan McIntosh (Richard McIntosh's sister), Stephen and Jean Fischer, Sally Graudons

### Some Notes on Our Church Nave and Liturgy

- Our congregation is one of the historic Lutheran churches in town, going back to the middle of the Civil War, 1863.
  We are a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC).
  The national bishop of the NALC is Rev. Daniel Selbo.
- + You might be interested to hear about our reredos — the wooden altarpiece at the front of our church. It was hand carved by artists in Germany's Black Forest. The left statue is Moses, with the Ten Commandments in his left arm and the two horn-like rays of light shining forth from his face after his encounter with the Lord on Mt. Sinai (Exodus 34:29-30). The right-hand statue is St. John the Evangelist, with a quill pen in his hand and an eagle at his feet. And the center statue is Jesus Christ, the personal unity and the most perfect meaning of the Law (Moses) and the Gospel (St. John).
- Our painting of the Transfiguration of Our Lord, above the reredos, pays tribute to the founding liturgy of our congregation, Transfiguration Sunday, February 11, 1863. Our painting shows Jesus, Moses, and Elijah elevated above the ground, so that at first glance you might think that it is a painting of the Ascension. But the saintly company with Jesus — Moses and Elijah on either side, with Peter, James, and John fallen down in awe at the sight point to the Transfiguration. Heaven

knows and gives credit to the anonymous painter of our painting, but we note that it is in the style of Raphael's painting of *The Transfiguration* (1517-1520). Raphael also placed Jesus, Moses, and Elijah elevated above the disciples.

- + Our church windows were installed in 1973 and constitute a visual meditation on an ancient hymn of the Church, the *Te Deum*. Pamphlets are available in the rear of the church explaining the windows one by one.
- + Our church bells, named *Glaube*, *Hoffnung*, and *Liebe* for Faith, Hope, and Love, were a gift from German Empress Augusta Viktoria.
- + A hint about acoustics: you will be able to hear the choir and organ better if you sit toward the front half of the church. The overhanging choir balcony obscures some of the beauty of the music for those sitting under it.
- + Our worship book is the green hymnal, the *Lutheran Book of Worship* ("LBW"). This book contains both liturgies and hymns, with liturgies in the first half and hymns in the second. Sometimes we include hymns from *With One Voice* ("WOV") or from *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* ("ELW").
- + If you have a cell phone, please silence it for the liturgy. And please finish coffee or other drinks out in the narthex rather than in the main nave.

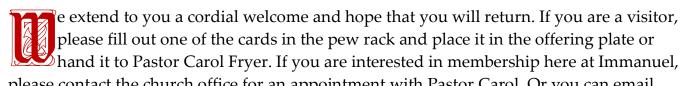
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| LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION           | 11 a.m. Sundays                           |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION              | 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays                      |
| SUNDAY SCHOOL                       | 10 a.m. Sundays                           |
| BIBLE STUDY Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. in | the Martin Luther Room and Zoom           |
| PARISH SECRETARY                    | Karen Katz-Shea                           |
| SEXTON                              | Gerry Britton                             |
| PARISH BOOKKEEPER                   | Charles Derderian                         |
| ORGANIST AND CHOIRMASTER            | Zac Schurman                              |
| CANTOR                              | Olivia Ericsson <u>oliviaer@umich.edu</u> |
| SEMINARY INTERN                     | Vicar Lara Bhasin                         |
| PASTORAL ASSOCIATE                  | Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer                    |
| PASTOR                              | Rev. Gregory P. Fryer                     |

#### Some Parish Ministry Opportunities:

| CHOIR          | Organist and Choirmaster Zac Schurman |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|
|                | zac.schurman@juilliard.edu            |
| MEALS ON HEELS |                                       |



please contact the church office for an appointment with Pastor Carol. Or you can email her at ceafryer@gmail.com.

- + HOLY COMMUNION is offered to all baptized Christians who have been instructed in the Church's faith, who confess it with us (as in the Creeds), and who may in good conscience receive the Sacrament in keeping with the understanding with which it is celebrated here: namely, that the Body and Blood of Christ are truly present in the consecrated bread and wine and are distributed to and received by all who commune.
- + IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS ILL, hospitalized, homebound, or otherwise in need of the ministry of the Church, let us know. Please call one of the Pastors (212-289-8128) or email them: gpfryer@gmail.com or ceafryer@gmail.com.
- + We mean for PRIVATE CONFESSION to be available as often as you need. Please call one of the Pastors (212-289-8128) or email them: gpfryer@gmail.com or ceafryer@gmail.com.

- + LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING WITH OIL FOR THE SICK is available. Again, simply contact either Pastor Fryer.
- + FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: There is a long line of Christians, both rich and poor, who have disciplined themselves to budget a portion of their income, put it into an offering envelope first thing, and give it to the church. Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer live by that tradition and commend it to you. Online giving is also available through our website, or by following this QR code with your phone camera:

