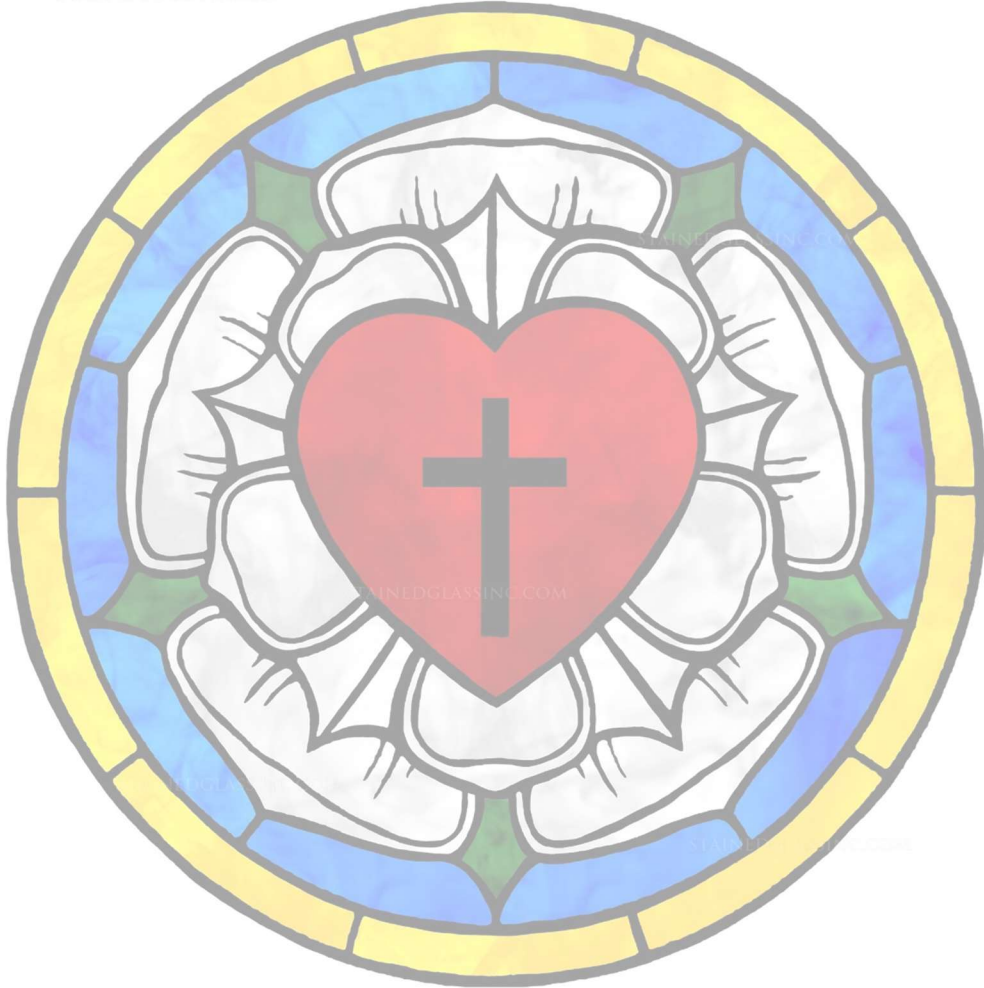


INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ Sixth Sunday of Easter ✠ May 9th, 2021

To facilitate our safe worship together, please follow all guidelines set forth by church staff; remain six feet away from others at all times, wear a mask, and if you are considered high-risk, or have an immediate family member in isolation or quarantine, please stay home and join us via Facebook for Worship at 10am. Bulletins, Communion cups, hand sanitizer, and extra masks are available at the entrance.



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GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY

Prayer to the Virgin Mary

Leon Boellmann

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Please stand as able.

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life, from tears to joy. We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in the grace-filled waters of rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth, like streams that revive our souls, like cups of cool water shared with strangers. Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear. Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness. Send us companions on our journey as we share your life. Make us one, risen Christ. Cleanse our hearts. Shower us with life. To you be given all praise, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, now and forever.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: ELW 735

The congregation is invited to sing.

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth

NORWICH

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE p. 149

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Acts 10:44-48

⁴⁴While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷"Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who

have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 98

- ¹Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.
- ²O LORD, you have made known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.
- ³You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- ⁴Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- ⁵Sing to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.
- ⁶With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the king, the LORD.
- ⁷Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,
the world and those who dwell therein.
- ⁸Let the rivers clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.
- ⁹The LORD will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

SECOND READING: 1 John 5:1-6

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: p. 151

GOSPEL: John 15:9-17

Please stand as able.

Before the Reading: The Holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ⁹“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

After the Reading: The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Emily Willhide

ORGAN MEDITATION:

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Caterina Assandra
(17th century)

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

Please stand as able.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition concludes “*Lord, in your mercy.*” We respond: “**hear our prayer.**”

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERTORY:

My Lady Carey's Dompe

Anon. British
(16th century)

OFFERING PRAYER

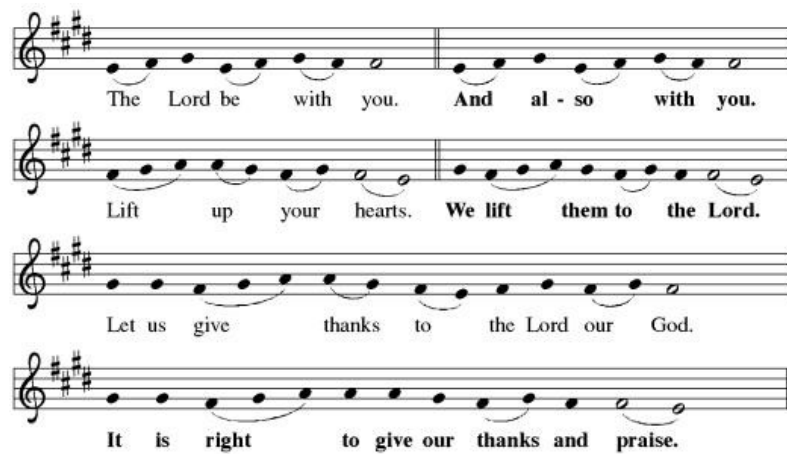
Please stand as able.

God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The congregation is invited to sing.



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE p.153

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY p.153

The congregation is invited to sing.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE p.130

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God. Welcome to the table of the Lord.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

Please be seated.

LAMB OF GOD p.154

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus.

The God of life, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN: ELW 880

The congregation is invited to sing.

O God beyond All Praising

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DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

VOLUNTARY

Domine Jesu

Jeanne Demessieux

Join us in the Memorial Garden for Distanced Donuts. (Weather permitting.)

Announcements

We are aware of continuing sound issues in the sanctuary and are working towards a solution. We will provide periodic updates as we get new information.

Worship and Music will be meeting Sunday, May 16th after worship.

Property Committee will be meeting Sunday, May 16th after worship.

Pentecost and Rite of Confirmation Sunday is Sunday, May 23rd. Please remember to wear red.

Graduate Recognition Sunday is Sunday, May 30th. If you or your family has had a significant transition or graduation, please let the office know so we can recognize them.

Wednesdays at noon, Incarnation will be hosting a short devotional Bible study. Bible study will be held over Zoom and the office will email out the link for the meeting each Wednesday morning.

Handbell Choir will be meeting Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

Adult Choir will be meeting Sunday at 9 a.m. before service.

South Carolina LCY Events are online this year! The Middle School event is right around the corner, if you're interested in participating contact Savannah or check out the E-Blast for the sign up link!

Distanced Donuts will be hosted weekly (weather permitting) after worship. If you would like to supply donuts, please contact Savannah at youth@incarnationlutheran.com.

Do you want to join Incarnation? If so, please contact the office at office@incarnationlutheran.com so that we can gather your contact information and reach out to you.

Prayer List

Current: The Family of Sara Sutton, Raymond Turner, Lynne McCartha, Laura Pfefferkorn, all those caring for elderly parents, and all those that are home bound.

Continuing: Bill Ashe, Ed Skinner, Lily Hoffman, Emily Prince, Gary Todd, Ann Ford, Jenny Gantt, David Wood, and all those that are quarantined and suffering from COVID-19.

Military: Michael Willhide, Mike Turner, (Mavis Turner's son), Hilary Compton, (Kim Yerrick's niece), Tyler Owens, (Kim Yerrick's nephew).

Online Giving!

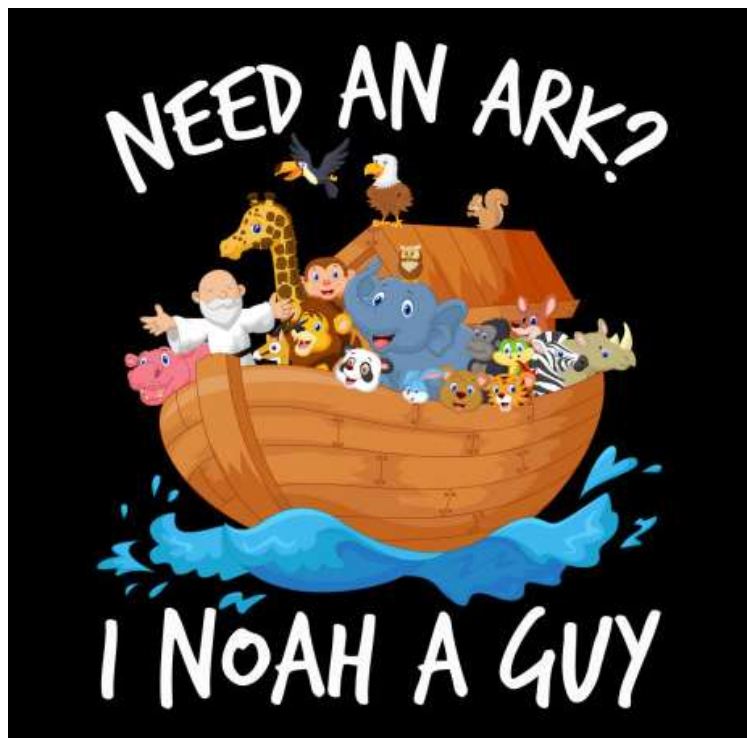
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	Actual	Plan	Difference
Last Week	\$3,614	\$5,000	\$1,386-
Year-to-Date	\$71,645	\$90,000	\$18,355-