

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

May 10, 2026

10:30 a.m.



We welcome you to Immanuel. As we worship together let us rejoice in the love that God has shown us in Jesus Christ and share that love with each other.

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Pastor: Leah Stolte-Doerfler

Reader: Neil MacInnes

Pianist: Deborah Butler

Musicians/Song Leaders: Rich Budd, Mark Dickman, Nancy Dickman, Norm English, Marsa Terrell & Doug Yancey

Flowers today are provided by Sandy Donovan

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Today's hymns are projected on the screen.

Please stand as you are able where the asterisk (*) appears.

Prelude

PL **Welcome**

PL **Mission Statement: We commit to welcome, accept and encourage all people as we follow Jesus.**

Kid's Time

Pastor Leah Stolte-Doerfler

GATHERING

*Call to Worship

PL We gather to celebrate the God of wonder and majesty!

C Awesome God, help us to worship you in spirit and in truth.

PL We gather to celebrate Jesus Christ, who was dead and buried, and now risen indeed!

C Jesus, renew our hope in your great power and love.

PL We gather to celebrate the Holy Spirit, our promised advocate, comforter and guide!

C Come Holy Spirit! Fill us with your presence and peace.

PL We gather to celebrate the ancient hope of Christians:

C God is with us and will never let us go.

***Opening Hymn** "God is Here! As We His People" vs. 1-3 HS #777

**Greeting

PL From God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, One God: grace and peace be with you all.

C And also with you.

*The Kyrie

PL *Prayer of the Day (prayed by all)

Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

A **First Reading: Acts 17:22-31**

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we, too, are his offspring.’ “Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.” (NRSV)

A The Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

A **Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-22**

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God’s will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight lives, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him. (NRSV)

A The Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

*Gospel Verse *“Alleluia, Lord to Whom Shall We Go”* Words on Screen

*PL The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*PL **Gospel: John 14:15-21**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you. “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see

me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.” (NRSV)

*PL The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to you, O Christ

Message

Pastor Leah Stolte-Doerfler

*Hymn of the Day

“Lead Me, Guide Me”

HS #807

***The Prayers**

A Trusting in the power of Christ’s resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation. *(A brief silence.)* God of new life, you call us through the waters of baptism to be in relationship with you and one another. Guide the church and its leaders to proclaim Christ’s righteousness throughout the world. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A You create the world and all that is in it. Shelter budding plants and young animals, provide unpolluted habitats and clean water, and raise up stewards for the environment. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A You set civil servants in the places where we live. Instill truth and equity among judges and lawyers, gentleness and courage among first responders, and peace among leaders of towns and nations. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A You provide comfort in times of trouble. Heal those who are sick, shelter any who are unhoused, feed those undernourished, and accompany and console all who are lonely, bereaved, anxious, or ill. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A You are love and you desire that we love one another. As a mother hen cares for her chicks, bless all who provide motherly care in our lives, and inspire us to care for one another. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A God of new life, your steadfast love endures forever. Inspire us by the example of the faithful departed, who clung to your promises of life, forgiveness of sins, and salvation. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C Amen.

MEAL

Offering

***Offertory**

“As the Grains of Wheat”

*PL **Offertory Prayer** (prayed by all)

Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

*PL **The Great Thanksgiving**

*PL **Holy**

***Eucharistic Prayer**

PL Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer . . . and to form us again into one. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come, come again.

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come, come again.

PL In the night in which he was betrayed . . . to the river to enjoy the tree of life. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Amen. Come Lord Jesus.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Amen. Come Lord Jesus.
 PL Send your Spirit upon us and this meal . . . with the Bread of Life, your Son. Amen. Come, Holy Spirit. Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.
C Amen. Come, Holy Spirit. Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.
 PL This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior and our friend.

***Through Christ, With Christ, In Christ**

*PL **The Lord's Prayer** (prayed by all)
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 Communion of Christ's People

Communion Hymns	<i>"Lamb of God"</i>	Words on Screen
	<i>"Thy Holy Wings"</i>	WOV #741
	<i>"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"</i>	W&P #92

PL May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.
C Amen.

PL **Post-Communion Prayer** (prayed by all)
Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

SENDING

Announcements

***Sending Hymn** *"God is Here! As We His People"* vs. 4 HS #777

***Blessing**

PL Go with hope in your hearts and joy in your lives. Go knowing that you are loved and do your best to share that love. Go, and walk the path of life. And may the blessing of God; Holy One in Three and Three in One, be upon you and within you today, tonight and always, and all God's people say,
C Amen.

Postlude HS #777

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Welcome to Immanuel! We are so glad you worshiped with us today!
If you are new to Immanuel, please sign in on the sheet outside the first sanctuary door.

Kitchen Cleaning - May 11 (Please note date change!)

Kitchen cleaning has been moved to Monday, May 11 at 9 am. All are welcome.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast - May 11

Join us at Immanuel for our next Men's Fellowship Breakfast on Monday, May 11 at 6:30 am.

Sunday School Teacher - May 17

Greetings! We need a volunteer to teach Sunday school on May 17 while a majority of the ladies are at women's retreat. If you would like to help, please reach out to the office or Amanda Rosansky. A lesson, craft, and snack will be provided for you.

Syttende Mai - May 17

Sunday May 17 (for those of us who are Norwegian) is a day we celebrate called Syttende Mai or Norwegian Constitution Day. It is similar to our 4th of July, a Declaration of Independence.

In honor of our Norwegian Charter Members, Immanuel's Archive Committee (Susie Strand and Marilyn Frosig) would like to invite you to a *Syttende Mai Coffee Hour* after worship service on that Sunday.

Could you help with this celebration?

What we need:

- Norwegian treats like Lefse, Kransekake, Sandbakkels, Fattigmann, Pepperkaker (Ginger cookies), Eplekake (Apple cake), Bløtkake (Cream cake)
- Fruit to balance out all the sweet treats.
- And for anything else you wish to bring, we say Takk Takk (thank you thank you).

For more information or questions, please contact:

Susie Strand at zippenzimri29@gmail.com

Marilyn Frosig at campfrosig@gmail.com

Picnics in the Park! - May 23

Bring your own picnic and meet with other families and members at: Old Mill Park, 412 S. Water Street in Silverton (to the left of the library)
The first picnic will be May 23 from 12-2pm.

Grief Recovery Method Support Group - Tuesdays in June & July
New Grief Recovery Method Support Group starts June 2, 2-4pm. Call Patty at 503-428-4921 for more information.

Grief Recovery Method ALUMNI Support Group - Wednesdays in June
New Grief Recovery Method ALUMNI Support Group starts June 6, 6-8pm. Call Patty at 503-428-4921 for more information.

Vacation Bible School - July 13 to 17

Save the Date! Children from age 3 through 6th grade are invited; evenings with a meal served. Teen and adult volunteers welcome! To help with the program, text Brenda Wilson at 503-779-8154; kitchen help can contact Audrey Nickodemus at 503-881-7993.

Fireside Art Gallery

This summer, the Fireside Art Gallery will feature the work of Norm English, a writer and historian in our community. We'd love to highlight other published authors among us—please reach out if that's you or someone you know. Join us in celebrating storytelling this summer.

Tuesday Crew Wish List:

- A volunteer with a gas-powered pressure washer (2700–3000 PSI) to clean the entryway and underneath the ramp
- A volunteer with lighting or electrical experience to consult on flickering lights in the sanctuary
- Volunteers to help wash windows (ladder skills required)
- Volunteers to pull weeds, clean flower beds, and assist with general outdoor upkeep (on Tuesdays or at your convenience)

Immanuel Board Openings

We have leadership positions to fill on Immanuel's Council, Deacons, Trustees and Faith & Wisdom Committees! See the *boards for boards* in the gym during coffee hour for more information.

Sound System Update



We are actively requesting the congregation to consider their contribution towards the Sound system upgrade. The total is \$120,000. Check out the speaker design in the narthex to watch the progress.

The Sound System Committee included a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document to provide additional information in this month's newsletter. Copies are in the narthex.

Be Aware of Scammers

Scammers are again using Pastor Leah's name, trying to solicit gift cards. Please report/block/ignore these messages. Pastor Leah will not ask you for a favor, money, gift cards, etc. via email or text.

Living into the pastoral evaluations...

1. All feedback is a gift, thank you for yours!

A couple of immediate opportunities to respond...

2. Communication was one of the requests you made:

As a staff we often remind each other that we cannot overcommunicate; thank you for reminding me.

In the gym are posts of immediate needs that we have for church leadership. Please take the time to look over the information, with an ear open to how Spirit might be calling you to share your gifts here at Immanuel...

3. I also received feedback that there is a desire for direct interactions with me:

A brand-new off-site option will be on Monday mornings:

I will be at Little Leaf Coffee Shop, downtown Silverton, from 8:30 – 9:30 ish.

If Mondays don't work for you, let me know when you would like to get together.

4. The other request is that I interact more during fellowship time:

This is complicated since I tend to be pulled many directions after worship.

With that said, I will make a conscious effort to be present in the multi-purpose room for folks who are hoping to connect with me.

Dear community, relationships are a two-way street. Telling me or asking me for what you want or need is an excellent way to build and nurture those relationships.

~Pastor Leah

Want to stay up to date on events? Contact the office to subscribe to our weekly emails.