



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Fifth Sunday of Easter



Saturday, May 1, 2021 – 5:30 pm
Sunday, May 2, 2021 – 7:45 am & 10:15 am

“Making more and stronger disciples of Jesus Christ
through the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Welcome to Immanuel!

Please turn off your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you!

If you are a guest, please fill out a guests' card located in the cardholder on the back of each pew and then place it in the offering plate. We look forward to meeting you!

Members, please help us love and care for one another by filling out an attendance card. Remember to include all the members of your family who are present in worship today. If you are communing, please check in the appropriate place. Thank you for filling out an Attendance-Communion card every time you attend Church.

We celebrate Holy Communion today! In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. This Holy Communion is also a sign of our shared confession of the Christian faith. If you have not communed with us before, please speak with one of our pastors before doing so.

During the communion service: If you're not able to drink wine, the lighter colored glasses in the center of the tray of individual cups contain water with a drop of wine. These special glasses allow communicants to celebrate the Lord's Supper according to Christ's institution, but have a very small amount of alcohol.

Worship at Immanuel is...

Christ Centered. We believe that at the heart of worship is the Good News that God has rescued us from our sins through Jesus' death on the cross and rising to life again.

Trinitarian. We believe that the object of worship is the only true God—The Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Multigenerational. We believe that it is a great blessing for family members to worship together. Taking seriously Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and so not forbid them" (Mark 10:14), we encourage children to worship with their parents and grandparents and provide resources such as children's bulletins and children's sermons.

Eclectic. Eclectic means, "selecting what seems best of various sources." We believe that we should strive to use the best hymns and practices that the church has to offer. Our worship may include hymns written 500 years ago as well as pieces written 5 months ago.

In preparation for worship we ask that you silence your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you. The time before service begins can be a good time to pray and prepare your heart and mind for worship. You will find helpful prayers on the inside cover of the hymnal located in the pew in front of you.

Divine Service, Setting Four

(Lutheran Service Book, pg. 203)

Preservice Music / Bells / Welcome

Opening Hymn, LSB 480, “He’s Risen, He’s Risen”

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- 1 He’s risen, He’s risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord;
He opened death’s prison, the incarnate, true Word.
Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song
And earth, sea, and mountain their praises prolong.**

- 2 The foe was triumphant when on Calvary
The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.
In Satan’s domain did the hosts shout and jeer,
For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.**

- 3 But short was their triumph; the Savior arose,
And death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes.
The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high;
He lives, yes, He lives, and will nevermore die.**

- 4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;
Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden’s door.
For all our transgressions His blood does atone;
Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.**

- △ 5 Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;
Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.
Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:
With Father and Spirit He ever shall reign.**

✠ Confession and Absolution ✠

Please stand

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.** (Matthew 28:19b; [18:20])

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.** (Psalm 124:8)

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**
(Psalm 130:3-4)

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

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. (Luke 18:13)

C **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 + Son and of the Holy Spirit. (John 20:19-23)

C **Amen.**

✠ Service of the Word ✠

Introit of the Day (Psalm 145:1-2, 8, 10, 21; antiphon: John 16:16)

A little while, and you will see me no longer;

and again a little while, and you will see me.

I will extol you, my God and King,

and bless your name forever and ever.

Every day I will bless you

and praise your name forever and ever.

The LORD is gracious and merciful,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,

and all your saints shall bless you!

My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD,

and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

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.

A little while, and you will see me no longer;

and again a little while, and you will see me.

Kyrie



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

Gloria in Excelsis



☐ 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!

(2 Timothy 4:22)

C And also with you!

P Let us pray...

C **O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Please be seated

First Reading, Acts 8:26-40

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place. ²⁷And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot." ³⁰So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. ³²Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth. ³³In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." ³⁴And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" ³⁸And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. ³⁹And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle, 1 John 4:1-11

¹Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. ²By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, ³and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. ⁴Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. ⁵They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. ⁶We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error. ⁷Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

(John 20:31)



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Please stand

Holy Gospel, John 15:1-8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. ²Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.”

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

All: 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.

Please be seated

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day, LW 332, “How Precious Is the Book Divine”

**1 How precious is the Book Divine,
By inspiration giv'n!
Bright as a lamp its doctrines shine
To guide our souls to heav'n.**

**2 Its light, descending from above
Our gloomy world to cheer,
Displays our Savior's boundless love
And brings His glories near.**

- 3 **It shows to us our wand'ring ways
And where our feet have trod,
And brings to view the matchless grace
Of our forgiving God.**
- 4 **On all the straight and narrow way
Its radiant beams are cast;
A light whose never weary ray
Grows brightest at the last.**
- 5 **It gladly cheers our drooping hearts
In this dark vale of tears,
Life, peace, and joy its light imparts
And quells our rising fears.**
- 6 **This lamp through all the tedious night
Of life shall guide our way
Till we behold the clearer light
Of an eternal day.**

Sermon, 1 John 4:1-6, “Test Time: Testing the Spirits”

Please stand

Prayer of the Church

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P *(Special petitions...)* Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Offering *(You can place your offering in the plate in the narthex or mail it to the church anytime.)*

Preparatory Music, LSB 767, “Jesus, Remember Me”

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also a sign of how we

commonly confess the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

Preface


- P** The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)
C **And also with you.**
P Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1)
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. (Psalm 136)
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Proper Preface

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho- san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

The Lord's Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13)

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.

Words of Our Lord (Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

The Peace of the Lord

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. (John 20:19)

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

(John 1:29)

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution Hymns

LSB 467, “Awake, My Heart, with Gladness”

- 1** Awake, my heart, with gladness,
See what today is done;
Now, after gloom and sadness,
Comes forth the glorious sun.
My Savior there was laid
Where our bed must be made
When to the realms of light
Our spirit wings its flight.
- 2** The foe in triumph shouted
When Christ lay in the tomb;
But lo, he now is routed,
His boast is turned to gloom.
For Christ again is free;
In glorious victory
He who is strong to save
Has triumphed o’er the grave.
- 3** This is a sight that gladdens—
What peace it doth impart!
Now nothing ever saddens
The joy within my heart.
No gloom shall ever shake,
No foe shall ever take
The hope which God’s own Son
In love for me has won.
- 4** Now hell, its prince, the devil,
Of all their pow’r are shorn;
Now I am safe from evil,
And sin I laugh to scorn.
Grim death with all its might
Cannot my soul affright;
It is a pow’rless form,
Howe’er it rave and storm.

- 5 **The world against me rages,
 Its fury I disdain;
 Though bitter war it wages,
 Its work is all in vain.
 My heart from care is free,
 No trouble troubles me.
 Misfortune now is play,
 And night is bright as day.**
- 6 **Now I will cling forever
 To Christ, my Savior true;
 My Lord will leave me never,
 Whate'er He passes through.
 He rends death's iron chain;
 He breaks through sin and pain;
 He shatters hell's grim thrall;
 I follow Him through all.**
- 7 **He brings me to the portal
 That leads to bliss untold,
 Whereon this rhyme immortal
 Is found in script of gold:
 "Who there My cross has shared
 Finds here a crown prepared;
 Who there with Me has died
 Shall here be glorified."**

LSB 625, "Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread"

- 1 **Lord Jesus Christ, life-giving bread,
 May I in grace possess You.
 Let me with holy food be fed,
 In hunger I address You.
 Prepare me well for You, O Lord,
 And, humbly by my prayer implored,
 Give me Your grace and mercy.**

- 2 To pastures green, Lord, safely guide,
 To restful waters lead me;
 Your table well for me provide,
 Your wounded hand now feed me.
 Though weary, sinful, sick, and weak,
 Refuge in You alone I seek,
 To share Your cup of healing.
- 3 O bread of heav'n, my soul's delight,
 For full and free remission
 I come with prayer before Your sight
 In sorrow and contrition.
 Your righteousness, Lord, cover me
 That I receive You worthily,
 Assured of Your full pardon.
- 4 I do not merit favor, Lord,
 My weight of sin would break me;
 In all my guilty heart's discord,
 O Lord, do not forsake me.
 In my distress this comforts me
 That You receive me graciously,
 O Christ, my Lord of mercy!

Please stand

Dismissal

P Now...Go in peace.

C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

(Luke 2:29-32)

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the



glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction

P Let us bless the Lord. (Psalm 103:1)

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you. (Numbers 6:24-26)

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

The Lord lift up His countenance on you and + give you peace.

C Amen.

**We will glorify the King of kings
We will glorify the Lamb
We will glorify the Lord of lords
Who is the great I am**

**Hallelujah to the King of kings
Hallelujah to the Lamb
Hallelujah to the Lord of Lords
Who is the great I am**

**Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty
We will bow before His throne
We will worship Him in righteousness
We will worship Him alone**

Bells / Postlude

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We invite you to take the service folder and announcements home with you as you leave today so you can see what's happening this week as well as meditate on the Scriptures, prayers, and hymns from today's service as you go through the week. You can also find helpful information on our church website: immanuelwaterloo.org.

Worship Helpers

Saturday, May 1, 2021 - 5:30 pm

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server - Greg Wiegand

Media - Pam Nagel

Pianist - Ron Jones

Acolyte - Sydney Kuergeleis

Sunday, May 2, 2021 - 7:45 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server - Dean Harbison

Acolytes - Ben Janssen & Collin Dethrow

Ushers - Jason & Nick Valerius, Tyler Cooley

Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski

Lector - Jen Janssen

Music Director - Ann Frank

Media -

Sunday, May 2, 2021 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Music Director - Ann Frank

Acolytes - Jeriah & Masson Fink

Ushers - Alan Stumpf, Ian Schrader, Paul Broske Sr., Tom McDaniel

Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski

Server/Lector - Warren Frank

Media/Facebook Live - Tim Scheibe

Ushers - Sunday, May 9, 2021

7:45 am - Allen Jacobs, Don & Gina Birrittier

10:15 am - Larry Goessling, Cal Neeman, Dean Harbison

Lectors - Sunday, May 9, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a

Sunday 7:45 am - Hayden Brown

Sunday 10:15 am - Ollney Mueller, Jr.

Acolytes - Sunday, May 9, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - Ryan Williams

Sunday 7:45 am - Kyle Rusteberg & Leah Worley

Sunday 10:15 am - Kadin LaRue & Blake Nichols

Servers - Sunday, May 9, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - Chuck Keller

Sunday 7:45 am - Hayden Brown

Sunday 10:15 am - Rodney Clamors

Altar Guild - Sunday, May 9, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - Marilyn Collette

Sunday 7:45 am - Sandy & Faith

Sunday 10:15 am - Pastors

Media - Sunday, May 9, 2021

Saturday 5:30 pm - Kelley Keller

Sunday 7:45 am - Cathy Whelan

Sunday 10:15 am - Lisa Clamors

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VBS 2021
June 14 – 18
9 – 11:45 am



Immanuel Lutheran Church
522 South Church Street
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Co-sponsored with Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Wartburg.

Classes for children born on or before 9/1/17 and who have not entered 7th grade.
One registration form per student, please.

Student's name _____

Birthday (mm/dd/yyyy) _____

Grade (2020/2021 School Year) _____ Age _____

T-shirt Size (Circle one) YS YM YL AS AM AL AXL

Parents' names _____

Phone _____ Alt. phone _____

Address _____

Food allergies Y _____ N _____ (List:) _____

Medical concerns Y _____ N _____ (Explain:) _____

Siblings attending VBS (names and ages) _____

Church affiliation _____

Church membership at _____

Transportation needed (pending availability)? Y _____ N _____

In the event of an emergency, contact the following person first:

Emergency contact person _____

Relationship to student _____

Phone _____ Alt. phone _____

Please see the reverse side for important notes concerning VBS.

VBS Safety Policy: To ensure the safety of our children, parents will be asked to come into the church for pick up at the conclusion of VBS daily. You will find your children with their class in their pew. Preschool classes will have a sign in/out sheet. For older classes, we ask that you verbally communicate with their teacher when picking up your child. Children will not be released to older siblings. Thank you for helping us keep your children safe!

Note to parents, guardians and friends of VBS: There is no fee for VBS. Each student receives a t-shirt (which costs us about \$5) and each family will receive a music CD (about \$5). If you would like to underwrite VBS costs, you may make donations to Immanuel Lutheran Church and write VBS in the memo space. There will also be an offering to support a local mission during our VBS week, and you may help us with that mission. If you would like to volunteer in other ways, please fill out the form below.

VBS 2021 Volunteer Form June 14-18 9 – 11:45 am

“God’s Wonder Lab”

Immanuel Lutheran Church
522 S Church St
Waterloo, IL
(618) 939-6480

Name _____

Phone Number _____

T-shirt Size (Circle one) AS AM AL AXL AXXL

I’d like to help in one or more of the following ways:

_____ Teacher: Grade preferred _____

_____ Teacher’s helper

_____ Craft helper

_____ Kitchen helper

_____ Recreation helper

_____ Registration helper

_____ Donations:

_____ Snack items

_____ Monetary contributions



Days I can help: All week M T W Th F

SERMON OUTLINE
1 JOHN 4:1-6
“TEST TIME: TESTING THE SPIRITS”

1. “ _____ time!” How did you feel when you heard those words? Some folks probably jumped in their _____.
2. St. John tells us in verse 1 of our text, “Beloved, do not believe every _____, but _____ the _____ to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world.”
3. Did you catch that? Christology, knowing who _____ is and what he’s done for us, is the key to _____ truth.
4. In Matt 13:44... He gave up everything –the _____ of heaven—to be your Savior. You mean everything to God.
5. Of course, the teaching that Jesus is _____ is the teaching that comes under attack most often in our culture today.
6. It’s especially important that we cling to God’s Word rather than feelings when we feel that God is _____ from us.