

*Jesus said...*  
I AM THE  
*resurrection,*  
AND THE *life:*

HE THAT BELIEVETH IN ME,  
THOUGH HE WERE DEAD,  
YET SHALL HE LIVE.

JOHN 11:25

# Immanuel Lutheran Church

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## Sunday Worship

9:00 am

with

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## Monday Worship

6:30 pm



A Stephen  
Ministry Congregation

# Confirmation

May 5, 2024

## John 14:27

...Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you.

## EXERCISE YOUR FAITH

...The Stewardship Board invites you to “Exercise Your Faith” and Read the Bible in a year! Each week a schedule of dates and verses will be listed; follow along to complete the Bible in 2024.

- May 6 – Luke 21, Deuteronomy 26-27
- May 7 – Luke 22:1-38, Deuteronomy 28-29
- May 8 – Luke 22:39-65, Deuteronomy 30-32
- May 9 – Luke 22:66-23:25, Deuteronomy 33-34
- May 10 – Luke 23:26-56, Joshua 1-4
- May 11 – Proverbs 9, Psalm 64-67
- May 12 – Home Devotion

## BULLETIN COVERS

...for today were given in honor of today’s confirmands, especially Willow Truemner and Easton Konecny by their grandparents, Rod & Carol Truemner.

## FLOWERS

...behind the altar today were given in honor of Paige Fiebig on her Confirmation from her grandparents.

## MARY MARTHA GUILD DINNER

...has moved to Wednesday, May 8 at 5:00 pm at Lamplighter.

## OWLs

...are planning a trip to the Holocaust Museum in July 2024. Sign up in the church office.

## SAVE THE DATE

...May 17, 2024 Dave Schnitker will be putting on a Spring Concert here at Immanuel at 7:00pm, sponsored by the Evangelism Board.

## L.W.M.L RETREAT ON MAY 11TH

...The Spring Retreat is at St. Peter's Kinde from 10:00-4:00 with a Baby Shower theme. Planning to leave from the church parking lot at 9am. Bring a Onesie (any size) for Orphan Grain Train. Cost will be \$20 per person. Registration forms are in the L.W.M.L mailbox by the office, the deadline is May 1st. Hope to see you there!

## NEW ADDRESS

...Harold Gremel is now residing at Bay View Gardens Memory Care here in Sebewaing. Visits are welcome anytime.

## CHURCH ATTENDANCE

...Sunday, April 28, 2024; 9:00 – 181; Monday, 6:30 – 28

## IN OUR PRAYERS

+ **Immanuel's 2024 Confirmands**, may you feel God's blessings today and everyday.

+ The family of **Gretchen Haist** who entered her Heavenly home on April 26.

### + **SPECIAL NEEDS**

... Gil & Joy Sprague, Nancy Pommerenke, Gary Volz, Nelda Gnagey, Chuck Dutcher, Emily Smith, Donna Klaus, Sandy Gross, Shirley Sherman, LoAnn Rieman, Ernie Sbresney III, Sue McGathy, Jim & Shirley Simmet, Barb Nitz, Collin Nitz, Frank Gunsell, Randy Forbing, Ian Faist, Wayne Morris, Karen Swartzendruber, Stephen Sprague, Grayson Cohn, Scott Smith, Brenda Chambers, Rick Chambers, Carl Brandt and Pastor Phil Burkett.

## **SPRING CLEANING AT IMMANUEL**

...Thank you to all who assisted in the spring clean-up of Immanuel's church, school and parsonage. We once again utilized the Huron County Sheriff Department work crew. This crew was supervised by Roy Williamson and Shawn Wright over a 2 day period. A big thank you to Marilyn Calopisis who secured a grant from Thrivent for cleaning and food supplies. Our cooks and food organizers included Mary Wissner, Marilyn Calopisis, Lois Bohn, Kelly Dufty and Lois Dressler. Others who contributed with their time and talents were Gary Wissner, Rod Bohn, Tim Smith, Mike Armbruster, Matt Bumhoffer, R & R Concrete & Supply and Kemp Tiling. If approved a donation will be made to the Sheriff Department work crew using the Immanuel Endowment and Capital fund earnings from CY 2023. The work crew is scheduled for 7 additional days throughout the year. If you would like to assist in the future please contact Traci.

# School News

## **FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

...**Interim Principal position offered** - The CTK Board of Education asked Mrs. Jen Yoder to consider being the interim principal for the 24-25 school year. Please keep Mrs. Yoder and CTK in your prayers as she considers this position.

...**Field Day** is the afternoon of Friday, May 31 with all students being at the Sebewaing campus. Visitors are welcome. Adult lunches cost \$5.25 and reservations are necessary (sorry, no exceptions) by Tuesday, May 21. Contact the school office if you'd like to join us for lunch.

...**Graduation** - CTK has 19 students graduating from 8th grade this year. The graduation service will be Wednesday, June 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the **gym**. Our 7th grade families will be hosting a light reception afterwards. All are welcome to join us for this joyous occasion.

...**Awards and closing chapel** will be Friday, June 7 outside at the Sebewaing Campus. Parents are encouraged to attend. Please park behind Immanuel Church. Chairs will be provided for the students. Guests should bring their own chairs. There will be no lunch and no busing. Students will be released after the morning events, probably around 10:00 am.

...**Buds to Blooms** - Eventually, the weather will get nicer, and hopefully we are past the freeze warnings. If you are considering buying plants, please note that during the month of May, when you purchase from Buds to Blooms and mention Christ the King Lutheran School, a portion of your purchase will come back to us. Happy planting! Thank you for your support.

...**Teacher/staff appreciation week** is next week, May 6-10. We are very thankful for all who work so hard to make CTK a great place to be. Please keep the faculty and staff in your prayers and thank them for their service when you have the opportunity to do so.

...**New Family Referral** - CTK is looking to increase enrollment. We could use your help. Below is the procedure for the 2024-2025 school year:

- Current families are encouraged to refer new families to CTK.
- New families should note on the application the family that referred them to CTK.
- The tuition statement of current families will be credited \$250 per student for each new student enrolled in K-8. The credit will be prorated should the student(s) not stay for an entire year.

## Our Lord's Business this Week May 5 – May 12

SUNDAY:                    9:00 AM    **WORSHIP/Communion & Confirmation**

MONDAY:                10:00 AM    OWLs  
                              5:00 PM    Finance  
                              5:30 PM    Christ's Messengers  
                              **6:30 PM    **WORSHIP/Communion****

TUESDAY:                9:00 AM    Quilters  
                              7:00 PM    YABS

WEDNESDAY:            9:30 AM    Adult Bible Class  
                              7:00 PM    Adoration Choir

THURSDAY:             8:05 AM    CTK Chapel  
                              12:00 PM    Bulletin Deadline  
                              4:00 PM    Mary Martha Guild  
                              **6:30 PM    **Ascension WORSHIP/C – group 1 ushers****

NEXT SUNDAY:         7:15 AM    Elders  
                              8:00 AM    ELF breakfast  
                              9:00 AM    **WORSHIP/Communion**  
                              9:00 AM    K/1 sings and grade 7 handbells @ St. Paul  
                              10:15 AM    Sunday School & Bible Study  
                              7:30 PM    Youth Board

### **SERVING NEXT WEEK (MAY 12)**

Acolytes: 9:00-Grayson Heckroth & Kenzie Armbruster

Greeters: 9:00-Jerry & Michele Harbuck & Gary Loeffler

Scrip: 9:00-Stephanie Boyer

Ushers: 9:00-GROUP 2:Don Jahr, Mark Bauer, Dale Truemner, Tucker Truemner, Evan Konecny, Garrett Adam, Mark Adam, Cole Finkbeiner, Cody Finkbeiner, Caden Finkbeiner, Adam Maust

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sebewaing

# Sixth Week of Easter & Confirmation

May 5, 2024

9:00 am

## Divine Service 1

### *Announcements*

Hymn – *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds* – Claire Modert, chimes **LSB 465**

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### Introit

Come and hear, all you who fear God,  
and I will tell what he has done for my soul.  
Shout for joy to God, all the earth;  
sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!  
Bless our God, O peoples;  
let the sound of his praise be heard,  
who has kept our soul among the living  
and has not let our feet slip.  
Blessèd be God,  
because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!

**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.**

Come and hear, all you who fear God,  
and I will tell what he has done for my soul.

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This Is the Feast – Annalise Harder, timpani/Claire Modert, chimes Page 155

### Salutation and Collect

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The First Reading – *Acts 10:34-48*

The Gradual

Christ has risen from the dead. [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor. He has given him dominion over the works of his hands; he has put all things under his feet.

The Epistle – *1 John 5:1-8*

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The Gospel – *John 15:9-17*

Hymn – *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word* – Truman Modert, chimes **LSB 655**

Sermon

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Prayer of the Church

Offering – *Here I Am, Lord* – Schutte/Sherman – Adoration Choir

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## Communion Liturgy

**Service of the Sacrament Page 160**

Preface

Sanctus

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Agnus Dei



Distribution Hymns

*Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice (v.1-5)* **LSB 556**

*O Jesus, I Have Promised* – Christ's Messengers

*I Know That My Redeemer Liveth* – Joseph Martin – Adoration Choir

*Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me* – Christ's Messengers

*Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain* **LSB 487**

*Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice (v.6-10)* **LSB 556**

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Post-Communion Collect

Benediction

Closing Hymn – *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* – Truman Modert, chimes **LSB 469**



## Acts 10:34-48

<sup>34</sup>Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup>you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

<sup>44</sup>While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup>And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. <sup>46</sup>For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, <sup>47</sup>“Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” <sup>48</sup>And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

## 1 John 5:1-8

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who

loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup>For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. <sup>4</sup>For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup>This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. <sup>7</sup>For there are three that testify: <sup>8</sup>the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

## John 15:9-17

[Jesus said:] “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

<sup>12</sup>“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. <sup>17</sup>These things I command you, so that you will love one another.”

PREACHER: Rev Michael Boyer  
ELDERS: Wayne Goebel & Ryan Kuhl  
ORGANIST: Barbara Bleck  
ACOLYTES: Annalise Harder & Madison Reithel  
GREETERS: Betty Guenther & Barb Gunsell  
SCRIP: Holli Vogel  
USHERS: GROUP 9: Neil Gaeth, Bruce Bach, Nicolas Lutz, Chuck McGathy, Tim Matthews,  
Dalton Anderson, Peter Boyer, Bentley Bumhoffer

### Who Should Commune?

In the Sacrament of the Altar we receive, as Christ says, His true body and His true blood for the forgiveness of our sins. Those who come to the Lord's Supper at this altar, are those who: 1 **Repent** of their sins, and earnestly seek to live according to God's will. 2 **Trust** the Word of Christ that His body and blood are truly present and received here for forgiveness. 3 **Confess** the faith of the Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod, as a member of this congregation or a member of another LCMS congregation. If you have questions about our communion practice, please speak to the pastor or an elder.



## 2024 Immanuel Confirmands



### **Morgan Grace Armbruster**

Birthdate: April 30, 2010

Baptism Date: June 20, 2010

Parents: Mike & Erica (Kuhl) Armbruster

Verse: *Ephesians 2:8-9 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.*

### **Bentley Carl Bumhoffer**

Birthdate: July 20, 2010

Baptism Date: August 8, 2010

Parents: Matthew & Ashley (Fritz) Bumhoffer

Verse: *John 15:5 I 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.*

### **Kayden Thomas Driscoll**

Birthdate: March 13, 2010

Baptism Date: April 25, 2010

Parents: McKenzie & Melinda (Holland) Driscoll

Verse: *Psalms 23:1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.*

### **Paige Rebecca Fiebig**

Birthdate: July 18, 2010

Baptism Date: September 19, 2010

Parents: Joel & Becky (Gremel) Fiebig

Verse: *Psalms 37:5 Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act.*

### **Molly Lou Gremel**

Birthdate: September 6, 2010

Baptism Date: October 10, 2010

Parents: Shaun & Katie (Donohue) Gremel

Verse: *Revelation 2:10 Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life.*

### **Lance Elliott Haag**

Birthdate: April 10, 2010

Baptism Date: August 16, 2010

Parents: Jason Haag & Carrie Enos

Verse: *John 8:31-32 Jesus said, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."*

### **Madison Grace Kemp**

Birthdate: February 3, 2010

Baptism Date: March 7, 2010

Parents: John & Lori (Brown) Kemp

Verse: *Proverbs 30:5 Every word of God proves true; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him.*

### **Easton William Konecny**

Birthdate: May 28, 2010

Baptism Date: June 13, 2010

Parents: David Konecny and Dale & Alicia Truemner

Verse: *Romans 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.*

**Dustin Matthew Kuhl**

Birthdate: May 13, 2010

Baptism Date: August 29, 2010

Parents: Ryan & Heather Kuhl

Verse: *Psalms 55:22 Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you; He will never permit the righteous to be moved.*

**Hailey Renee Lutz**

Birthdate: February 12, 2010

Baptism Date: March 14, 2010

Parents: Davie & Dana (Dressler) Lutz

Verse: *John 14:6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."*

**Easton Ryan Neumann**

Birthdate: January 7, 2010

Baptism Date: April 18, 2010

Parents: Ryan & Marc'L (Seibel) Neumann

Verse: *Matthew 6:33 But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.*

**Abigail Ruth Reithel**

Birthdate: May 28, 2010

Baptism Date: June 27, 2010

Parents: Mark & Candice (Koroleski) Reithel

Verse: *John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.*

**Ally Jane Sweetman**

Birthdate: August 13, 2010

Baptism Date: September 19, 2010

Parents: Dan & Lori (Reithel) Sweetman

Verse: *Psalms 27:1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?*

**Willow Ann Truemner**

Birthdate: June 4, 2010

Baptism Date: June 27, 2010

Parents: Angie O'Dell and Dale & Alicia Truemner

Verse: *John 10:11 Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."*

**Luke Thomas Vermeersch**

Birthdate: December 31, 2009

Baptism Date: February 21, 2010

Parents: Troy & Tara (Koch) Vermeersch

Verse: *Psalms 119:105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.*

**Allison Arlene Zuzga**

Birthdate: April 29, 2010

Baptism Date: August 25, 2010

Parents: Daniel Zuzga & Valerie (Coffindaffer) Zuzga

Verse: *Psalms 46:1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.*





**Our Congregation at Prayer**  
**Daily Scripture and Prayer**  
**To be Used in the Home**  
**Getting Ready for Easter 7 B**  
**Immanuel Lutheran Church**

Theme for Sunday: The testimony about Jesus goes out. This testimony (law and Gospel) cleanses sinners from sin and grants eternal life. This is truth!

*The following short order may be used for devotions at home during the week or Daily Prayer for individuals and families may be used in the hymnal (LSB page 294 and following).*

Invocation

In the Name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Introit      *Psalm 27.1a, 4-5, 10, 14; antiphon Psalm 27.7*

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;

Be gracious to me and answer me!

The LORD is my light and my salvation;

Whom shall I fear?

One thing I have asked of the LORD, that I will seek after:

That I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

He will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.

For my father and my mother have forsaken me,

But the LORD will take me in.

Wait for the LORD;

Be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

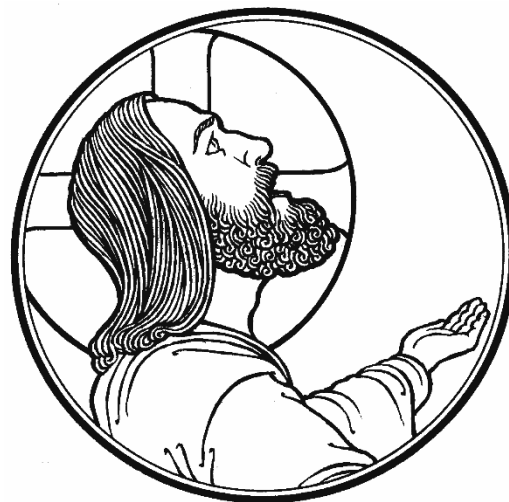
**And to the Holy Spirit;**

**As it was in the beginning,**

**Is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;

Be gracious to me and answer me!



Collect

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for you live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Psalm for Easter 7 B may be read (Psalm 1) or those printed below.

Daily Psalms	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	93	97	98	99	47	96	92
Evening	136; 117	124; 115	66; 116	8; 118	68; 113	50; 138	23; 114

Readings for next Sunday (see below) or the daily readings below be used

Sunday	Num 3.1-16, 39-48 (Num 4.1-8.4)	Luke 14.25-15.10
Monday	Numbers 8.5-26	Luke 15.11-32
Tuesday	Numbers 9.1-23	Luke 16.1-18
Wednesday	Numbers 10.11-36	Luke 16.19-31
Ascension Day	Numbers 11.1-23, 31-35	Luke 17.1-19
Friday	Numbers 11.24-29, 12.1-16	Luke 17.20-37
Saturday	Numbers 13.1-3, 17-33	Luke 18.1-17

**Talk About Next Sunday's First Reading: Acts 1.12-26**

How many believers were there after the first Easter?

Why are they seeking to fill Judas' position?

What are the qualifications for the next apostle?

**Talk About Next Sunday's Epistle Reading: 1 John 5.9-15**

What testimony has God borne about His Son?

If you have the Son what do you have? Why? How?

Does God hear your prayers?

**Talk About Next Sunday's Gospel Reading: John 17.11b-19**

Jesus prays this shortly before Good Friday, what does He want?

Who is the son of destruction?

Why must the disciples be sanctified in the truth? How does this happen?

Catechism Selection (this may be read, recited, or spoken responsively)

**Holy Baptism – First Part**

*What is Baptism?*

Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.

*Which is that word of God?*

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (Matthew 28:19)

**Holy Baptism – Second Part**

*What benefits does Baptism give?*

It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.

*Which are these words and promises of God?*

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned." (Mark 16:16)

**Holy Baptism - Third**

*How can water do such great things?*

Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, chapter three: "He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying." (Titus 3:5-8)