

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

Immanuel

Presbyterian Church



*The whole body joined and knit together...
building itself up in love.
— Ephesians 4:16 —*

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Who We Seek to Be

In our love for Christ and guided by God's Word we seek to be a community of

Joyful Worship, thoughtfully centered in the wonder and wisdom of the living God and celebrating the diversity of the body of Christ.

Loving Fellowship, encouraging and serving one another in the unifying love of the Holy Spirit.

Life-changing Learning, biblically-based preaching and teaching to equip children, youth, and adults to grow in their relationship with God.

Enthusiastic Service, reflecting the servant heart of Jesus as we proclaim the gospel near and far in word and deed.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

ANNETTE LAPLACA

PRELUDE: *Shepherd me, O God*

Marty Haugen
IMMANUEL CHOIR

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

All: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

Pastor: Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

All: For he is our God and we are the sheep of his pasture, the flock under his care.

* INVOCATION

** Congregation stands.*

* OPENING HYMN: *Behold Our God*



1. Who has held the o-c-eans in His hands? Who has num-bered
 2. Who has giv-en coun-sel to the Lord? Who can ques-tion
 3. Who has felt the nails up-on His hands, Bear-ing all the



ev-ery grain of sand? Kings and na-tions trem-ble at His voice.
 an-y of His words? Who can teach the one who knows all things?
 guilt of sin-ful man? God e-ter-nal, hum-bled to the grave.



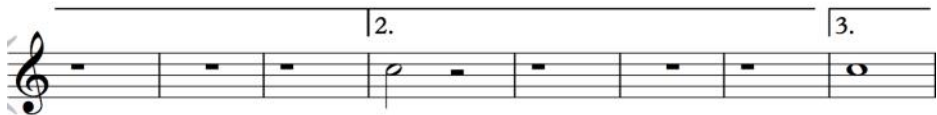
All cre-a-tion ris-es to re-joice. Be-hold our
 Who can fath-om all His won-drous deeds?
 Je-sus, Sav-ior ris-en now to reign!



God, seat-ed on His throne. Come let us a-dore Him. Be-hold our



King. No-thing can com-pare. Come, let us a-dore _____ Him!



Him!

Him!

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pare. Come, let us a - dore_ Be dore_ Him!

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

STEVE WESTFALL

Leader: How can we be so blind, and yet see so acutely at the same time?

People: We are quick to note the dark acts of others, yet slow to recognize the evil in our own thoughts and the stains on our hands.

Leader: O, for eyes that will see and honor the good in others!

People: O, for hearts that loathe the blinding evil of indwelling sin!

Leader: Come, let us turn to the fount of mercy, whose love heals our blindness, and whose righteousness transforms our condemning hearts into instruments of peace.

SONG OF CONFESSION: *Shepherd Me, O God*

Psalm 23, adapt. M.H.

Marty Haugen

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the lyrics: "Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -". The second staff continues the melody for the second line: "yond my fears, from death in-to life." The music is written in a simple, accessible style with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#).

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The promise of God is greater than our sinfulness: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Brothers and sisters, rest in this good news – in Jesus Christ we stand forgiven. Amen.

**All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, amen.**

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

(Please share God's peace with those around you.)

WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY: *The Lord Is My Shepherd*

John Rutter

The Lord is my shepherd,
Therefore can I lack nothing.
He shall feed me in a green pasture
And lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul
And bring me forth in the paths of righteousness
For His name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil
For Thou art with me.

Thy rod and Thy staff comfort me.
Thou shalt prepare a table before me
Against them that trouble me.
Thou hast anointed my head with oil,
And my cup shall be full.

But Thy loving kindness and mercy
Shall follow me all the days of my life,
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

**All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

(Children 3 years through 5th grade go downstairs to continue their worship.)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

BILL FRANCE

* HYMN: *Children of the Heavenly Father*

HYMN 131

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

(Please remain standing for the reading of God's Word.

READERS: JASON AND LEANNE ROLLAND

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Psalm 28:1-2, 6-9*

¹ To you, LORD, I call;
you are my Rock,
do not turn a deaf ear to me.
For if you remain silent,
I will be like those who go down to the pit.
² Hear my cry for mercy
as I call to you for help,
as I lift up my hands
toward your Most Holy Place.

⁶ Praise be to the Lord,
for he has heard my cry for mercy.
⁷ The Lord is my strength and my shield;
my heart trusts in him, and he helps me.
My heart leaps for joy,
and with my song I praise him.
⁸ The Lord is the strength of his people,
a fortress of salvation for his anointed one.
⁹ Save your people and bless your inheritance;
be their shepherd and carry them forever.

* NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *John 10:14-18, 27-29*

¹⁴“I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. ¹⁷The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father.”

²⁷ My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father’s hand. NIV

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: *Security for His Sheep*

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING HYMN: *All the Way My Savior Leads Me*

HYMN 605

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

TODAY

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, Marsha Webster, John Zimmerman, Ava Rose Fischer, Immanuel Choir

You can also sign up in the narthex this morning to enter your pot of chili in the cook-off on February 17.

If you would like someone to pray with you after the service, elder Steve Westfall will be available near the platform.

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
5:30 p.m.

Food Pantry open
Youth Group Super Bowl Party

(Continued)

This Week

Tuesday	9:30 - 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (<i>childcare</i>) Food Pantry open
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday service

Coming

A Night of Musical Show Tunes and Chili Cook-off: Come out for the good food and fun (whether or not you want to sing) on Saturday night, February 17, from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. This family social event will feature a kid-friendly show-tune sing-along (with Disney show tunes among others). Kids or adults are welcome to come dressed as a favorite character from a musical or Disney show. We'll have chili, and pie for dessert.

IPC College Group is meeting at the Bretsens' home on 2/18 for one of our favorite games, Ask Me Anything with our guest Lauren Matheus! Interested? Questions? Talk with Steve or Cindy Bretsen after worship or text Cindy at 630-386-1534.

SAVE THE DATE: This summer we will host VBS the week of June 10-15, 2024.

ELDERS

Katherine Anderson (*Clerk of Session*), Bill France, Larry Funck, Sarah Holman,
Ron Netzel, Carl Pickard, Sheroll Ritchie, Cathy Sayer, Steve Westfall

DEACONS

Phebe Balzer, Tim Curley, Seth Ehorn (*Chair*), Debby France, Ron Haydon,
Tom Nguyen, Joel Rose, Amy Treier, Kathy Wetters, Sharon Wolgemuth

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George A. Garrison, *Senior Pastor*; Annette LaPlaca, *Minister of Congregational Life*;
Mary Hopper, *Minister of Music*; Annika Durbin, *Children's Minister*;
Anna and Scott Scheidt, *Ministers to Youth*;
Barbara Lawrence, *Church Secretary*; Frank Lawrence, *Church Sexton*

STEPHEN MINISTRY LEADERS

Bev Burch, Leon Sinclair, Angela Wisdom, Annette LaPlaca