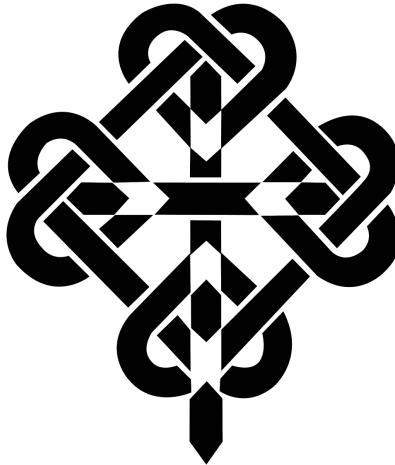


WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

Immanuel

Presbyterian Church



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

APRIL 11, 2021

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

PRELUDE: *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

JOHN ZIMMERMAN

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

ANNETTE LAPLACA

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

All: **Yes! Now is Christ risen from the dead and become the firstfruits of them that slept.**

Pastor: This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

All: **Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns. Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him.**

Pastor: The Lord is risen!

All: **He is risen indeed!**

* INVOCATION

* OPENING HYMN: *I Know That My Redeemer Lives—Glory Hallelujah!* (verses 1, 2, and 4)

Unison Dm C Dm Gm⁷ Dm

1. I know that my Re - deem - er lives— glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah!
 2. He lives, he lives, who once was dead— glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah!
 3. He lives to bless me with his love— glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah!
 4. He lives, all glo - ry to his name!— glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah!

Am B^b F Gm⁷ Dm Gm⁷ Dm

What com - fort this sweet sen - tence gives— glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah!
 He lives, my ev - er - last - ing Head— glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah!
 He lives to plead for me a - bove— glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah!
 He lives, my Je - sus, still the same— glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah!

REFRAIN
 F C Dm Am Dm

Shout on, pray on, we're gain - ing ground— glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah!

Am Dm Am Gm⁷ Dm⁷ Gm⁷ Am⁷ Dm 7

The dead's a - live and the lost is found— glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah!

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

KEN WOLGEMUTH

Leader: Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.

People: For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible; thrones, powers, rulers and authorities—all things were created by him and for him.

Leader: He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

People: He is the head of the body, the Church;

Leader: he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.

People: Lord Jesus Christ, crucified, risen and ascended for us: at times we have not loved you as our Redeemer, nor obeyed you as our Lord;

Leader: we have not brought our prayers to you, nor heeded your tears shed over the world.

People: Forgive us, we pray; breathe into us a new spirit of service, and make us joyfully obedient to your will: for your glory's sake. Amen.

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.

* SONG OF ACCLAMATION (*Please stand*)

**All: He is Lord, he is Lord! He is risen from the dead and he is Lord!
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!**

* 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.)

SPECIAL MUSIC

KENT RICHTER

Some say evil's an illusion,
The confusion of samsara's flight.
And those beyond delusion
Know the unity of all things in light.
Shall all the tears on earth begotten
Sink in some dispassioned peace,
And like the mystic's mind forgotten
 simply cease?
O God, we needed evil meaning
More than the mystics say it does,
Needed pain made part of God and so it was.

Some say evil's been refashioned
By the passion of the Godhead torn,
For with the Savior's "It is finished,"
Pain is conquered and reborn.
And all the tears on earth were given
Meaning when the Savior cried,
Every death made door to heaven when He died.
O God, we need the life of Jesus,
Death and pain made real in His,
Life with meaning, death with hope, and so it is.

Some say evil is forever,
Suffering ever living's hopeless fear.
And vainly those endeavor
Who would rage against the tears.
Shall all the tears on earth just give us
Uselessly a final cry?
Echoes of our pain outlive us when we die?
O God, we needed evil beaten,
Conquered in a hero's cause,
Needed hope made real as flesh and so it was.

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

SHARON WOLGEMUTH

WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

DIACONAL PRAYER

SETH EHORN

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

(Please stand for the reading of God's Word.)

READERS: BRIAN AND KATHY WETTERS

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *2 Samuel 7:1-13*

¹ After the king was settled in his palace and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, ² he said to Nathan the prophet, "Here I am, living in a house of cedar, while the ark of God remains in a tent."

³ Nathan replied to the king, “Whatever you have in mind, go ahead and do it, for the Lord is with you.”

⁴ But that night the word of the Lord came to Nathan, saying:

⁵ “Go and tell my servant David, ‘This is what the Lord says: Are you the one to build me a house to dwell in? ⁶ I have not dwelt in a house from the day I brought the Israelites up out of Egypt to this day. I have been moving from place to place with a tent as my dwelling. ⁷ Wherever I have moved with all the Israelites, did I ever say to any of their rulers whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, “Why have you not built me a house of cedar?”’”

⁸ “Now then, tell my servant David, ‘This is what the Lord Almighty says: I took you from the pasture, from tending the flock, and appointed you ruler over my people Israel. ⁹ I have been with you wherever you have gone, and I have cut off all your enemies from before you. Now I will make your name great, like the names of the greatest men on earth. ¹⁰ And I will provide a place for my people Israel and will plant them so that they can have a home of their own and no longer be disturbed. Wicked people will not oppress them anymore, as they did at the beginning ¹¹ and have done ever since the time I appointed leaders over my people Israel. I will also give you rest from all your enemies.

“The Lord declares to you that the Lord himself will establish a house for you: ¹² When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³ He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.” NIV

* NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES

John 2:18-22

¹⁸ The Jews then responded to him, “What sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?”

¹⁹ Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days.”

²⁰ They replied, “It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?” ²¹ But the temple he had spoken of was his body. ²² After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken.

Revelation 21:22-26

²² I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. ²³ The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp. ²⁴ The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their splendor into it ²⁵ On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there will be no night there. ²⁶ The glory and honor of the nations will be brought into it. NIV

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: *Resurrection: God's Glorious Temple*

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING HYMN: *Thine Be the Glory*

(Congregation sings with masks).

1. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con - qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2. Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly he
3. No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with -

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won; an - gels in bright rai - ment
greet us, scat - ters fear and gloom; let the church with glad - ness,
out thee: aid us in our strife; make us more than con - qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes,
hymns of tri - umph sing, for her Lord now liv - eth,
thro' thy death - less love: bring us safe thro' Jor - dan

REFRAIN
where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con - qu'ring Son;
to thy home a - bove.

end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won.

Edmond Budry, 1884
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 From George Frederic Handel, *Judas Maccabaeus*, 1747

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

TODAY

If you have concerns or are **in need of prayer**, Ken Wolgemuth will be available at the front following the service..

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, John Zimmerman, Kent Richter

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1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Food pantry open

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

3rd - 5th grade Sunday School (Zoom)

5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

College Fellowship

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Youth Group (Zoom)

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Adult Ed class (Zoom)

Seth Ehorn begins a class on "The Use of the Old Testament in the New Testament," highlighting the challenges and rewards of close study of the issues that arise when studying the many and varied ways the OT is used in the NT.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday

9:30 -11:00 a.m. **Women's Bible Study** (Zoom)

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **Food Pantry**
7:00 p.m. **Men's Book Group** (Zoom)
 Women's Bible Study (Zoom)

IN IMMANUEL AND BEYOND

If you are having trouble tracking down an appointment to be vaccinated, ask your helpful deacon! Contact Katie Pickard: katie.koechling@gmail.com or 630-251-2023.

NOTES

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