



JONAH

GOD'S ABOUNDING MERCY

SERMON SERIES • IMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Morning Worship Service
April 3, 2022**

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

ANNETTE LAPLACA

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP: *Gather Us in Mercy, Lord*

Traditional chant
Gabe Huck, adapted arr. Tony Alonso

Cantor/All repeat

Gath - er us in mer - cy, Lord.

Cantor/All repeat

From the depths we cry to you.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: O God, your name be praised, for in Jesus Christ you come to visit and redeem your people.

All: Help us to understand Christ's rule, strongest among the exiled, among the victims, among the hurt and mourning.

Pastor: Help us to understand Christ's triumph revealed when love speaks the healing and freeing word. Help us to understand glory revealed on a cross.

All: Then may we sing with full joy, Rejoice! Rejoice! Blessed is Emmanuel who comes in God's name to ransom our captive hearts.

* INVOCATION

* OPENING HYMN: *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*



1. I greet thee, who my sure Re - deem - er art, my on - ly
 2. Thou art the King of mer - cy and of grace, reign - ing om -
 3. Thou art the Life, by which a - lone we live, and all our
 4. Thou hast the true and per - fect gen - tle - ness, no harsh - ness
 5. Our hope is in no oth - er save in thee; our faith is



trust and Sav - ior of my heart, who pain didst un - der -
 nip - o - tent in ev - 'ry place: so come, O King, and
 • sub - stance and our strength re - ceive; O com - fort us in
 hast thou and no bit - ter - ness: make us to taste the
 built up - on thy prom - ise free; O grant to us such



go for my poor sake; I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.
 our whole be - ing sway; shine on us with the light of thy pure day.
 • death's ap - proach - ing hour, strong - heart - ed then to face it by thy pow'r.
 sweet grace found in thee and ev - er stay in thy sweet u - ni - ty.
 strong - er hope and sure that we can bold - ly con - quer and en - dure.



WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

RON NETZEL

Leader: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. Let us take a moment to silently confess our sins.

SONG OF CONFESSION: *Kyrie*

Cantor *All*
Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Cantor *All*
Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

Cantor *All*
Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we, free from sins, might live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed.

* SONG OF ACCLAMATION *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord* (Please stand.)

Franz Schubert

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might;
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

* 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, dead and buried;
He descended into hell,
the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of
God the Father Almighty;
from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic* Church;
The communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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* 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: *Give Me Jesus*

arr. Moses Hogan
CHRIS GILMORE

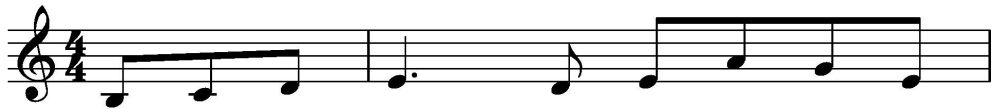
DIACONAL PRAYER

BECKY WILLIAMS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANNIKA DURBIN

(Children 3 years through 5th grade may return to their seats.)



1. What grace is mine, that He who dwells in
2. What grace is mine, to know His breath a -



4 endl- less light— called through the night to find my dis- tant
live in me;— Be - neath His wings my wear - y soul may



6 soul.—— And from His scars poured mer - cy that would
soar.—— All fear can flee, for death's dark night is



8 plead for me;— That I might live and in His Name be
ov - er - come;— My Sav - ior lives and reigns for - ev - er



11 known.—— So I will go where - ev - er he is call - ing me;— I lose my
more!——



life and find my life in Him.—— I give my all to gain the hope that



14 ne - ver dies;— I bow my heart, take up my cross and fol - low Him.

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

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

READERS: TREIER FAMILY

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Jonah 1:17-2:10*

¹⁷ Now the Lord provided a huge fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

¹ From inside the fish Jonah prayed to the Lord his God. ² He said:

“In my distress I called to the Lord,
and he answered me.

From deep in the realm of the dead I called for help,
and you listened to my cry.

³ You hurled me into the depths,
into the very heart of the seas,
and the currents swirled about me;
all your waves and breakers
swept over me.

⁴ I said, ‘I have been banished
from your sight;
yet I will look again
toward your holy temple.’

⁵ The engulfing waters threatened me,
the deep surrounded me;
seaweed was wrapped around my head.

⁶ To the roots of the mountains I sank down;
the earth beneath barred me in forever.
But you, Lord my God,
brought my life up from the pit.

⁷ “When my life was ebbing away,
I remembered you, Lord,
and my prayer rose to you,
to your holy temple.

⁸ “Those who cling to worthless idols
turn away from God's love for them.

⁹ But I, with shouts of grateful praise,
will sacrifice to you.

What I have vowed I will make good.

I will say, ‘Salvation comes from the Lord.’”

¹⁰ And the Lord commanded the fish, and it vomited Jonah onto dry land.

* NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Matthew 12:38-41*

³⁸ Then some of the Pharisees and teachers of the law said to him, “Teacher, we want to see a sign from you.”

³⁹ He answered, “A wicked and adulterous generation asks for a sign! But none will be given it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. ⁴⁰ For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of a huge fish, so the Son of Man will be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. ⁴¹ The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and now something greater than Jonah is here. NIV

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

MEDITATION: *Grace in Great Depths*

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING HYMN: *Amazing Grace*

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun.
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

TODAY

If you have concerns or are **in need of prayer**, Alva Steffler (alvasteffler@yahoo.com) is available today or during the week.

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, Chris Gilmore, Samuel Reich

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| 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. | Food Pantry |
| 2:00 p.m. | Iglesia Roca Eterna |
| 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. | College Fellowship at Netzels' home, 1616 E. Hawthorne Blvd., Wheaton. <i>RSVP to deemail1@comcast.net</i> |
| 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. | Youth Group (Game Night) |
| 7:00 p.m. | Adult Ed Zoom |

THIS WEEK

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| Tuesday | 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. | Women's Bible Study |
| | 11:00 a. m. - 1:00 p.m. | Food pantry open |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Men's Book Group |
| Saturday | 10:00 a.m. - noon | Choir workshop |

Pantry Giving during Lent: Thanks for the generous donations throughout these weeks. We'll have the grocery cart near the front doors for one more week (April 10, dish soap).

Holy Week at Immanuel

April 14 7:00 p.m.
Maundy Thursday service

April 15 7:00 p.m
Tenebrae Good Friday service

Easter Sunday, April 17
9:30 a.m.
Fellowship with coffee, juice, and treats

10:30 a.m.
Easter morning worship