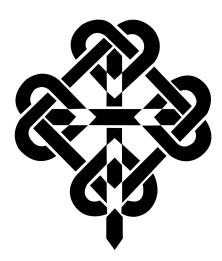
Immanuel Presbyterian Church



The whole body joined and knit together... building itself up in love.

— Ephesians 4:16 —

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

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Come, let us worship our God,

All: Who brings us salvation,

Pastor: Who supplies us strength,

All: Who hears our songs of gratitude,

Pastor: Who accepts our joyful praise.

All: His greatness astounds us; let us praise the Lord and sing for joy!

* Invocation



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WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION KATHERINE ANDERSON

Leader: Our God, we come to you recognizing that we fail; our human flesh is weak, our sins are many. But we are assured that sincere confession is met by your saving forgiveness:

People: Through your Son our sins are forgiven. For your mercies, O God, we thank you.

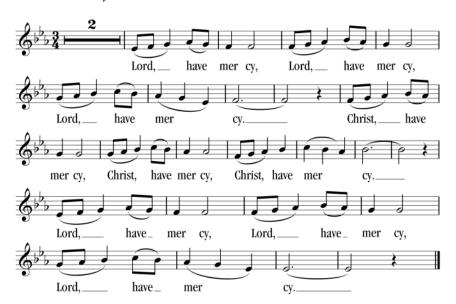
Leader: Our guilt is dealt with, our burdens are lifted, our lives begin again. For your mercies, O God we thank you.

People: Through your Spirit we know your presence, our loneliness is shared; our blind eyes made to see, our love is rekindled. For your mercies, O God, we thank you.

Leader: You and you alone can heal, restore, forgive. Your compassion and your understanding seep into us, your wisdom enlightens us, new courage grips us, and we find your Spirit at work in us bringing together everything that was fractured by our selfishness and sin.

People: O Lord our God, to you be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Song of Confession: *Kyrie* Malcolm Archer



PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Colossians 1:21-22)

Leader: And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds,

Christ has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present

you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him.

* ACCLAMATION (Please stand)

All: You are God: we praise you; You are the Lord: we acclaim you;

You are the Eternal Father: all creation worships you. Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory!

* 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.)

arr. Andre Thomas Immanuel Choir

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

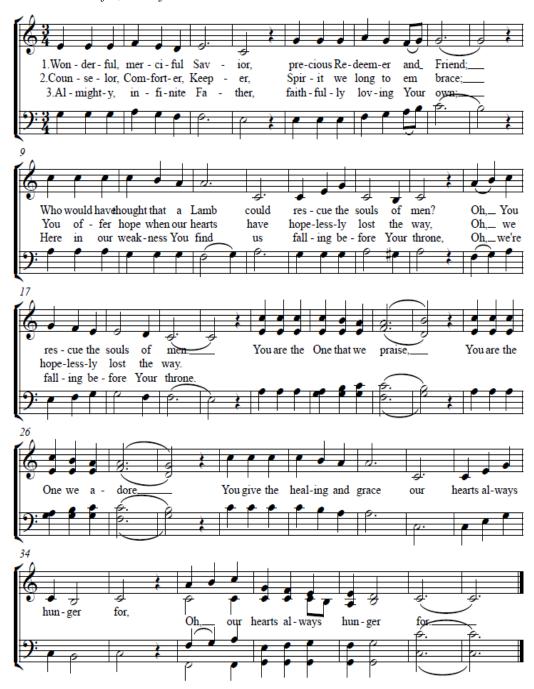
(Children remain seated during the Children's Blessing, then will be led to their children's worship space.)

WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

Special Music: Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning

Intercessory Prayer Alva Steffler

* Hymn: Wonderful, Merciful Savior



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WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

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

READERS: PRISCILLA HEIDEBRECHT, BECKY EGGIMANN

- OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Psalm 113
 - ¹ Praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord, you his servants;

praise the name of the Lord.

² Let the name of the Lord be praised, both now and forevermore.

³ From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets,

the name of the Lord is to be praised. ⁴ The Lord is exalted over all the nations,

his glory above the heavens.

⁵ Who is like the Lord our God, the One who sits enthroned on high,

⁶ who stoops down to look on the heavens and the earth?

⁷He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap;

⁸ he seats them with princes, with the princes of his people.

⁹ He settles the childless woman in her home as a happy mother of children.

Praise the Lord.

* New Testament Scriptures

2 Corinthians 4:16-18

¹⁶ Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. ¹⁸ So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

Romans 8:14-21

¹⁴ For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. ¹⁵ The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba Father." The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. 17 Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

¹⁸I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. ¹⁹For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. ²⁰For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God. NIV

* Congregational Response

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: The Wait of Glory

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING HYMN: Soon and Very Soon



- * BENEDICTION
- * POSTLUDE

TODAY

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

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, Heather Klassen, Carter Klassen, Jack Durbin, Immanuel choir

Music is licensed.

Thanks to our technical crew as well as volunteers who help with set-up and tear-down.

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. **Food pantry open**

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. **Youth Group**

THIS WEEK

Tuesday

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **Food Pantry**

Coming

Sunday, September 5 Bridal shower for Julianne van Wyk

Food Pantry closed

Friday, September 10 **Memorial Service for Bob Warburton** (10:30 a.m.)

ELDERS

Katherine Anderson (Clerk of Session), Dan Balzer, Ron Netzel, Carl Pickard, Sheroll Ritchie, Leon Sinclair, Gaby Sosa, Alva Steffler, Steve Westfall, Ken Wolgemuth

DEACONS

Phebe Balzer, Becky Eggimann, Seth Ehorn, Debby France, Katie Pickard, Dee Netzel, Tom Nguyen, Heather Reyes (chair), Jack Swanson, Amy Treier, Rebecca Williams

STAFF

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

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