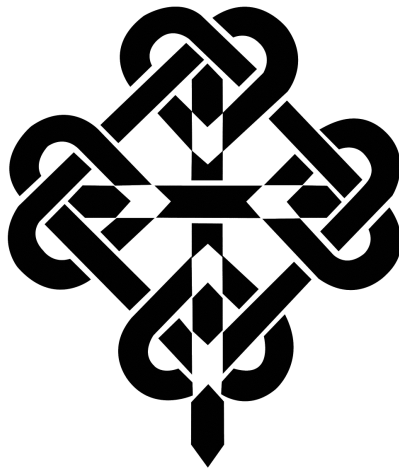


WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

Immanuel Presbyterian Church



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

AUGUST 30, 2020

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

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

ANNETTE LAPLACA

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Come, let us worship God, for his love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

All: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: Let us praise God, for anyone in Christ is a new creature; the old things have passed away; behold the new has come.

All: We know that he died for us, that we who live should no longer live for ourselves, but for him who died and rose again on our behalf.

Pastor: Thanks be to God. Let us worship him together.

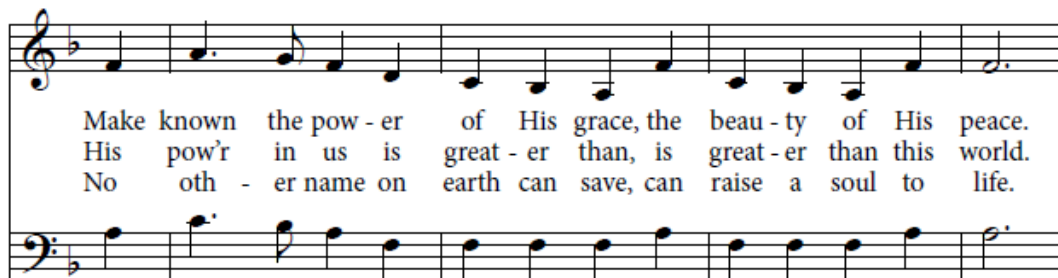
* INVOCATION

** Congregation stands*

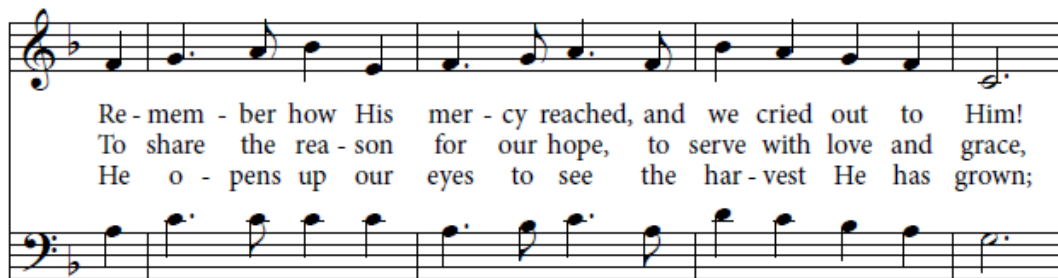
* OPENING HYMN: *Lift High the Name of Jesus* (verses 1 and 2)



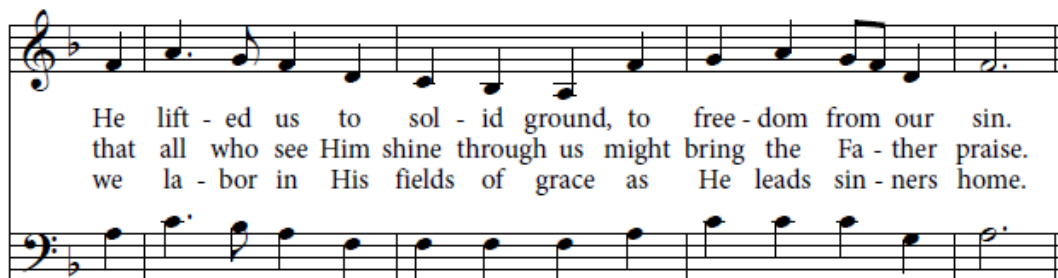
1. Lift high the name of Je - sus, of Je - sus, our King.
2. Lift high the name of Je - sus, of Je - sus, our Lord.
3. Lift high the name of Je - sus, of Je - sus, our Light.



Make known the pow - er of His grace, the beau - ty of His peace.
His pow'r in us is great - er than, is great - er than this world.
No oth - er name on earth can save, can raise a soul to life.



Re - mem - ber how His mer - cy reached, and we cried out to Him!
To share the rea - son for our hope, to serve with love and grace,
He o - pens up our eyes to see the har - vest He has grown;



He lift - ed us to sol - id ground, to free - dom from our sin.
that all who see Him shine through us might bring the Fa - ther praise.
we la - bor in His fields of grace as He leads sin - ners home.

O sing, my soul, and tell all He's done

'til the earth and heav-ens are filled with His glo - ry!

TEXT and MUSIC: Ed Cash, Fionan De Barra, Keith Getty, and Kristyn Getty

WE ARE RENEWED BY GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

KATHERINE ANDERSON

Leader: The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;

People: **The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;**

Leader: The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

People: **More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.**

Leader: Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

People: **But who can detect their errors: Clear me from hidden faults.**

Leader: Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

All: **Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.**

SONG OF CONFESSION: *Take, O Take Me as I Am*

Take, O take me as I am; — sum - mon out what I shall be; —
set your seal up - on my heart and live in me. —

The image shows a musical score for a song. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system ends with a double bar line, and the second system ends with a double bar line.

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

All: To him who loves us, who leads and feeds us, the Great Shepherd of the sheep, to him be glory and honor and praise throughout all generations. Amen.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

ALVA STEFFLER

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

SPECIAL MUSIC: *I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry*

John Ylvisaker
CHRIS GILMORE

I was there to hear your borning cry,
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized,
to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child,
with a faith to suit you well;
In a blaze of light you wandered off
to find where demons dwell.

In the middle ages of your life,
not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night,
complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in,
and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been
with just one more surprise.

When you heard the wonder of the Word
I was there to cheer you on;
You were raised to praise the living Lord,
to whom you now belong.
If you find someone to share your time
and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme
from dusk 'till rising sun.

I was there to hear your borning cry,
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized,
to see your life unfold.

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

READERS: AMBER AND HANNAH JOHNSON

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Psalms 42:1-5*

¹ As the deer pants for streams of water,
so my soul pants for you, my God.
² My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.
When can I go and meet with God?
³ My tears have been my food
day and night,
while people say to me all day long,
"Where is your God?"
⁴ These things I remember
as I pour out my soul:
how I used to go to the house of God
under the protection of the Mighty One
with shouts of joy and praise
among the festive throng.
⁵ Why, my soul, are you downcast?
Why so disturbed within me?
Put your hope in God,
for I will yet praise him,
my Savior and my God. NIV

* NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *John 4:19-30*

*Jesus encounters a Samaritan woman and tells of living water;
He also tells of her past.*

¹⁹“Sir,” the woman said, “I can see that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem.”

²¹“Woman,” Jesus replied, “believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²²You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. ²⁴God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.”

²⁵The woman said, “I know that Messiah” (called Christ) “is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us.”

²⁶Then Jesus declared, “I, the one speaking to you—I am he.”

²⁷Just then his disciples returned and were surprised to find him talking with a woman. But no one asked, “What do you want?” or “Why are you talking with her?”

²⁸Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, ²⁹“Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?” ³⁰They came out of the town and made their way toward him. NIV

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: *Confronting Jesus (Part 3)*

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING SONG: *Fairest Lord Jesus* (verse 1, 3)

Capo 1: ♯ (D) (Em) (A) (D) 7 (Bm) (B⁷) (Em) (A) (D)

1. Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Rul - er of all na - ture,
 2. Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3. Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior! Lord of the na - tions!

(G) (D) (A⁷) (D) (A⁷) (D) (A) (D) (G) (D) (B⁷) (Em)

Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cher - ish,
 robed in the bloom - ing garb of spring: Je - sus is fair - er,
 and all the twink - ling, star - ry host: Je - sus shines bright - er,
 Son of God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or,

(B⁷) (Em) (A⁷) (D) 7 (Bm) (D⁷) (G) (D) (A⁷) (D) 7

thee will I hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
 Je - sus is pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
 Je - sus shines pur - er than all the an - gels heav'n can boast.
 praise, ad - o - ra - tion, now and for - ev - er - more be thine.

Münster Gesangbuch, 1677
 fr. 1850, 1873

CRUSADER'S HYMN 5.6.8.5.5.8.
 Silesian folk song
 Schlesische Volkslieder, Leipzig, 1842

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Today

If you are in need of prayer, contact elder Sheroll Ritchie (soritchie@gmail.com or 773-551-4568).

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, Chris Gilmore

Thanks to our Livestream video crew: Peter Welander, John Economides, Marc Johnson.

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9:30 a.m.	Worship online (Livestream)
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Food Pantry
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Youth Group

Tonight: Adult Education with Mark Noll and Amy Black Treier: We are entering an incredibly divisive campaign season in the midst of a global pandemic. How might we prepare for the election, and how can we demonstrate love for God and neighbor along the way? Join us for a nonpartisan Zoom discussion of the upcoming election. Dr. Mark Noll will offer insights on what we can learn from history, Dr. Amy Black will discuss some findings from political science, and we'll leave ample time for Q&A. *You will find the link to this Zoom discussion in this Friday's IPC Newsletter.*

All of *Mark Noll's* books on topics related to this special class were written while he and Maggie were being nurtured by friends and the ministries of Immanuel. The books include *God and Race in American Politics* and *One Nation under God? Christian Faith and Political Action in America.*

Amy Black is Professor of Political Science at Wheaton College where she teaches classes on American Politics. Her book most related to this class is *Honoring God in Red or Blue: Approaching Politics with Humility, Grace, and Reason.* When not living through a pandemic, she enjoys spectator sports and traveling. She has attended IPC for about a decade with her husband, Dan Treier, and daughter, Anna.

This Week

Tuesday	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open
	7:00 p.m.	Zoom for College Moms We'll catch up with where our young adults are and how they're doing and share any specific prayer requests. <i>Check the Friday Newsletter for the link.</i>
Thursday	7:00 - 8:45 p.m.	Women's Bible study @ Terra Vincent's, 26W430 Natalie Ct., Carol Stream

In Immanuel and Beyond

Morning Prayer: The Wilhoits host a prayer time via Zoom on Sunday mornings before church, starting at 8:30 with prayer primarily based on the liturgy published in the Divine Hours by Phyllis Tickle. Following the liturgy, there is an opportunity for those present to share praises and prayer requests, and we take time to pray for the requests. The service concludes with fellowship and coffee in the virtual narthex, ending by 9:20 so that those present can attend the live-streamed Immanuel service at 9:30. Participants include adults, families, and college students, with many but not all from Immanuel. Each week, the Immanuel newsletter includes links to the Zoom meeting and the bulletin so that you can download the liturgy in advance. New attendees are always welcome. Feel free to join the prayer service on Sunday mornings.

The next outdoor Sunday worship service will be held next Sunday September 6, weather permitting. A baptism is planned for that date.

The **Women's Tuesday Bible Studies** will resume on Zoom September 8 at 9:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

If you are not on the **Constant Contact** email list to receive our weekly newsletter and updates, contact Barb (immanpres@gmail.com).

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