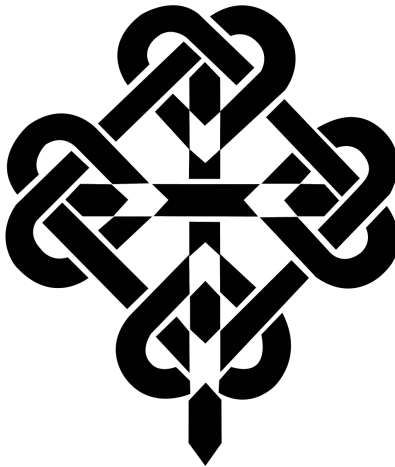


WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE: *When Morning Gilds the Skies*
I Need Thee Every Hour

arr. Cindy Berry
arr. By Mark Hayes

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

MARY HOPPER

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

All: And we shall praise him, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of God.

Pastor: Come, let us consider him who has endured such hostility by sinners against himself, so that we may not grow weary and lose heart.

All: And since he has given us a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us offer him our lives in full and joyful surrender.

* INVOCATION

** Congregation stands*

* OPENING SONG: *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

1. Come, Thou Fount of eve - ry bless - ing; tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
 2. Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer: hith - er by Thy help I'm come,
 3. Oh to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm constrained to be!
 4. Oh that day when, free from sin - ning, I shall see Thy love - ly face;

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I trust by Thy good pleas - ure safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 Let Thy grace, now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to Thee.
 full ar - rayed in blood - washed lin - en, how I'll sing Thy sov - reign grace!

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger, wan - d'ring from the fold of God.
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
 Come, my Lord, no long - er tar - ry, bring Thy prom - is - es to pass;

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's re - deem - ing love.
 He to res - cue me from dan - ger, bought me with His pre - cious blood.
 here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts a - bove!
 for I know Thy power will keep me till I'm home with Thee at last!

WE ARE RENEWED BY GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Before the Lord, all hearts are open.

People: We need forgiveness for our secret sins, our habitual sins, our unnoticed sins.

Leader: We need forgiveness for our sins of thought, word, and deed, and for all that we have left undone.

All: For our sins against ourselves, our sins against others, our sins against God, all where we have fallen short of the glory of God and not done what he has called to do; we desperately need his forgiveness and mercy.

Adapted from *The Open Gate* by David Adam

SONG OF CONFESSION: *Father, We Have Sinned*

The musical score is written on a single staff in 2/2 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four lines of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Fa-ther, we have sinned in word, and deed, and thought: through ig-nor-ance, through weak-ness, through de-li-berate fault. We've sinned a-against our neigh-bors and a-against You, Lord. Yet we are tru-ly sorr-y, and we turn to You once more." The score ends with a double bar line.

Fa-ther, we have sinned in word, and deed, and thought: through

5 ig-nor-ance, through weak-ness, through de-li-berate fault. We've

9 sinned a-against our neigh-bors and a-against You, Lord. Yet

13 we are tru-ly sorr-y, and we turn to You once more._____

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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.

* ACCLAMATION *(Please stand)*

All: Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

SPECIAL MUSIC: *Soon and Very Soon*

Andrae Crouch
RACHEL AND HANNAH GILMORE

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

ALVA STEFFLER

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

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

READER: LARRY FUNCK

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Psalms 110*

¹ The LORD says to my lord

“Sit at my right hand
until I make your enemies
a footstool for your feet.”

² The LORD will extend your mighty scepter from Zion, saying,
“Rule in the midst of your enemies!”

³ Your troops will be willing
on your day of battle.

Arrayed in holy splendor,
your young men will come to you
like dew from the morning's womb.

⁴ The LORD has sworn
and will not change his mind:

“You are a priest forever,
in the order of Melchizedek.”

- ⁵ The Lord is at your right hand
he will crush kings on the day of his wrath.
⁶ He will judge the nations, heaping up the dead
and crushing the rulers of the whole earth.
⁷ He will drink from a brook along the way,
and so he will lift his head high. NIV

* NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES

Colossians 1:15-18

¹⁵ The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. NIV

Ephesians 4:25-32

²⁵ Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. ²⁶ “In your anger do not sin”: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, ²⁷ and do not give the devil a foothold. ²⁸ Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.

²⁹ Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. ³² Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: *Proactive Peace*

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING SONG: *Now Blessed Be the Lord Our God*

Sung to the tune Dundee

Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel,
for he alone does wondrous works in glory that excel.

And blessed be his glorious name to all eternity;
the whole earth let his glory fill. Amen, so let it be.

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Today

If you are in need of prayer, elder Steve Westfall will be glad to pray with you (steve.westfall@comcast.net or 630-717-7708).

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, Rachel and Hannah Gilmore, Alethea Funck

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1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Food Pantry open

4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Zoom practice with Dan Balzer

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

3rd - 5th grade Sunday School (Zoom)

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Youth Group (Zoom)

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Adult Ed class (Zoom)

Beyond the Christian West: Becoming a Truly Worldwide Faith in the 20th Century

This Week

Tuesday

9:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Women's Bible Study (Zoom)

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Food Pantry open

COMING

Sunday, Feb. 7

3:30 p.m.

Congregational Meeting (Zoom)

ELDERS

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

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Marc Johnson, Michael Kendrick, Harv Meyers, Tom Nguyen, Heather Reyes (chair), Jack Swanson*

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