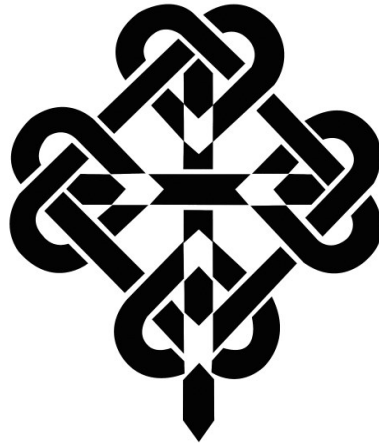


WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

Immanuel

Presbyterian Church



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

— Ephesians 4:16 —

Welcome, Visitors!

Thank you for choosing to attend Immanuel this morning. We hope that you will find a warm welcome and that you will experience the presence of our Lord here. Our congregation comes from all kinds of backgrounds, so wherever you are in your faith journey, you are welcome here.

Do you have young children with you this morning?

At Immanuel we believe God deeply loves and values children and mysteriously begins His work in them long before they may be able to articulate it. We joyfully welcome children of all ages into our worship service to join the larger body of Christ in worship, confession, giving, and fellowship. We offer a nursery for children under the age of three, a worship program designed for children in preschool through second grade, and Sunday School for ages preschool through fifth grade during the school year. Please stop by the **Children's Ministry Station** (in the Gathering Place) before the service to sign your children in and get more information on our ministries.

Let us contact you.

At the end of each row, there is a friendship folder with welcome cards and a place for you to let us know you were here. If you simply sign your name and address, we'll send you a letter with more information about Immanuel. If you include your phone number and email, we'll be glad to contact you that way too. Thank you for coming!

Note: If you need **hearing assistance**, please speak to one of our ushers or sound crew.

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: All who thirst, come to the water.

**People: Come, all who are weary;
Come, all who yearn for forgiveness.**

**All: The Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ
has washed over us, and our gracious
and holy God beckons and blesses us.
Let us drink deeply of these living waters.
Glory to you, O Lord, glory to you.**

Adapted from The Worship Sourcebook

* INVOCATION

* OPENING HYMN: *Lord, You Have Been Our Dwelling Place* Mark Noll/Howard Whitaker
 Written for the dedication of our place of worship in 1998

1. Lord, you have been our dwell - ing place a - long the path we've trod. Through
 2. You vis - it us with death's cold sleep. Your an - ger we have known. Be -
 3. Teach us to count our days a - right that we may learn your heart. Re -

5
 out all time and in all space for - ev - er you are God
 fore your wrath we shrink, we weep, we end life with a groan
 lent, let dawn break up our night, let mer - cy be your part

9
 You are so ver - y great, your sense of time is nev - er rushed. But
 Your pres - ence makes us feel our sins, so sharp - ly are they drawn. Al -
 Drive out our sad - ness with your joy. Let grace our lives re - new. our

13
 we? We have no perm - a - nence. You turn us back to dust. _____
 most be - fore a life be - gins, it pass - es and is gone. _____
 hands their tasks for you em - ploy, and bless the work we

18
 3.
 do _____

WE ARE RENEWED BY GOD'S GRACE

* CALL TO CONFESSION

LEON SINCLAIR

Leader: Before our merciful Lord, we acknowledge our need for his pardon:
For sins in private and in public, in study and recreation,
in busy pursuits of our lives;

**All: In the study of his Word and in the neglect of it,
In prayer casually offered and coldly withheld,
In time misspent,**

Leader: For yielding to Satan's wiles,
For opening our hearts to his temptations,
For being unwatchful when we know he is near,
For quenching the Holy Spirit;

**All: For our sins against light and knowledge,
against conscience and against the Spirit's restraint, against the
law of eternal love. We humbly acknowledge our need to be pardoned
for all our sin, known and unknown, felt and unfelt, confessed and not
confessed, remembered or forgotten.**

Adapted from *The Valley of Vision* edited by Arthur Bennet

SONG OF CONFESSION (*Sing three times.*)

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 hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). 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 also ends with a double bar line.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Take comfort in the assurance that even those things that are hidden from memory, or are too deep for our words, are not beyond God's forgiving love. God, who knows us completely, bestows pardon and peace.

* ACCLAMATION

All: Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name ascribe the glory, for your love protecting us is strong, and your constancy is everlasting. To the Lord be glory, forever and ever. Amen.

* 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.)

MISSION FOCUS

REV. JUANCHO CAMPAÑANO
JUST OF DUPAGE

WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY: *Christ Be with Me*

Frédéric Chopin
arr. Carl Deis
JOEL BUURSMA

Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me.
Christ behind me, Christ before me.

Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me.

* DOXOLOGY

Howard Whitaker



Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise Him all crea - tures here be -
low. Praise Him a - bove, ye Heav'n - ly host; praise Fath - er,
Son, and Hol - ly Ghost! A - men.

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

(Children 3 years through 2nd grade are dismissed to go downstairs to continue their worship.)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

STEVE WESTFALL

* HYMN: *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

HYMN 508

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

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

READERS: JIM AND DOTTIE MANN

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Psalms 142*

- ¹ I cry aloud to the Lord;
I lift up my voice to the Lord for mercy.
- ² I pour out before him my complaint;
before him I tell my trouble.

³ When my spirit grows faint within me,
it is you who watch over my way.
In the path where I walk
people have hidden a snare for me.
⁴ Look and see, there is no one at my right hand;
no one is concerned for me.
I have no refuge;
no one cares for my life.
⁵ I cry to you, Lord;
I say, “You are my refuge,
my portion in the land of the living.”
⁶ Listen to my cry,
for I am in desperate need;
rescue me from those who pursue me,
for they are too strong for me.
⁷ Set me free from my prison,
that I may praise your name.
Then the righteous will gather about me
because of your goodness to me. NIV

* NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Hebrews 10:19-25*

¹⁹ Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵ not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. NIV

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

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

SERMON: *Isolation: The Consequences of Winter*

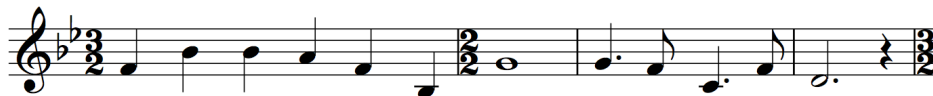
WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING HYMN: *He Will Hold Me Fast*

Matt Merker



1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
 2. Those He saves are His de - light, Christ will hold me fast;
 3. For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;



When the tempt - er would pre - vail, He will hold me fast.
 Pre - cious in his ho - ly sight, He will hold me fast.
 Jus - tice has been sat - is - fied; He will hold me fast.



I could nev - er keep my hold Through life's fear - ful path;
 He'll not let my soul be lost; His Prom - is - es shall last;
 Raised with Him to end - less life, He will hold me fast



For my love is of - ten cold; He must hold me fast. —
 Brought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.
 'Til our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!



— He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;



For my Sa - vior loves me so,



He will hold me fast.

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

TODAY

If you are in need of prayer, [Leon Sinclair](#) will be at the front of the sanctuary following the service.

We're glad to welcome Rev. Juancho Campaño, the Senior Chaplain and Spiritual Care Manager for JUST of DuPage, one of local outreach ministries supported by Immanuel's missions giving. Juancho was a pastor and seminarian in the Philippines before moving to the U.S. with his family in the 1990s. J.U.S.T. stands for Justice, Understanding, Service, and Teaching. The ministry coordinates all kinds of classes and support groups for the inmates at our county jail, as well as offering help to their families. Several of our IPC family have been involved in leadership or as volunteers with JUST of DuPage.

Thanks to our musicians: Beth Bauer, Rob Noll, Joel Buursma, Howard Whitaker, Russ Adkins, Morgan Sobek, Immanuel orchestra

Be sure to visit our **Bake Sale** this morning and support our Youth Mission Fund.

11:10 a.m.	Adult Ed and Sunday School
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Food Pantry
2:00 p.m.	Iglesia Roca Eterna
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	College Fellowship at Bretsens', 502 W. Indiana St., Wheaton RSVP to Cindy (630-386-1534).
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Youth Group in the Ministry House

THIS WEEK

Tuesday	9:15 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
	11:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Food pantry open
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
		Pioneer Club resumes
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Mom Talk (<i>childcare</i>)
Thursday	5:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open

IN IMMANUEL AND BEYOND

Last Chance for Renovation Surveys: If you haven't filled out a survey (last Sunday or online), look for the green-form in the Gathering Place this morning. Please submit them today.

Art at Immanuel: During the month of January we are having an exhibit of Michelle Arnold Paine's art of sacred places/sacred spaces. She is the daughter of Dean and June Arnold and sister of Andrea Carradus. The work will remain up until the beginning of Lent.

Renovation Prayer Open House Saturday, February 15, from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. A family-friendly event, so Immanuelers of all ages are encouraged to participate.

PrimeTimers' meeting will be Saturday, February 15, at 10:30 a.m. when we will hear from Mark and Maggie Noll.

Annual Congregational Meeting, Sunday, February 2: To keep this meeting contained within the education hour, we'll cover time-sensitive issues (officers, budgets, renovation, etc.) in this all-business meeting. A second congregational meeting will take place during the education hour on March 8, when we'll get to hear more ministry updates and information about the church, now and moving forward.

Food Pantry News: The IPC Food Pantry could use diapers (especially size 5 and size 6), paper towels, and toilet paper. There is a Food Pantry cart in the entry where the items may be placed. Your contributions are very much appreciated by the Food Pantry guests.

OFFICER CANDIDATE BIOS

CANDIDATES FOR DEACON

Becky Eggimann has been a part of Immanuel since 2015. She is currently the Dean of Sciences at Wheaton College and loves that the Immanuel family lets her talk about chemistry at church. She enjoys helping others and finding creative ways to solve problems.

Seth Ehorn and his family have been attending Immanuel since 2015, when they relocated (back) to the United States from Edinburgh, Scotland. Currently, Seth teaches New Testament and Koine Greek (at Wheaton College) and he enjoys reading, writing, fishing, and spending time with his children. At Immanuel, Seth has served by leading Children and Worship, helping with music ministries, and occasionally teaching. Seth is excited about the prospect of serving Immanuel as a deacon because he believes that the church should be a visible expression of the love of Christ.

Debby France felt at home the first time she and her husband, Bill, attended Immanuel in August of 2017. She can often be seen in the kitchen, since she serves on the Social Team and the Memorial Team. She has also been known to run around with a microphone as part of the Adult Ed Team. She and Bill volunteer at the Food Pantry on Thursday evenings. Debby feels honored to have been asked to be a deacon.

Thamngu (Tom) Nguyen has been attending Immanuel since 2015. He enjoys serving on the Ushers team and helping out whenever he can with the Missions Team. During the weekdays he travels around the country fixing industrial lasers. On his off-time he enjoys playing online games and practicing kung fu at the local park district. He is very much looking forward to working with the deacons to support our church family and the extended community.

Jack Swanson has been a member of Immanuel since he married Zondra in 2007 and has served as an elder and as a member of the Missions Team. He decided to be a candidate for deacon after reading the deacon reports while a member of the Session. Leadership roles at Windsor Park and summer golf keep him happy and healthy.

CANDIDATES FOR ELDER

Sheroll Ritchie and her husband, Kevin, have attended Immanuel for 26 years, serving on many different committees throughout those years. She loves Immanuel for the wonderful community, amazing music, and solid expository teaching. Sheroll works full-time as controller for a commercial general contractor in Des Plaines and also manages the payroll and bookkeeping for her husband's business. Sheroll and Kevin have a married daughter, Faith, and a son, Connor, along with one grandson whom they are fortunate to babysit frequently. Sheroll's mother, Cindy Oslund, also attends Immanuel.

Gabriela Chuta Saenz de Sosa has been part of the Immanuel family since 2016. She, her husband, Carlos, and two sons, Scott and Daniel, came from Guatemala and felt very welcome at Immanuel from the first day. She identifies with the commitment Immanuel has to the children's ministry and believes in the work being done for the community through the pantry. Gaby has been volunteering in the nursery. She enjoys nature and long walks.

RETURNING FOR A SECOND TERM: **Carl Pickard, Alva Steffler**

SESSION 3 • January 5—February 16

Christianity and American Politics: Lessons from the Past for the Present

Mark Noll
meets in the Sanctuary

This class is a non-partisan examination of crucial times in American history when political and Christian commitments were intermingled. It tries to show how better understanding of far-away events like the French & Indian War, the Election of 1800, and the American Civil War might help believers keep our political balance today.

Although Mark Noll was a history professor for almost thirty years at Wheaton College and for a decade at the University of Notre Dame, he considers adult ed classes at Immanuel his most challenging and most rewarding experiences as a teacher. Mark and his wife, Maggie, are long-time members.

Grandparenting: Loving Our Children's Children

Phyllis and Andy Le Peau
and other Immanuel grandparents
meets in Pastor's office

Grandparents have a special role in the lives of children. Together we'll explore how we can bless our grandchildren in a variety of ways and meet some of the challenges. Each session will focus on what we can learn from the Scripture and from each other's stories. We will consider topics like prayer, favoritism, forgiveness, nurturing contentment, loving the parents of our grandchildren, learning to let the next generation lead, and more.

Andy and Phyllis Le Peau have attended Immanuel since its inception and served in a variety of roles, most recently for Phyllis as elder and for Andy as a K-2 Sunday school teacher. They have thirteen world-class grandchildren and are the authors of several books and Bible study guides including the LifeGuide Bible Study Grandparenting, which will be the basis for the class.

Youth Membership Class (6th - 12th grade)

George Garrison and IPC elders
meets in the Ministry House

IPC youth will learn about the essential doctrines our faith, what it means to be a part of a church community, and how to share your testimony of faith. At the conclusion of the class, youth will have the option of pursuing IPC membership (but this is not required). We ask at least one parent to attend this important class with their child. *(If not attending this class, Middle School students should attend the High School SS class for this 6-week session.)*

NOTES

ELDERS

*Katherine Anderson (Clerk of Session), Dan Balzer, Phyllis LePeau, Lew Luttrell,
Carl Pickard, Leon Sinclair, Alva Steffler, Steve Westfall, Ken Wolgemuth*

DEACONS

*Phebe Balzer, Judy Bryson (Chair), Tim Curley, Colin Holman, Marc Johnson, Michael Kendrick,
Jim Mann, Harv Meyers, Jeanette Myra, Heather Reyes*

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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