



# JONAH

## **GOD'S ABOUNDING MERCY**

SERMON SERIES • IMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Morning Worship Service**  
**January 23, 2022**

**WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

PRELUDE: *As the Deer (Psalm 42)*  
*The Servant Song*

*Martin Nystrom/Teresa Wilhelmi*  
*Richard Gillard/JDZ*  
JOHN ZIMMERMAN

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

MARY HOPPER

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

OPENING SONG: *Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down* (sung by soloist)

*Psalm 95:6-7*

Come, let us worship and bow down,  
Let us kneel before the Lord, our God, our Maker.  
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture,  
And the sheep of his hand, just the sheep of his hand.

## WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

### CALL TO CONFESSION

SHEROLL RITCHIE

Leader: "We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all." (Isaiah 53: 6, NIV)

Leader: Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

**People: Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

Leader: When I kept silent, my bones wasted away, through my groaning all day long.

**People: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

Leader: Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not cover up my iniquity.

**People: I said, "I will confess my transgression to the Lord"--and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

Leader: Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found.

(Psalm 32:1-6, NIV)

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. In Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

### \* ACCLAMATION

**All: To him who loves us and frees us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father, to him be glory and power 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.)*

PRAYER OF BLESSING FOR CHILDREN

*(Children 3 years through 5th grade are dismissed to continue their worship downstairs.)*

MISSION FOCUS

THOMAS SMOAK

**WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS**

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY: *Give Ear unto Me*

Benedetto Marcello  
JOANNA SIRE, MATTIE HAMMER

Give ear unto me,  
Lord, I beseech Thee,  
for I have walked  
in Thy commandments.

Let me be judged  
with righteous judgment,  
O let my sentence  
come from Thy presence.

O show Thy loving kindness,  
Thy marvelous loving kindness,  
O Thou that art the Savior  
of them that trust in Thee.

\* DOXOLOGY

**All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

ALVA STEFFLER

\* SONG: *His Mercy Is More*



1. What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done; Om  
 2. What pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam; What  
 3. What rich - es of kind - ness He la - vished on us; His



ni - sient, all know - ing, He counts not their sum. Thrown  
 Fa - ther, so ten - der, is call - ing us home. He  
 blood was the pay - ment, His life was the cost. We



in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore;— Our  
 wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor;—  
 stood 'neath a debt we could ne - ver af - ford;—



sins they are ma - ny, His mer - cy is more. Praise the Lord!—



His mer - cy is more—— Stron - ger than dark - ness,



new ev' - ry morn;— Our



sins they are ma - ny, His mer - cy is more.

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## WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

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

READER: SAMUEL REICH AND NOAH KIM

\* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Jonah 1:1-3*

<sup>1</sup> The word of the LORD came to Jonah son of Amittai: <sup>2</sup> “Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because its wickedness has come up before me.”

<sup>3</sup> But Jonah ran away from the LORD and headed for Tarshish. He went down to Joppa, where he found a ship bound for that port. After paying the fare, he went aboard and sailed for Tarshish to flee from the LORD.

\* NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Luke 4:14-21*

<sup>14</sup> Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. <sup>15</sup> He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.

<sup>16</sup> He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup> and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

<sup>18</sup> “The Spirit of the Lord is on me,  
because he has anointed me  
to proclaim good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners  
and recovery of sight for the blind,  
to set the oppressed free,  
<sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.”

<sup>20</sup> Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. <sup>21</sup> He began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.” NIV

\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: *A Lot to Swallow*

# WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

\* CLOSING HYMN: *Great God of Wonders*

1. Great God of won - ders! All thy ways are match-less, god - like,  
2. In won - der lost, with trem-bling joy we take the par - don  
3. O may this strange, this match-less grace, this god-like mir - a -

and di - vine; but the fair glo - ries of thy grace more god-like  
of our God; par - don for crimes of deep-est dye, a par - don  
cle of love, fill the whole earth with grate-ful praise, and all th'an -

and un - ri - valed shine, more god-like and un - ri - valed shine.  
bought with Je - sus' blood, a par - don bought with Je - sus' blood.  
gel - ic choirs a - bove, and all th'an - gel - ic choirs a - bove.

REFRAIN

Who is a par - d'ning God like thee? Or who has grace so

rich and free? Or who has grace so rich and free?

Samuel Davies, 1723–1761  
Alt. 1961

SOVEREIGNTY (or WONDERS) L.M.rep.ref.  
John Newton, 1725–1807

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

### TODAY

If you have concerns or are **in need of prayer**, elder Alva Steffler (630-802-0207) is available today or during the week.

**Thanks to our musicians:** Mary Hopper, John Zimmerman, Joanna Sire, Mattie Hammer

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

**Food Pantry**

2:00 p.m.

**Iglesia Roca Eterna**

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

**Youth Group (broomball at Lake Foxcroft Park in Glen Ellyn).**

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**Adult Ed (Zoom)**

### THIS WEEK

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

**Food pantry open**

9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

**Women's Bible Study**

7:00 p.m.

**Men's Book Group (Zoom)**

### COMING

Sunday, February 6 **Congregational Meeting (Zoom) 4:00 p.m.**



## 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.

### 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 Ehom, Debby France, Dee Netzel, Tom Nguyen, Katie Pickard,  
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*