Immanuel Presbyterian Church



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

— Ephesians 4:16 —

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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 O Holy Spirit, Enter In Karg-Elert
Come Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove Walther

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS Anna Scheidt

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP Veni Creator Spiritus An ancient chant for Pentecost

* Call to Worship

Pastor: By sending down a confusion of languages, the Most High

scattered the nations.

All: By distributing the tongues of fire, God calls all peoples to unity.

In harmony we glorify the Holy Spirit.

Pastor: In the sound of a mighty wind rushing from the heavens,

the Most High trumpets good news over the earth.

All: We worship and glorify the Holy Spirit. May the Savior

who opens the gates of paradise open our hearts to wisdom and truth.

* INVOCATION

* Opening Hymn: Spirit of God, Unleashed on Earth



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WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION RON NETZEL

Leader: Do not marvel that Jesus says to us: "You must be born again." That which is

born of the flesh is flesh and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from and where it is going, so it is with everyone who is born of the

spirit, he who convicts us of sin and leads us into all righteousness.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought,

word, and deed, both by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart. Too often we have failed to welcome into our hearts your quickening Spirit of love and power. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. Wash away our sins; send rain on our dry ground; bend our rigidity; inflame our cold hearts; anoint us for witness; and direct our wandering feet into your ways. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because

through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life sets us free from the law of sin and death. And if the Spirit of God who raised Jesus from the dead lives in us, God who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to our mortal bodies

through the Spirit, who lives in us.

* SONG OF ACCLAMATION Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (Please stand.) Franz Schubert

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might;

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

* Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead and buried;

He descended into hell,

the third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of

God the Father Almighty;

from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic* Church;

The communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*universal

* 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.)

WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

Offering and Offertory: Flame, Wind and Dove

KENT RICHTER

In the unrelenting night, I have hungered for your light And found more darkness.

In a world not set apart, I have gone to seek my heart

And come back heartless.

O Holy Spirit, gentle Dove of heaven's will,

Come and heal me, come and make the storm winds still.

For I cry in the loneliness of sin.

Won't you sing your gentle song in to my haunted din?

I've no comfort, no solace, no peace.

Holy Whisper, please come and announce release.

For I hunger, Lord, to rest on the softeness of Your feathered breast.

Remind me of grace in the great Savior's love

Holy Spirit, True God, gentle Dove.

In this world where pain is real I have claimed compassion's zeal But found it hollow.

I should serve a world in need, and I have prayed for You to lead But I don't follow.

O Holy Spirit, driving Wind of mercy's hand,

Come and move me, come and raise this settled sand.

Love's becalmed in my selfish doldrum seas.

Raise the waves of love's impatience with injustice and disease.

Blow into me and billow my sails;

Holy service made strong in compassion's gales.

Move me forward from thought into deed,

Serving in a world of desperate need.

Oh, be my love's power where compassion has thinned,

Holy Spirit, True God, mighty Wind.

Though I know the blinding light in the beatific sight I cannot see it.

I would let the holy flash burn my soul to love and ash If you would free it.

O Holy Spirit, awesome Flame of heaven's fire,

Come consume me with eternity's desire.

Burn me speechless at the glory of Your face:

The unbearable delight within the shelter of Your grace.

Come ignite me, enkindle my praise,

Wetted tinders that burst into wondering blaze.

Love unbridled like the wild angels roared:

"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord!"

Melt me and burn me at the sound of Your name,

Holy Spirit, True God, burning flame.

Come Lord, remake me in power and love, Holy Spirit, Flame, Wind, and Dove.

DIACONAL PRAYER SETH EHORN

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Children 3 years through 5th grade may return to their seats.)

HYMN: Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God Townend/Getty Spi - rit liv - ing Breath 1.Ho - ly of God, breathe new Spi - rit, come a - bide with - in; may Your 2.Ho - ly 3.Ho - ly Spi - rit, from cre - a - tion's birth, gi - ving 3 life in - to my will-ing soul; Let the pre-sence of the joy be seen in all Ι do. Love e-nough to co ver life to all that God has made. Show Yourpow - er once a -6 Ri - sen Lord, let His life and make me whole. re - new ev - ery sin in each thought and deed and at - ti - tude. gain on Earth, as You fill Your Church with fervent praise. Cause Your Word to come a-live in me; give me faith for what I Kind-ness to the great-est and the least; gen-tle-ness that sows the the frag-rance of our prayers a - rise; lead us on the road of 12 Give pass - ion for Your can't yet see. me path of peace. Turn my striv - ings in - to sac ri fice, that in u - ni - ty the

pu - ri - ty; Breath of God, show Christ in

works of grace; Breath of God show Christ in

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WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

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

READER: SUE LUNDIN

- * OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Psalm 50:1-6
 - ¹ The Mighty One, God, the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to where it sets.

² From Zion, perfect in beauty,

God shines forth.

- ³ Our God comes and will not be silent;
- a fire devours before him, and around him a tempest rages.
- ⁴ He summons the heavens above, and the earth, that he may judge his people:
- ⁵ "Gather to me this consecrated people, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice."
- ⁶ And the heavens proclaim his righteousness, for he is a God of justice.
- * New Testament Scripture: Acts 2:1-21

Scripture will be illuminated with settings of Veni Creator Spiritus.

¹ When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" ¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ "In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy,

your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

and they will prophesy.

I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke.

The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood

before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." NIV

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION: Power for God's People

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

(Times of singing and silence.)

(Communion music is found in the Communion song book, unless otherwise noted.)

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether	p. 14
Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts	p. 30
God to Enfold You	p. 18
Jesus Messiah	p. 28

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING HYMN: Amazing Grace

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

* Benediction

* Postlude

Prayers during Communion

Prayer to begin a new life in Christ

Dear God, I recognize Jesus came to earth to die on the cross for the sins of your people. I want to recognize now that he came to earth to die for *my* sins. I confess that I am a sinner in need of your grace and the saving blood of Christ. Please forgive me of my sins through the perfect sacrifice of your Son who died in my place. Jesus, come into my heart and change me from the inside out. Help me to truly repent from my previous way of living without you, and help me to surrender to your rule over my life as my Savior and Lord. Thank you for your Spirit that reveals to me the new life that I have in Christ and empowers me to walk in obedience to your truth and will for me. Amen.

Prayer for those struggling with sin

Merciful God, I am thankful that as your child I am not defined by my sin. Help me to walk in obedience to you in all areas of my life. Forgive me for the particular area(s) where I still succumb to temptation and disobey you. Help me to remember that in every area where I am tempted, your word promises that you will provide a way out of those temptations. Fill me with your Spirit, which working in me can do what I cannot do on my own. Help me to walk in obedience to your commands and also delight in them and your guiding words of truth. Please give me the courage to reach out to others in the body of Christ for strength and support when I am especially vulnerable. Amen.

Prayer for those wrestling with doubts and fears

Gracious God, even as your child I wrestle with the fact that your will for me is perfect and that you will supply all of my needs. Help me to set my mind on the truths of your word, and guard my heart when the enemy clouds my mind and heart with fear and doubt. Help me to rest in the peace and security of being your child, and by your Spirit testify with my spirit that I am yours when feelings tell me otherwise. Remind me of your love and delight in me as your child. Amen.

Prayer for those seeking freedom from their past

Almighty God, you have the power to set us free from the sins and entanglements of our past. Release me from the shackles of my past that I carry that you have released me from. Forgive me for holding my past against me in the ways that you do not, and enable me to grasp what it is for you to see me in the perfect righteousness of your Son, both now and forever. May your Spirit, the Spirit of liberty, liberate me from any thought or feeling that belies the fact that I am completely forgiven, or free to live the new life in Christ I have as your new creation. Amen.

TODAY

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, Kent Richter, Marcus Mayell, Jack Durbin, Ellie Durbin. Sue Lundin, Phebe Balzer, streamers.

Thanks to our tech team.

If you have concerns or are **in need of prayer**, Leon Sinclair (leonsinclair@att.net) is available today and during the week.

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open
5:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Youth Group at the Ministry House
•	(Pizza and Game Night)
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (Galatians)

THIS WEEK

Tuesday	11:00 a.m 1:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Book Group

IN IMMANUEL AND BEYOND

Next Sunday: Come to church at 9:30 a.m. to share some donuts while hearing from missionary Dottie Hoppe.

VBS 2022 - Volunteers Needed! We are excited for VBS returning July 25-29, but we need volunteers to make it happen. If you are able to serve in some capacity during VBS week, please contact Annika (annikadurbin@gmail.com).

Back-to-School Carnival for Johnson School—Saturday, August 6

ELDERS

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

DEACONS

Phebe Balzer, Becky Eggimann, Seth Ehorn (Chair), Debby France, Dee Netzel, Tom Nguyen, Katie Pickard, 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; Barbara Lawrence, Church Secretary; Frank Lawrence, Church Sexton