

GOD'S ABOUNDING MERCY

SERMON SERIES · IMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Morning Worship Service March 20, 2022

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

arr. Hart

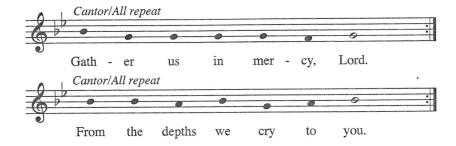
CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

ANNETTE LAPLACA

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP: Gather Us in Mercy, Lord

Traditional chant

Gabe Huck, adapted arr. Tony Alonso



* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations

what he has done.

All: Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in

his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Pastor: Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.

All: Let us remember the wonders he has done, his miracles and the

judgments he pronounced. For he is the Lord our God. He remembers

his covenant forever.

* Invocation

^{*} Congregation stands.

* OPENING HYMN: Arise, My Soul, Arise



WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION SHEROLL RITCHIE

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.

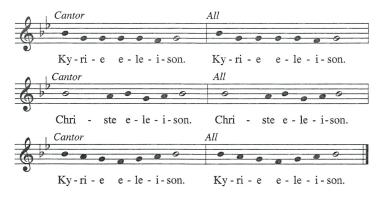
People: But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

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: Kyrie



PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God who speaks his holy law to you and hears our confession also

promises his forgiveness. There is no promise he won't keep.

* ACCLAMATION (Please stand.)

All: To him who loves us, and frees us from our sins by his blood, 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

JEFF AND JANE PELZ INTERVARSITY

WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

Offering and Offertory: Be Thou My Vision

arr. Frost String Ensemble

* 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

KEN WOLGEMUTH

* Song: Before the Throne of God Above



WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

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

READERS: JERRY AND DODY BLACKSTONE

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Jonah 1:11-17

¹¹ The sea was getting rougher and rougher. So they asked him, (Jonah) "What should we do to you to make the sea calm down for us?"

¹² "Pick me up and throw me into the sea," he replied, "and it will become calm. I know that it is my fault that this great storm has come upon you."

¹³ Instead, the men did their best to row back to land. But they could not, for the sea grew even wilder than before. ¹⁴ Then they cried out to the LORD, "Please, LORD, do not let us die for taking this man's life. Do not hold us accountable for killing an innocent man, for you, LORD, have done as you pleased." ¹⁵ Then they took Jonah and threw him overboard, and the raging sea grew calm. ¹⁶ At this the men greatly feared the LORD, and they offered a sacrifice to the LORD and made vows to him.

¹⁷ Now the LORD provided a huge fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

* New Testament Scripture: Romans 5:6-8

⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. NIV

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: God's Love in the Storms

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING HYMN: What Wondrous Love Is This?



TEXT: American Folk Hymn

MUSIC: William Walker's Southern Harmony, 1835

- * BENEDICTION
- * Postlude

TODAY

If you have concerns or are **in need of prayer**, Sheroll Ritchie (soritchie@gmail.com) is available today or during the week.

Mission Focus: Jeff and Jane Pelz (InterVarsity). Jeff is the staff worker at C.O.D, reaching out to international students, refugees, immigrants, and students with disabilities as Bible study leader, mentor, and evangelist. Jane is a project manager for InterVarsity's international student ministry national office. Jeff and Jane host activities in their home for internationals and encourage Christian students to join them in outreach. They have served since 1984 (Jane) and 1985 (Jeff), including 19 years overseas.

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, John Zimmerman, string ensemble.

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Food Pantry Iglesia Roca Eterna

5:00 - 7:00 p.m. **College Fellowship** @ Netzels' home,

RSVP to deemail1@comcast.net

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. **Youth Group** 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. **Adult Ed Zoom**

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study

11:00 a. m. - 1:00 p.m. **Food pantry open**

7:00 p.m. Men's Book Group (Zoom)

Saturday 10:00 a.m. - noon Choir rehearsal

In Immanuel and Beyond

Pantry Giving during Lent: March 27, baby wipes; April 3, dry pasta (spaghetti, macaroni, macaroni and cheese dinners); April 10, dish soap. A grocery cart will be in the church entry way to collect contributions.

An Immanuel Easter tradition: If you would like to help decorate our sanctuary for Easter by providing a flowering plant in memory of a loved one, sign up to purchase one today or March 27. **No orders can be taken after March 27.** The cost of the plant is \$16; you may take your plant home on Easter morning.