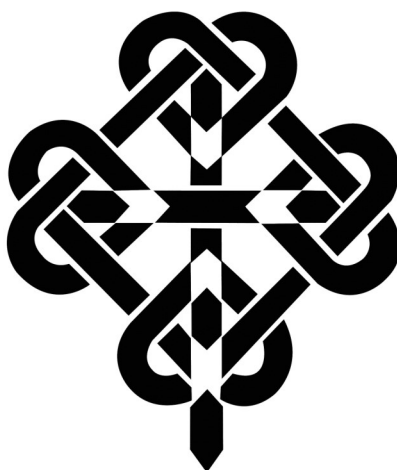


WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

Immanuel

Presbyterian Church



*The whole body joined and knit together...
building itself up in love.
— Ephesians 4:16 —*

MARCH 22, 2020

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

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Praise be to you, our Heavenly Father, from everlasting to everlasting.

All: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power,

Pastor: And the glory and the majesty and the splendor.

All: For everything in heaven and earth is yours.

Pastor: You are exalted as head over all; you are ruler of all things.

All: Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.

* INVOCATION

* OPENING HYMN: *Our God Our Help in Ages Past*

1. Our God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
 2. Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
 4. A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone;

our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5. The busy tribes of flesh and blood,
with all their lives and cares,
are carried downward by your flood,
and lost in foll'wing years.
6. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all its sons away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.
7. Our God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come:
O be our guard while troubles last,
and our eternal home.

From Psalm 90
Isaac Watts, 1719
Alt. 1990, mod.

ST. ANNE C.M.
Attr. to William Croft, 1678-1727
Tate and Brady's *Supplement to the New Version*, 1708

WE ARE RENEWED BY GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

ALVA STEFFLER

Leader: We come to you, Lord, for you alone can heal and restore us.

All: We are not able to heal ourselves,

Leader: We are not able to forgive ourselves,

All: We are not able to restore ourselves,

Leader: We are not able to sanctify ourselves,

All: We are not able to satisfy ourselves.

Leader: We come to You, Lord, for You alone can make us whole.

Leader: Lord of light, enter our past, dispel the works of darkness,

All: Destroy the deeds of evil, defeat the thoughts of darkness.

Leader: Enter the recording room of our memories,

All: Enter the dark room of guilt and shame,

Leader: Enter the secret room of sins hidden or forgotten.

All: Come, Lord of Light, and forgive.

Come, Lord of Love, and set us free.

Come and scatter our darkness.

Come, draw us closer to You.

(adapted from *The Open Gate* by David Adam)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (*Romans 5:1-2*)

Leader: Since we are justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

* ACCLAMATION

All: In Him whose sovereignty is never-ending and whose kingdom endures through all generations, to the Most High, the ever-Living One, be blessing and honor and glory. Amen.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

SPECIAL MUSIC: *O Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*

J. S Bach

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

ALVA STEFFLER

* SONG: *Speak, O Lord*

Keith Getty/Stuart Townend



1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to re-ceive the food of Your
2. Teach us Lord, full o - be - di - ence, Ho - ly rev - er - ence, true hu
3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your



Ho - ly Word. Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us;— shape and
mil - i - ty. Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes; in the
plans for us. Truths un - changed from the dawn of time, that will



fash - ion us in Your like - ness; That the light of Christ might be
ra - di - ance of Your pur - i - ty. Cause our faith to rise, cause our
ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty, and by grace we'll stand on Your



seen to day in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
eyes to see Your ma - jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty.
prom - is - es; And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.



Speak, O Lord and ful - fill in us all Your
Words of pow'r that can nev - er fail; Let their
Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built, and the



pur - pos - es for Your glo - ry.
truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
earth is filled with Your glo - ry.

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Psalm 46*

- ¹ God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.
- ² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,
- ³ though its waters roar and foam
and the mountains quake with their surging.
- ⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy place where the Most High dwells.
- ⁵ God is within her, she will not fall;
God will help her at break of day.
- ⁶ Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall;
he lifts his voice, the earth melts.
- ⁷ The Lord Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- ⁸ Come and see what the Lord has done,
the desolations he has brought on the earth.
- ⁹ He makes wars cease
to the ends of the earth.
He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.
- ¹⁰ He says, “Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth.”
- ¹¹ The Lord Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress. NIV

* NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES

Philippians 4:8-9

⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. ⁹ Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you. NIV

Colossians 3:1-4

¹ Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³ For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. NIV

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

6 All: **Thanks be to God.**

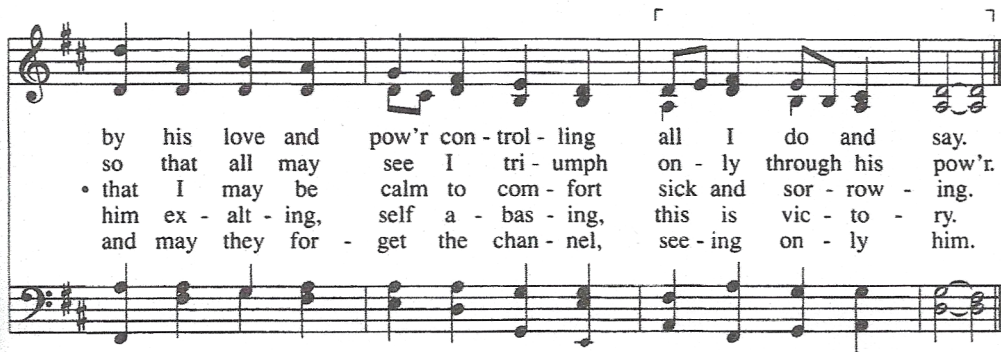
SERMON: *Truth in the Turbulence*

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING HYMN: *May the Mind of Christ My Savior*



1. May the mind of Christ my Sav - ior live in me from day to day,
2. May the Word of God dwell rich - ly in my heart from hour to hour,
3. May the peace of God my Fa - ther rule my life in ev - ery - thing,
4. May the love of Je - sus fill me as the wa - ters fill the sea;
5. May his beau - ty rest up - on me as I seek the lost to win,



by his love and pow'r con - trol - ling all I do and say.
so that all may see I tri - umph on - ly through his pow'r.
• that I may be calm to com - fort sick and sor - row - ing.
him ex - alt - ing, self a - bas - ing, this is vic - to - ry.
and may they for - get the chan - nel, see - ing on - ly him.

Kate B. Wilkinson, 1925

ST. LEONARDS 8.7.8.5.
A. Cyril Barham-Gould, 1925; alt. 1990

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

If you are in need of prayer, contact Gaby Sosa at (331) 234-4094 or gabydesosa10@gmail.com.

Thanks to our musicians: John Zimmerman, Eric Durbin

Today	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open
Tuesday	11:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open
Thursday		Food Pantry closed

IN IMMANUEL AND BEYOND

If you are not on the Constant Contact email list to receive our weekly newsletter and updates contact Barb (immanpres@gmail.com).

At this time we are not taking any orders for Easter flowers. If you have already ordered, your money will be refunded.

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