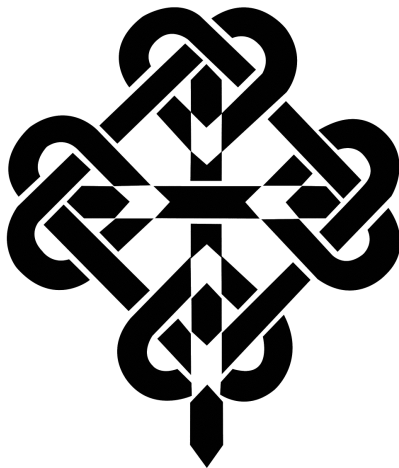


WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

# Immanuel Presbyterian Church



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

MAY 15, 2022



## 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.

## GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

JOHN ZIMMERMAN

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

ANNETTE LAPLACA

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

ANNIE ROSE

Leader: We are here to praise God because Jesus Christ has set us free to live.

All: **We are here because in Christ we are forgiven and made whole.**

Leader: We are gathered because Jesus Christ has united us into one family of faith.

All: **We will witness to the good news: Jesus Christ frees and unites.  
Praise God! Alleluia! Amen.**

\* INVOCATION

\* OPENING HYMN: *Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners*

HYMN 498

*\* Congregation stands.*

## WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

SHEROLL RITCHIE

Leader: Those who encountered the true and living God in Scripture were overwhelmed with a sense of his majesty and glory, and their own sinfulness. As we encounter the true and living God today, let us together ask for his forgiveness as we consider his character in light of our own.

Leader: Holy and strong One,

**People: Forgive our weakness.**

Leader: Holy and wise One,

**People: Forgive our foolishness.**

Leader: Holy and loving One,

**People: Forgive our hardness.**

Leader: Holy and generous One,

**People: Forgive our selfishness.**

Leader: Holy and faithful One,

**People: Forgive our fickleness.**

Leader: Holy and gentle One,

**People: Forgive our toughness.**

**All: Forgive us, Holy One, forgive.**

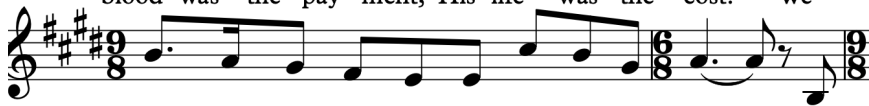
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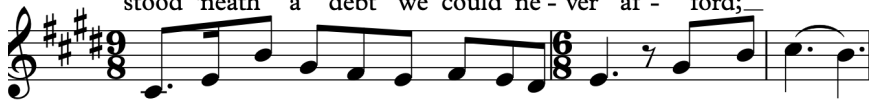
1. What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done; Om -  
 2. What pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam; What  
 3. What rich - es of kind - ness He la - vished on us; His



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 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.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(Colossians 1:21-22)*

Leader: And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him.

\* ACCLAMATION: *(Please stand.)*

**All: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things. Blessed be his glorious name forever; may his glory fill the whole earth. 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.)*

## WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY: *Maker*

KENT RICHTER

Maker! Am I not made for love,  
Though fallen, cursed from the tree?  
Sighing, remembering an innocence somehow stripped away,  
Longing just to be free.  
Eden calls like a voice grown weak and thin,  
Drowned in the din, aware of my sin.  
    My heart is a city under siege,  
    An island in a wild, angry sea.  
    How long, O Lord? Will You forget me evermore?  
    How long will You hide Your face from me?

Rumbling, all the machinery of the day,  
And all life echoes the same.  
I listen, listening for whispers somewhere in the night  
Somehow calling my name.  
Icy, distant as stars in winter sky  
Quietly cry, lonely as I.  
    Dangling in the darkness of the world,  
    Empty, silent as space,  
    My heart cries out for the ever-living God.  
    When will I see Him face to face?

Deep cries to deep: Wake, child asleep!  
Rise at midnight, O crying child,  
In the weeping rain and the thunder throbbing wild,  
For the darkness bleeds with a warm and threatening light:  
Every tear has worth; every sigh is right!

Maker, yes, I am made for love,  
Pouring my tears in the sea.  
Maker, will You then come and dance this lonely love,  
Sharing sorrow with me?  
Darkness is but the eclipse of a greater light,  
The promise of sight: Christ comes at night.

\* DOXOLOGY

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

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

KATHERINE ANDERSON

\* HYMN: *Healer of Our Every Ill*

Marty Haugen

*Refrain* D Em7/D G/D A/D D Bm Bm7/A G A

Heal - er of our ev - ery ill, light of each to - mor - row,

F#m7 Em Bm Em7 F#7 G Em D A/C# D

give us peace be - yond our fear and hope be - yond our sor - row.

Bm F#m/A G

1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your  
 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing, how your grace is  
 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - ery sis - ter,  
 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your

F Em D/F# G Bm A *Refrain*

peace and glad - ness. Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.  
 still un - fold - ing. Give us all your vis - ion, God of love.  
 ev - ery broth - er. Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.  
 way of heal - ing. Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.



## WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

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

READER: LARRY FUNCK

\* NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Matthew 21:1-13*

<sup>1</sup> As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup> saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup> If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away."

<sup>4</sup> This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:

<sup>5</sup> "Say to Daughter Zion,

    'See, your king comes to you,  
gentle and riding on a donkey,  
    and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'"

<sup>6</sup> The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. <sup>7</sup> They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. <sup>8</sup> A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup> The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

<sup>10</sup> When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?"

<sup>11</sup> The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

<sup>12</sup> Jesus entered the temple courts and drove out all who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves. <sup>13</sup> "It is written," he said to them, "'My house will be called a house of prayer,' but you are making it 'a den of robbers.'" NIV

\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: *When Warm Welcomes Lead to Overturned Tables*

REV. KEITH DRAPER

## WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

\* CLOSING HYMN: *Jesus Lives, and So Shall I*

HYMN 706

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

### TODAY

**We welcome Rev. Keith Draper** to the pulpit this morning. Many may recognize Keith, as our ministry partners from World Relief are regularly on site at Immanuel. Keith is part of the leadership team of World Relief Chicagoland, serving as the Church Engagement Director. He is a direct liaison for churches like ours that hope to share in the work of welcoming displaced people who come as refugees to DuPage County and in reaching out to our immigrant neighbors.

If you have concerns or are **in need of prayer**, Katherine Anderson (katand@sbcglobal.net) is available today and during the week.

**Thanks to our musicians:** John Zimmerman, Alethea Funck, Kent Richter

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

**Food Pantry**

**Youth Group at the Ministry House**

**Evening Mom Talk**

**No Evening Women's Bible Study tonight**

### THIS WEEK

Tuesday

9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

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

**Women's Bible Study (Psalms)**

**Food pantry open**

Wednesday 9:30 a.m.

**Mom Talk**

### In Immanuel and Beyond

**Mark your calendars for VBS 2022!** We are excited to bring VBS back to Immanuel during the week of July 25-29. Child registration will open in late May. If you are interested in serving in some capacity during VBS week, please contact Annika ASAP to assist planning. Email or call/text: @gmail.com or 630-207-3230.



*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*