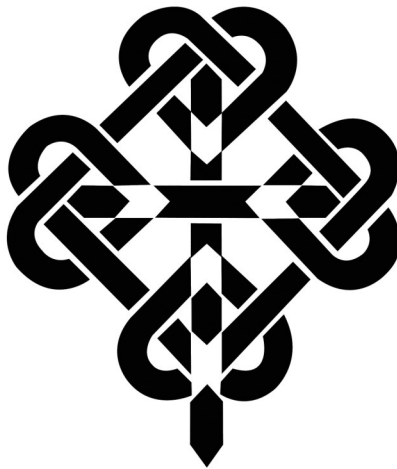


WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

Immanuel

Presbyterian Church



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

MAY 17, 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

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

* CALL TO WORSHIP

(in unison)

We will give thanks to you, O Lord, with our whole heart;

We will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

We will be glad and exult in you;

We will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

from Psalm 9:1-2

* INVOCATION

* OPENING HYMN: *My Hope Is in the Lord*

1. My hope is in the Lord who gave Him-self for me
 2. No mer-it of my own His an-ger to sup-press:
 3. And now for me He stands be-fore the Fa-ther's throne:
 4. His grace has planned it all— 'tis mine but to be-lieve,

and paid the price of all my sin at Cal-va-ry.
 my on-ly hope is found in Je-sus' right-eous-ness.
 He shows His wound-ed hands and names me as His own.
 and rec-og-nize His work of love, and Christ re-ceive.

For me He died, for me He lives; and

ev-er-last-ing life and light He free-ly gives.

WE ARE RENEWED BY GOD'S GRACE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALVA STEFFLER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we, free from sins, might live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed.

* ACCLAMATION

All: Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might to our God forever and ever. Amen.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

READER: BEV BURCH

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Psalms 8*

¹ LORD, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory
in the heavens.

² Through the praise of children and infants
you have established a stronghold against your enemies,
to silence the foe and the avenger.

³ When I consider your heavens,
the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars,
which you have set in place,

⁴ what is mankind that you are mindful of them,
human beings that you care for them?

⁵ You have made them a little lower than the angels
and crowned them with glory and honor.

⁶ You made them rulers over the works of your hands;
you put everything under their feet:
⁷ all flocks and herds,
and the animals of the wild,
⁸ the birds in the sky
and the fish in the sea,
all that swim the paths of the seas.

⁹ LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! NIV

* NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Colossians 1:15-23*

¹⁵ The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. ¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

²¹ Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. ²² But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation— ²³ if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant. NIV

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: *God's Purpose for Us*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

ALVA STEFFLER

SERMON

SPECIAL MUSIC: *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

ABI BEERWART
AZARYAH BAGGOTT

SERMON

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING SONG: *The Anchor of Hope*

Ellie Holcomb, Brown Bannister
DURBIN FAMILY



1. Marv - e - lous, won - der - ful, in - fin - ite God.
2. Gra - cious, com - pas - sion - ate, merc - i - ful God.
3. Pow - er - ful, cons - tant, un - wav - er - ing God.



Auth - or of all that is good.____ Faith - ful pro - vid - er and
Rad - i - ant ho - ly de - light.____ Beau - ti - ful Fa - ther, vic -
Shep - herd who comes for the lost.____ Rock of sal - va - tion, re -



giv - er of life. Source of all pow - er and love.
tor - i - ous son. Source of un - change - a - ble light.
mark - a - ble love. Sav - ior who died on the cross.



Great is the Lord, and most worth - y of praise. Ref - uge of strength to the



end.____ Right - eous re - deem - er and might - y to save, He's the



anch - or of hope for my soul, my soul.

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

If you are in need of prayer, contact elder Sheroll Ritchie (630-221-8830 or soritchie@gmail.com) who will be happy to pray with you.

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, Abbi Beerwart, Azaryah Baggott, Durbin family

Thanks to our video editor, Peter Welander.

Today	(See adult education listing.)	
	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open
	6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Middle School Youth Group (Zoom)
	7:15 - 8:15 p.m.	High School Youth Group (Zoom)
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible study (Zoom)
	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible study (Zoom)
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).

From the IPC Finance Committee:

The giving goal for the operating budget in April was \$55,000 and the actual giving was \$43,045 or 78.3% of the goal. Renovation giving was \$2,725 for the month. The year-to-date giving goal through April was \$250,500, and the actual giving was \$211,934 or 84.6% of the goal.

To give your tithe, you may mail a check to the church or give online. If you have questions about online giving, please contact Amber Johnson via email at amber@immanuelpresbyterian.net or by phone at 630-401-3399.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

Deuteronomy: The Heartbeat of the Old Testament

**Cooper Smith
11:00 a.m.**

The Twilight Zone class

**Michael Kendrick and Ron Netzel
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.**

ELDERS

*Katherine Anderson (Clerk of Session), Dan Balzer, Lew Luttrell,
Carl Pickard, Sheroll Ritchie, Leon Sinclair, Gaby Sosa, Alva Steffler, Steve Westfall, Ken Wolgemuth*

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Marc Johnson, Michael Kendrick, Harv Meyers, Tom Nguyen, Heather Reyes (chair), Jack Swanson*

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