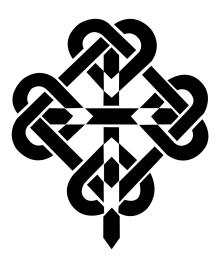
# Immanuel Presbyterian Church



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

— Ephesians 4:16 —

## 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

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

All: And we shall praise him, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of God.

Pastor: Come, let us consider him who has endured such hostility by sinners against himself, so that we may not grow weary and lose heart.

All: And since he has given us a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us offer him our lives in full and joyful surrender.

\* Invocation

## \* Opening Song: Come, People of the Risen King



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#### WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION DAN BALZER

Leader: How can we be so blind, and yet see so acutely at the same time?

People: We are quick to note the dark acts of others, yet slow to recognize the evil in our own thoughts and the stains on our hands.

Leader: O, for eyes that will see and honor the good in others!

People: O, for hearts that loathe the blinding evil of indwelling sin!

Leader: Come, let us turn to the Fount of mercy, whose love heals our blindness, and whose righteousness transforms our condemning hearts into instruments of peace.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the comforting word of the Scriptures to all who truly repent. As far as the East is from the West so far does he remove our transgressions from us. If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, the righteous. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with us all.

\* SONG OF ACCLAMATION: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

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

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.

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### \* 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.)

Special Music: All Creatures of Our God and King

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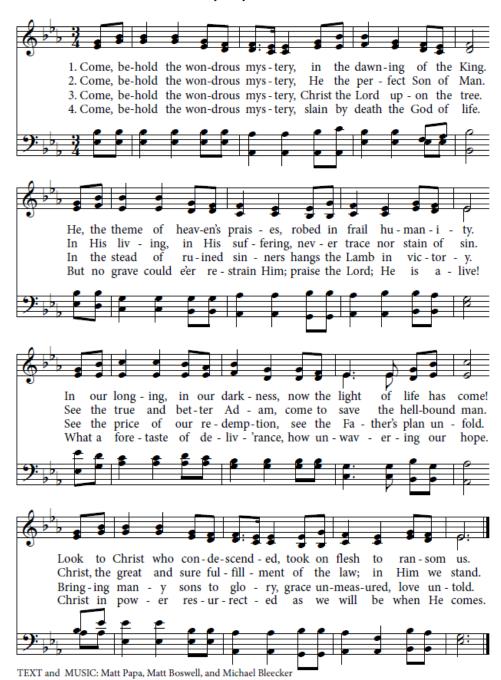
GRACE AND MARCUS MAYELL

## WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

DIACONAL PRAYER KATIE PICKARD

## WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

\* Song: Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery



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## (Please stand for the reading of God's Word.)

Readers: Will Durbin, Audra Loney, Trent Wisdom

## \* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Psalm 93

<sup>1</sup> The Lord reigns, he is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength; indeed, the world is established, firm and secure.

<sup>2</sup> Your throne was established long ago;

you are from all eternity.

<sup>3</sup> The seas have lifted up, Lord, the seas have lifted up their voice; the seas have lifted up their pounding waves.

<sup>4</sup> Mightier than the thunder of the great waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea—the Lord on high is mighty.

<sup>5</sup> Your statutes, Lord, stand firm; holiness adorns your house for endless days. NIV

## \* New Testament Scriptures:

John 20:11-18

<sup>11</sup> Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb <sup>12</sup> and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

"They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." <sup>14</sup> At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

<sup>15</sup> He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, "Mary."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.""

 $^{18}$  Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her. NIV

## Revelation 21:1-4

<sup>1</sup> Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. <sup>2</sup>I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. <sup>4</sup> 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." NIV

## \* Congregational Response

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION: Resurrection: Relational Joy

## WE RESPOND WITH THANKSGIVING

## SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION



## 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 am 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

### TODAY

**Thanks to our musicians:** Mary Hopper, Jack Durbin, Lauren Mathues, David LaPlaca, Russ Adkins, Grace and Marcus Mayell.

## Thanks to our technical crew.

If you would like someone to pray with you after the service, **Dan Balzer** will be available.

**Thanks also** to those who helped with set up/take down, ushering, and parking.

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1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Food pantry open
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.	3rd - 5th grade Sunday School
6:00 - 7:30 p.m.	Youth Group (Outdoors at the Ministry House)
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Adult Ed class (Zoom)

## THIS WEEK

Tuesday

1:00- 3:0:00 p.m. **Food Pantry** 

## In Immanuel

Food donations should be dropped off at the Food Pantry

Sundays 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

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

Saturdays 10:00 - noon

Note: Food Pantry will be closed on Mother's Day (May 9).

# NOTES

#### **ELDERS**

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

#### **DEACONS**

Phebe Balzer, Becky Eggimann, Seth Ehorn, Debby France, Katie Pickard, Dee Netzel, Tom Nguyen, Heather Reyes (chair), 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;
Amber Johnson, Business Manager; Barbara Lawrence, Church Secretary; Frank Lawrence, Church Sexton

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