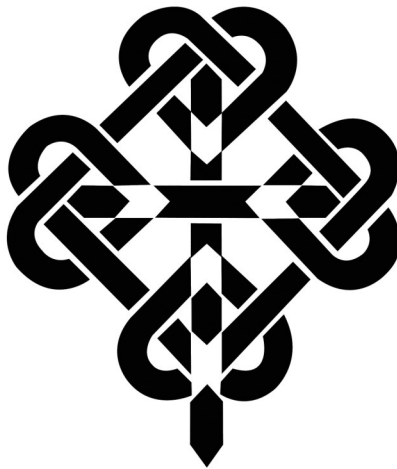


WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

Immanuel

Presbyterian Church



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

MAY 3, 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

ALVA STEFFLER

Pastor: Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord;

All: Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice!

Pastor: Our hearts rejoice in God our Savior.

All: His mercy is sure, his name is holy. With full joy we now sing our Redeemer's praise!

* INVOCATION

* OPENING SONG: *We Come, O Christ to You*

1. We come, O Christ, to You, true Son of God and man, by
 2. You are the way to God, Your blood our ran - som paid; in
 3. You are the liv - ing truth! All wis - dom dwells in You, the
 4. You on - ly are true life, to know You is to live; the
 5. We wor - ship You, Lord Christ, our Sav - ior and our King; to

whom all things con - sist, in whom all life be - gan. In You a -
 You we face our Judge and Mak - er un - a - fraid. Be - fore the
 source of eve - ry skill, the one e - ter - nal True! O great I
 more a - bun - dant life that earth can nev - er give. O ris - en
 You our youth and strength a - dor - ing - ly we bring; so fill our

lone we live and move and have our be - ing in Your love.
 throne ab - solved we stand; Your love has met Your law's de - mand.
 AM! in You we rest, sure an - swer to our eve - ry quest.
 Lord! we live in You: in us each day Your life re - new!
 hearts, that all may view Your life in us and turn to You!

TEXT: Edith Margaret Clarkson, 1957, rev. 1985

MUSIC: John Darwall, 1770

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WE ARE RENEWED BY GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION (*in unison*)

ALVA STEFFLER

Unison: We cannot come before God unless we are first honest with ourselves about who we are, about the mistakes we make, and about how well or poorly we care for others. In spite of God's love for us and gift of love to us, at times we still act in destructive ways. At times we still close our hearts to God and disobey God's law.

Leader: Together, let us silently confess our sin.

Adapted from The Worship Sourcebook

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (*from Psalm 130*)

Leader: People of God, put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord is unfailing love, and with him there is full redemption. Hear God's forgiveness: The Lord himself will redeem you from all your sins through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

* ACCLAMATION

All: Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

SERMON: *The Scenery of His Supremacy (Part 1)*

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PASTORAL PRAYER

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

READERS: PRISCILLA HEIDEBRECHT, ELIZA HEIDEBRECHT

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Psalm 47*

¹ Clap your hands, all you nations;
shout to God with cries of joy.

² For the Lord Most High is awesome,
the great King over all the earth.

³ He subdued nations under us,
peoples under our feet.
⁴ He chose our inheritance for us,
the pride of Jacob, whom he loved.
⁵ God has ascended amid shouts of joy,
the Lord amid the sounding of trumpets.
⁶ Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.
⁷ For God is the King of all the earth;
sing to him a psalm of praise.
⁸ God reigns over the nations;
God is seated on his holy throne.
⁹ The nobles of the nations assemble
as the people of the God of Abraham,
for the kings of the earth belong to God;
he is greatly exalted. NIV

* NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Colossians 1:15-20*

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. NIV

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

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

SERMON

SPECIAL MUSIC: *Wonderful, Merciful Savior*

Dawn Rogers/Eric Wyse
RUSS ADKINS, CHARLIE ADKINS, BEN ADKINS

SERMON

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING SONG: *In Christ Alone*

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1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my
2. In Christ a - lone - who took on flesh, Ful - ness of
3. There in the ground His bo - dy lay, Light of the
2 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the
light, my strength, my song; this cor - ner stone, this sol - id
God in help - less babe. This gift of love and right - eous
world by dark - ness slain; Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious
5 power of Christ in me; From life's first cry to fi - nal
ground, firm through the fier - cest drought and storm. What heights of
ness, Scorned by the ones He came to save, till on that
day Up from the grave He rose a - gain! And as He
8 breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No power of
love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when stri - vings
cross, as Je - sus died, The wrath of God was sa - tis -
stands in vic - to - ry Sin's curse has lost its grip on
11 hell, no scheme of man, Can e - ver pluck me from His
cease! My com - for - ter, my all in
fied; For ev - ery sin on Him was
me, For I am His and He is
13 hand; Till He re - turns or calls me
all, here in the love of Christ I stand.
laid, Here in the death of Christ I live.
mine Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ
home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

PRAYER FOR GRADUATING COLLEGE SENIORS

* BENEDICTION

If you are in need of prayer, contact elder, Lew Luttrell (630-740-0462 or lewluttrell1940@gmail.com) who will be happy to pray with you.

Thanks to our musicians: Russ Adkins, Charlie Adkins, Ben Adkins, Mary Hopper, Mike Dietrich, Jeff Sands.

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)
Monday	7:30 p.m.	Deacons meeting
Tuesday	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open
Thursday		Food Pantry closed

IN IMMANUEL AND BEYOND

Congratulations to our graduating college students:

Ellie Disselkoen

B.A. in Music Pedagogy (flute)

Betsy Dowling

B.A. in Studio Art, with concentrations in drawing and graphic design

Meredith Eades

B.A. in Music, minor in Biology

Clara Leo

B.A. in Music and Economics

Sophie Miller

B.S. in Applied Health Science

Phoebe Morris

Jonathan Mullins

B.A. in Philosophy, with a certificate in Human Needs and Global Resources

Maggie Rothrock

B.A. in English Writing

Emily Smith

B.A. in Spanish and Secondary Education

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ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES
SESSION 5 • April 19—May 17

Deuteronomy: The Heartbeat of the Old Testament

Cooper Smith
11:00 a.m.

The goal of this course is to survey the content and theology of this rich book by examining one text each week that is paradigmatic of a key theme. We also will reflect on the way that the New Testament assumes and builds on these themes from Deuteronomy.

Cooper Smith earned his Ph.D. from Wheaton College, where he teaches Old Testament as an adjunct instructor. Cooper and his wife, Marie, have been worshipping and participating at Immanuel since 2016. They have two daughters, Abby and Lilah.

Prayer and Fellowship

Andy and Phyllis LePeau
11:00 a.m.

Andy and Phyllis Le Peau have attended Immanuel since its inception and served in a variety of roles, most recently for Phyllis as elder and for Andy as a K-2 Sunday school teacher.

The Twilight Zone class

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

This class explores topics and ways Christians can engage our friends and co-workers as we talk about questions of “fairness” (or justice) and “does the punishment fit the crime.” This class previously was run by Roger Lundin and Michael Kendrick, as a way to have this dialogue, as a tribute to Roger, and as a mechanism to connect with our world about Christ.

Michael Kendrick just celebrated with Andrea their 30th year as Immanuel members. He is proud to say he has four generations of family at our church. He has taught several Sunday School classes during the past few decades, including a couple courses on the Christian Year. This will be his third offering on the Twilight Zone, a remarkable television series that continues to be timely and relevant today. (And yes, he has watched all 156 episodes!)

Ron Netzel has been a member of Immanuel for several years. He is married to Dee and has one daughter, Sophie Netzel. He attended Wheaton College where he first learned about how God writes our story and the importance of listening to God’s writing of His Story in our daily lives.

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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*Phebe Balzer, Tim Curley, Becky Eggimann, Seth Ehorn, Debby France,
Marc Johnson, Michael Kendrick, Harv Meyers, Tom Nguyen, Heather Reyes (chair), Jack Swanson*

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Alva Steffler, Minister of Congregational Care; Mary Hopper, Minister of Music;
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Amber Johnson, Business Manager; Barbara Lawrence, Church Secretary; Frank Lawrence, Church Sexton*

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