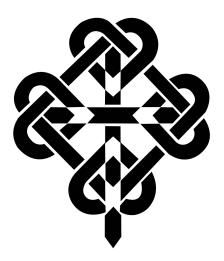
Immanuel Presbyterian Church



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

— Ephesians 4:16 —

2 CORINTHIANS 5
OUR LIFE IN CHRIST IN ONE CHAPTER

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: Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!

The Gift of Love

W. Kirkpatrick, C. Curry Traditional, H. Hopson, J. Carter JOHN ZIMMERMAN

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

ANNETTE LAPLACA

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP: O Come, Let Us Worship

IMMANUEL CHOIR

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations

what he has done.

All: Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in

his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Pastor: Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.

All: Let us remember the wonders he has done, his miracles and the

judgments he pronounced. For he is the Lord our God. He remembers

his covenant forever.

^{*} Invocation

* Opening Song: The Church's One Foundation



TEXT: Samuel J. Stone, 1866 MUSIC: Samuel S. Wesley, 1864

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION SHEROLL RITCHIE

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 (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.

* Song of Acclamation: His Mercy Is More (Verse 2)



* 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.)

WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

Offering and Offertory: Blessed Is the One

Craig Courtney
Immanuel Choir, John Zimmerman

Blessed is the one Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven. Blessed is the one who sins are covered, the one to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, in whose spirit is no guile.

You are my hiding place. You will preserve me in trouble surrounding me with songs of deliverance.

When mighty waters rise, they will not reach me.

Doxology

All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

(Children remain seated during the Children's Blessing, then will be led to their children's worship space.)

MISSION FOCUS

THOMAS AND SUSANNA SMOAK

WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

Intercessory Prayer Katherine Anderson



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WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

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

READERS: TERRA AND STEVE VINCENT

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Psalm 146

¹ Praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord, my soul.

² I will praise the Lord all my life;

I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

Do not put your trust in princes,

in human beings, who cannot save.

⁴ When their spirit departs, they return to the ground; on that very day their plans come to nothing.

⁵ Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,

whose hope is in the Lord their God.

⁶ He is the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them—

he remains faithful forever.

⁷ He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets prisoners free,

the Lord gives sight to the blind,

the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down,

the Lord loves the righteous.

⁹ The Lord watches over the foreigner and sustains the fatherless and the widow, but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

¹⁰ The Lord reigns forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

¹⁶ So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. ¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹ that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. ²¹ God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. NIV

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

This is the Word of the Lord. Leader:

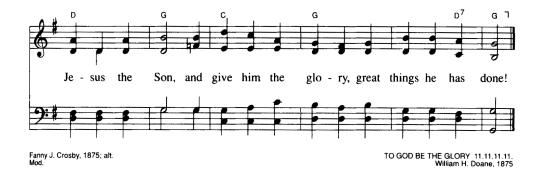
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Ministry of Reconciliation

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING HYMN: To God Be the Glory





- * Benediction
- Postlude

TODAY

We are coming near the end of "Ordinary Time," which stretches between Easter and Advent. Colors of liturgical seasons became a common practice in the Western church in about the fourth century. Advent and Lent are periods of preparation and repentance and are represented by the color purple. Green is the color for "Ordinary Time." Green represents life, hope, and anticipation.

If you have concerns or are in need of prayer, Katherine Anderson will be available at the front following the service.

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, John Zimmerman, Immanuel choir Thanks to our technical crew.

Get to know our missionaries Thomas and Susanna Smoak! We get to see these missionaries as much as possible as they are loved members of our church family. Thomas and Susanna and their family served overseas for a couple of dozen years, especially in Brazil, before Thomas took on the role of International Director of their mission, Action International. With kids in college and now grandkids in the U.S., it made sense for them to move their family to Wheaton, where Thomas and Susanna and their daughters share a home with Susanna's mom (Immanuel member Marilyn Spradley). Thomas spends time all over the world, supporting Action missionaries and identifying new fields of service. Be sure to check out a special display in the Gathering Place this morning. Plan to return to the sanctuary for an update on their ministry after the morning service until 12:30.

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Today

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. **Food pantry open** 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. **Youth Group**

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Evening Moms Group

7:00 p.m. Adult Ed

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 9:30 a.m. **Women's Bible Study** (childcare)

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **Food Pantry**

7:00 p.m. Men's Book Group (Zoom)

Wednesday 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. **Mom Talk** (childcare)

Thursday 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **Special Pantry Give-Away**

Saturday 10:00 a.m. **Primetimers**

IN IMMANUEL AND BEYOND

Sign up in the gathering place this morning if you would like to attend the Primetimer's event next Saturday, November 20, at 10:00 a.m. with special speaker Bill France.

Following the service next Sunday, November 21, we will have a brief meeting to present the vision behind the 2022 time switch for Sunday School and the worship service (Sunday School at 9:30, Service at 10:30). This time will also include Q & A.

GIVING UPDATE: With giving at \$615,000, we ended the third quarter (October 31) within one percent of our giving goal. That puts us on target for the remaining \$167,000, or 21% of our budget for November and December. With expenses below budget because of COVID and reduced activity during renovation, we are in a position to end the year very well, poised to move ahead in 2022. Speaking of Renovation, which we celebrated last Sunday, the Immanuel family is to be commended for its remarkable support, which amounted to more than a million dollars over the past three years—on top of very strong ongoing support for all IPC ministries. We thank God for using you to bless his work at Immanuel.

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, Dee Netzel, Tom Nguyen, Katie Pickard, Heather Reyes (chair), Jack Swanson, Amy Treier, Rebecca Williams