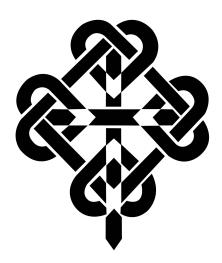
Immanuel Presbyterian Church



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

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

ANNETTE LAPLACA

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: God anointed Christ to console the afflicted.

All: Come, let us worship the Lord our Comforter!

Pastor: God anointed Christ to emancipate the enslaved.

All: Come, let us worship the Lord our liberator!

Pastor: God anointed Christ to bind up the wounded.

All: Come, let us worship the Lord our healer!

Pastor: God anointed Christ to deliver the troubled.

All: Come, let us worship the Lord our Savior!

Adapted from The Worship Sourcebook

* INVOCATION

* OPENING HYMN: Psalm 62





WE ARE RENEWED BY GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION ANNETTE LAPLACA

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.

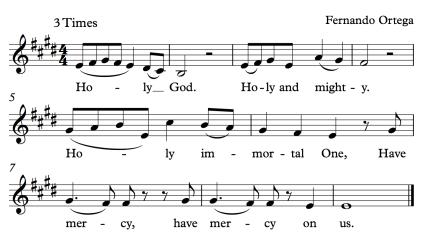
Leader: Holy and gentle One,

People: Forgive our toughness.

All: Forgive us, Holy One, forgive.

Adapted from The Open Gate

SONG OF CONFESSION: Trisagion



PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.

To all who have received him, to those who believe in his name,

he gave the right to become children of God.

* ACCLAMATION

All: Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Special Music: My Help Cometh from the Lord

Jackie Grouche Farris
Sarah Holman

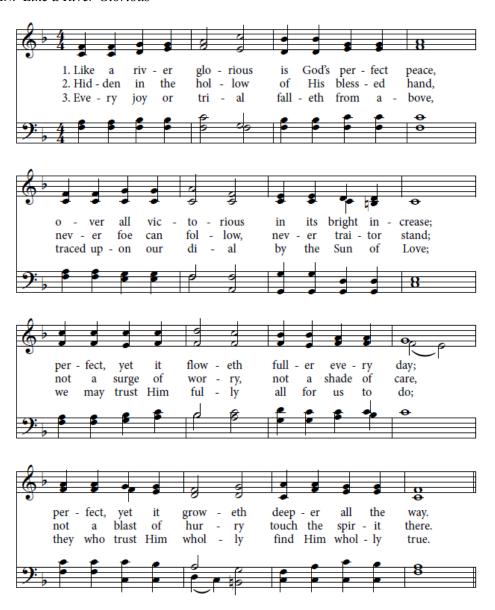
I will lift up mine eyes to the hills, from whence cometh my help.
My help cometh from the Lord, the Lord which made heaven and earth. He said he will not suffer thy foot, thy foot to be moved.
The Lord which keepeth thee, He will not slumber nor sleep.

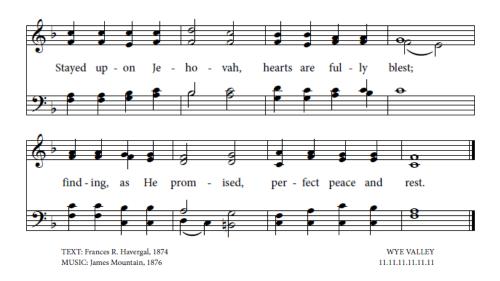
Oh, the Lord is thy keeper, the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. No, the sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. He shall preserve thy soul even forevermore.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

ALVA STEFFLER





WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

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

READER: ANNETTE LAPLACA

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 40:21-31

²¹Do you not know?

Have you not heard?

Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood since the earth was founded?

²² He sits enthroned above the circle of the earth, and its people are like grasshoppers.

He stretches out the heavens like a canopy, and spreads them out like a tent to live in.

²³ He brings princes to naught and reduces the rulers of this world to nothing.

No sooner are they planted, no sooner are they sown, no sooner do they take root in the ground, than he blows on them and they wither, and a whirlwind sweeps them away like chaff.

²⁵ "To whom will you compare me? Or who is my equal?" says the Holy One.

²⁶ Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these?

He who brings out the starry host one by one and calls forth each of them by name.

Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing.

- ²⁷ Why do you complain, Jacob? Why do you say, Israel,
- "My way is hidden from the LORD; my cause is disregarded by my God"?
- ²⁸ Do you not know? Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom.

- ²⁹ He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.
- ³⁰ Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall;
- ³¹ but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. NIV

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: The Privileged of the Pandemic

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING SONG: Neither Death nor Life



- * BENEDICTION
- * Postlude

Today

If you are in need of prayer, elder Sheroll Ritchie is available to pray with you (773-551-4568 or soritchie@gmail.com).

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1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.	3rd - 5th grade Sunday School Zoom
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Youth Group Zoom
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Adult Ed Zoom (Theology 101)
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This Week

Tuesday	9:30 a.m 11:00 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)

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