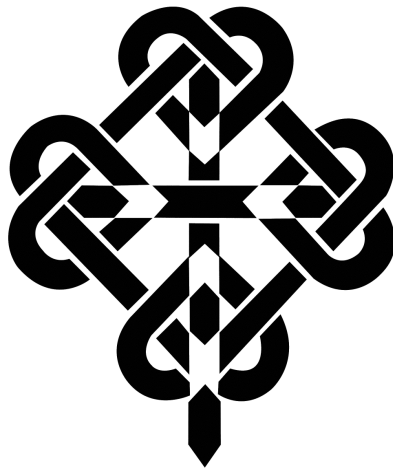


WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

Immanuel Presbyterian Church



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

OUTDOOR SERVICE

OCTOBER 11, 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

PRELUDE

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

AMBER JOHNSON

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Let us worship the eternal God, the source of love and life,
who creates us.

All: Let us worship Jesus Christ, the risen one, who lives among us.

Pastor: Let us worship the Spirit, the holy fire, who renews us.

**All: To the one true God be praise in all times and places,
through the grace of Jesus Christ.**

* INVOCATION

* OPENING SONG: *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

1. Come, Chris-tians, join to sing, Al - le - lu - ia, A - men!
 2. Come, lift your hearts on high, Al - le - lu - ia, A - men!
 3. Praise yet our Christ a - gain, Al - le - lu - ia, A - men!

Loud praise to Christ our King, Al - le - lu - ia, A - men!
 Let prais - es fill the sky, Al - le - lu - ia, A - men!
 Life shall not end the strain, Al - le - lu - ia, A - men!

Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore His throne re - jice;
 He is our Guide and Friend, to us He'll con - de - scend;
 On heav - en's bliss - ful shore, His good - ness we'll a - dore,

praise is His gra - cious choice, Al - le - lu - ia, A - men!
 His love shall nev - er end, Al - le - lu - ia, A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia, A - men!"

Words: Christian Bateman, 1843
 Music: Spanish melody

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WE ARE RENEWED BY GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: The psalmist testifies: Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for me.

People: If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

Leader: But truly God has listened; he has given heed to the words of my prayer.

People: Praise be to God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me.

Leader: In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God.

based on Psalm 66:16, 18-20, NRSV from *The Worship Sourcebook*

SONG OF CONFESSION: *Merciful Lord*

Mer - ci - ful Lord, in your lov - ing - kind - ness hear our
prayer, lis - ten to our con - fes - sion. Mer - ci - ful Lord,
in your lov - ing kind - ness hear our
prayer, lis - ten to our con - fes - sion.

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: If you repent and believe, you are reconciled to God in Christ and renewed in the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God.

* ACCLAMATION

All: With angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify your glorious name; evermore praising you and saying, Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory, now and always. Amen.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

ALVA STEFFLER

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

SPECIAL MUSIC: *Praise Our God and King*

MINI CHOIR

Praise, O praise our God and King!
Hymns of adoration sing;
For His mercies still endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

And the silver moon by night,
Shining with her gentle light;
For His mercies still endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

Praise Him that He made the sun
Day by day his course to run;
For His mercies still endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

Glory to our bounteous King!
Glory let creation sing!
Glory to the Father, Son,
And blest Spirit, Three in One.

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

READERS: SAMUEL REICH, NOAH KIM

* OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Psalms 133*

¹ How good and pleasant it is
when God's people live together in unity!
² It is like precious oil poured on the head,
running down on the beard,
running down on Aaron's beard,
down on the collar of his robe.
³ It is as if the dew of Hermon
were falling on Mount Zion.
For there the LORD bestows his blessing,
even life forevermore. NIV

* NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Ephesians 3:14-4:6*

¹⁴ For this reason I kneel before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. ¹⁶ I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸ may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

¹ As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. ² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. NIV

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

1. All my days I will sing this song of glad-ness, give my
 2. I will trust in the cross of my Re-deem-er; I will
 3. long to be where the praise is ne-ver end-ing; Yearn to
 praise to the Foun-tain of de-lights; for in my help-less-ness You
 sing of the blood that nev-er fails, of sins for-giv-en, of
 dwell where the glo-ry ne-ver fades, Where count-less wor-ship-ers will
 heard my cry, and waves of mer-cy poured-down on my life.
 con-science cleansed, of death de-feat-ed and life with-out end.
 share one song, And cries of "wor-thy" will hon-or the Lamb!
 1. Beau-ti-ful Sa-vi-our, 2. Won-der-ful Coun-se-lor, clothed in
 maj-es-ty, Lord of his-to-ry, You're the Way, the Truth, the Life, Star of the Morn-ing,
 glo-ri-ous in ho-li-ness, You're the Ris-en One, heav-en's
 Cham-pi-on, and You reign, You reign o-ver
 all! 3.1

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SERMON: *Unity in a Time of Adversity (Part 1)*

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING SONG: *O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

1. O, for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise;
2. My gra-cious Mas-ter and my God, as-sist me to pro-claim,
3. Je-sus! the name that calms our fears, that bids our sor-rows cease!
4. He breaks the pow'r of can-celed sin, He sets the pris-'ner free.
5. Hear Him, ye deaf! His praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues em-ploy!

the glo-ries of my God and King, the tri-umphs of His grace.
to spread through all the earth a-broad the hon-ors of Thy name.
'Tis mu-sic in the sin-ner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.
His blood can make the foul-est clean, His blood a-vailed for me.
Ye blind, be-hold your Sav-ior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy!

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1739
MUSIC: Carl Glaser, 1828

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* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Today

If you are in need of prayer, contact elder Alva Steffler (630) 802-0207 or alvasteffler@yahoo.com.

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, Joel, Karin and Miriam Buursma, Heather Klassen, Joan Sheesley, Sue Lundin, Sarah Holman, Andy LePeau, Stan and Suzanne Anderson, Anne and Jane Osielski, Nathiel Holman, Seth Ehorn.

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Thanks to all who pitch in for set up and clean up for outdoor worship.

Nomination Deadline, October 18: Once you get a nominee's approval, send an email to Carl Pickard: carljudypickard@gmail.com. If you are here in person, you can fill out a paper form and put it in the familiar "big orange box." Feel free to review [What Immanuel Officers Do](#).

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Food Pantry open

3rd - 5th grade Sunday School Zoom

Youth Group Zoom

This Week

Tuesday

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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

7:00 p.m.

Women's Bible Study (Zoom)

Food Pantry open

Women's Bible Study (Zoom)

Coming

Reformation Sunday, October 25, 4:00 p.m. - Harvest Decorated Pumpkin Contest. Bring your entry (paint a pumpkin, accessorize a pumpkin, make a pumpkin scene/diorama, or carve a pumpkin) and our judges (Alva, Sue, and David) will choose the winners! Expect unusual categories: Most Presbyterian Pumpkin, Best Storytelling Pumpkin, Most Elegant Pumpkin, Best Intergalactic Pumpkin, Most Colorful Pumpkin, etc. Please avoid anything creepy (Halloween). Pumpkins will be received whenever you've got them ready, but the deadline is Reformation Sunday morning, October 25. If you're carving your pumpkin, wait until the last minute so it won't be rotting. Come back to church at 4 p.m. to see the pumpkins displayed outdoors (with tables spaced for social distancing), enjoy some music, and hear judges award prizes. Kids can take home a goody bag! Our friends from La Roca Eterna will join in the fun. Stay tuned for suggestions for most-needed pantry donations for collecting on Reformation Sunday.

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ELDERS

*Katherine Anderson (Clerk of Session), Dan Balzer, 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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