Immanuel Presbyterian Church



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

PHILIPPIANS: CONTENTMENT IN CHRIST

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.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude: Come, Christians, Join to Sing Carr/arr. Ingram

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS ANNETTE LAPLACA

Preparation for Worship John Zimmerman

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Please stand.)

Pastor: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the

Rock of our salvation.

All: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music

and song.

Pastor: Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

All: For he is our God and we are the sheep of his pasture, the flock

under his care.

* Invocation

* OPENING SONG: We Come, O Christ to Thee

Hymn 181

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION GABY SOSA

All: When we come into the holy presence of God, our own humanity is laid bare. When we stand in the living presence of truth, our own falsehood is revealed.

Pastor: People of God, let us acknowledge who we are and ask our ever-present God to forgive us.

Adapted from The Worship Sourcebook

SONG OF CONFESSION: Spirit of the Living God Hymn 726

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Be comforted and hear the good tidings of the gospel: If any one has sinned, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. Believe the gospel and live in peace. Amen.

* Song of Acclamation (Gloria Patri)

Hymn 735

All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

* 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.)

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

(Children 3 years through 5th grade are dismissed to continue their worship downstairs.)

RECOGNITION OF APPRECIATION FOR AMBER JOHNSON

CARL PICKARD

WE BRING OUR PRAISES, PRAYERS AND GIFTS

Offering and Offertory: Ode to Joy

Beethoven/arr. Angerman

* Doxology Howard Whitaker



INTERCESSORY PRAYER

SHEROLL RITCHIE

* HYMN: I Lift My Eyes to the Quiet Hills



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WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

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

READER: JOY HUDSON

- * OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Psalm 121
 - ¹ I lift up my eyes to the mountains—where does my help come from?

² My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

³ He will not let your foot slip—

he who watches over you will not slumber;

⁴ indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

⁵ The Lord watches over you—

the Lord is your shade at your right hand;

⁶ the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

⁷ The Lord will keep you from all harm—

he will watch over your life;

- ⁸ the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.
- * New Testament Scripture: Philippians 1:12-18

¹² Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. ¹³ As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ. ¹⁴ And because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear.

¹⁵ It is true that some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of goodwill. ¹⁶ The latter do so out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. ¹⁷ The former preach Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing that they can stir up trouble for me while I am in chains. ¹⁸ But what does it matter? The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice. NIV

* Congregational Response

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: All for Christ

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* Closing Hymn: From All That Dwell Below the Skies Hymn 7

* Benediction

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Baptismal side: He who began a good work in you

Pulpit side: will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

All: Amen.

* Postlude

TODAY

Thanks to our musicians: Mary Hopper, John Zimmerman, Handbell Choir

If you have concerns or are **in need of prayer**, elder Gaby Sosa (gabydesosa10@gmail.com) will be available to pray with you near the platform after the service or during the week.

| 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. | Food Pantry open |
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5:00 - 7:00 p.m. College Fellowship at the Netzels'

Pumpkin Carving Party

(RSVP to deemail1@comocast.net)

4:30 p.m. Youth Group service project 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Youth Group regular meeting

This Week

Tuesday 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. **Women's Bible Study** (childcare)

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

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study

In Immanuel and Beyond

Sunday, October 30: Come to church at 9:30 a.m. to celebrate Reformation Sunday with brunch provided by our Social Team. Sign up in the narthex today.

Learn more about human trafficking: Amazing Grace ministry will be at Immanuel on Friday night, November 4, at 6:30 p.m. with a presentation about awareness and advocacy in the western suburbs. Everyone is invited! For more info, contact Kelly Watros (thirddown@yahoo.com).

ELDERS

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

DEACONS

Phebe Balzer, Becky Eggimann, Seth Ehorn (Chair), Debby France, Dee Netzel, Tom Nguyen, Katie Pickard, 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; Barbara Lawrence, Church Secretary; Frank Lawrence, Church Sexton