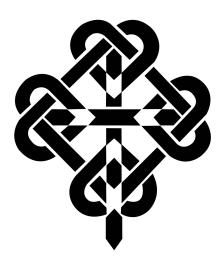
Immanuel Presbyterian Church



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

Preludio 1

Day By Day (in the style of Chopin)

J. S. Bach arr. by Courtney

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: O Lord, you are our God;

we will exalt you; we will praise your name,

for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

All: Strong peoples will glorify you;

cities of ruthless nations will fear you.

For you have been a stronghold to the poor, a stronghold to the needy in their distress,

a shelter from the storm and a shade from the heat.

* Invocation

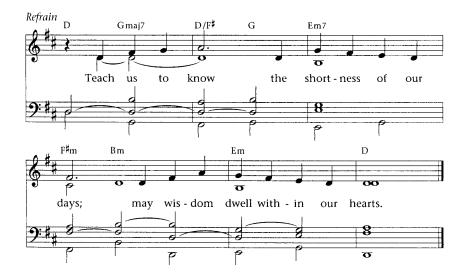
* Opening Song: Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners! (verses 1,2,4,5)



WE ARE RENEWED BY GOD'S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

SHEROLL RITCHIE



Leader: Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another.

People: Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, from age to age you are God.

Leader: You turn us back to dust and say, "Turn back, O children of earth."

People: For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past and like a watch in the night; you sweep them away like a dream, they fade away suddenly like the grass;

Leader: In the morning it is green and flourishes; in the evening it is dried up and withered.

(Refrain)

People: For we are consumed by your anger; we are afraid because of your wrath.

Leader: Our iniquities you have set before you, and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

People: When you are angry, all our days are gone; we bring our years to an end like a sigh.

(Refrain)

Leader: The span of our life is seventy years, perhaps in strength even eighty;

yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow, for they pass away quickly

and we are gone.

People: Who regards the power of your wrath? Who rightly fears

your indignation?

Leader: So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

(Refrain)

Psalm 90:1-12

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The promise of God is greater than our sinfulness: If we confess our sins,

he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all

unrighteousness. Brothers and sisters, rest in this good news—in Jesus Christ

we stand forgiven. Amen.

* ACCLAMATION

All: Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing. Amen.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE ANNE OSIELSKI

INTERCESSORY PRAYER ALVA STEFFLER

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

Special Music: Abide with Me (with Adagio, Beethoven)

Text by Henry Francis Lyte, 1973-1847
Arranged by Gail Smith
ALETHEA FUNCK

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the Lord is the stronghold of my life, of whom shall I be afraid? . . . One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.

Psalm 27:1, 4

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide; The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide! When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless; Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, the victory? I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

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

READERS: DEREK AND LORAINE MORRISON

Jesus confronts a Samaritan woman at Jacob's well in the town of Sychar. After telling of living water that would quench her thirst forever, He then divinely discloses her past with regard to her former marriages (and present state of immorality). After explaining that in the future worship would not be localized in Jerusalem or Mt. Gerazim where the Samaritans worship, He then discloses to her that He is in fact the Messiah.

* New Testament Scripture: John 4:27-42

²⁷ Just then his disciples returned and were surprised to find him talking with a woman. But no one asked, "What do you want?" or "Why are you talking with her?"

 $^{^{28}}$ Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, 29 "Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?" 30 They came out of the town and made their way toward him.

³¹ Meanwhile his disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat something."

³² But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you know nothing about."

³³ Then his disciples said to each other, "Could someone have brought him food?"

³⁴ "My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. ³⁵ Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. ³⁶ Even now the one who reaps draws a wage and harvests a crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together. ³⁷ Thus the saying 'One sows and another reaps' is true. ³⁸ I sent you to reap what you have not worked for. Others have done the hard work, and you have reaped the benefits of their labor."

³⁹ Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I ever did." ⁴⁰ So when the Samaritans came to him, they urged him to stay with them, and he stayed two days. ⁴¹ And because of his words many more became believers.

⁴² They said to the woman, "We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world."

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* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

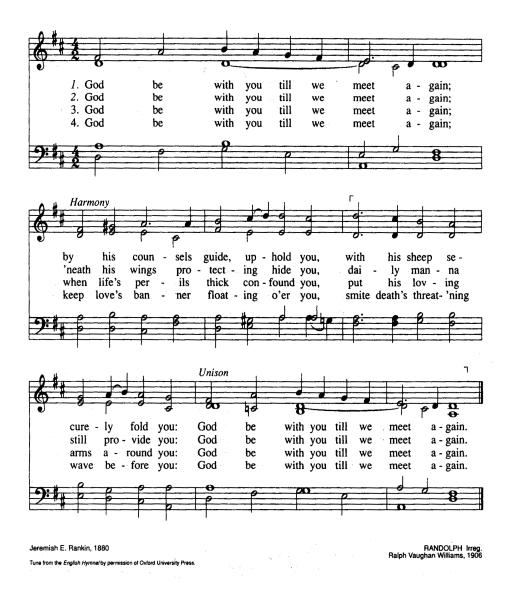
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: Confronting Jesus (Part 4)

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

* CLOSING SONG: God Be with You Till We Meet Again (Verses 1 and 3)



* Benediction

* Postlude: Sarabande (from Suite No. 1)

J. S. Bach

Today

If you are in need of prayer, contact elder Leon Sinclair (980-322-6012) leon.sinclair@att.net) who will be happy to pray with you.

Thanks to our musicians: Chuck King, Alethea Funck, Mary Hopper

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Thanks to our Livestream video crew: Peter Welander, John Economides, Marc Johnson.

Help after the service: We could use some help moving chairs after the service this morning. See Alva Steffler if you can lend a hand.

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	3rd - 5th grade Sunday School Zoom
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.	New Small Group (open to everyone)
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Youth Group Zoom
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Zoom with the Zagamis
•	(see newsletter for link)

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)

Coming

Sunday, September 27

9:30 a.m.	Cooper Smith preaching
2:00 p.m.	New Sisters Post-Weddings Zoom
	(Women's event)
7:00 p.m.	Zoom with Craig and Alyse Thompson

Sunday, October 4

9:30 a.m.	Outdoor Worship with Communion
7:00 p.m.	Zoom: Managing Stress and Anxiety

ELDERS

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

DEACONS

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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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;
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