



# Immanuel Presbyterian Church

Online Worship Service

March 22, 2020

*Discovering and displaying Christ  
in here and out there*

# Celebration of the Lord's Day

## Gathering

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*It Is Well With My Soul*

Philip Bliss

### PRAYER OF ADORATION

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalms 23*

One: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

All: He makes me to lie down in green pastures;

One: He leads me beside the still waters.

All: He restores my soul;

One: He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

All: Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

One: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

All: You anoint my head with oil;

One: My cup runs over.

All: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

One: Amen.

HYMN

*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

Hymnal 259

## CALL TO CONFESSION

*based on Hebrews 4:15-16*

One: Remember that our Lord Jesus Christ is able to sympathize with us in our weaknesses. In every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Let us confess our sins to almighty God.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Most merciful God whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. Amen.

## MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*based on Joel 2:13; 2 Cor. 9:15*

One: Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. In Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

## RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

*Come and Fill Our Hearts with Your Peace*

Jacques Berthier

# Hearing

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT

## INTERLUDE

*Won't You Be My Neighbor*

Fred Rogers

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

## SCRIPTURE READING

*Mark 15:1-15 NRSV*

As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" They shouted back, "Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him!" So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

One: The grass withers and the flower fades, but the Word of God endures forever.

All: Thanks be to God.

## SERMON SERIES

*The Passion of Lent*

## SERMON

*Jesus and Pilate*  
Rev. John C. Tittle

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# Responding

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Apostle's Creed*

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## SONG

*You Never Let Go*

Matt Redman

## OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

## OFFERTORY

*Largo*

Schulz

## DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Hymnal 592

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Mighty God and Father, you overwhelm us with your great mercy. At the time of our greatest need you surprised us with your wondrous love. Jesus offered his life for us to remove our dreadful curse. As you draw us into this renewing relationship of love, may we respond with gratitude as we offer the substance of our souls to continue the ministry of Christ. For his name and glory we pray and present our gifts. Amen!

## MOMENT FOR MISSION

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

One: Lord, broken on the cross, we come to you.

All: Only you can make us whole.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

# Sending

HYMN

*Shalom*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Song of Hope*

Argentine folk melody

Participants –

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