Immanuel Presbyterian Church



Online Worship Service
Communion Sunday
July 5, 2020

Discovering and displaying Christ in here and out there

Celebration of the Lord's Day

WELCOME

PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

PRELUDE Tango MATERNA Schurr

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 34

One: Taste and see that the Lord is good!

All: Happy are those who rest in God.

One: Come and listen, children of God.

All: Teach us the way of truth and life.

One: Let us depart from evil and do good.

All: Let us seek peace and pursue it.

HYMN O Beautiful for Spacious Skies MATERNA

CALL TO CONFESSION

Matthew 11:28-30

One: Jesus invites us saying, "Come to me, all you who labor and are heavily burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Let us rest in God's mercy as we pray together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God of every people and nation, we confess that we haven't followed Christ's example and welcomed to the table others different from us. We build up dividing walls in the world. We contribute to division in the church. We ignore the suffering in distant nations and live in fear of our closest neighbors. Forgive us, God of grace. Pour out your Spirit of peace upon us, break down the dividing walls among us, and raise us up to be a holy temple — your temple of peace in the world — built on the cornerstone of Jesus Christ, in whose holy name we pray. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Ephesians 2

One: Hear the good news: "You are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God." Sisters and brothers, through Christ Jesus our sins are forgiven—be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL SEGUE

A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood

Rogers

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 5:27-32 NRSV

²⁷ After this he went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." ²⁸ And he got up, left everything, and followed him. ²⁹ Then Levi gave a great banquet for him in his house; and there was a large crowd of tax collectors and others sitting at the table with them. ³⁰ The Pharisees and their scribes were complaining to his disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" ³¹ Jesus answered, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; ³² I have come to call not the righteous but sinners to repentance."

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

forever.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON SERIES

Catching Up with the Radical Rabbi

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Belhar Confession

All: We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Come As You Are

Glover, Crowder & Maher

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts!

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

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.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

You may participate in the Lord's Supper from where you are. Have with you bread and juice to partake as the pastor guides us through the sacrament.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Participants:

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