

# Immanuel Presbyterian Church

Online Worship Service Communion Sunday September 6, 2020

Discovering and displaying Christ in here and out there

# Celebration of the Lord's Day

WELCOME

**PRAYER** 

**SONG** 

Cornerstone

Bradbury, Liljero, Morgan, Mote & Myrin

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 16

One: Protect me, O God; I trust in you for safety.

All: I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; all the good things I have come from you."

One: How excellent are the Lord's faithful people! My greatest pleasure is to be with them.

All: You, Lord, are all I have, and you give me all I need; my future is in your hands.

One: How wonderful are your gifts to me; how good they are!

All: I praise the Lord, because he guides me, and in the night my conscience warns me.

One: I am always aware of the Lord's presence; he is near, and nothing can shake me.

All: And so I am thankful and glad, and I feel completely secure, because you protect me from the power of death.

One: You will show me the path that leads to life; your presence fills me with joy and brings me pleasure forever.

HYMN All People That on Earth Do Dwell

**OLD HUNDREDTH** 

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

# SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 2:1-7 NRSV

<sup>1</sup>For I want you to know how much I am struggling for you, and for those in Laodicea, and for all who have not seen me face to face. <sup>2</sup>I want their hearts to be encouraged and united in love, so that they may have all the riches of assured understanding and have the knowledge of God's mystery, that is, Christ himself, <sup>3</sup> in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. <sup>4</sup>I am saying this so that no one may deceive you with plausible arguments. <sup>5</sup> For though I am absent in body, yet I am with you in spirit, and I rejoice to see your morale and the firmness of your faith in Christ. <sup>6</sup>As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** 

The Spirituality of Long-Distance Relationships
Rev. John C. Tittle

SPECIAL MUSIC

Beautiful Things

Gungor

# AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Our World Belongs to God

All: The church is a gathering of forgiven sinners called to be holy. Saved by the patient grace of God, we deal patiently with others and together confess our need for grace and forgiveness. Restored in Christ's presence, shaped by his life, this new community lives out the ongoing story of God's reconciling love, announces the new creation, and works for a world of justice and peace.

# 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.

**CONCLUDING PRAYER** 

**CLOSING SONG** 

Guide My Feet

Spiritual, arr. Schurr

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

# Participants:

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