

Immanuel Presbyterian Church



New Year's Day Worship Service

1st Sunday of Christmas

January 1, 2023

10:00am

*Discovering and displaying Christ
in here and out there*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

(*Please stand as you are able)

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

VENI EMMANUEL

WELCOME

PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRELUDE

*Ang Pasko Ay Sumapit
(Christmas Has Arrived)*

Traditional Filipino

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers.

All: But they delight in the law of the LORD, meditating on it day and night.

One: They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season.

All: Their leaves never wither,

One: and they prosper in all they do.

All: For the LORD watches over the path of the godly.

*CAROL

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing/King of Heaven

Baloche, Ingram,
Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

CALL TO CONFESSION

One: "Seeing that we have a great High Priest who has entered the inmost heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us therefore approach the throne of grace with fullest confidence, that we may receive mercy for our failures and grace to help in the hour of need." In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sin to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people. You have called us to be the church, to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active, isolated than involved, callous than compassionate, obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving. Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Remove the obstacles preventing us from being your representatives to a broken world. Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit. This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: Hear the good news: "The Lord your God will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing." Brothers and sisters—be at peace. God has taken away your shame and dearly loves you.

All: Thanks be to God!

*SUNG FORGIVENESS

Kyrie eleison

Plainsong

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff shows the 'One:' part with the lyrics 'Kyr-i - e, e - le - i - son.' and the 'All:' part with 'Kyr-i - e, e - le - i - son.'. The second staff shows the 'One:' part with 'Christ-e, e - le - i - son.' and the 'All:' part with 'Christ-e, e - le - i - son.'. The third staff shows the 'One:' part with 'Kyr - i - e, e - le - i - son.' and the 'All:' part with 'Kyr-i - e, e - le - i - son.'. The notes are simple, single-line plainsong.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 5: 17-21 NIV

¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. ²¹God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

What's New?
Rev. John Cheek

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Heidelberg Catechism

One: What is the dying-away of the old self?

All: To be genuinely sorry for sin and more and more to hate and run away from it.

One: What is the rising-to-life of the new self?

All: Wholehearted joy in God through Christ and a love and delight to live according to the will of God by doing every kind of good work.

*HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

No. 376

OFFERTORY

I Am Making Things New

Kimbrough

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Arr. Vaughan Williams

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!***

***Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions—signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us—Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

One: Lord hear us,

All: and make us new.

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.

*HYMN

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

No. 464

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Participants:

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