

Immanuel Presbyterian Church



11:00am Traditional Worship Service
January 14, 2024

*Discovering and displaying Christ
in here and out there*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

(*Please stand as you are able)

PRELUDE

Prelude on "Be Thou My Vision"

Higginson

WELCOME

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 139

One: O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

All: You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

One: You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

All: Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

One: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

All: For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

One: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

All: How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

One: I try to count them—they are more than the sand;

All: I come to the end —I am still with you.

One: Let us worship the living God!

*HYMN

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Wyeth's Repository of
Sacred Music, Part Second

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 John 1: 5-7

One: This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

LITANY OF CONFESSION

Africana Worship

One: Empower us with gifts and desire, gracious God, to minister with your people.

All: Bless and guide us, O Lord.

One: Lord, we often boast that we are "one people under God," yet we are divided by strife and factions with the sin of disunity spreading among us like a disease. We are unable to measure up to our standards, much less to yours.

All: Forgive us, Lord.

One: Cleanse us and make us whole. Renew our minds and motives so that we might be your people, acceptable in your sight.

All: We seek your guidance, Lord.

One: The tensions and differences of race, traditions, culture, creed, and language consume and alienate us. Come among us, O God, and free us to live creatively, worship openly, and love unconditionally.

All: Forgive our arrogance, Lord.

One: Help us to remember that to bear the good news to others means to first live the good news among ourselves.

All: We seek boldness, Lord.

One: Remind us that we are dependent on one another. Show us we are to be concerned for all people. Teach us to love one another.

All: Teach us the joy of sharing, Lord.

One: We ask for power, guidance, and direction as your people on a holy mission. As the community of faith, may we be faithful to the call to spread Christ's love, care, and concern to all people.

All: Give us a loving heart and willing spirit, Lord. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: God is faithful and has called us into the communion of Christ. Though our sins are like filthy rags, God will not remember them, but gives us grace and strength so that we might be in right relationship with God and people. Brothers and sisters, your sins are forgiven—be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God!

The first system of the musical score is for the Kyrie Eleison. It features a treble clef and a bass clef, both in a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The treble staff contains a melodic line with eighth and quarter notes, including some beamed eighth notes. The lyrics 'Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.' are written below the treble staff. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with sustained chords and moving lines.

Note: Lower voices may hum.

The second system of the musical score continues the Kyrie Eleison. It follows the same musical notation as the first system. The lyrics 'Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.' are repeated. A triplet of eighth notes is indicated by a bracket and the number '3' above the treble staff.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING

John 1: 43-51 NRSVue

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

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

All: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Under the Fig Tree
Rev. John C. Tittle

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' 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.

*HYMN

Open My Eyes, That I May See

Scott

OFFERTORY

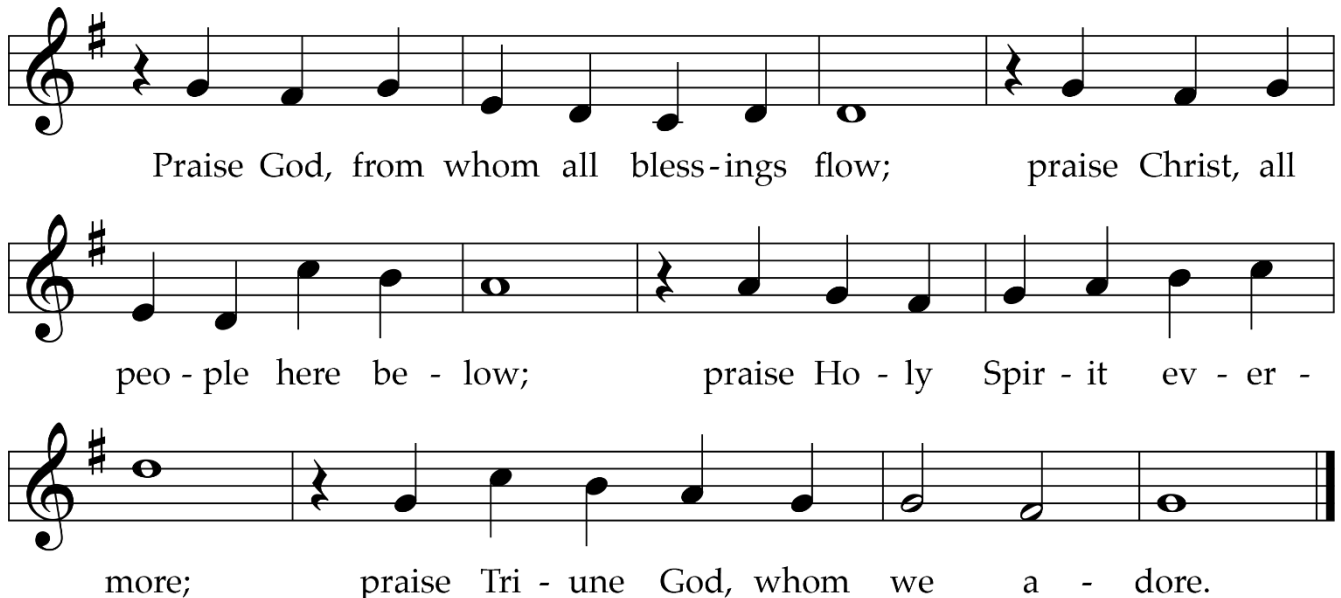
O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

arr. Wagner

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

arr. Hopson



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all
people here below; praise Holy Spirit ever -
more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: God of extravagant mercy, with hands outstretched you have poured out wonder and pleasure, and delight. You have showered us with goodness and beauty and favor. So take these offerings, we pray, as our protest against all that is evil and hurtful and impoverished. And may what is unjust and wretched and hateful, in our world and in ourselves, be reconciled and healed through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

Elders: Karl Aurand, Cheralynn Baylor, Curt Christy, Leslie Shechter-Cullins, Jeff Fennema, Jeff Hotchkiss, and Liz Wallendorf

Deacons: Wayne Barnes, Susan Barnes, Bobbie Butler, Erminia Gomez, Diana Place, and Jean Samuelson

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

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Johnson

*RESPONSIVE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

One: Go out into the world in peace: have courage; hold on to what is good; return no one evil for evil; help the suffering; honor all; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

All: With God's help we will.

One: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you forever. Amen.

*POSTLUDE

Here I Am, Lord

Schutte

Participants:

Rev. Dr. John Tittle, Pastor
Clay Whittington, Director of Music Ministries
Kris Goorsky, Director of Christian Formation
Carol Van Gelder, piano
Laurie Emery, lay reader
Ed Vander Woude, audio visual

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