

# **Immanuel Presbyterian Church**

8:30am Alternative Worship Service January 29, 2023

Discovering and displaying Christ in here and out there

# CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

(\*Please stand as you are able)

## Welcome and Community Life

**Prayer of Adoration** 

\*Song Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King

Wyeth, Miller

\*Call to Worship

Psalm 145

One: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

All: there is no end to his greatness.

One: One generation shall praise your works to another

All: and shall declare your power.

One: All your works praise you, Lord,

All: and your faithful servants bless you.

One: They make known the glory of your kingdom

All: and speak of your power.

One: My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:

All: Let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.

\*Song Micah 6: 8 Hall

#### Call to Confession

One: Trusting in the power of God not only to fashion the world, but to mend and refashion our hearts, let us say how it is with us.

## **Prayer of Confession**

All: Holy God we come before you a broken people in a broken world. We confess we have ignored, yet again, your assured presence. We have forged our own paths and charted our own waters. In the name of independence we have ignored your aid, your comfort, and your peace. We have called upon you in desperation rather than recalling your mighty and faithful acts in all times and places. Forgive us. You have been with us in exile and exodus; be with us even now. Amen.

#### **Moment of Silent Prayer**

## **Assurance of Forgiveness**

Psalm 147

One: One: Hear the good news: "The Lord heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds. Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure." Brothers and sisters—be at peace. In Christ Jesus you are washed clean and given a new start.

All: Thanks be to God!

Song Offering Baloche

Children's Message

**Prayer for Illumination** 

#### **Scripture Reading**

Micah 6: 1-8 NRSVue

<sup>1</sup> Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. <sup>2</sup> Hear, you mountains, the case of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth, for the Lord has a case against his people, and he will contend with Israel. "O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! <sup>4</sup> For I brought you up from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. <sup>5</sup> O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord." <sup>6</sup> "With what shall I come before the Lord and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? <sup>7</sup> Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" <sup>8</sup> He has told you, O mortal, what is good, and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

What is Good

Rev. John C. Tittle

#### Prayers of the People

One: Lord, through your love.

All: transform us.

#### 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.

\*Closing Song Offering Powell

\*Charge and Benediction

#### Participants:

Rev. Dr. John Tittle, Pastor
Clay Whittington, Director of Music Ministries
Kris Goorsky, Director of Christian Formation
Laura Fennema, lay reader
Ed Vander Woude, audio visual

Alternative Ensemble – Joy Hager, Sandy Russell, Christina Russell, Clay Whittington, Bob and Carol Van Gelder

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