

Immanuel Presbyterian Church



11:00am Traditional Worship Service
Communion Sunday
February 4, 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 Abbot's Leigh

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WELCOME

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 55

One: Come to the water, all you who thirst,

All: come drink deeply from the river of life.

One: Come to the water, all you who are weary,

All: come rest in the quiet pools of God's love.

One: Come to the water, all you who long for justice,

All: come be renewed in God's ever-flowing stream.

One: For God is here among us, washing away the dust and grime of our lives, and pouring out the Spirit on all who thirst.

All: Let us worship God together.

*HYMN

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

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CALL TO CONFESSION

Isaiah 30

One: "In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength, but you would have none of it. Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; therefore he will rise up to show you compassion. For the Lord is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him!" In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

John Bunyan (1628 – 1688)

All: Often, O holy and righteous God, we dare your justice, mock your mercy, jeer your patience, slight your power, and show contempt for your love. We even say "I'm sorry" insincerely and confess our sin flippantly. We plead your help to own up carefully to how we have wronged you, to admit honestly how we have grieved you, to plead penitently for your mercy and pardon. We beg your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Isaiah 44

One: Hear the good news: Remember these things, O Jacob, and Israel, for you are my servant; I formed you, you are my servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me. I have swept away your transgressions like a cloud, and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you. Sisters and brothers, be at peace—your sins are forgiven. No sin is greater than the power of God’s forgiveness and healing in Christ Jesus!

All: **Thanks be to God!**

*KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, Have Mercy

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Note: Lower voices may hum.

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 40: 21-31 NRSVue

²¹ Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? ²² It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers, who stretches out the heavens like a curtain and spreads them like a tent to live in, ²³ who brings princes to naught and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. ²⁴ Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. ²⁵ To whom, then, will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. ²⁶ Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. ²⁷ Why do you say, O Jacob, and assert, O Israel, “My way is hidden from the Lord, and

my right is disregarded by my God"? ²⁸ Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹ He gives power to the faint and strengthens the powerless. ³⁰ Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted, ³¹ but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

SERMON

Power to the Faint
Rev. John C. Tittle

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostle's 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

You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord

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OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

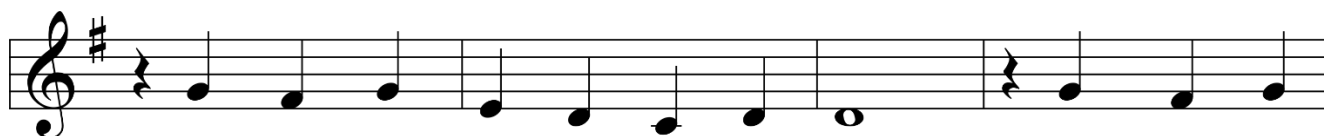
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*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all



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more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Ever-present God, with this offering we present also ourselves, all that we have been, all that we are, all that we shall become, and our resolve to walk in your way. Accept us and our offering, we pray, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

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.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er, God of might, heav - en and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 CUP

CONCLUDING PRAYER

*HYMN

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

English County Songs

Participants:

Rev. Dr. John Tittle, Pastor
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Bulletin Art: *"With Wings Like Eagles"* by Mandy Miller



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