

# CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

(\*Please stand as you are able)

## WELCOME

## PRAYER OF ADORATION

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Give thanks to our Lord who is risen and alive today.

**All: We continue to celebrate the good news of Easter day.**

One: We celebrate the wondrous hope and joyous promise of new life lived in the presence of our risen Lord.

**All: Now in our worship we celebrate with great thanksgiving and join together in songs and hymns of praise and adoration.**

\*HYMN *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks* No. 240

## CALL TO CONFESSION

One: Beloved, we are God's children because of the love God has for us, yet we sometimes fail to respond to God's outpouring of love. Let us confess our sins together.

\*KYRIE *O Lord, Have Mercy* No. 578



1 O Lord, have mer - cy; O Lord, have mer - cy; O  
2 O Christ, have mer - cy; O Christ, have mer - cy; O

Greek 1 Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son; Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son; Ky - ri -  
2 Chri - ste e - le - i - son; Chri - ste e - le - i - son; Chri -



Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.  
Christ, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.  
e e - le - i - son; Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.  
ste e - le - i - son; Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All: Merciful and risen Savior, we claim to be people of the resurrection, yet we confess that far too often we do not experience resurrection power. Our prayers are**

**anemic and our faith is shallow. We compartmentalize our lives, placing you on the sidelines of our work, family life and play. Inspire us to hold fast to you in faith, knowing that you are working all things for good and that because of the empty tomb, we have nothing to fear. Amen.**

## MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel: through the power of the resurrected Christ, our sins are forgiven.

**All: Alleluia! Amen.**

\*ALLELUIA *Celtic Alleluia!* O'Carrol



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

## SCRIPTURE READING

*1 Corinthians 15: 3-8 NIV*

<sup>3</sup>For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. <sup>6</sup>After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, <sup>8</sup>and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

## SERMON

*Resurrection People*  
Rev. Diane Christopher

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*The Apostles' Creed*

One: Do you believe in God?

**All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of Heaven and Earth.**

One: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**All: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

One: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**All: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

\*HYMN *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want* No. 801

## OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

## OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 609

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**All: Shepherd God, we offer these gifts with praise and great joy because we are resurrection people. Use us and these gifts to bring your love to all. In the name of the One who taught us to love. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## 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 *Easter People, Raise Your Voices* Smart

## \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE *This Joyful Eastertide* David's Psalmen

## WELCOME TO IMMANUEL

**We are glad you are here today!** Please take a moment to fill out the Connection Card and let us know that you were here and if there are any changes to your contact information or a prayer request. All services are **live-streamed** on our website or YouTube – all past services are available to view as well.

**First time at Immanuel?** We are so glad you chose to worship with us today! We would like to give you a welcome gift bag – it's full of goodies and helpful information about our church. Please see an usher to receive yours.

**The Nursery is Open** for children ages infant to 3yrs. Our Comfort Room is available in the Sanctuary for parents of young children who need care and comforting. We also have children's activity binders, and the playground is open.

**Time Together for Children ages 3 - 5** from after the Children's Message in worship until the worship service ends. The children participate in bible stories, songs, crafts and games. Please pick up your children in Towner Hall Room 3.

**Fellowship Hour** – Join us for coffee and refreshments in Witherspoon Hall after the service. It is a great time to catch up with friends and meet new people.

### Thank you to our worship assistants and teachers today-

- Lay Readers – Vikki Carpenter at 8:30am and Cheralynn Baylor at 11:00am
- Time Together Teachers – Erika Roberts, Madi Owen, Abby and Ally New
- Nursery Volunteers – Christina Russell, Shannon Cain

### Participants:

Rev. Diane Christopher  
Clay Whittington, Director of Music Ministries  
Kris Goorsky, Director of Christian Formation  
Cheralynn Baylor, lay reader  
Ed Vander Woude, audio visual

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Worship Service  
11:00am

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*Discovering and displaying  
Christ in here and out there*