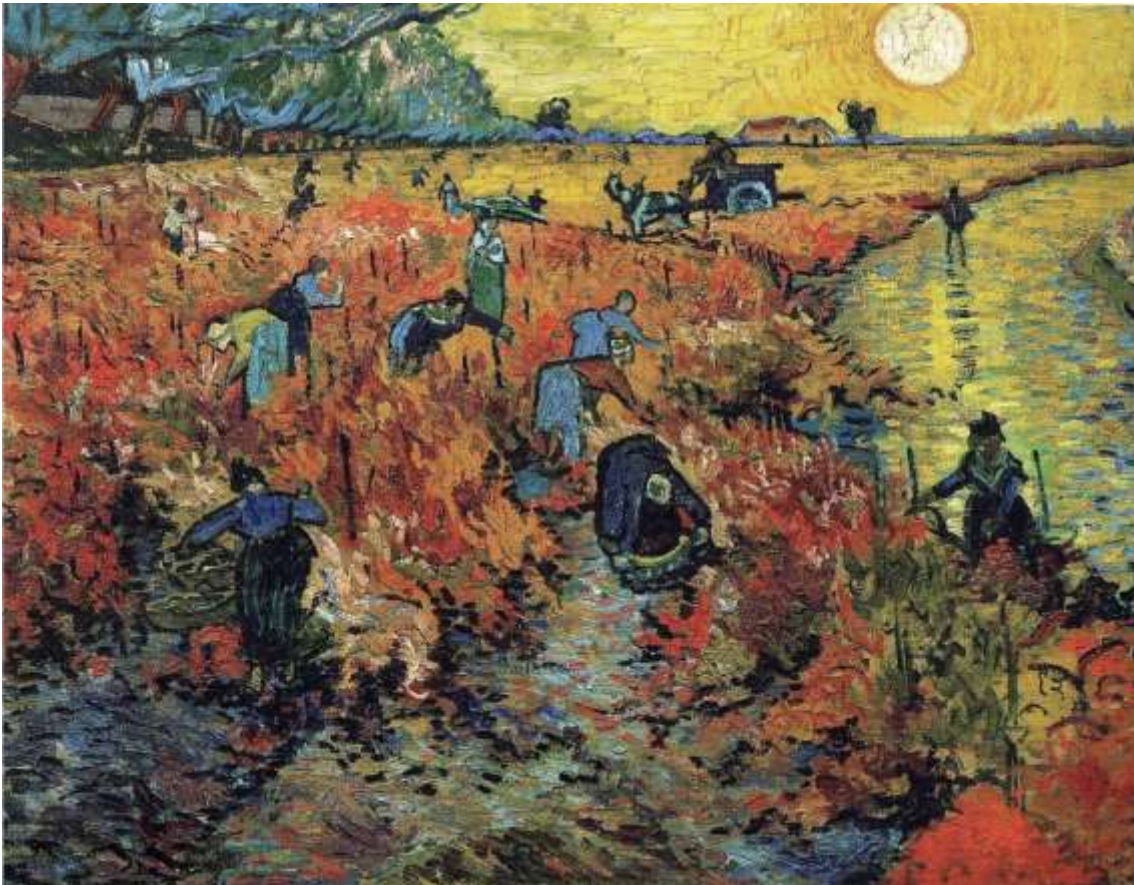


# Immanuel Presbyterian Church



Online Worship Service  
May 9, 2021

*Discovering and displaying Christ  
in here and out there*

# Celebration of the Lord's Day

## GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

*Carillon Song*

Schurr

GRATITUDE FOR OUR WOMEN OF FAITH

HYMN

*Alleluia*

Jerry Sinclair

CALL TO CONFESSION

*1 Timothy 1:14-15*

One: The grace of God overflows for us through Christ Jesus who came into the world to save sinners. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God of mercy, we confess that we not only have a lot to hide, but we are natural self-deceivers who stray far from you. We get addicted to substances and news feeds, developing a manic dependence upon things, rather than a healthy reliance upon You. We cover up our sadness, disappointment, and grief with a front of jolliness. We denigrate or show apathy towards what we love, but have not yet received. We allow generalized cynicism to create a fortress of solitude round about us. We announce our intelligence when we actually feel confused or uncertain. Jesus, teach us and preach the good news to us again. Heal us of our wanderings that have made us weary and wounded. Be the Shepherd and Guardian of our souls once again. We trust in You and will follow wherever you lead. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*Psalm 103:17*

One: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God!

# HEARING

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

*Matthew 9: 35-38* NRSV

<sup>35</sup> Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness.

<sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup> therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

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

All: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON SERIES

The Beauty of the Body

SERMON

*The Guts – Living Compassionately*

Rev. John C. Tittle

# RESPONDING

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.

SONG

*Living Hope*

Johnson & Wickham

## SENDING

### CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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Holly Schurr, violin

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