# **Immanuel Presbyterian Church**



## Sanctuary Worship Service May 29, 2022 10:00am

Discovering and displaying Christ in here and out there

### **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY**

(\*Please stand as you are able)

PRELUDE		
WELCOME		
PRAYER		
INTROIT	<i>Sing with Hearts</i> Sanctuary Choir	Kalinga Melody
*CALL TO WORSHIP		

- One: Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty!
- All: Just and true are your ways, King of the ages.
- One: Who will not fear you, O Lord, and bring glory to your name?
- For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you! All:

\*HYMN

Lift Every Voice and Sing

No. 563

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

One: We know that nothing is able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. Let us in freedom confess the wrong we have done.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgement. Set us free from a past we cannot change, open us to a future in which we can be changed, and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

#### MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

- One: Sisters and brothers, hear, receive, and rejoice in the good news. In Jesus the Christ, through his life, death, and resurrection, our sins are forgiven. May God be praised!
- All: Thanks be to God!

#### ANTHEM

*Fill Us with Your Love* Sanctuary Choir

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE READING

### Acts 16: 16-34 NIV

<sup>16</sup> Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a female slave who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling. <sup>17</sup> She followed Paul and the rest of us, shouting, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who are telling you the way to be saved." <sup>18</sup> She kept this up for many days. Finally Paul became so annoyed that he turned around and said to the spirit, "In the name of Jesus Christ I command you to come out of her!" At that moment the spirit left her. <sup>19</sup> When her owners realized that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to face the authorities.<sup>20</sup> They brought them before the magistrates and said, "These men are Jews, and are throwing our city into an uproar<sup>21</sup> by advocating customs unlawful for us Romans to accept or practice." <sup>22</sup> The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods.<sup>23</sup> After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. <sup>24</sup> When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. <sup>25</sup> About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup> Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose.<sup>27</sup> The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup> But Paul shouted, "Don't harm yourself! We are all here!" <sup>29</sup> The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas.<sup>30</sup> He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" <sup>31</sup> They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household." <sup>32</sup> Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house.<sup>33</sup> At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptized. <sup>34</sup> The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole household.

SERMON

Rev. John C. Cheek

#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY

American Folk

arr. Colvin

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

One: Lord in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

#### 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

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

Tomlin & Giglio

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Participants:

Rev. John Cheek, Interim Pastor Rev. Dr. John C. Tittle, on sabbatical leave Dr. Walter W. Schurr, Director of Music Kris Goorsky, Director of Christian Formation Abby Tittle, Online Worship Service Producer Carl Cherry, vocals Ryan Green, vocals and guitar Ed Vander Woude, audio visual

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