

Immanuel Presbyterian Church



July 30, 2023
10:00am Worship Service

Season after Pentecost

*Discovering and displaying Christ
in here and out there*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

(*Please stand as you are able)

PRELUDE

He Is Exalted

Paris

SILENT PRAYER FOR REFLECTION

Dear God, silence all voices within our minds but your own. Help us to seek and be able to follow your will. May our prayers be joined with those of our sisters and brothers in the faith, that together we may glorify your name and enjoy your fellowship forever. In Jesus' name, Amen.

WELCOME

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 105

One: O give thanks to the Lord; call on his name; make known his deeds among the peoples.

All: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

One: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

All: Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.

One: Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles and the judgments he has uttered, O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

All: He is mindful of his covenant forever, of the word that he commanded for a thousand generations.

One: Let us praise the Lord!

*HYMN

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

Kraus

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 John 1:9

One: The Apostle John reminds us, "If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." With this assurance, let us confess our sin to our forgiving God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Loving God, open our eyes, that we may see you in the ones we say we love. Open our ears, that we may be quicker to listen than to speak. Open our mouths to speak good rather than evil of our neighbors. Open our hands in generosity and help us let go of clenched fists. Open our hearts to a desire to follow Jesus in full obedience

to your will and your way. We pray trusting in your forgiveness and in the power of your Holy Spirit to lead and guide us in paths of justice and righteousness for your name's sake. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Acts 10: 43

One: Hear the good news: "All the prophets testify about Christ that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." Brothers and sisters, rejoice and be glad, in Christ Jesus we are forgiven and free!

All: Thanks be to God!

*SUNG RESPONSE

O Lord, Have Mercy

Guarani melody



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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 29: 15-28 NRSVue

¹⁵ Then Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" ¹⁶ Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. ¹⁷ Leah's eyes were weak, but Rachel was graceful and beautiful. ¹⁸ Jacob loved Rachel, so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." ¹⁹ Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." ²⁰ So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of his love for her. ²¹ Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." ²² So Laban gathered together all the

people of the place and made a feast. ²³ But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob, and he went in to her. ²⁴ (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) ²⁵ When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" ²⁶ Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. ²⁷ Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." ²⁸ Jacob did so and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Family History Repeats Itself

Rev. John C. Tittle

*OFFERTORY HYMN

Everlasting God

Brown, Riley

OFFERTORY

Whatever It Takes

Lifhouse

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hopson

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all
peo - ple here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er -
more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us — our selves, our time, and our possessions — signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us — Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

One: Lord, you are our hope.

All: We put our trust in you.

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

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Trad. North American hymn

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

Gardiner's Sacred Melodies

Participants:

Rev. Dr. John Tittle

Clay Whittington, Director of Music Ministries

Kris Goorsky, Director of Christian Formation

Becky Diebold, hymn leader

Bradley Bishop, lay reader

Marcia Aurand, children's message

Ed Vander Woude, audio visual

Adoraci3n Ensemble – George Davis, Bob and Carol Van Gelder, Sandy Russell, Joy Hager

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Hymns are selected from the Presbyterian Blue Hymnal (available at your seats) and the Glory to God hymnal

Bulletin Art: *"Rachel Hides Her Father's Household Gods"*, by Marc Chagall, 1956



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