

Immanuel Presbyterian Church



August 6, 2023
10:00am Worship Service

Communion Sunday

*Discovering and displaying Christ
in here and out there*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

(*Please stand as you are able)

PRELUDE

Prelude on Bread of Heaven

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PRAYER OF PREPARATION

As we prepare for worship, we pray that you will quiet our hearts, that we may hear your voice in your Word. Stir our hearts and awaken our minds that we may more faithfully follow Jesus. Amen.

WELCOME

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 17

One: Hear a just cause, O Lord; attend to my cry; give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.

All: From you let my vindication come; let your eyes see the right.

One: My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped.

All: I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; incline your ear to me; hear my words.

One: Wondrously show your steadfast love, guard me as the apple of the eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings,

All: As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness; when I awake I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.

*SONG

The Earth is Yours

Gungor

CALL TO CONFESSION

Isaiah 1: 18

One: "Come now, let us reason together," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool." With sure promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin together.

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: O Lord, great God, holy and gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love, humble we come before you, for we have preferred the ways of this world to your ways, for we have rebelled against your wisdom and we have gotten into trouble, for we

have rejected your divine guidance and have gotten lost altogether. O Lord, great God, filled with mercy and steadfast love, incline your ear to our troubles. Hear us when we pour out our sorrows before you. Forgive us, not on the ground of our own righteousness, but on the ground of your great mercy shown to us in your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Micah 7

One: Hear the good news: "You O God do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea. You will be faithful to Jacob, and show love to Abraham, as you pledged on oath to our ancestors in days long ago." Brothers and sisters—be at peace. In Christ Jesus you are a new creation.

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 32: 22-31 NRSVue

²² The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴ Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.

²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷ So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸ Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." ²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." ³¹ The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Angel Wrestling
Rev. John C. Tittle

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' 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

Hear, O Lord, My Plea for Justice

Morgan

OFFERTORY

Largo from "Xerxes"

G.F. Handel

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hopson

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Generous and loving God, we pray that these gifts may be part of our witness, our testimony to our love for you and the abundance with which we have been blessed. With your blessings we know that this testimony can reach the poor, the hungry, and the hurting, proclaiming your good name, ministering to those in need. 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.

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 THE CUP

CONCLUDING PRAYER

*SONG

Love the Lord

Brewster

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

How Firm a Foundation

American folk melody

Participants:

Rev. Dr. John Tittle

Clay Whittington, Director of Music Ministries

Kris Goorsky, Director of Christian Formation

Becky Diebold, hymn leader

Sean Shifflette, lay reader

Ed Vander Woude, audio visual

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

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