

# Immanuel Presbyterian Church



August 13, 2023  
10:00am Worship Service

*Discovering and displaying Christ  
in here and out there*

# CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

(\*Please stand as you are able)

PRELUDE

*Sing Unto the Lord/I Will Sing of the Mercies*

Traditional

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

*Startle us, O God, with your truth, and open our minds to your Spirit, that we may be one with Christ our Lord, and serve as his faithful disciples, through Jesus Christ. Amen.*

WELCOME

PRAYER OF ADORATION

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Adapted from Psalm 105*

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

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

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

**All: When the Lord summoned famine against the land and cut off every supply of bread,**

One: he had sent a man ahead of them, Joseph, who had been sold as a slave.

**All: His feet were hurt with fetters; his neck was put in a collar of iron;**

One: until what he had said came to pass, the word of the Lord kept testing him.

**All: The king sent and released him; the ruler of the peoples set him free.**

One: He made him lord of his house and ruler of all his possessions,

**All: to instruct his officials at his pleasure and to teach his elders wisdom.**

One: Come, let us worship the Lord, offspring of Abraham, and children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

\*HYMN

*In the Bulb There Is a Flower*

Sleeth

CALL TO CONFESSION

*1 Tim. 1: 14-15*

One: "The grace of God overflows for us through Christ Jesus who came into the world to save sinners." With this hope let us confess our sin to God.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All:** Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

## MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

*Acts 10: 43*

One: Hear the good news: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Brothers and sisters, know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

**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 AND PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Genesis 37: 1-11* NRSVue

<sup>1</sup> Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. <sup>2</sup> These are the descendants of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives, and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. <sup>3</sup> Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children because he was the son of his old age, and he made him an ornamented robe. <sup>4</sup> But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him and could

not speak peaceably to him. <sup>5</sup> Once Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him even more. <sup>6</sup> He said to them, "Listen to this dream that I dreamed. <sup>7</sup> There we were, binding sheaves in the field. Suddenly my sheaf rose and stood upright; then your sheaves gathered around it and bowed down to my sheaf." <sup>8</sup> His brothers said to him, "Are you indeed to reign over us? Are you indeed to have dominion over us?" So they hated him even more because of his dreams and his words. <sup>9</sup> He had another dream and told it to his brothers, saying, "Look, I have had another dream: the sun, the moon, and eleven stars were bowing down to me." <sup>10</sup> But when he told it to his father and to his brothers, his father rebuked him and said to him, "What kind of dream is this that you have had? Shall we indeed come, I and your mother and your brothers, and bow to the ground before you?" <sup>11</sup> So his brothers were jealous of him, but his father kept the matter in mind.

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

**All: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON SERIES

*Joseph: When Dreams Come True*

SERMON

*Dreaming Big*

Rev. John C. Tittle

\*OFFERTORY HYMN

*One Thing Remains (Your Love Never Fails)* Johnson, Riddle, Gifford

OFFERTORY

*You Have Been Good*

Twila Paris

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Hopson

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**All: Loving God, we have so many reasons to say "thank you." Your generosity, grace, and mercy are astounding and we pray that the gifts we offer in worship and throughout the week might be used in your name. Help us to be generous with our money, but also with our talents and time. Strengthen us to recognize your blessings, to be grateful, and to respond accordingly. Amen.**

BAPTISM

*Genevieve Friedmeyer*

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

*Your Grace Finds Me*

Redman, Myrin

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

Traditional

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