Immanuel Presbyterian Church



Sanctuary Worship Service

Communion Sunday

September 4, 2022

Discovering and displaying Christ in here and out there

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

(*Please stand as you are able)

PRELUDE

WELCOME

PRAYER

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Jesus, friend of the poor,

All: Come among us.

One: Jesus, lover of the outcast,

All: Come among us.

One: Christ, food for the hungry,

All: Come among us.

One: Christ, health of the sick,

All: Come among us.

One: Christ, savior of the world,

All: Come among us.

One: Jesus, bringer of good news,

All: Come among us.

One: Jesus, hope of us all, **All: Come among us.**

*HYMN

I Danced in the Morning (Lord of the Dance)

No. 302

CALL TO CONFESSION

Matthew 11: 28-30

One: Hear the words of our Savior: "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Let us offer our burdens to Christ together.

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: On all who are dispirited and dejected,

All: Lord have mercy.

One: On all who are doubting themselves or doubting God,

All: Lord have mercy.

One: On all who are unable to cope,

All: Lord have mercy.

One: On all who are weak and heavy-burdened,

All: Christ have mercy.

One: On all who are fearful and anxious,

All: Christ have mercy.

One: On all who are lost or have strayed,

All: Christ have mercy.

One: On all who feel lifeless and dead,

All: Lord, have mercy.

One: On all who feel forsaken and betrayed,

All: Lord, have mercy.

One: On all who are powerless and helpless,

All: Lord, have mercy.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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

All: Thanks be to God!

*HYMN Blest Be the Tie That Binds No. 438

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 5: 27-35 NRSVue

²⁷ After this he went out and saw a tax collector named Levi sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." ²⁸ And he got up, left everything, and followed him. ²⁹ Then Levi gave a great banquet for him in his house, and there was a large crowd of tax collectors and others reclining at the table with them. ³⁰ The Pharisees and their scribes were complaining to his disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" ³¹ Jesus answered them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician but those who are sick; ³² I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON SERIES

Putting on the Heart of Christ

SERMON

Welcome – Extending Christ's Embrace Rev. John C. Tittle

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY

When the Storms are Overwhelming

Matt Osgood

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 CUP

CONCLUDING PRAYER

*HYMN

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

No. 94

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Participants:

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