

# Immanuel Presbyterian Church



Traditional Worship Service  
September 11, 2022  
11:00am

*Discovering and displaying Christ  
in here and out there*

# CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

(\*Please stand as you are able)

PRELUDE

WELCOME

PRAYER OF ADORATION

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 100*

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

**All: Serve the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.**

One: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

**All: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him; bless his name.**

One: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever

**All: and his faithfulness to all generations.**

\*HYMN

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

*No. 150*

CALL TO CONFESSION

*Isaiah 43: 2*

One: When we pass through the deep waters Or go through times of fiery trial, The Lord our God is with us. With confidence in God, Our Creator and Redeemer, Let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All: Almighty and merciful God, We have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. Oh Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declare to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful god, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name.**

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*1 Timothy 1: 15*

One: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. In Christ Jesus, we are forgiven and found!

All: **Thanks be to God!**

\*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

*Soli Deo Gloria*

Marty Haugen

**O God of blessing, all praise to you!  
Your love surrounds us our whole life through.  
You are the freedom of those oppressed;  
you are the comfort of all distressed.  
Come now, O holy and welcome guest:  
Soli Deo gloria! Soli Deo gloria!**

**A billion voices in one great song,  
now soft and gentle, now deep and strong.  
in every culture and style and key,  
from hill and valley, with sky and sea,  
with Christ we praise you eternally:  
Soli Deo gloria! Soli Deo Gloria!**

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CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SOLO

*You Have Been Good*  
Carol Van Gelder, Soloist

Twila Paris

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

*Luke 15: 1-7 NRSVue*

<sup>1</sup> Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. <sup>2</sup> And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." <sup>3</sup> So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup> "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? <sup>5</sup> And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. <sup>6</sup> And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.' <sup>7</sup> Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no 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

*The Tenacity of Tenderness*

Rev. John C. Tittle

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**All: We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

\*HYMN

*Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

No. 345

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

No. 592

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**All: Searching God, wrap our offering in mission, redemption, and hope, for those we may never see, whose cries we may never hear, whose pain we cannot know, whose souls need the nourishment only the Word can provide and only salvation can bring, through the Christ of the Ages. Amen.**

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

One: Good and faithful Shepherd,

**All: guide us into the ways of life and peace.**

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.**

**“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.  
In my love’s baptismal river  
I have made you mine forever.  
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”**

**“Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Here you heard my dear Son’s story;  
here you touched him, saw his glory.  
Go, my children, sins forgiven, joyful and free.”**

**“Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.  
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.  
Here my Spirit’s power filled you;  
here my tender comfort stilled you.  
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.”**

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\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

*A Vale (A Farewell)*

Schurr

(Recorded at Immanuel by Carol and Bob Van Gelder, vocalists;  
Holly Schurr, violin; and Billy Schurr, piano and organ.)

*God go with you, God protect you  
when the journey causes us to part.  
God be with you, God enlighten you.  
Guide the journey, lift your heart.  
God go with you, God protect you.  
Honor Jesus, Always journey with a song.*

*God go with you, God protect you.  
Honor Jesus, Let our last song be His song.  
God go with you, God protect you.  
Follow Jesus. May this last song be His song.*

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\*POSTLUDE

Our special thanks to Bob and Carol Van Gelder for substituting for Billy this morning.

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