Immanuel Presbyterian Church



Traditional Worship Service September 25, 2022 11:00am

Discovering and displaying Christ in here and out there

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

(*Please stand as you are able)

WELCOME

MOMENT FOR MISSION Bread for the World

PRELUDE I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light Thomerson

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come into our hearts and fill them with love.

All: Come, Lord, and rule.

One: Come into our minds and fill them with peace.

All: Come, Lord, and rule.

One: Come into our lives and fill them with light.

All: Come, Lord, and rule.

One: Come into our days And fill them with glory.

All: Come, Lord, and rule.

One: Come into this place and fill us with your love.

All: Come, Lord, and rule.

*HYMN I Sing a Song of the Saints of God No. 364

CALL TO CONFESSION

John 3: 5

One: We are a people born of water and the Spirit. We have made promises to be Christ's faithful disciples, and to show his love to our life's end. Although we fail to fulfill those baptismal vows, God's faithful love endures forever. Confident of God's grace, let us confess our sin and the sin of this world.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past we cannot change; open us to a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more into your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: If we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. Therefore, consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

No. 460

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 12: 1-3 NRSVue

¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. ³ Consider him who endured such hostility against himself from sinners, so that you may not grow weary in your souls or lose heart.

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

Hardiness: The Spiritual Benefits of Adversity
Rev. John C. Tittle

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Brief Statement of Faith

All: We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

*HYMN

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

No. 383

OFFERTORY

The Old Rugged Cross

George Bennard

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

No. 592

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: God whose giving knows no ending, We know how to say thank you when we receive. Right now we say thank you as we give. In our giving, hear our heartfelt gratitude for all that you are and all that we have. Bless these gifts for your mission in the world, And bless the other gifts we have to bring to your mission, opening our eyes to how you are calling us to participate. In Jesus' name, Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

One: Lord, by your love,

All: Lead us and transform us.

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 For All the Saints No. 526

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE The Church's One Foundation Wesley

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