



Immanuel Presbyterian Church

8:30am Alternative Worship Service

November 19, 2023

*Discovering and displaying Christ
in here and out there*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

(*Please stand as you are able)

Welcome and Community Life

Thanksgiving Prayer

***Song** *Greater* MercyMe

***Responsive Psalm Reading** *Psalm 104*

One: From the sky you send rain on the hills, and the earth is filled with your blessings.

All: We can grow our crops and produce wine to make us happy, olive oil to make us cheerful, and bread to give us strength.

One: The earth is filled with your creatures. All of them depend on you to give them food when they need it.

All: You give it to them, and they eat it; you provide food, and they are satisfied.

One: May the glory of the Lord last forever! May the Lord be happy with what he has made!

All: I will sing to the Lord all my life; as long as I live I will sing praises to my God.

One: May he be pleased with my song, for my gladness comes from him.

All: Praise the Lord, my soul! Praise the Lord!

Song *Reason to Praise* Fieldings, Hastings, Culver, Asbury

Prayer of Confession

All: Loving God, we confess that too often Christ in us is hidden by our actions that wound rather than heal, that tear down rather than build up. Open our eyes, that we may see you in the ones we say we love. Open our ears, that we may be quicker to listen than to speak. Open our mouths to speak good rather than evil of our neighbors. Open our hands in generosity and help us let go of clenched fists. Open our hearts to a desire to follow Jesus in full obedience to your will and your way. We pray trusting in your forgiveness and in the power of your Holy Spirit to lead and guide us in paths of justice and righteousness for your name's sake. Amen.

Song *One Bread, One Body* Foley

Children's Message

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

John 6: 25-35 NRSVue

²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶ Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸ Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹ Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰ So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us, then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?" ³¹ Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' " ³² Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴ They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." ³⁵ Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon Series

Sermon

Abundant Life

Bread of Life

Rev. John C. Tittle

Moment for Stewardship

Consecration of 2024 Abundant Life Pledges

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

Kyrie

Mr. Mister

Prayers for the People

One: God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

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.

***Closing Song**

Fill My Cup

Ripp, Hulse, Cockrell

***Charge and Benediction**

Participants:

Rev. Dr. John C. Tittle

Clay Whittington, Director of Music Ministries

Kris Goorsky, Director of Christian Formation

Bill Haldeman, lay reader

Ed Vander Woude, Bradley Bishop, Michael Dungan - audio visual

Adoración Ensemble – George Davis, Becky Diebold, Joy Hager, Sandy Russell, Clay Whittington, Bob and Carol Van Gelder

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