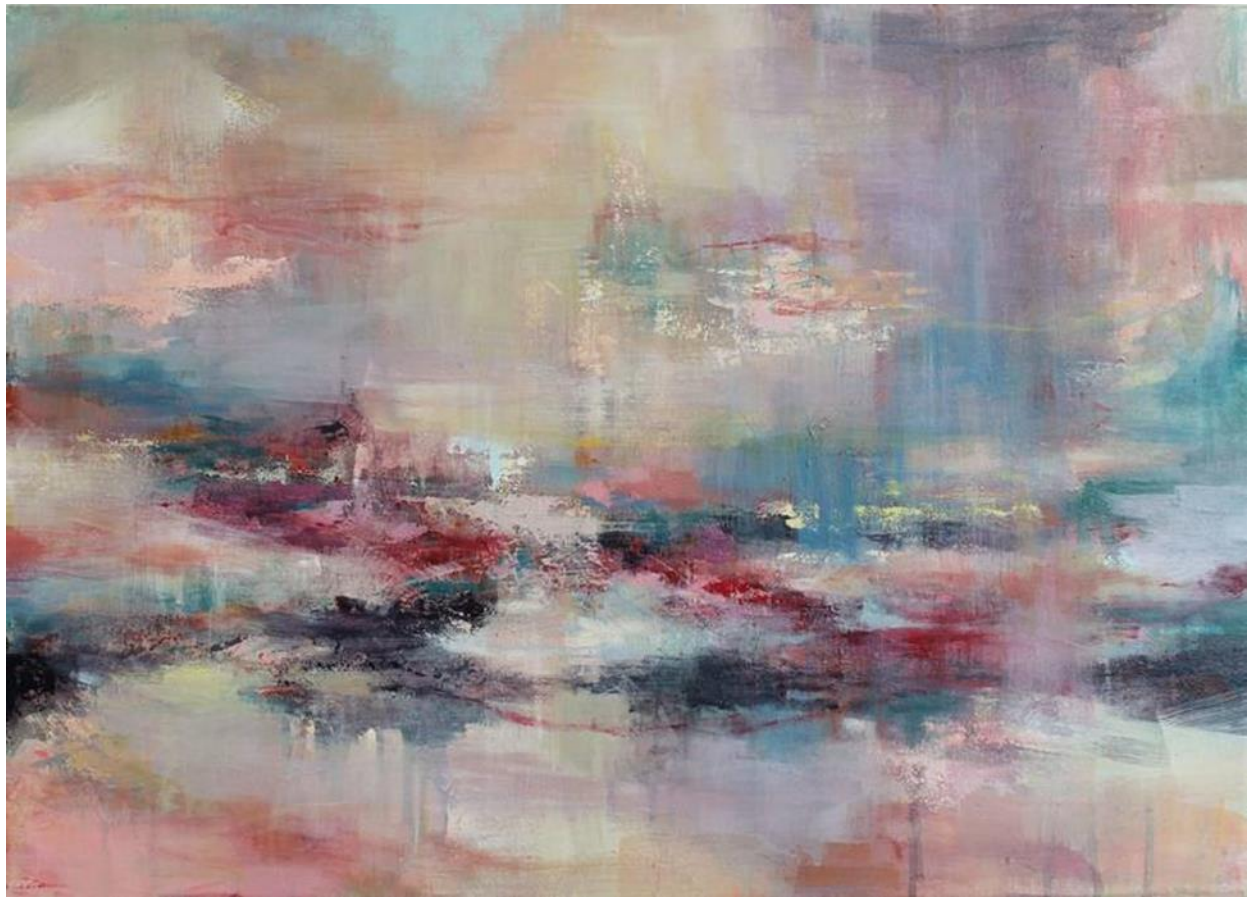


Immanuel Presbyterian Church



Traditional Worship Service

1st Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2022

11:00am

*Discovering and displaying Christ
in here and out there*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

(*Please stand as you are able)

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

VENI EMMANUEL

WELCOME

PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRELUDE

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel
with "Moonlight Sonata"*

Arr. Tom Fettke

*LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE

The IPC Staff

Based on Isaiah 7:14; Luke 1:28

Readers: The Advent wreath is a circle with no beginning and no end. It is a symbol of God's unending love and faithfulness. The prophet Isaiah said, "The Lord himself will give you a sign: the virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel." The angel Gabriel said to Mary, "Greetings you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you." We rejoice that we too have found favor with God.

All: God's mercy extends to those who fear him from generation to generation.

*HYMN

Jesus Come with Clouds Descending

No. 06

CALL TO CONFESSION

Col. 1: 13-14

One: The apostle Paul assures us that we have been rescued from the power of darkness, and transferred into the kingdom of God's beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Assured by this promise, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Lord Christ, we confess our willingness to be loved but also our reluctance to love. We confess our readiness to accept your forgiving love but also our refusal to forgive. We confess our eagerness to grasp your offer of redeeming love but also our resistance to follow you without question. In this Advent time, forgive us our failure to respond as we should. Come to us anew, and by your grace, assist us to receive you with joy, as the shepherds; with gratitude, as Simeon; with obedience, as Mary; with love, as you have loved us. Even so: come, Lord Jesus. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Col. 1: 20

One: All things, in heaven and on earth, are reconciled to God in Jesus Christ. Forgiveness is ours through faith in the Lord, in whom God was pleased to dwell. Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God!

*SUNG FORGIVENESS

Kyrie eleison

Traditional

The musical notation consists of three systems, each with a 'One:' part and an 'All:' part. The 'One:' parts are in a lower register, while the 'All:' parts are in a higher register. The lyrics are: 'Kyr-i - e, e - le - i - son.' and 'Kyr-i - e, e - le - i - son.' for the first system; 'Christ-e, e - le - i - son.' and 'Christ-e, e - le - i - son.' for the second system; and 'Kyr - i - e, e - le - i - son.' and 'Kyr-i - e, e - le - i - son.' for the third system.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 13: 11-14 NRSVue

¹¹ Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹² the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³ let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴ Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Knowing the Time
Rev. John C. Tittle

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

All: Remembering the promise to reconcile the world to himself, God joined our humanity in Jesus Christ—the eternal Word made flesh. He is the long-awaited Messiah, one with us and one with God, fully human and fully divine, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

*HYMN

My Lord, What a Morning

No. 449

OFFERTORY

Advent Kyrie

David Lantz III

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Arr. Vaughan Williams

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!***

***Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia!***

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Generous God, we thank you for bringing us to this season of faith, hope, and love. As we look at our lives, we see evidence of the countless ways that you have provided for our needs. Let gratitude well up in our hearts and overflow in generosity to others. Draw us outward to see ways that we can joyfully share what you have given. Let our acts of kindness as a church bear good fruit in the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

One: Come Lord Jesus,

All: and 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.

*HYMN

Watchman, Tell Us of the Night

No. 20

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

Prichard

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