

Immanuel **PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**



Growing Together in the Way of Jesus

“From that point of view, I realized that my hole was not miles deep after all. My father, in fact, could stand on the bottom and it only reached up to his chest.

Darkness, you know, is relative.”

— Jodi Picoult, *My Sister's Keeper*

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 9, 2020

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

PRELUDE

The Day Thou Gavest

Scholefield, arr. Wilhour

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS & INVITATION TO PRAYER

Liz Pruchnicki & Rev. Graceson

INTROIT

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
Sarah Sherman

C. Wesley

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liz Pruchnicki

Please note that today's hymns are included at the end of the bulletin. Thank you!

HYMN

From the Rising of the Sun

#670

PRAYER OF APPROACH & CONFESSION

Rev. Graceson

Holy One, from dawn's early light

To the end of the day, we will praise Your name.

We praise You for Your love embodied in Christ Jesus

And through Your Spirit in us.

We praise You for the breathtaking beauty we behold

In this awe-inspiring world.

We praise You for Your abiding presence, which

Can guide and sustain us through every change and challenge in life,

If we will let it.

And we confess that we do not always live

As if we have put our trust in You.

Too often, we opt for our ways rather than Yours.

Too often, we let selfishness, fear, and resentment get the best of us.

But as far as we stray from our deepest and truest identity in You,

Your love for us remains constant.

When we wander from Your path or forget who and Whose we are,

Bring us back in Your mercy to living as You mean for us to live.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: In the waters of baptism, we are reminded of the promise of Your grace,
Which meets us where we are and loves us too much to let us stay that way.

So hear the sound of love poured out...

(The baptismal font is filled. As Christians, we are united in community through the waters of Baptism. Water is poured as a reminder that God claims, forgives, and renews us to live out God's love as a community of faith.)

Leader: O Lord, open our lips.

People: *And our mouths will declare Your praise.*

Leader: Praise the Lord.

People: *The Lord's name be praised.*

GLORIA PATRI

#581

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, Amen.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Liz Pruchnicki

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Graceson

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful
Rev. Kluttz, soloist

J. Berthier

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-24

Rev. Kluttz & Liz Pruchnicki

SERMON

Rev. Fulp-Eickstaedt
Falling Apart Series: When You're in the Pit

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

HYMN OF RESPONSE

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Kluttz & Rhyan Hance

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Contemplation

B. Wilhour

DOXOLOGY

*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.*

Announcements Concerning Our Lives Together

Welcome to all those worshipping with us today! New to Immanuel? Please take a few moments to let us know about yourself - scan the QR code to the right to get started!



Share "Celebrations & Concerns" in Small Groups this Sunday!

Join your church family on Zoom this morning from 11:00-11:30am. Upon being admitted from the virtual waiting room, we'll divide into breakout rooms to share our celebration & concerns in small groups. At 11:20am, we'll reunite for a prayer together led by one of Immanuel's pastors. Join your faith family to laugh and lament as we lift our prayers to God together. (In the event that Zoom has server difficulties, you will receive an email notification and we will reconvene at 2:00 p.m.)

New Ways to Give...

- Click [here](#) for secure online giving. Would you prefer to set up an ACH direct debit from your bank account? Simply fill out [this](#) form, then scan and e-mail it to [Mary Ann Vaughan](#).
- Immanuel's 'Text to Give' telephone number is 833-756-0284. [Click here](#) for instructions!
- Download the [Give Plus app](#) and search for our church to make donations.
- Any checks being mailed should temporarily be mailed to: Mary Ann Vaughan. Please [email her](#) for a mailing address. Please make checks payable to Immanuel. Thank you!

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (via ZOOM)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30 at 11:30 a.m.

A special congregational meeting has been called for Sunday, August 30, 2020, at 11:30 a.m. It will be held online via Zoom. If we have technical problems on Zoom and the meeting cannot proceed, we will try again at 5 pm on the same day, August 30.

A link to the meeting will be provided by email a few days before the meeting. Also, watch your E-Presence and other communications for help on joining a Zoom meeting and voting.

The purpose of this special meeting is to dissolve the call to The Rev. Susan Graceson, as she has advised us that she will be leaving to act as pastor to another congregation. (Pastor Aaron's recent email to the congregation explained the situation in detail.)

If you are a voting member of Immanuel (that is, you have been formally received into Immanuel's membership), please attend the meeting on August 30 and vote. If you are concerned about having online access to this meeting, please get in touch with Dana Pratt (danapratt@cox.net; 571-318-0210), and she will see that you receive assistance.

Saying Farewell to Pastor Susan

It is so hard to say "goodbye," but we are charged to do so with love and faith. You are invited to join in a Zoom Farewell Celebration with Pastor Susan! Take this time to share memories and celebrate Susan's time at Immanuel.

There will be three options:

Wednesday, August 19th, at 7 p.m.

Friday, August 21st, at 7 p.m.

You're also invited to drop by Immanuel for a 'drive up' congregational goodbye in the Immanuel parking lot on **Sunday, August 30th from 3-4:30 p.m.**

For children and families, Pastor Susan invites you to a Parking Lot Farewell Parade on **Sunday, August 30th, at 5 p.m. in Immanuel's lower parking lot. Kids can wave from the safety of their cars, and drop off any messages they may wish to share. Susan will have special keepsake gifts for each child to remind them of the love she will carry in her heart for them.**

JOIN US ON ZOOM!

WEEKLY EVENTS:

FAITH MATTERS
(VIA CONFERENCE CALL)
MONDAYS AT 1:30 P.M.

AA OPEN MEETING
MONDAYS AT 12:00 P.M.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
TUESDAYS AT 7:30 A.M.

GRACE YOGA WITH KATHY BAGDEN
TUESDAYS AT 10:30 A.M.

COFFEE & KERYGMA
WEDNESDAYS AT 8:00 A.M.

CARD-CRAFTING GROUP
WEDNESDAYS AT 10:00 P.M.

MOVIE SERIES
WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30 P.M.

AA OPEN MEETING
WEDNESDAYS AT 7:00 P.M.

LECTIONARY GROUP
THURSDAYS AT 9:30 A.M.

ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAYS AT 10:00 A.M.

SHARING CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS
SUNDAYS AT 11:00-11:30 A.M.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

DIVINITY WITHIN SERIES:
~~AUGUST 3, AT 6:30 P.M.~~
AUGUST 31, 6:30 P.M.
SEPTEMBER 21, 6:30 P.M.
OCTOBER 5, 6:30 P.M.
NOVEMBER 2, 6:30 P.M.

IMMANUEL BOOK GROUP
AUGUST 11 AT 12:00 P.M.



From the Rising of the Sun 670

(Psalm 113)



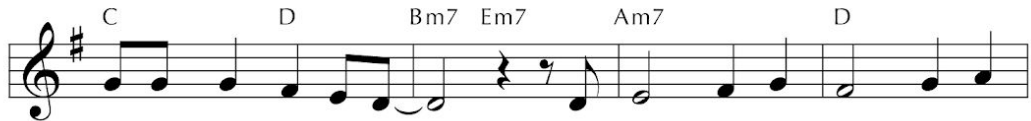
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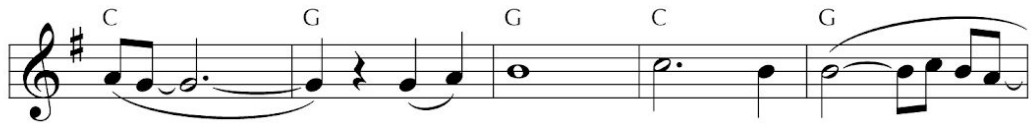
of the same, the name of the Lord shall be



praised. From the ris - ing of the sun to the



go - ing down of the same, the name of the Lord shall be



praised. So praise ye the Lord.



Praise ye the Lord. From the



ris - ing of the sun to the go - ing down of the same,



the name of the Lord shall be praised.

661 Why Should I Feel Discouraged?

His Eye Is on the Sparrow



1 Why should I feel dis-cour-aged? Why should the shad-ows come?
 2 "Let not your heart be trou-bled," his ten-der word I hear,
 3 When-ev-er I am tempt-ed, when-ev-er clouds a-rise,



Why should my heart be lone-ly and long for heaven and home,
 and rest-ing on his good-ness, I lose my doubts and fears;
 when song gives place to sigh-ing, when hope with-in me dies,



when Je-sus is my por-tion? My con-stant friend is he:
 though by the path he lead-eth but one step I may see:
 I draw the clos-er to him; from care he sets me free:



his eye is on the spar-row, and I know he watch-es me;



his eye is on the spar-row, and I know he watch-es me.

Refrain



I sing be-cause I'm hap-py, (I'm hap-py) I sing be-cause I'm free, (I'm free)



A musical score for a song, featuring a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody is written in a simple, folk-like style. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment, primarily using chords. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

for his eye is on the spar-row, and I know he watch-es me.

Chords indicated above the treble staff: C7, F, Fm, C, G7, C.

1 A - bid with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide.
 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;
 3 I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;
 4 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
 5 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;

The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bid!
 earth's joys grow dim; its glo - ries pass a - way;
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's power?
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
 shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.

When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 change and de - cay in all a - round I see.
 Who, like thy - self, my guide and stay can be?
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?
 Heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;

help of the help - less, O a - bid with me.
 O thou who chang - est not, a - bid with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bid with me.
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bid with me.
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bid with me.