

INTO THE PRESENCE

Musical Reflections and Chiming of the Hour
Words of Welcome and Prayer Requests *Rev. Dr. Richard Myers*

Prelude and Personal Preparation
“Jesus Loves the Little Children”
By George F. Root

Call to Worship: *Glenda Blake*
For everything there is a season.
And a time for every matter under heaven.
A time to be born and a time to die.
A time to plant and a time to pluck up what is planted.
A time to kill and a time to heal.
A time to break down and a time to build up.
A time to keep silence and a time to speak.
God has made everything suitable for its time.
All: Let us worship God.

*Opening Hymn #13 “Sing a New Song to the Lord”

*Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession
Holy God, we have heard Your command that we have no other gods before You—and still graven images litter our living. We have heard Your call to love our enemies—and we have been content to hate or ignore them. We have heard Your summons to take up the cross and follow—and we have forgotten the cross and gone our own way. Help us now to hear once more the good news of Your undying love made known in Jesus Christ— and to trust Him to reconcile us to You and to each other...

-Silent Prayer-

Assurance of Pardon:
Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Special Music “The Long and Winding Road”
by Paul McCartney; Rev. Mark Ballard, soloist

Community Prayers and the Lord’s Prayer. *Rev. Dr. Richard Myers*

*Sharing the Gift of Peace to All, Passing the Peace
The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you!
And Also with you!
As Christ shared His peace with us
let us share Christ’s peace with one another.
(Please greet those around you and return to your places as the Peace Hymn begins.)

*Peace Hymn “Prayer for Peace”
by David Haas
“Peace / Love / Christ before us / behind us / to all we meet;
Peace / Love / Christ within us / over us / let all around us be Peace / Love / Christ.”

INTO THE WORD

Scripture Reading John 14:15-17 *Beth Myers*
Reader: The Word of the Lord.
Response: Thanks be to God!

*Sung Response #270 “O, How He Loves You and Me”
“O how He loves you and me, O how He love you and me;
He gave His life— what more could He give?
O how He loves you; O how He loves me; O how He loves you and me!”

New Testament Reading 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Communion Meditation *Glenda Blake*
“The Greatest Gift God Ever Gave”

Moments for Quiet Reflection

*Hymn #259 “Amazing Love”

GATHERED AT CHRIST’S TABLE

The Invitation to Christ’s Table
The Prayer of Preparation
The Words of Institution
Sharing the Bread and the Cup
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Call for the Offering *Rev. Dr. Richard Myers*

Offertory “They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love”
by Peter Scholtes; arr. Charity Putnam

*Song of Dedication #559 “Here I Am, Lord” *(verse 1)*
“I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
Here I am, Lord. It is I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, where you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.”

*Unison Prayer of Dedication
Holy God, When we are given the opportunity to help... please bring forth our best. When we are called to serve... help us serve with joy, conviction and humility. When we are asked to give... inspire us to surprising generosity...For we pray in the Name and Spirit of Him ... Who... when needed...gave everything...Even Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

INTO THE WORLD

*Hymn #398 “O, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

*Benediction *Glenda Blake*

*Unison Charge in Song
Let us go out into the world in peace,
With courage as we hold to what is good.
Return to no one evil for evil.
Strengthen the faint of heart; support the weak;
help those who suffer; honor all people.
Love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Let us go out into the world in peace. Amen.

Postlude “Rejoice, the Lord Is King!”
by John Darwall; arr. by Marvin Gaspard

*(Many people at Immanuel prefer to be seated to listen to the Postlude.
If you need to leave, please do so quietly. Thank you.)
Everyone is invited to join us for coffee time after worship in the MacDonald Room.*

-COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS-

(If you have an announcement to share with the community please come to the microphone at the front of the sanctuary.)

SERVING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING:

Our Guest Preacher this morning is **Glenda Blake**.
Our Lay Reader this morning is **Beth Myers**.
Our Liturgist this morning is **Dr. Rev. Richard Myers**.
Our Cantor this morning is **Rev. Mark Ballard**.

PRAYING TOGETHER AT IMMANUEL:

Please pray for our:
Local Mission: Please pray for the Greater Rochester Community of Churches as “we work toward the day when every child, youth and adult feels safe, experiences support and care, and can discover ways to use their gifts for the good of the beloved community.”

National and International Mission:
International Ministries works cross-culturally to invite people to become disciples of Jesus Christ and to proclaim, through both word and deed, God’s reign of justice, peace and abundant life for all creation.

If you have someone you would like us to keep in prayer please put their names on the **Prayer List** on the table in the Narthex.

*(Indicates the Congregation will please stand as you are able.)

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT IMMANUEL CHURCH!

We are blessed by your presence with us and pray that in a deep and abiding way the power and presence of the living God will touch your life as you are with us this morning. We welcome you to a safe, vibrant, loving space where everyone may experience healing and growth. The vision of Immanuel is to spread Jesus’ message of love, peace and justice and to provide a safe, loving, welcoming environment where everyone can study, grow and heal.

The **Personal Preparation** on the front cover is offered as a doorway to meaningful worship this morning. Sometimes we pray it together and other times we will share it in silence during the morning Prelude. We encourage you to “be still and know” the living God. Immanuel means “God is with us.”

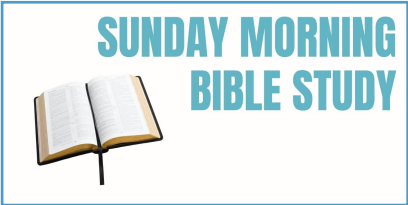
FELLOWSHIP HOUR

We hope you will join us for **Fellowship Hour in the McDonald** room following worship this morning.

COME JOIN OUR
BIBLE STUDY!

9:15 in the McDonald Room

Share in a time a of quiet reflection as Bible passages intersect our daily lives.



THIS MONTH: IBC’S MUSIC & ART CAMP!



THE IMMANUEL COMMUNITY
PREACHING SCHEDULE - AUGUST

NEXT SUNDAY - AUGUST 9TH

James Weise to Preach:
“Do We Believe in Miracles?”

August 16th
Caleb See to Preach

August 23rd
Rev. Peg Nowling Williams to Preach

August 30th
Kathleen Robbins to Preach

ECUMENICAL MASS - TUESDAYS AT 12:10 PM

August 4th - Rev. Patti LaRosa to Preach
August 11th- Kathleen Robbins to Preach
August 18th - Michael Marshall to Preach
August 25th - Rev. Dr. Dick Myers to Preach

JOIN US EVERY SUNDAY FOR IN-PERSON OR ZOOM WORSHIP

at Immanuel beginning at 10:45 am
To join us via Zoom, it is the same Zoom link as always:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5854737664>
Meeting ID: 585 473 7664 One tap mobile:
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SERVING CHRIST AND YOU AT IMMANUEL

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COMMUNION SUNDAY

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Welcome to
Immanuel
Baptist Church

“Spreading Jesus’ message of love, peace and justice and providing a safe, loving, welcoming environment where everyone can study, grow and heal.”

PERSONAL PREPARATION

God of all kindness, we thank You for the many ways Your love comes into our lives. You have filled our mouths with laughter and our tongues with song. Please accept our sacrifice of prayer and praise this Lord’s Day. Let our songs be filled with faith and gratitude. Let our offerings be meaningful and our petitions heartfelt. But above all let our worship bear faithful witness to the One Who is Lord and Savior and the reason we have gathered this morning. For here we would be still and know You.

Amen.