



IMMANUEL

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

transforming tradition

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

A Brief Statement of Faith
Presbyterian Church (USA)

MORNING WORSHIP

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 28, 2020

Ten O' Clock

PRELUDE Overture and Bouree (from Water Music) *Handel*

*Welcome to our online worship service.
The order of service is designed for worshipers
to participate in the prayers and hymns.
Please add your voice to our virtual congregation!*

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN 65 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah *Cwm Rhondda*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION The Rev. Susan Stoll

One: In life and in death we belong to God.

*All: Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God,
the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.*

One: In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

*All: God of grace, love, and communion,
we confess that we have failed to love You
with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.
We wander from Your way, waste Your good gifts,
and do not treat others as Your beloved children.
Have mercy on us.
Forgive our sin and raise us to new life
that we may serve You faithfully
and give honor to Your holy name;
in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

THE PEACE

*One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ,
let us forgive one another.*

All: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with us all.

RESPONSE (*worshippers sing*)

Though our world is ever-changing,
Thou art constant, firm, and sure.
Faithful to Thy covenant promise,
Trusting Thee, we will endure,
Singing praises, singing praises,
In Thy grace we rest secure; in Thy grace we rest secure.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SCRIPTURES Matthew 10:26-33

One: *The Word of the Lord.*

All: Thanks be to God.

SOLO

Jesu, Thou Art Watching Ever

Handel

*Jesu, Jesu, Thou art watching ever, weary never;
Make my inmost heart Thy dwelling place.
Lord, in Thee is all my hope.
O what joy and peace unending shall forever flow to my soul.
Lord, in Thee is all my hope:
O what joy and peace unending shall forever flow to my soul.*
Katie Henry, soloist

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN 766 (stzs.1-4) The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound *McKee*

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Recognition of 2020 graduates

THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Where You Walk

Handel

*As we listen to the Offertory, we offer our thanks
for the gifts we receive from the heart and hand of God,
and contemplate how we may offer our gifts to meet the needs of others.
Tithes and offerings may be sent to the church office
or you may make your gift electronically. Please see the options below.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 OF DOXOLOGY 609 (*the congregation sings*)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures high and low; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE SCRIPTURES Romans 6:1-11

One: *The Word of God for the people of God.*

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “ ‘... we too can walk in newness of life.’ ” Dr. Block

HYMN 357 The Days Are Surely Coming

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BENEDICTION

RESPONSE God Be with You till We Meet Again

POSTLUDE Allegro Maestoso (from Water Music)

Handel

“God be with you till we meet again.”

*The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God by Bob Schweers,
in gratitude for all those involved in bringing the church into our homes.*

*The floral sprays on the front gates are given to the glory of God by Marge Brindley
in loving memory of her husband, Jim Brindley.*

If you are “visiting” Immanuel Church today, we welcome you to Milwaukee's first church, marking its **183rd anniversary** this year! Today's congregation of over 500 members comes from next door, neighborhoods throughout the city, and as far north as Port Washington, as far south as Kenosha, and as far west as Summit. Committed to “keeping faith in the city,” Immanuel supports the Interchange Food Pantry and is active with Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity and Southeastern Wisconsin Common Ground. Global mission projects reach to Zambia and Cuba. Worship is our first priority and education is emphasized for all ages. **Contact Associate Pastor Rob Ater (robertater@immanuelwi.org) for more information about Immanuel or church membership.**

The Session has studied and deliberated a timeline for re-opening the church to in-person worship. Multiple sources of information have been consulted, from the CDC and State of Wisconsin phase-to-phase gating criteria to local and denominational guidelines specific to reopening churches. The elders and ministers have studied these resources and listened to members via several virtual “coffee hours”; they have discussed, pondered, prayed. **The unanimous decision has been made to extend on-line worship at least through Labor Day weekend, and**

continue to develop plans for reopening the church building to all persons when that is determined to be safe and responsible. A plan for worship and church life for the summer was emailed/mailed on May 28: <https://www.immanuelwi.org/> and discussed at the online Annual Program Meeting on May 31. Please reach out to the ministers with your questions and comments.

We are grateful to Steve Jensen and Katie Henry for providing today's music.

Mr. Ater is on vacation through July 6.

Available dates for Chancel flowers: If you would like to donate flowers for the Communion Table on **July 26, August 9, 16, 23, or 30** please email Ms. Penington at ipc@immanuelwi.org in the church office.

MAKING YOUR OFFERING

While we are not worshipping in-person, members and friends of Immanuel Church may continue their giving by:

1. **Mailing a check** to the church office:
1105 N. Waverly Place, Milwaukee, WI 53202
Note in the memo line how you'd like the amount recorded (to your pledge or another offering, like "One Great Hour of Sharing.")
2. **Going to our web site** at:
<https://www.immanuelwi.org/contribute>
3. **Scanning this QR** ("Quick Response") code with your smart phone camera. You will immediately be connected to giving options on the Immanuel web site.
4. **Texting 833-712-0259** (number for Immanuel giving only).
Enter amount in message bubble and you will receive a registration link for payment information. You will receive a verification by text and email. The next time you wish to make a gift, simply text that number, enter the amount, and it will be automatically processed.



Special Meeting of the Congregation (virtual) Sunday, July 12 at 11:15

The Session has called a special meeting of the congregation on Sunday, July 12 at 11:15 to hear a report and recommendation from the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee: Debbie Anderson, Audra Brennan, Nancy Debbink, Sara Hein (co-chair), David Johnstone (co-chair), David Plank, and Scott Silet. The members of the APNC will preview their report at the 11:15 coffee hour today.

PRESBYTERIANS CALLED TO RESPOND TO RACISM

The Stated Clerk of the Presbyterian Church (USA), J. Herbert Nelson, has urged that when it comes to racism, Presbyterians can “no longer hide behind being too controversial” saying that the church is called to “dismantle structures that put people in poverty and pain.” The PCUSA Office of Public Witness in Washington, D.C. distributed an “Action Alert” this week to provide a way for Presbyterians to reach out to lawmakers to ask them to address racism in the U.S.

Follow these links to learn more:

Article about the Stated Clerk’s statement:

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/story/state-clerk-no-longer-can-we-hide-behind-not-being-controversial/>

Video of Stated Clerk calling for dramatic change for victims of racial violence:

<https://www.pcusa.org/news/2020/5/29/stated-clerk-remembers-recent-victims-racial-violence/>

Office of Public Witness “Action Alert”:

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/story/racism-is-a-sin-against-humanity/>

Immanuel has been intentionally engaging conversations on racial justice and understanding white privilege since 2017 and continues that focus in study and action.

RACE AND THE CHURCH:

A Group Watch Video Series and Live Discussion

Tuesdays: June 30, July 7, 14 at Noon

Offered by PCUSA group NEXT Church, four upcoming watch gatherings will highlight a different video addressing the topic “Race and the Church,” offering participants the opportunity to react, engage in the chat, and reflect together as they watch and consider what the Church can learn together about this important topic. Each video offers a short guide for next steps – through discussion questions for group reflection or tangible action items mentioned by the speaker. Link here for more information:

<https://nextchurch.net/race-and-the-church-a-group-watch-video-series/>

Click here for a copy of Immanuel’s

Selected Bibliography on Race

<https://files.constantcontact.com/ec339c1b001/e7309e10-4de2-4f36-a863-187a691861ce.pdf>

Anti-Racism resources from *The Thoughtful Christian* – PCUSA Store

[https://mailchi.mp/thethoughtfulchristian/1140931-1141236?e=\[UNIQID\]](https://mailchi.mp/thethoughtfulchristian/1140931-1141236?e=[UNIQID])

DEMOCRACY MATTERS

Common Ground

Get Out the Vote (GOTV) Campaign

Presbyterians have long valued the engagement of faith and public life. One way Immanuel members and friends are invited to engage as both Christians and citizens in this important election year, is by participating in Common Ground's Get Out the Vote (GOTV) campaign. The first phase of this non-partisan campaign begins this summer and focuses on **Voter Registration**, specifically registering new voters and re-registering voters who have moved or had a name change.

Want to help?

- Follow this link to check your registration, register, or re-register as needed: <https://commonground.votewisconsin.com/>
- Volunteer to call church members and/or other friends/family,
- Answer the call from an Immanuel volunteer and commit to registering/re-registering and spreading the word.

Common Ground (www.commongroundwi.org) is a non-partisan, tri-racial alliance of congregations, schools, nonprofits, small businesses and neighborhood groups with a twelve-year track record of effective, meaningful change in greater Milwaukee. Immanuel is a founding member. Questions about Common Ground or the campaign? Follow the link above or contact a member of Immanuel's Common Ground Core Team:

Margaret Crowley (GOTV co-captain), Martha Mainland (GOTV co-captain), Sharon Rose, and Rob Ater.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP AT HOME

As "at home" worship continues, worshipers may wish to order a *Glory to God* hymnal or pew Bible to enrich your experience. Details about the hymnal are available at www.glorytogodhymnal.org. The Bibles in our pew racks are the New Revised Standard Version translation (NRSV). This is most often the translation read from the lectern and pulpit. Those whose practice is to read along may want to mark the passages beforehand in the particular copy of the Bible you use at home. Printed copies of the scripture and hymn texts are also provided with the online bulletin.

To view **Tips for Sunday Morning Worship at Home** follow this link:

<https://files.constantcontact.com/ec339c1b001/7a494ca9-1e81-463c-8312-0a4b92379925.pdf>

To purchase a **hardcopy of the hymnal** follow this link:

<https://www.pcusastore.com/Products/0664503047/glory-to-god-red-pew-edition-presbyterian.aspx?bCategory=PHYM>

To order a **hardcopy of the Bible** follow this link:

<https://www.cokesbury.com/9781565634985-New-Revised-Standard-Version-Pew-Bible?psri=8631827>

SUMMER ONLINE READING GROUP:

Siddhartha by Hermann Hesse

with Dr. Gregory Baer, Professor of German at Carthage College
Wednesday evenings July 1, 8, 15 + 7:00-8:00 in your favorite chair

In 1946, Hermann Hesse was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature. At the award ceremony in Stockholm, Sigurd Curman, President of the Royal Academy of Sciences, remarked on Hesse's ability to use literature to battle the nefarious ideas that infected much of the world and led to a world war: *"Hermann Hesse has carried on his battle against these microbes of the soul in the field of literature. He has endeavored, in his stylistically exquisite poems and stories, to show us the way to rise out of this slough. He shouts to all of us ... 'advance, mount higher, conquer yourself!' For to be human is to suffer an incurable duality, to be drawn toward both good and evil. And we can achieve harmony and peace only when we have killed the selfishness within us. This is Hesse's message to the people of a ravaged age...."* What messages do Hesse's writings have for us in our ravaged age?

Hesse's novel, *Siddhartha*, tells the story of a Brahmin's son who explores intellectualism, aestheticism, discipleship, lust, wealth, and human connections as he seeks to overcome selfishness and find deep and lasting satisfaction and enlightenment. We will read this novel together and discuss—drawing on *Siddhartha* and Hesse—the roles these topics play in our modern lives as we seek to be people of faith exploring the ambiguities of modern life and discerning the responsibilities and opportunities to which God calls us in each new day.

Participants will meet via "Zoom" on Wednesday evenings through July 15, 7:00-8:00. Although the class began last week, you can still contact Ms. Penington (ipc@immanuelwi.org or 414-276-4757) to sign up and for a reading schedule, links to free online versions (text or audio) and Zoom access information.

MIDDAY PRAYER + WEDNESDAYS AT NOON

Take a break + Lift your spirit!

Join Rev. Stoll for a virtual Midday Prayer Service every Wednesday at noon.

"Zoom" access information will be emailed every Tuesday.

Please consider adopting a garden space or a container garden! The landscaping committee is looking for individuals to commit to weekly watering of sections of the grounds. Pick a time and day that works for you and notify team leader Dave Ravie. He can be reached at idravie@sbcglobal.net. The landscape team meets **every Tuesday from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m.** All are welcome! Cancellations due to inclement weather will be decided on Tuesday at noon.

WEEKLY CALENDAR AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Check www.immanuelwi.org to find out more!

TODAY		THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	10:00	Morning Worship online, the Rev. Dr. Deborah A. Block preaching
	11:15	Virtual Coffee Hour Recognition of 2020 graduates
	July 1	12:00 Midday Virtual Prayer Service 7:00 <i>Siddhartha</i> Online Reading Group
NEXT SUNDAY		FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	10:00	Morning Worship online, the Rev. Dr. Deborah A. Block preaching
	11:15	Virtual Coffee Hour
	July 7	6:00 Meeting of the Deacons (videoconference)
July 8	12:00	Midday Virtual Prayer Service
	7:00	<i>Siddhartha</i> Online Reading Group
July 12	11:15	Special meeting of the congregation; Report and recommendation from the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee

SHARE and CONNECT on SOCIAL MEDIA

Although “social distancing” minimizes in-person interaction, social media is providing a wonderful space for people to stay connected to church, family, and friends.

#ImmanuelWorships

Share your post from worship today!

Are you worshipping today at home?

Post a photo of your home worship space or your household’s “worship selfie.”

Use the hashtag: #ImmanuelWorships

facebook

twitter

<https://www.facebook.com/immanuelwi/>

<https://twitter.com/ImmanPresMKE>

<https://www.instagram.com/immanuelwi/>



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