

Immanuel
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Growing Together in the Way of Jesus

“Love one another, but make not a bond of love; Let it rather be a moving sea between the shores of your souls.”

– Khalil Gibran

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 23, 2020

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

PRELUDE

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Plainsong

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS & INVITATION TO PRAYER

INTROIT

Knocking at Your Door

Southern African Melody

Rev. Kluttz

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Kluttz

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

HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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PRAYER OF APPROACH & CONFESSION

Liz Pruchnicki & Alex Abi-Najm

God who is love and made love and loves love,

Guide us into love.

Let us fall in love with You.

Let us fall into love with You.

Let fear give way to love.

Let worry give way to love.

Let angst give way to love.

Let grief give way to love.

Let hatred give way to love.

When we are the furthest away from love, let us sink back into it.

Like a child in flight, tossed into the air by the waiting arms of a loving parent,

Let us fall back into Your waiting arms and Your waiting love.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: When we remember the gurgling waters of baptism, we can imagine our own newborn gurgles on our first day of life, the gurgling great gulps of life and love. Make us as new as we were on that first newborn day.

(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.*

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Graceson

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE

Rev. Strednak Singer, Scott Fisher, Fran Rooney & Bill Pratt
1 Corinthians 13: 4-13

ANTHEM

For the Beauty of the Earth
Sarah Sherman

SERMON

Falling Apart Series: Falling In Love

Rev. Graceson

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & UNISON PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

*Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace!
That where there is hatred, I may bring love.
That where there is wrong, I may bring the spirit of forgiveness.
That where there is discord, I may bring harmony.
That where there is error, I may bring truth.
That where there is doubt, I may bring faith.
That where there is despair, I may bring hope.
That where there are shadows, I may bring light.
That where there is sadness, I may bring joy.
Lord, grant that I may seek rather to comfort, than to be comforted.
To understand, than to be understood.
To love, than to be loved.
For it is by self-forgetting that one finds.
It is by forgiving that one is forgiven.
It is by dying that one awakens to Eternal Life.*

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Come Down, O Love Divine

R. Vaughan Williams

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.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Liz Pruchnicki

HYMN OF SENDING

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Jesus Loves Me

W. Bradbury

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!



SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (via ZOOM)

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

A special congregational meeting has been called for Sunday, August 30 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) or office@ipcmclean.org and we will see that you receive assistance.

SANDWICH-MAKING FOR MARTHA'S TABLE

Immanuelites will soon have the opportunity to make sandwiches at home and drop them off at the church for delivery to Martha's Table once a month, starting in September, as we seek to share daily bread with our neighbors facing food insecurity.

Stay tuned for details and sign-ups to come. The sign up will contain instructions for the specific ingredients that participants will need to purchase, as well as information on how to prepare, package, and label the sandwiches for distribution at Martha's Table. Families of all ages and stages are welcome to participate!

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.

*You're 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 them remind of the love she will carry in her heart for them.*

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!



Join us on Zoom!

WEEKLY EVENTS:

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

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

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

WOMEN OF SPIRIT
WEDNESDAYS AT 8:00 A.M.

CARD-CRAFTING GROUP
WEDNESDAYS AT 10:00 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.



Divinity Within Series

Upcoming Events:

Aug 31, 6:30pm

Food ethics + cooking together, a session about our food communities and policies and a live-led cooking class where we create a dish together in real time, led by Liz Pruchniki and Dr. Sondra Wheeler

Sept 21, 6:30pm

Intuitive Eating + live Q &A with nutritionist, a session where questions may be submitted beforehand about nutrients and stewarding our bodies through food! Led by Rebecca Fulp-Eickstaedt

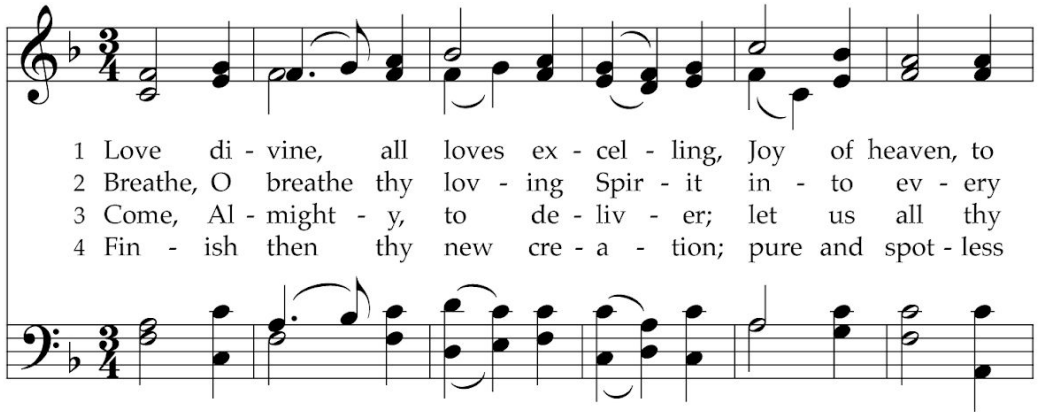
Oct 5, 6:30pm

Journaling + Collage Workshop- Writing as spiritual and mental reflection, led by Martie Fulp-Eickstaedt

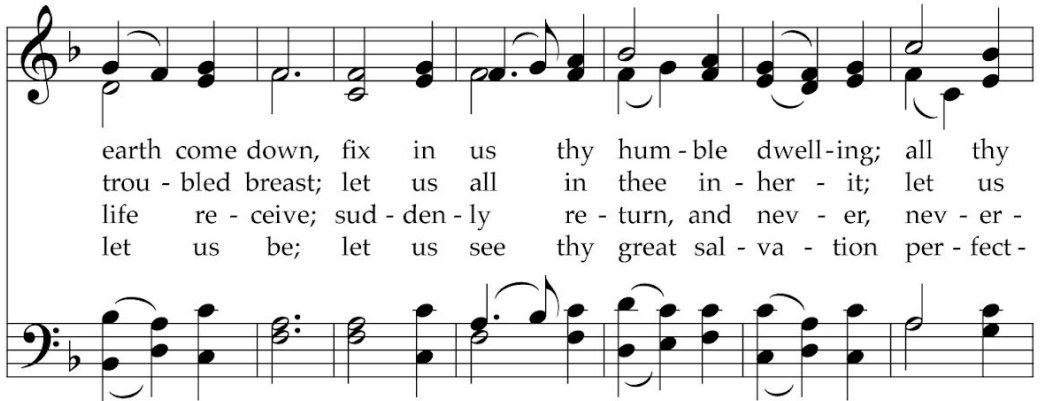
Nov 2, 6:30pm

Gratitude + self-compassion practices, a session dedicated to positive psychology, the science of gratitude, and how cultivating rituals of gratitude and compassion can change your brain, led by Sarah Sherman and Katie Strednak Singer

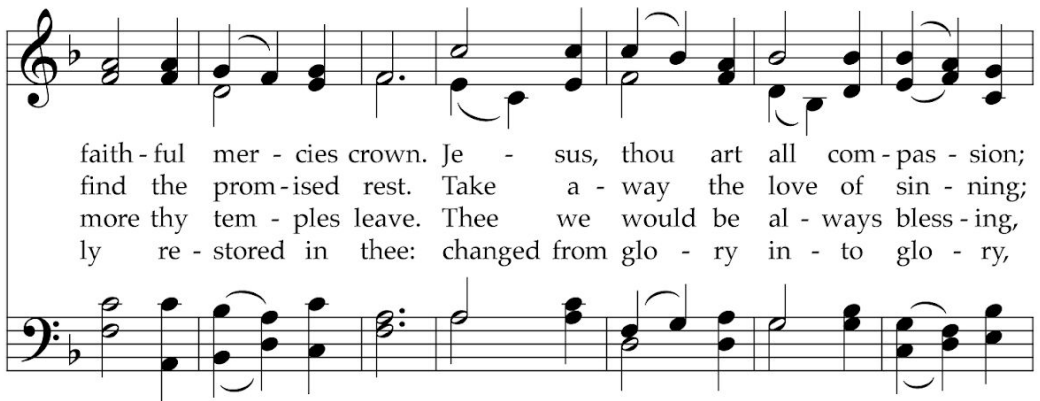
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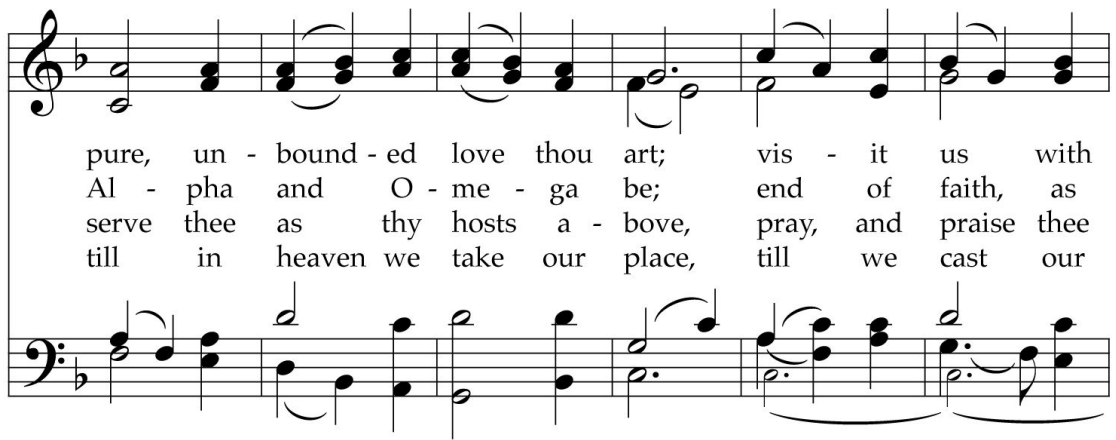
1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heaven, to
2 Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less



earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; all thy
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion;
find the prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

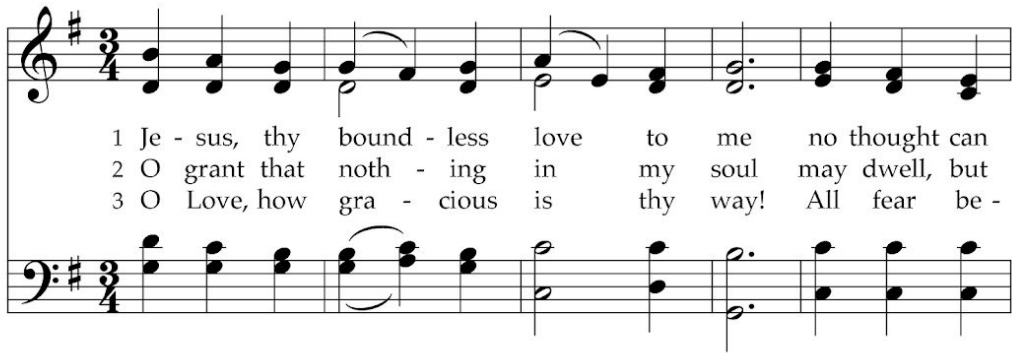


pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our




thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

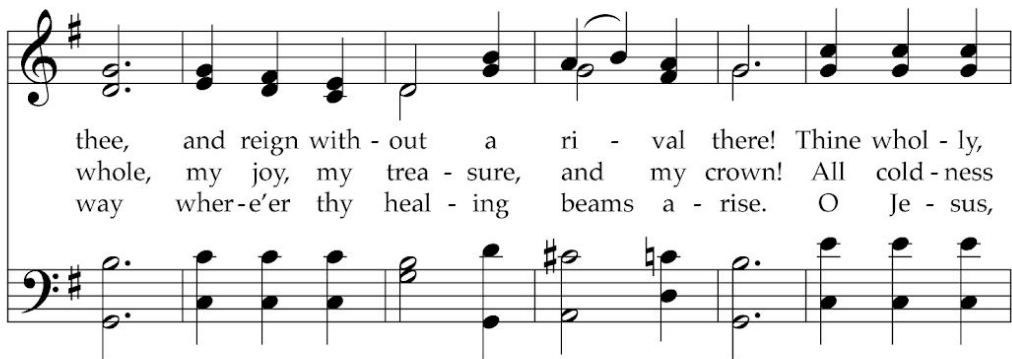
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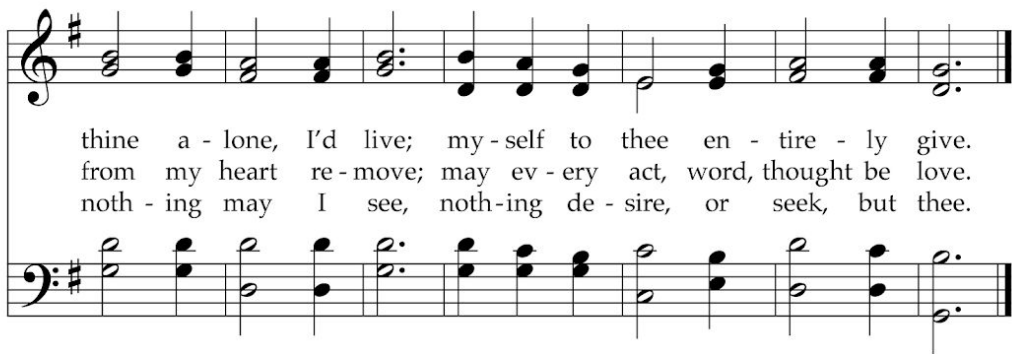
1 Je - sus, thy bound - less love to me no thought can
 2 O grant that noth - ing in my soul may dwell, but
 3 O Love, how gra - cious is thy way! All fear be -



reach, no tongue de - clare; O knit my thank - ful heart to
 thy pure love a - lone; O may thy love pos - sess me
 fore thy pres - ence flies; care, an - guish, sor - row melt a -



thee, and reign with - out a ri - val there! Thine whol - ly,
 whole, my joy, my trea - sure, and my crown! All cold - ness
 way wher - e'er thy heal - ing beams a - rise. O Je - sus,



thine a - lone, I'd live; my - self to thee en - tire - ly give.
 from my heart re - move; may ev - ery act, word, thought be love.
 noth - ing may I see, noth - ing de - sire, or seek, but thee.

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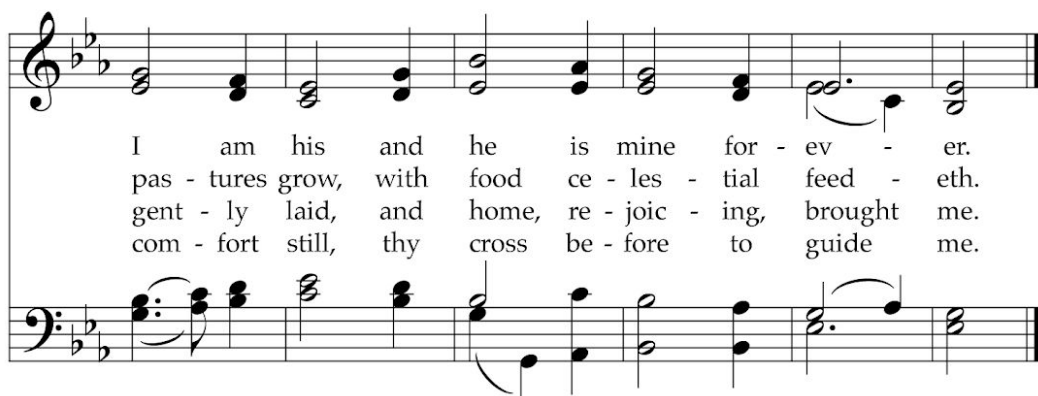
(Psalm 23)



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth, and where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my



I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
 thy unction grace bestoweth;
 and O what transport of delight
 from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days
 thy goodness faileth never;
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 within thy house forever.