

O brightness of God's glory and exact image of God's person, Whom death could not conquer nor the tomb imprison: As you have shared our frailty in human flesh, help us to share your immortality in the Spirit. Let no shadow of the grave terrify us, And no fear of darkness turn our hearts from you. Breathe on us your peace. Alleluia!

MORNING WORSHIP Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

+ PRELUDE

Fantasy in G Major

J.S. Bach

Ten O' Clock

Welcome to our combined online and onsite worship service. The order of service is designed for worshipers to participate virtually from home or in the Sanctuary. **Please enjoy the prelude as a time of silent preparation for worship.**

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader:	Peace be	with you.	Jesus stands	among us.
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People: Peace be with you. The risen Lord is here.

- Leader: How very good and pleasant it is when the people of God live in unity.
- People: We are the witnesses of the first Easter and the ongoing resurrections revealed in our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us worship God together. Alleluia!

*+ HYMN 233 The Day of Resurrection!

Lancashire

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- Leader: We have heard the good news of Easter, and yet its significance has not been written on our hearts. We are proclaimers of the resurrection, but in many ways our lives remain captive to the power of this world. Hear our prayers of confession as we seek a new beginning and a lasting hope.
- All: Gracious God, we lift our prayers to You, confident and grateful that You hear us when we call. We come asking forgiveness for all the ways, large and small, that we keep You at a distance, at once eager for the transforming power of Your love and afraid of what it asks of us. You invite us to new life, but we seek the security of old ways.

+ Worshipers in the Sanctuary may be shown to their pews. * Stand as you are able.

You call us to open our hearts and our hands to others, but we think first of ourselves. We confess that we do not always trust Your promises, but seek refuge instead in unreliable gods. Open us to receive Your grace anew, and shape us for Your purposes. We pray in the name of the One who lives and prays for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

* THE PEACE

Leader: 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** (the congregation sings)

"Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing, For Christ is our Redeemer, The Lord of heav'n our King. O may we ever praise him, With heart and life and voice, And in his blissful presence Eternally rejoice.

+++ Latecomers may be seated during the response

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SCRIPTURES

Psalm 4	(OT 490)
Leader:	Answer me when I call, O God of my right! You gave me
	room when I was in distress. Be gracious to me, and hear
	my prayer.
People:	How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame?
	How long will you love vain words, and seek after
	lies?
Leader:	But know that the Lord has set apart the faithful for
	himself; the Lord hears when I call to him.
People:	When you are disturbed, do not sin; ponder it on your
	beds, and be silent.
Leader:	Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord.
People:	There are many who say, "O that we might see some
	good! Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord!"

Leader: You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound.

People: I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O Lord, make me lie down in safety.

I John 3:1-2

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

The Easter Song of Praise

Sing choirs of heaven! Let saints and angels sing! Around God's throne exult in harmony! Now Jesus Christ is risen from the grave! Salute your king in glorious symphony.

Sing choirs of earth! Behold your light has come! The glory of the Lord shines radiantly, lift up your hearts, lift up your hearts, for Christ has conquered death! The night is past the day of life is here!

Sing church of God! Exult with joy outpoured. The gospel trumpets tell of vict'ry won! Your Savior lives: he's with you ever more! Let all God's people shout the long Amen. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER

* HYMN 254 That Easter Day with Joy was Bright

Puer Nobis Nascitur

THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH OFFERINGS

Worshipers in the Sanctuary are invited to sign the red Friendship Folder in each pew and greet one another following the worship service.

Online worshipers are invited to indicate their "presence" by using the Virtual Worship Sign-in link: <u>https://bit.ly/IPCVirtualWorshipSignIn</u>

OFFERTORY

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J.S. Bach

Children, youth, and teachers gather at the font for prayer before proceeding to Church School in The Peaceable Kingdom on the lower level.

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.

(NT 240)

Shepherd

* DOXOLOGY (the congregation sings)

 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise Christ, all people here below;
 Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
 Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

 THE SCRIPTURES Luke 24:36-48

 Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

* HYMN 238 Thine is the Glory

Worshipers in the Sanctuary turn to the camera on the back wall so that online and onsite worshipers are facing one another for the closing hymn.

"A New Chapter"

* BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Sinfonia (from Cantata 29)

The flowers are given to the glory of God by Barbara and Jim Flint in remembrance of their daughter, Sarah Flint Frank.

Following the postlude, a minister and elder will be at the font to receive prayer requests.

Welcome! Members and friends are invited to a special Coffee Hour in the Parlor to welcome Immanuel's new interim pastor, the Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush (see the announcement on the next page). **Welcome Team** members this morning are Susan and Jeff Teerink and Virginia Riggs. They are wearing nametags and are available to answer questions about the church and to give tours of the building.

If you are visiting Immanuel Church today, we welcome you to Milwaukee's first church, marking its 187th anniversary this week! 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. Our livestream worship extends our community across the country. 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.

Judas Maccabeus

J.S. Bach

Dr. Bush

(NT 91)

Nursery care for infants and toddlers is provided until noon. The **Immanuel Nursery** is located on the lower level; elevator access is also available. A **"crying room" on the second floor** offers sight and sound of the Sanctuary for parents with small children who prefer an alternate space during the worship service.

Church School classes for children and youth follow the Prayer of Thanksgiving in The Peaceable Kingdom (lower level). Click <u>https://conta.cc/4ajTHzq</u> to read this week's "Wednesday Grace" email, a weekly update on Church School happenings.

PASTORAL TRANSITION UPDATE Today we welcome Immanuel's new interim pastor, the Rev. Dr. Randy Bush! Special Coffee Hour hosted by the HR Committee

Today we warmly welcome the Rev. Dr. Randall K. Bush as he joins us as Immanuel's new interim pastor. Dr. Bush was unanimously and enthusiastically invited last fall by Immanuel's Session to join the congregation in this time of transition following the retirement of the Rev. Dr. Deborah Block. Please join the Human Resources Committee at a special Coffee Hour following worship today to personally welcome Randy and his spouse, Beth Johnstone Bush.

An acclaimed preacher, published author, and classically trained pianist, Dr. Bush has roots in Wisconsin, formerly serving as pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Racine. Serving over three decades of pastoral ministry in settings from Zimbabwe to Pittsburgh, to his recent interim position in a large church in the Baltimore area, Dr. Bush feels called to provide a guiding, non-anxious presence for congregations moving through leadership transitions, helping them to clarify their God-given gifts and mission as they turn toward the future. With Randy Bush, Immanuel welcomes an experienced pastor who appreciates our traditions in worship, music, education, and mission and will guide us in the transforming work of a new day. *Welcome, Randy and Beth*!

Participate in the process of nominating ELDERS AND DEACONS for Immanuel Church

The Church Nominating Committee is working to identify members for service on the **Session (governance; worship, education, mission)** and the **Board of Deacons (pastoral care)**. Nominees will be elected at the Annual Program Meeting later this spring; new elders and deacons will be ordained in June. Participate in the process by suggesting names for consideration by the Nominating Committee. The persons you suggest must be active members of Immanuel Church and members who are currently serving are not eligible for election to another board. Please be specific about the person's gifts for a particular office. Nomination forms are in the back of the bulletin today or submit your suggestions to https://bit.ly/IPC_Nominations2024.

Spring is Coming!

Mark your calendar for these upcoming Immanuel events



KRAYBILL ORGAN RECITAL Sunday, May 5 + 3:00 p.m. + Immanuel Sanctuary

Immanuel's Parish Life Council and the Milwaukee Chapter of the American Guild of Organists are pleased to host an organ recital by Jan Kraybill of Kansas City, Missouri. Ms. Kraybill is a Grammy nominated organist recognized for her work in promoting the organ worldwide. Please join us for the recital and reception of this gifted performer on our historic organ.

"CREATION SUNDAY" + May 12

The Church School children, youth, and teachers will celebrate Creation Sunday on May 12 with lessons and activities that celebrate the gift of God's good creation! Following worship, members and friends will be invited to join in the celebration and enjoy eating some "dirt cake," a favorite Creation Sunday treat.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY AND PENTECOST + May 19

The Day of Pentecost is the day that the Church celebrates its birthday – the day we recall the coming of the Holy Spirit to the first disciples of Jesus Christ, fifty days after his resurrection. It is an Immanuel tradition to celebrate Pentecost by receiving our confirmation students as full members of the church followed by our annual *Pentecost Party*. All will be invited to the Upper Room to enjoy a light lunch, complete with "Fruit of the Spirit" salad, and a birthday cake for the Church! We will also thank the 2023-24 Church School teachers. **RED** is the color of the day – the Holy Spirit came with wind and fire to those first disciples. Sign up for the Pentecost Party later this month.

NEW MEMBERS WILL BE WELCOMED AGAIN THIS SPRING

A spring Membership Welcome and Orientation Brunch is being planned. Watch the bulletin and email blast for more information. A date for the next IPC 101: Introductory Tour will be announced soon, too! *New friends:* contact Mr. Ater (robertater@immanuelwi.org) in the church office to express an interest in attending one or both of these welcome events.

YOUR OFFERING, here and afar In addition to offerings during onsite worship:

- 1. Mail a check to the office: 1105 N. Waverly Place, Milwaukee, WI 53202.
- 2. Go to our web site at https://www.immanuelwi.org/onlinegiving
- 3. **Scan this QR** ("Quick Response") code with your smart phone camera for immediate connection to giving options on the Immanuel site.
- 4. **Text 833-712-0259** (number for Immanuel giving only). Enter the amount in a message bubble and you will receive a registration link for payment information and verification by text or email.



MAKING SUNDAY MORNING HAPPEN: It takes you!

The practice of gathering for worship on Sunday mornings is the center of our life together. Sunday mornings at Immanuel Church are meaningful *and busy*. There's more to be done that meets the eye! Will you help? Perhaps you'd like to begin *or resume* a practice of helping to make Sunday mornings happen at Immanuel Church! **Welcome Team** members greet worshipers at the church doors, answer questions, and offer directions. *Three or four welcome team members are needed each Sunday*. **Ushers** welcome and seat worshipers in the Sanctuary. *Four to six ushers are needed each Sunday*. **Ushers** welcome table hospitality by providing both sweet and savory treats and clean-up afterwards. *Four hosts are needed each Sunday*. If you would like to help, please email the church office (ipc@immanuelwi.org) to indicate your interest in serving in one or more of these ministries of hospitality at Immanuel Church.

Thank you to this morning's worship volunteers: Ushers – Dick Myers, Dave Salisbury, Jeff McEathron, and Linda Neubauer; Camera operator – David Ravie.

WEEKLY CALENDAR AND UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY		THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	
APRIL 14	8:55	Choir rehearsal	
	8:45-noon	Nursery care ~ <i>Lower level</i>	
	10:00	Morning Worship; Dr. Bush preaching	
	10:30-noon	Church School for children and youth ~	
		The Peaceable Kingdom, lower level	
	5:00	Confirmation gathering ~ offsite	
Monday	6:00	Choir rehearsal ~ Choir Room, lower level	
Tuesday	9:00	Finance Committee meeting ~ <i>virtual</i>	
	5:45	Meeting of the Session ~ Block Conference Room	
Thursday	noon	Building Maintenance Committee meeting ~ virtual	
NEXT SUNDAY		FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	
APRIL 21	8:55	Choir rehearsal	
	8:45-noon	Nursery care ~ <i>Lower level</i>	
	10:00	Morning Worship; Dr. Bush preaching	
	10:30-noon	Church School for children and youth ~	
		The Peaceable Kingdom, lower level	
April 22	6:00	Choir rehearsal ~ Choir Room, lower level	
April 25	noon	Meeting of the Trustees ~ <i>virtual</i>	

The **Immanuel Columbarium** is open today and every Sunday until noon.

Available dates for Chancel flowers: If you would like to donate flowers, please contact the church office.

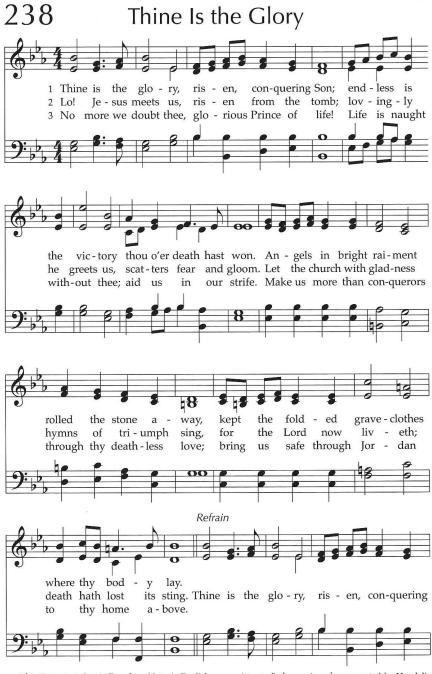
SUNDAY MORNING PARKING: Worshipers may park behind another car in the Waverly or Telluris/Brico (north) lots. **PLEASE place a Sunday bulletin on your dashboard with your name and cell phone number and move your car immediately after worship.**



The roots of this English text come from a mid-8th century Greek hymn that continues to be used in Orthodox churches at the midnight Eucharist marking the beginning of Easter. The tune is named for the county in northwestern England where the composer was then an organist.



These Eastertide stanzas are derived from a longer Latin text that was one of the earliest hymns written especially for a season of the church year. They are set here to a tune with Christmas associations, a means of linking the two great festivals of the Christian year.



This Easter text, first in French and later in English, was written to fit the music, a chorus created for Handel's oratorio *Joshua* and moved to *Judas Maccabeus* in 1751. It grew widely popular following its use at the First Assembly of the World Council of Churches in 1948.



OFFICERS OF Immanuel Presbyterian Church

Elders and Deacons in the class of 2024 complete their term of office at the end of May and new elders and deacons will be elected. Trustees for the class of 2027 will be nominated and elected at the Annual Financial meeting next January.

THE SESSION

Class of 2025	Class of 2026
Laurel Heebsh	Kate Egan
Sibyl McCarley	Lindsey McKee
David Plank	Scott Silet
Julia Vosper	Carol Tsao
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Randall K. Bush, *Interim Pastor and Moderator* Sue Rennane, *Clerk* Robert W. Ater, Teresa A. Larson, and Susan J. Stoll, *Associate Pastors*

THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026
Cindy Helt	Mar MacLeod Brahm	Kathleen Burchby
Dave Klehm	Audra Brennan	Connie Goggin
Will Loder	Janet Christiaansen	Christine Karpowicz
Ray Moulis	Eileen Pierce	Jennifer Lucas
Elise Pennington	Mary Stetson	Justine Mayer

Will Loder, *Moderator* Eileen Pierce, *Vice Moderator* Justin Mayer, *Secretary* Elise Pennington *Treasurer* Robert W. Ater and Susan J. Stoll, *Advisory Members*

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Class of 2024 Bill Morley Victor Plantinga Trent Poole Terese Zinn **Class of 2025** Steve Carlton Tamara Crum Joe Dominguez Duane Grimm Class of 2026

Leslie Davis Spencer Frank Sara Hein Allyson Nemec

Trent Poole, President Steve Carlton, Vice President Randall K. Bush, ex officio Jill Fahr, Church Treasurer

IMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee will meet soon to nominate members to serve on the **Session**, the **Board of Deacons**, and the **2024-25 Nominating Committee**. Nominees will be elected at the Annual Program Meeting in May 2024. Participate in the process by suggesting names for consideration by the Nominating Committee. The persons you suggest must be active members of Immanuel Church. The current board rosters are listed on the reverse. Members who are currently serving are not eligible for election.

Please be specific about the person's gifts for a particular office; <u>only names with qualifications will be considered.</u>

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2023/24 Nominating Committee: Eileen Pierce from the Board of Deacons; Steve Carlton from the Board of Trustees; Carol Tsao and Mike Gillard from the Session; Tom Cooper, Kristi Leswing, Jim Schleif, and Susan Teerink from the congregation-at-large; and the associate pastors, ex officio without vote.

TEAR THIS FORM OUT AND DROP IN THE BOX ON THE NARTHEX TABLE OR EMAIL YOUR SUGGESTIONS TO THE CHURCH OFFICE IPC@IMMANUELWI.ORG

PORTABLE HEARING DEVICES AND LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE. PLEASE ASK AN USHER FOR ASSISTANCE





Bulletins returned to the tables in the Narthex will be recycled.



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