



IMMANUEL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  

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*transforming* tradition

*You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart,  
and with all your soul,  
and with all your strength.  
and with all your mind;  
and your neighbor as yourself.*

The Great Commandment  
*Luke 10:27*

# MORNING WORSHIP

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 16, 2022

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.  
Worshipers in the Sanctuary are requested to silence phones.*

+ PRELUDE Prelude in C Major Callahan

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

+\*HYMN 638 (stzs. 1-4) O Come and Sing Unto the Lord (Psalm 95) *Irish*

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION Psalm 95:6-7

*One: O come, let us worship and bow down,  
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!*

*All: For the Lord is our God;  
We are the people of God's pasture,  
and the sheep of God's hand.*

*God our Maker, You have created us for goodness and we clamor for greatness; you have called us to serve one another and we compete for power over one another. We kneel before things that make us in our own image and claim for ourselves things that are given to be shared. We ask forgiveness for the mean word, the harbored grudge, the unchecked prejudice. We pray for mercy, and we pray that we would be merciful; in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.*

\* DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\* THE PEACE

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

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

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\* *Worshipers may stand, as able.*

+ *Worshipers may be shown to their pews.*

+\* RESPONSE (*the congregation sings*)

O come, and bowing down to God  
our worship let us bring;  
yea, let us kneel before the Lord,  
our Maker and our King.

+ *Latecomers may be seated following the response*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SCRIPTURES II Timothy 3:14- 4:5

(NT 213)

*Leader: The Word of the Lord.*

*People: Thanks be to God.*

ANTHEM Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!*

*My heart is longing to offer up sweet adoration.*

*Melody make; dulcimer, harp now awake, sound forth your praise, ev'ry nation!*

*Praise the Almighty, o'er all life, so wondrously reigning.*

*God is our rest, working in all for the best. Look to God's gracious ordaining.*

## SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER

\* HYMN 652 A Grateful Heart

*Rockingham*

## CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Supporting Theological Education

Dr. Carol Tsao

Trustee, McCormick Theological Seminary

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH OFFERINGS

*(During the Offertory, please sign your name in the red Friendship Folder  
as it comes to you in the pew. Pass the folder back to its starting place,  
noting your neighbors. Please greet one another by name following the service.  
Online worshippers, please click the Virtual Worship Sign-in link.)*

OFFERTORY

Aria

*Burkhardt*

*(Children 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.

- \* 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 Luke 18:1-8

(NT 81)

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Our Sides of the Story”

Dr. Block

- \* HYMN 684 Faith Begins ... Endures ... Matures

*Lux Prima*

*(Worshippers in the Sanctuary turn to the camera on the back wall  
so that online and onsite worshippers are facing one another  
for the closing hymn and benediction.)*

- \* BENEDICTION

- \* CHORAL RESPONSE

- \* POSTLUDE

Toccata on “Old 100<sup>th</sup>”

*Burkhardt*

Following the postlude, one of the ministers and an elder  
will be at the font to receive prayer requests.

*The flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in celebration of the first wedding anniversary  
of Sara Shaw and Scott Hollander.*

**If you are visiting Immanuel Church today**, we welcome you to Milwaukee's first church, marking its **185<sup>th</sup> 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. 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](mailto:robertater@immanuelwi.org)) for more information and/or membership details.

Ms. Larson is away this Sunday, participating in the CREDO program for newly ordained ministers in the Presbyterian Church (USA), sponsored by the Board of Pensions. She will return to the church office on Tuesday, October 18.

Mr. Komasa is on vacation. Our director today is a member of the choir, Ms. Glenyss Gilliam.

## **“MASK-OPTIONAL” Protocol in Place**

**The Session accepted the recommendation of its Covid-19 Advisory Team to move forward on a mask-optional basis this fall.** The city and community health metrics that have guided our mitigations are continuing at levels of diminished risk (less than 200 cases per 100,000) and vaccines are now available for all ages. **Masks are optional and continued masking is welcomed.** Masking preferences will vary; please apply the “love your neighbor” ethic to those who make choices different from your own. The Covid Advisory Team continues to monitor and advise weekly. If case numbers rise above the 200 cases level again, the mask requirement will be temporarily reinstated. We continue to encourage vaccinations and the latest boosters; if you are experiencing symptoms, please test and isolate as necessary. All members of the Immanuel staff, church school teachers, choir members and other Sunday morning volunteers who interact with you are fully vaccinated. If you have comments, concerns, or questions about any of this, please contact one of the ministers or a member of the advisory team.

## **IMMANUEL CHURCH SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH + NURSERY CARE NOW AVAILABLE +**

Church School classes for children and youth (preschool - high school) follow the Prayer of Thanksgiving in **The Peaceable Kingdom (lower level)**. **The Immanuel Nursery is located on the lower level**, to the right of the northeast staircase. Elevator access is also available. **Child care providers are available to care for infants and toddlers until 12:00 noon.** A “crying room” on the second floor is open for parents who need an alternate space during the worship service. Click <https://conta.cc/3rGW6PZ> to read this week’s “Wednesday Grace” email with more information. Contact Ms. Larson with questions.

### **A Note from Amy Penington**

*“It is with a grateful and joyful heart that I write this message to you. I’ve been blessed with an opportunity for myself and my family that will allow me to work fully from home; therefore, it is time for me to say, ‘goodbye, dear Immanuel’ and move on in my administrative career. Many members have seen me grow and reach major milestones over these past 12+ years, so I truly mean it when I say, ‘you feel like family to me.’ You’ll certainly be missed and I’ll carry the many, many fond memories with me as I venture on into this next chapter. It’s been such a pleasure working for and getting to know you all. I cannot thank you enough for the abundance of kindness and support. I hope I brought a bit of “athas” to each and every one of you ... you certainly have to me. Big hugs, best wishes, and you know where to find me: (well yes, always check your local Irish pub ☺or...) <https://www.amyrichter.com/> Sláinte!”*

Amy Penington has been our very capable Program and Office Administrator for over twelve years. We have greatly benefited from her administrative support and have enjoyed her emergence as a world-class musician, playing and teaching the Irish drum *bodhrán*. Although we have accepted her resignation with sadness, we wish Amy, husband Logan, and baby Jameson all the best as their family grows forward. She will begin her new position this week. Thank you, Amy Penington!

## **“LIFE TOGETHER: MISSION MATTERS”**

**Sundays in October + 11:20 – noon in the Upper Room**

NEXT Sunday, October 23 – Tippecanoe Ministries

October 30 – Interchange Food Pantry

This month the Mission Committee is hosting local mission partner organizations that are supported by Immanuel’s mission giving and served by Immanuel volunteers to interpret their important work with those in need in our community. Immanuel members and friends who are involved in this work will share why it is important and meaningful to them to serve.

### **Today is Theological Education Sunday at Immanuel Church**

The mission of Immanuel Church has long supported theological education in the Presbyterian Church (USA), including a long relationship with McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago. Immanuel member Dr. Carol Tsao currently serves on McCormick’s Board of Trustees and will offer a “Minute for Mission” today on the importance of supporting theological education.



### **COMMON GROUND**

#### **FALL ASSEMBLY**

*Celebrate victories & advances in:*

**Education • Healthcare • Recreation  
Voting • Driver Education • Housing**

**NEXT Sunday, October 23 + 3:30-5:00 p.m.**

**Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church**

**1345 W. Burleigh St. Milwaukee**

To register (in-person and online)

please follow this link: [www.tiny.cc/CGFall2022](http://www.tiny.cc/CGFall2022)

*A multiracial, broad based community organizing group, **Common Ground** is made up of over 40 congregations, nonprofit organizations, small businesses, and schools in Southeastern Wisconsin, organized to address some of Greater Milwaukee’s important social needs in an effective, non-partisan way.*

*Immanuel was a founding member of Common Ground in 2008.*

*Learn more at: [www.commongroundwi.org](http://www.commongroundwi.org).*

*Questions? Speak with a member of Immanuel’s Common Ground Core Team: Margaret Crowley, Martha Mainland, Sharon Rose, or Rob Ater*

**WELCOME! Are you new to Immanuel?**  
**Would you like to learn more about Immanuel Church?**  
**Join us for a Prospective Member Brunch TODAY!**

The event begins in the Conference Room at 11:30. Participants will have an opportunity to get to know one another and the church better. If you'd like to join us and have not already replied, speak with Mr. Ater in the Narthex (rear of the Sanctuary) following the postlude. New members will be welcomed on Reformation Sunday, October 30. Baptism for adults and infants is invited for that day; please speak with one of the ministers.

**"Take Your Place"**  
**Stewardship for 2023**

The stewarding of God's good gifts means taking our place in God's household and in God's world. Our giving supports the life and ministry of Immanuel Church near and far. Stewardship Sunday is November 13, when the financial needs and goals of the church will be interpreted. Pledges for 2023 will be dedicated on Thanksgiving Sunday, November 20.

**HOSPITALITY: *How we say "welcome"***  
**Welcome Team, Ushers, Coffee Hour hosts needed**

The Apostle Paul encouraged early Christians to "practice hospitality," to be gracious and welcoming to others in the name of Christ. As we continue to *return, reconnect, regroup, and restart* this fall, we're *renewing* our shared commitment to practicing hospitality.

***How will you say "welcome"?***

**Welcome Team** members greet worshippers at the church doors, offer a smile and a warm welcome, answer questions or point people in the right direction for worship, church school, or the nursery. Three to four welcome team members are needed each Sunday.

**Ushers** welcome and seat worshippers in the Sanctuary, distribute bulletins, collect and present the offering, and organize and straighten the pew racks before and after the service. Six ushers are needed each Sunday.

**Coffee Hour** hosts serve coffee, tea, and juice after worship in the Parlor. They model table hospitality by providing both sweet and savory treats and clean-up afterwards. Four hosts are needed each Sunday. They coordinate by phone or email the week before.

Perhaps you stepped back from helping with one of these ministries during the pandemic? Maybe you'd like to help again or for the first time. Please email the church office ([ipc@immanuelwi.org](mailto: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 volunteers:** Welcome Team - Patsy Aster, Jake Cusack and Anna Wolff; Ushers - Mark Connelly, Nathan Gillard, Justin Mayer, Dick Myers; Camera operator - Kristi Leswing.

# PUTTING FAITH TO WORK

## Opportunities for Mission and Service

- ✦ On Wednesday, November 9, Immanuel volunteers will bring a taste of home to students through the “LUNCH BUNCH” program at University Christian Ministries (UCM), the cooperative Protestant campus ministry at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. One of UCM’s oldest and most popular programs, “Lunch Bunch” serves a free lunch every Wednesday to over fifty students. Local congregations support the program by providing the meal and volunteers to serve it each week. Immanuel Church hopes to resume hosting once in the fall and once in the spring. Follow this link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4BACA72BA1F85-lunch2> For more information or questions, please contact Claire Moulis (262-893-9981, [cahmoulis@gmail.com](mailto:cahmoulis@gmail.com)) or Mr. Ater in the church office (414-276-4757, [robertater@immanuelwi.org](mailto:robertater@immanuelwi.org)).
- ✦ Immanuel Church is committed to continue to support the **CATHEDRAL CENTER SHELTER** by delivering home-cooked meals once a month for the remainder of 2022. Sign up for a particular menu item; the food will be prepared in your home, delivered to the center, and served by the shelter staff. The team leader will contact their team with any further instruction or support. To sign up please click here: <https://bit.ly/3ykfpRR>
- ✦ **EASTSIDE SENIOR SERVICES (ESS)** is in need of volunteers to provide ESS community member rides to medical appointments, grocery store trips, and other necessary errands. Volunteers are also needed for companionship, light chores/repairs, and more. Immanuel has been a longtime mission partner of ESS, a neighborhood program which helps older adults on Milwaukee’s East Side continue to live independently and in their own homes. To sign-up: Contact ESS at 414-210-5881 or [essmilw@gmail.com](mailto:essmilw@gmail.com).

## PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

### Presbyterian Response to Hurricane Ian

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is working with affected presbyteries and international partners to assess the aftermath of Hurricane Ian and offer resources and support. Emergency grants have been disbursed and National Response Team members are deployed. PDA invites the whole Church to join together to lift our prayers for those who have been impacted by Ian. As people of faith, Presbyterians stand ready to partner with presbyteries, congregations and communities to meet the immediate and long-term needs. Immanuel worshipers interested in making a contribution to the relief effort may make checks payable to Immanuel Presbyterian Church, indicating “Ian” in the memo line. Or, you may give directly to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700; please include PDA account number DR000194. You may also donate online at [www.pcusa.org/pda](http://www.pcusa.org/pda)

## **GIVING HOSPITALITY SOME SHINE: SILVER POLISHING!**

### **Volunteers needed this month, sign up below**

As we renew the many gifts of hospitality that we enjoy at Immanuel Church, the Parish Life Council is organizing a team of volunteers to polish Immanuel's flatware, communion ware, and coffee service. After three years, it is in need of attention!

Click below to share your interest and availability for a two-hour time slot from October 25 to 29; week day and evening times, as well as two Saturday morning slots, are being considered. Questions? Contact Ms. Larson or Mr. Ater.

<https://doodle.com/meeting/participate/id/e7LEO21a>

## **FALL CLEANUP DAY**

**Saturday, November 5 + 8:00 until 11:00 a.m.**

All are invited to help with the Landscaping Committee's fall cleanup day. Indicate your interest by clicking the following link and signing up to help out:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4BACA72BA1F85-fall3> or contact Trustee David Ravie for more information ([idravie@sbcglobal.net](mailto:idravie@sbcglobal.net)). If you have gardening tools, gloves, etc. please bring them along.

## **CARE PACKAGES FOR STUDENTS: THANK YOU, DEACONS!**

As part of its ministry of support and care, the Board of Deacons mailed care packages to sixteen Immanuel college students and young adults last week. In addition to much needed mid-term snacks, the packages included a personal note of encouragement, a handwritten prayer from the deacons, and fun Halloween decorations and candy. Notes of appreciation have already been received from several students for this special care and attention from back home.

**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 Immanuel Columbarium is open today and every Sunday until noon** via the elevator in the coat room to the lower level. Information about purchasing a niche in the columbarium is available from the church office.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR AND UPCOMING EVENTS

### TODAY

### TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	8:45	Child Care for infants & toddlers - <i>Nursery</i>
	8:55	Choir rehearsal
	10:00	<b>Morning Worship</b> ; Dr. Block preaching "Minute for Mission": Theological Education, <i>Dr. Carol Tsao</i>
	10:30-12:00	Church School ~ <i>The Peaceable Kingdom</i>
	11:00	Coffee Hour ~ <i>Parlor</i>
	11:30	Prospective Member Brunch ~ <i>begins in Conference Room</i>
	2:00	Meeting of the Session to receive new members ~ <i>Parlor</i>
Monday	6:00	Choir rehearsal
Tuesday	9:00	Finance Committee meeting ~ <i>online</i>
	12:00	Budget Formation Task Force meeting ~ <i>online</i>
	5:45	Meeting of the Session ~ <i>Conference Room</i>
Wednesday	9:00	Common Ground staff meeting ~ <i>Conference Room</i>
	12:00	Stewardship Committee meeting ~ <i>online</i>
Thursday	12:00	Building Maintenance Committee meeting ~ <i>online</i>
	6:00	Parish Life Council meeting ~ <i>Conference Room</i>

### NEXT SUNDAY

### THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	8:45	Child Care for infants & toddlers - <i>Nursery</i>
	8:55	Choir rehearsal
	10:00	<b>Morning Worship</b> ; Ms. Larson preaching
	10:30-12:00	Church School ~ <i>The Peaceable Kingdom</i>
	11:00	Coffee Hour ~ <i>Parlor</i>
	11:20	Mission Matters: Tippecanoe Ministries ~ <i>Upper Room</i>
October 24	6:00	Choir rehearsal
October 26	9:00	Common Ground staff meeting ~ <i>Conference Room</i>
October 27	12:00	Meeting of the Board of Trustees ~ <i>online</i>

# YOUR OFFERING, here and afar

During the pandemic many members changed their method of giving. Now that passing the offering plates has resumed, you may wish to observe this ritual. Those who are worshipping at home or away 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 "Food Pantry").
2. **Going to our web site** at <https://www.immanuelwi.org/onlinegiving>
3. **Scanning this QR** ("Quick Response") code with your smart phone camera. You'll immediately be connected to giving options on the Immanuel site.
4. **Texting 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. You will then 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.





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



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