



IMMANUEL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  

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*transforming* tradition

LORD JESUS CHRIST,

AS MORNING DAWNS,

BE OUR LIGHT IN THIS NEW DAY.

LET OUR LIVES REFLECT YOUR GLORY,

OUR WORDS SHOW FORTH YOUR GOODNESS,

AND OUR ACTIONS SHINE WITH YOUR GRACE;

IN YOUR HOLY NAME WE PRAY.

AMEN.

Household prayer for Transfiguration Sunday

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# MORNING WORSHIP

## TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

February 19, 2023

Ten O' Clock

+ PRELUDE Prelude on the Second Tone *Louis-Nicolas Clérambault*  
Dr. Stephen E. Carlton, organist

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

### CHORAL INTROIT

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

II Corinthians 4:6

*One: God said, "Let light shine out of darkness."*

*All: This is the same God who has shone in our hearts  
to give us the knowledge of God's glory  
in the face of Christ.*

*One: Let us worship God!*

\*+ HYMN 10 (stzas.1-3) Sing Glory to the Name of God *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*

#### \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

II Corinthians 3:17-18

*One: The Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is,  
there is freedom.*

*All: And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of  
the Lord as though reflected in a mirror,  
are being transformed into the same image  
from one degree of glory into another;*

*One: For this is from the Lord, the Spirit.*

*All: Mighty and merciful God, You reveal Your transcendent  
glory in Jesus Christ, but we fail to recognize You, our vision  
clouded by our own fears and worries. You speak, but we  
do not listen; You call, but we do not believe it is our name  
You are calling. Forgive our misguided energies and our  
efforts to hide from Your truth. Shine the light of Your love  
into our lives once again, that we might follow in the way of  
Your Son, 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)*

May God forever be our peace;  
May hymns of glory never cease: Alleluia, alleluia!  
Let all the faithful people come;  
sing praise to God, the Three in One: Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*+++ Latecomers may be seated during the response*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SCRIPTURES Exodus 24:12-18 (OT 70)  
II Peter 1:16-21 (NT 236)

*Leader: The Word of the Lord.*

*People: Thanks be to God.*

## ANTHEM Rise, Shine Wood

*Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered our human story; God in him is centered. He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded, with grace unbounded. See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling; He brings us freedom, light and life and healing. All men and women, who by guilt are driven, now are forgiven. Celebrate! Celebrate your joy, now come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling, Your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling. To all the world go out and tell the story of Jesus' glory. Tell how the Father sent his Son to save us. Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us. Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation God's new creation. Rise and shine!*

## SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER

### \* HYMN 366 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling Hyfrydol

## CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH OFFERINGS

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

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

OFFERTORY

Trompette en Dialogue

*Louis-Nicolas Clérambault*

*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.

\* 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 Matthew 17:1-9

(NT 18)

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

*People: Thanks be to God.*

SERMON

“Transition Management 101”

Mr. Ater

\* HYMN 193 Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain

*Unser Herrscher*

*Worshippers 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 and benediction.*

\* BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

*Today the Church retires the “alleluia”  
until the resurrection of the Lord is proclaimed on Easter.*

POSTLUDE

Caprice

*Louis-Nicolas Clérambault*

*The flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in celebration of Sidne Weis' 90<sup>th</sup> birthday  
from her children, grandchildren, and great-granddaughter.*

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

**Welcome!** Members and friends are invited to remain for the **Shrove Sunday Pancake Brunch TODAY** immediately following the service in the Upper Room. Coffee and juice will be served with brunch. Coffee is also available in the Parlor. Coffee hosts are Lisa Lauren and Hugh Morris.

The **Welcome Team** members this morning are Pat Curley, Leslie Davis, and Lindsey McKee. 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 **186<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 about Immanuel or church membership.

Nursery care for infants and toddlers is provided until noon. The **Immanuel Nursery** is located on the lower level, to the right of the northeast staircase. Elevator access is also available. There is also a "**crying room**" on the second floor for parents who need 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 <https://conta.cc/3lq1aS3> to read this week's "Wednesday Grace" email with more information.

## **"SHROVE SUNDAY" PANCAKE BRUNCH TODAY, February 19, 11:15 a.m.**

*Join us in the Upper Room!*

It has long been an Immanuel tradition to enjoy a pre-Lenten feast of pancakes and ham on the Sunday prior to Ash Wednesday. This tradition recalls a time when fat, eggs, and milk had to be used up in Christian households before the Lenten fast began. The Parish Life Council is pleased to bring back this favorite Immanuel event after its pandemic hiatus.

Not signed up? No problem. Stop in the Parlor to make a pancake donation (\$5.00 for adults, \$2.50 for children under 10) and then make your way upstairs for pancakes.

# LENT 2023

## Ash Wednesday is February 22 (*this week!*)

7:30 The Lord's Supper in the Sanctuary (*also live streamed*)  
The Imposition of Ashes

## The First Sunday in Lent is February 26.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper  
and special music: *Mass in Time of War* by Joseph Haydn

## Wednesday evenings during Lent

March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

6:00-8:00 in the Upper Room

Soup supper and The Lord's Supper at table

### Study and discussion:

Jesus as "Christ"/Messiah? The Kingdom of Heaven? Evil? ...

*WHAT DOES IT MEAN?*

*for my faith? for the church?*

Six Themes We Should Know

*from Matthew's Gospel*

Please sign up to attend the Soup Suppers on either the clipboard  
in the Parlor or the Upper Room.

## **"SOUPER BOWL OF CARING"**

### *Update!*

Today we mark **Interchange Food Pantry Sunday** by saying Thank You!

Last Sunday's **Supper Bowl of Caring** goal was MET and EXCEEDED! Thanks to the efforts of our youth and the generosity of Immanuel worshippers, **a donation of \$5,000 (and two pews worth of non-perishable food items) will be made to the Interchange Food Pantry!** Thank you for your generosity!

If you missed a chance to contribute last week, use the yellow food pantry envelopes in the pew racks today. Celebrating its fiftieth anniversary last year, Interchange, Inc., was founded by Immanuel and several other neighborhood congregations. The Interchange Food Pantry is one of only a few food pantries in Milwaukee that serves residents from throughout the city from its location at the Village (Lutheran) Church at the corner of Edison and Juneau. To learn more about this important ministry or to sign up to volunteer go to: <https://interchangefoodpantry.org/>.

## PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

### Presbyterian Response to Earthquakes in Turkey and Syria

Amid news of a devastating earthquake in Syria and Turkey, the Presbyterian Mission Agency (PMA) reached out to offer assistance to partners in the area, where thousands have died, and is asking Presbyterians to pray for those impacted by the quake and its aftershocks.

Through a **coordinated response by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and World Mission**, PMA contacted multiple long-term partners of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) including the National Evangelical Synod of Syria and Lebanon; the Middle East Council of Churches; the Forum for Development, Culture and Dialogue; and the Fellowship of Middle East Evangelical Churches. PDA is also responding through ACT Alliance (a global faith-based coalition) members on the ground to address urgent needs and provide humanitarian aid.

Immanuel worshipers interested in making a contribution to the relief effort may make checks payable to Immanuel Presbyterian Church, indicating “Earthquake” 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 DR999999. You may also donate online at [www.pcusa.org/pda](http://www.pcusa.org/pda)

### HOSPITALITY: *How we say “welcome”*

#### **Welcome Team, Ushers, Coffee Hour hosts, Camera operators needed**

The Apostle Paul encouraged early Christians to “practice hospitality,” to be gracious and welcoming to others in the name of Christ. In this season of our life together, we’re *renewing* our shared commitment to practicing hospitality.

#### *How will you say “welcome”?*

**Welcome Team** members greet worshipers 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 worshipers in the Sanctuary, distribute bulletins, collect and present the offering, and organize and straighten the pew racks before and after the service. Four to 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.

**Camera Operators** help share Sunday morning worship online. They arrive by 9:40 and follow a bulletin marked for the preset camera angles. Volunteers receive training and report that “it’s not difficult!”

Perhaps you stepped back from helping with one of these ministries during the pandemic. If you would 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.

**INTERFAITH CONFERENCE OF GREATER MILWAUKEE  
MARCH LUNCHEON/LECTURE SERIES  
“Democracy in Peril”**

**March 7, 14, 21, and 28 + 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
First Unitarian Society + 1342 N. Astor Street**

Each year, the Peace and International Issues Committee of the Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee sponsors a lecture series on the Tuesdays in March. This year, the series returns (after a pandemic hiatus) offering speakers and panelists addressing the perils facing American democracy today.

Programs run from 11:45 until 1:30 at the First Unitarian Society, 1342 North Astor Street. Parking is available at Immanuel. Individual in-person lectures are \$20.00; the full in-person series of four is \$70.00. A simple vegetarian lunch is included with in-person registration. Remote access registration is also available for all sessions for \$20.

For more information and/or to register, contact the Interfaith Conference at 414-276-9050 or [www.interfaithconference.org](http://www.interfaithconference.org).

*The Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee is a longtime mission partner of Immanuel Church.*

## **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 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 “Flower Donation.”)
2. **Going to our web site** at <https://www.immanuelwi.org/onlinegiving>
3. **Scanning this QR** (“Quick Response”) code with your smart phone camera for immediate connection 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 and verification by text or email.



## NURSERY WORKERS NEEDED

The Immanuel Nursery is seeking another paid caregiver to provide child care for our youngest members on Sunday mornings. By law the nursery must be staffed by two adults. If you know of someone who might be interested in this paid position, or you are interested in occasionally volunteering as the second adult, please contact Ms. Larson in the church office as soon as possible.

### **Covid-19 Advisory Team Update:**

Please practice self-care and community care in this “triple-demic” season. *Masking* is not required but it *is encouraged* to mitigate the spread of colds, flu, and Covid. Flu shots, current boosters and health-conscious practices are ways we can embody the ethic of loving our neighbors as ourselves. 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.

**Available dates for Chancel flowers:** There are no flowers in the Chancel during Lent; the next available dates are in April, following Easter. Contact the church office ([ipc@immanuelwi.org](mailto:ipc@immanuelwi.org)) if you’d like to donate flowers for the Chancel later this spring.

**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.**

**Thank you to this morning’s additional volunteers:** Ushers – Dave Salisbury, Dick Myers, Mark Connelly, and Victor Plantinga; Camera operator – Kristi Leswing.

# WEEKLY CALENDAR AND UPCOMING EVENTS

## TODAY

FEBRUARY 19	8:55	<b>TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD</b> Choir rehearsal
	8:45-noon	Nursery care ~ <i>Lower level</i>
	10:00	<b>Morning Worship</b> ; Mr. Ater preaching
	10:30-11:15	Church School for children and youth ~ <i>Peaceable Kingdom, lower level</i>
	11:15	Shrove Sunday Pancake Brunch ~ <i>Upper Room</i>
Monday	6:00	Choir rehearsal ~ <i>Sanctuary</i>
Tuesday	5:45	Meeting of the Session ~ <i>Conference Room</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>		<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>
	7:30	Worship Service in the Sanctuary
		The Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion
Thursday	noon	Board of Trustees meeting ~ <i>online</i>

## NEXT SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 26	8:55	<b>FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT</b> Choir rehearsal
	8:45-noon	Nursery care ~ <i>Lower level</i>
	10:00	<b>Morning Worship</b> ; Dr. Block preaching
		<b>SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION</b>
	10:30-noon	Church School for children and youth ~ <i>Peaceable Kingdom, lower level</i>
February 27	6:00	Choir rehearsal ~ <i>Choir Room, lower level</i>
March 1	6:00	Lenten Soup Supper, The Lord's Supper at table, study and discussion ~ <i>Upper Room</i>

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



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



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