



IMMANUEL

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

transforming tradition

IMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
affirms the call to be a servant of Christ
and a steward of the Gospel
through worship, education and mission:

We are a community of memory and hope, living out of our
tradition and living into a vision of God's purposes.

As believers who share a common faith in God as known in
Jesus Christ, we welcome diversity as a sign
of God's varied grace among us.

We welcome the pluralism and ambiguities of urban life as
the context given by God to love our neighbors
and manifest the Gospel.

We affirm that the church does not live for itself; we are to
be an instrument of grace, wisdom, and compassion
and a witness to God's activity in our midst.

We shall marshal and manage our resources to be effective
stewards for the continuing vitality of mission.

Reminded that “new occasions teach new duties”,
we embrace change and commit ourselves
to discerning the responsibilities and opportunities
to which God calls us in each new day.

Mission Statement + Immanuel Presbyterian Church

MORNING WORSHIP

REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY

November 23, 2025

Ten O' Clock

PRELUDE

Prelude in D Minor
Dr. Stephen E. Carlton, organist

Johann Pachelbel

Please enjoy the prelude as a time of silent preparation for worship.

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Randall Bush

Leader: In Christ all things hold together;

People: Christ is head of the church and Lord of all.

Leader: The kingdom of this world has become the realm of Christ our Lord.

People: Christ will reign forever and ever.

Leader: To God be the glory! Alleluia! Amen!

* HYMN 265 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun (vs. 1-4) *Duke Street*

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The Rev. Teresa Larson

Leader: Christ Jesus has been established as the one who rules over all things, and by whose Spirit we are empowered to love the unloved and minister to those in need. Let us come before God, acknowledging the ways we have failed to accept Christ's reign or live by his commands. Let us pray.

All: Righteous God, we affirm that in Christ you came to reconcile all things. Yet we confess that we have failed to be governed by the ways of justice and love. We have been bold in demanding generosity, mercy, and forgiveness yet quiet when it comes to offering inclusion, love, and compassion. Forgive us, O God. Restore in us the commitment to be more Christlike in word, deed, and spirit. Amen.

* DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Larson

* *Stand as you are able.*

* 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)*

Let every creature rise and bring honors peculiar to our King;

Angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud Amen!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Larson

THE SCRIPTURES Psalm 46

(OT 517)

Colossians 1:15-20

(NT 200)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM Sing Ye Praises to our King

Copland

Sing ye praises to our King, O sing ye praises to our King and Ruler.

Sing, sing. Come and hear all people. Come and hear my praises,

He doth bless all the earth, bringeth peace and comfort. Shout unto God all

people. Shout unto God all your praises. He doth bless all the earth, bringeth

peace and comfort. Sing ye praises to our King. Come and praise him all people.

Shout and praise him all people. He doth bless all the earth, bringeth peace to all.

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Ater

* HYMN 263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Coronation

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Larson

MINUTE FOR MISSION Elders Audra Brennan & Victor Plantinga

Tippecanoe Presbyterian Church: Divine Intervention

THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH OFFERINGS

Please sign the red Friendship Folder and greet one another following the service.

Online worshipers please indicate your presence using the link on the website.

OFFERTORY

Lord God, We Praise You

Pachelbel

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.

- * 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

TOWN HALL PRESENTATION

Human Resources Committee

Session Clerk Sue Rennane

- * HYMN 267 Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Madrid

- * BENEDICTION

Revs. Larson & Ater

POSTLUDE

Toccata in E Minor

Pachelbel

*The flowers are given to the glory of God by Mark Cebulski in honor of his parents,
Eugene and Lynn Cebulski, on their 77th wedding anniversary, November 27.*

After the postlude, an elder will be at the font to hear prayer requests.

Welcome! If you are visiting Immanuel Church today, we welcome you to Milwaukee's first church, marking its **188th anniversary** this year. Today's congregation of over 500 members comes from next door, neighborhoods throughout the city, and as far north as Fond du Lac, as far south as Kenosha, and as far west as Summit. Our livestream worship extends our community across the country. **Coffee Hour will be hosted in the Parlor** today by Mary Ginnebaugh, Keith and Eileen Pierce.

Welcome Team members this morning are Toni Jones, Tamara and David Crum. They are wearing nametags and are available to answer questions about the church and to give tours of the building.

Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available this Sunday from 9:30 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. Use the following link to read this week's "Wednesday Grace" email with more information about church school and family activities: <https://conta.cc/4pjzpwY>. Contact Rev. Larson with questions.

ABOUT WORSHIP TODAY

The worship service today includes a report from the Session and Human Resources Committee on a new pastoral staffing model for Immanuel Presbyterian Church. A summary of the process and the subsequent Session recommendation to the congregation will be shared with the church family in a Town Hall format to include a time of questions and answers.

"DOING GOD'S WORK TOGETHER"

Stewardship for 2026

+ UPDATE +



The theme for this year's Stewardship Campaign is "Doing God's Work Together." With a current total of 161 pledges, we are just over halfway to our goal of 300 congregational pledges this fall to support next year's education, mission, worship, and hospitality ministries. If you need a new paper form, they are available on the table in the Great Hall. To complete the pledge form online, go to https://bit.ly/IPC_2026Pledge or scan the QR code above. An ongoing list of all pledges received is available at: https://bit.ly/IPC_2026PledgesReceived. (Note: the list is updated on Thursday.)

NEW TO IMMANUEL?

Would you like to learn more?

**Please join us on Sunday, December 14 after worship for
"IPC 101: An Introductory Tour of Immanuel Church."**

Interested persons are invited to tour the church building, hear about Immanuel's ministries, and what it means to be a member of this Presbyterian congregation. The tour will last approximately 45-60 minutes. For more information or to indicate an interest, speak with one of the ministers today or contact Mr. Ater in the church office (robertater@immanuelwi.org, 414-276-4757).

NOMINATIONS FOR NEW TRUSTEES

The Nominating Committee will meet soon to nominate four members to serve on the **Board of Trustees** (three-year term; Class of 2028). Nominees will be elected at the Annual Financial Meeting on January 25, 2026. Trustees should have knowledge and skills in at least one of the following: building maintenance, finance, fund-raising, information technology, insurance, and investments. Please consider suggesting yourself or another member for this role, being specific about particular gifts for this office. A special invitation is extended to persons who have not served as an Immanuel officer before but have a demonstrated record of participation, service and capacity for leadership. Current Deacons and Elders, Friends of Immanuel including retired Pastors are ineligible. Forms are inside the back cover of the bulletin, on the Great Hall, or online at https://bit.ly/IPC_TrusteeNominations2026.

NURSERY MEET-UP

THIS Wednesday, November 26 + 10:00 a.m.

Young children (and their caregivers) are invited to a meet-up for play and fellowship on November 26 in the Immanuel Nursery. Please let Cassie know you are planning to attend. Contact her on Sunday or at programsupport@immanuelwi.org.





ADVENT and CHRISTMAS at Immanuel

ADVENT WORKSHOP

***"Light in the Darkness"* + Sunday, November 30 + 11:00-12:30**

All are invited to participate in the Advent Workshop in the Upper Room on the First Sunday of Advent, November 30, following worship. This year's workshop will focus on the theme "light in the darkness." There will be activities for all ages to enjoy, including the creation of an Advent wreath for your home and trimming the tree. Attendees are asked to bring a plate of cookies or holiday bread to share. Sign up in the Parlor or use the following link to sign up so that there are adequate supplies and food on hand: https://bit.ly/IPC_AdventWorkshop2025.

LIGHTING THE SANCTUARY TREES

While enjoying the Advent Workshop, volunteers are invited to go back to the Sanctuary to help string lights on the Sanctuary trees. Support and instructions will be provided.

A TALE OF TWO NARRATIVES

**Adult Ed: Comparing the Birth Narratives in Matthew and Luke
December 3 + 7:00-8:00 on Zoom**

Of the four Gospels, only two (Matthew and Luke) include a narrative of Jesus' birth. Matthew's account begins with a lengthy genealogy, Joseph's encounter with the Angel Gabriel, and the visit of the Magi; Luke's narrative includes a wider cast of characters, including Mary, Elizabeth, and shepherds. All are welcome for an exploration of these two birth narratives on December 3 on Zoom, facilitated by Rev. Larson. We'll compare and contrast the narratives, discuss their history, and consider what the narratives mean to us today. The Zoom link will be sent out in an email prior to the session.

A CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS

***Amahl and the Night Visitors* by Gian Carlo Menotti
Lighting of the Parlor Tree, Holiday Buffet
Sunday, December 14 at 5:00 p.m.**

The event begins with a performance of *Amahl and the Night Visitors* by choral soloists; moves to the Parlor for the lighting of the tree and a story for children; and then ascends to the Upper Room for a holiday hors d'oeuvres and dessert buffet. Your "ticket" is the holiday specialty of your kitchen for the Hors d'oeuvres and Dessert Buffet. Sign-up in the Parlor or online at (https://bit.ly/IPC_HolidayBuffet2025). *Interested in helping to decorate the Parlor tree?* Contact Rev. Ater (robertater@immanuelwi.org).

THE ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS MARKET

Sunday, December 7 + 11:00 – 1:00 in the Upper Room

For over thirty years, the annual Alternative Christmas Market has become one of Immanuel's favorite events. Many in the congregation, and beyond, appreciate the alternative this special event offers to the consumer culture that invades our Christmas season. Since 1995, the market has raised nearly a million dollars to support the work of partner organizations in Milwaukee and around the world.

We invite you to join Immanuel again this year for an unhurried and meaningful shopping experience, and an opportunity to purchase gifts that truly spread the good news of Christmas to those who need it most. Representatives from fourteen organizations and agencies will be on hand to talk with "shoppers" about the work of their organizations and how a gift to the Alternative Christmas Market can make a difference.

Make a plan today to come to the market and get to know our community in a new and deeper way. Enjoy holiday refreshments while you shop among friends and think about how the gifts you purchase will benefit people in Milwaukee and around the world. *Enjoy a different way to do Christmas!*

*Sign-up today to help host and provide refreshments
for the Alternative Christmas Market!*

Volunteers are needed to bring refreshments and assist with hospitality at the market. Please use the links below or sign up in the Parlor today.

https://bit.ly/IPC_ACM_Refreshments2025

https://bit.ly/IPC_ACM_Volunteers2025

Questions? Contact market co-chairs Connie Goggin (ccohan44@gmail.com) and Susan Teerink (steerink11@gmail.com). The market shopping list will be available at the end of the month.

CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH TOY STORE

Gift collection begins November 30

Supporting the Christmas Toy Store at Christ Presbyterian Church (20th and Walnut Streets) is a holiday tradition at Immanuel. This year's annual Toy Store event will be held on Saturday, December 13. Over 500 children from the neighboring community (12 & under) will visit the store and receive an age-appropriate reading/coloring book, toy, board game and a hat/glove set. Join the children of the Immanuel Church School in contributing to this important project with new/gently used items like toys, games, coloring/reading books, crayons, markers, stuffed animals, balls, mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, school supplies, dolls, cars/trucks, and puzzles. **Contributions may be dropped off on weekdays in the church office or bring them on November 30 and December 7 to place under the tree in the Upper Room.** Immanuel will deliver the gifts to Christ Church on the morning of Monday, December 8.

PUTTING FAITH TO WORK

Opportunities for Mission and Service

WRAP A GIFT FOR EASTSIDE SENIOR SERVICES

Again this holiday season, Immanuel members and friends are invited to help with the Eastside Senior Services (ESS) Gift Wrapping Project at Boswell Book Store. Proceeds support the work of ESS, one of Immanuel's longtime local mission partners, which helps older adults in the East Side area to remain independent and in their own homes. **Volunteer gift wrappers are needed for 90-minute shifts.** Books are easy to wrap!

For more information or questions, contact Julia Vosper (jvosper@sbcglobal.net). Sign up for a shift at: https://bit.ly/ESS_BoswellBooks_GiftWrapping2025.

INTERCHANGE FOOD PANTRY FOOD & FUND DRIVE

As tariffs take effect, grocery prices rise, and federal food assistance programs are slashed, Interchange Food Pantry is launching a drive for donations to help feed Milwaukee families.



There are two ways to help:

- 1) **Donate food:** canned fruits, vegetables, soups, baked beans, and pasta sauce are most needed. A food collection bin is in the Astor Street Coat Room. Food donations will be collected through January 4.
- 2) **Donate funds:** A tax-deductible direct financial contribution makes dollars stretch up to 10 times farther – the pantry can buy food in bulk at wholesale prices. Donate online at www.interchangefoodpantry.org/donate or put a check in the offering plate made out to Interchange with “2025 drive” in the memo line. Checks may also be mailed directly to the Interchange Food Pantry, 130 E. Juneau Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

An Immanuel mission partner for over fifty years, Immanuel helped start Interchange in 1971. Committed to providing guests with nutritious food and compassion, the pantry expanded in 2018 to serve all Milwaukee zip codes. Immanuel members Allyson Nemec and Scott Silet serve on the Interchange board.

WEEKLY CALENDAR AND UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

NOVEMBER 23 8:55
 9:30-noon
 10:00
 10:30-noon

REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY

Choir rehearsal
Nursery care ~ *Lower level*
Morning Worship; Dr. Bush preaching
Church School for children and youth
 ~ *The Peaceable Kingdom, lower level*

Monday 11:30

Meeting of the Trustees ~ *virtual*

6:00

Choir rehearsal ~ *Choir Room, lower level*

Wednesday 10:00

Nursery meet-up ~ *The Peaceable Kingdom, lower level*

Thursday-Friday

Church Office Closed ~ Happy Thanksgiving!

NEXT SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 30 8:55
 9:30-noon
 10:00

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Choir rehearsal
Nursery care ~ *Lower level*
Morning Worship; Rev. Larson preaching
Celebration of the Lord's Supper
Church School for children and youth
 ~ *The Peaceable Kingdom, lower level*

11:15-12:30

Advent Workshop ~ *Upper Room*

December 1 6:00

Choir rehearsal ~ *Choir Room, lower level*

December 2 6:00

Meeting of the Board of Deacons ~ *Block Conference Room*

December 3 noon

Stewardship Committee meeting ~ *virtual*

5:30

Nominating Committee meeting ~ *Block Conference Room*

7:00

Adult Ed: "Comparing the Birth Narratives" ~ *virtual*

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


Available dates for Chancel flowers: If you would like to sponsor the flowers for **December 14, 21, 28** (\$150 for the two arrangements), please contact the church office

Thank you to this morning's worship volunteers: Ushers – Dick Myers, Mark Connelly, Bill LeFeber, and Steve Jacobs; Camera operator – Dave Ravie.

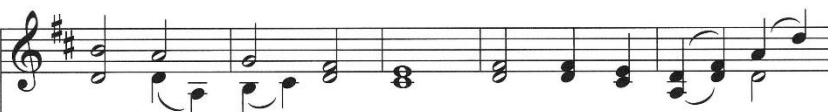
If you would be interested in serving as a worship liturgist, please contact the church office (ipc@immanuelwi.org).

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.**

265 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners
 5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring hon - ors pe -



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
 thron'g to crown his head; his name, like sweet per -
 love with sweet - est song, and in - fant voic - es
 leap to loose their chains; the wea - ry find e -
 cu - liar to our King; an - gels de - scend with




shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 fume, shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud A - men!

This hymn is a classic example of how Isaac Watts Christianized the Psalms, in this case Psalm 72:5–19, by turning their messianic language to New Testament equivalents. The tune was at first nameless and anonymous, but is now called by the address of the supposed composer.

263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Descant



4 O that with yon-der sa-cred throng we at his feet may fall!

1 All hail the power of Je-sus' name! Let an-gels pros-trate fall;
 2 Ye cho-sen seed of Is-rael's race, ye ran-somed from the fall,
 3 Let ev-ery kin-dred, ev-ery tribe on this ter-res-trial ball
 4 O that with yon-der sa-cred throng we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the song, and crown him Lord of all!
 bring forth the roy-al di-a-dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 to him all maj-es-ty as-cribe, and crown him Lord of all!
 We'll join the ev-er-last-ing song, and crown him Lord of all!

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 Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 To him all maj-es-ty as-cribe, and crown him Lord of all!
 We'll join the ev-er-last-ing song, and crown him Lord of all!

This 18th-century text celebrating the sovereignty of Christ has been through several expansions and contractions before reaching its present form. It is set here to the oldest American hymn tune in continuous use since first published in 1793, which was written for it.

TEXT: Stanzas 1-3, Edward Perronet, 1779, 1780; stanzas 2-3, alt. John Rippon, 1787; stanza 4, John Rippon, 1787

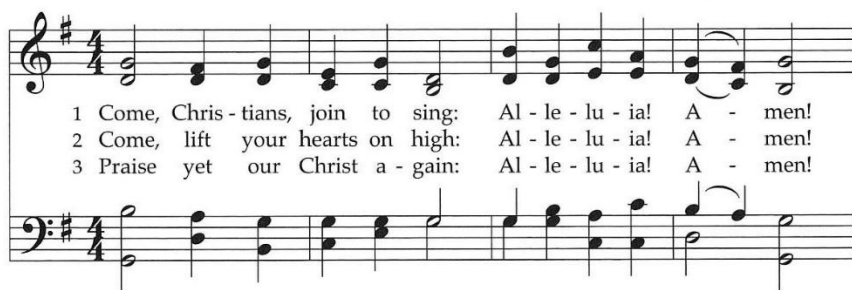
MUSIC: Oliver Holden, 1793; desc. Michael E. Young, 1979

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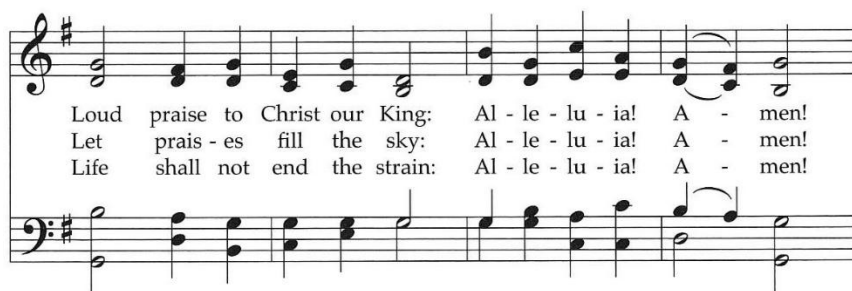
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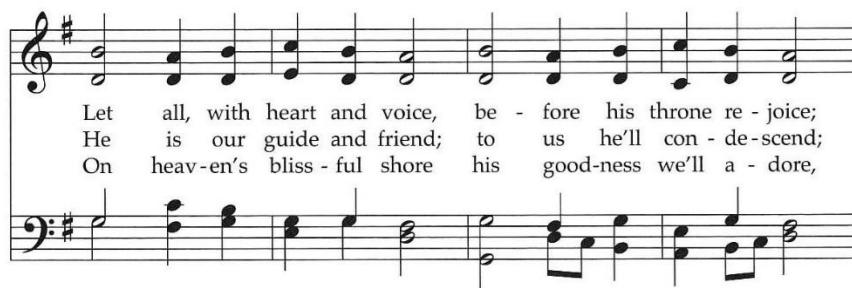
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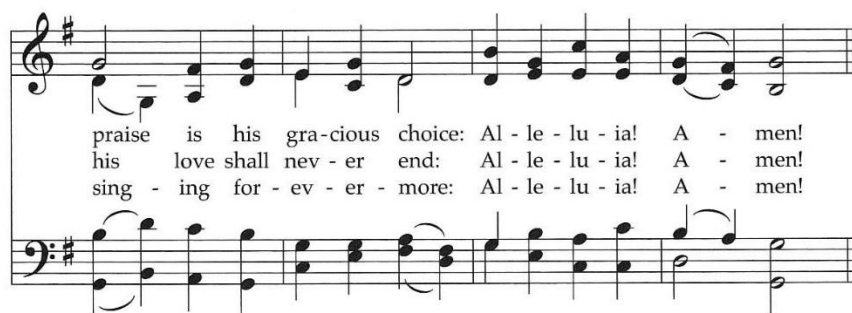
1 Come, Chris - tians, join to sing: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
2 Come, lift your hearts on high: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
3 Praise yet our Christ a - gain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



Loud praise to Christ our King: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
Let prais - es fill the sky: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
Life shall not end the strain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

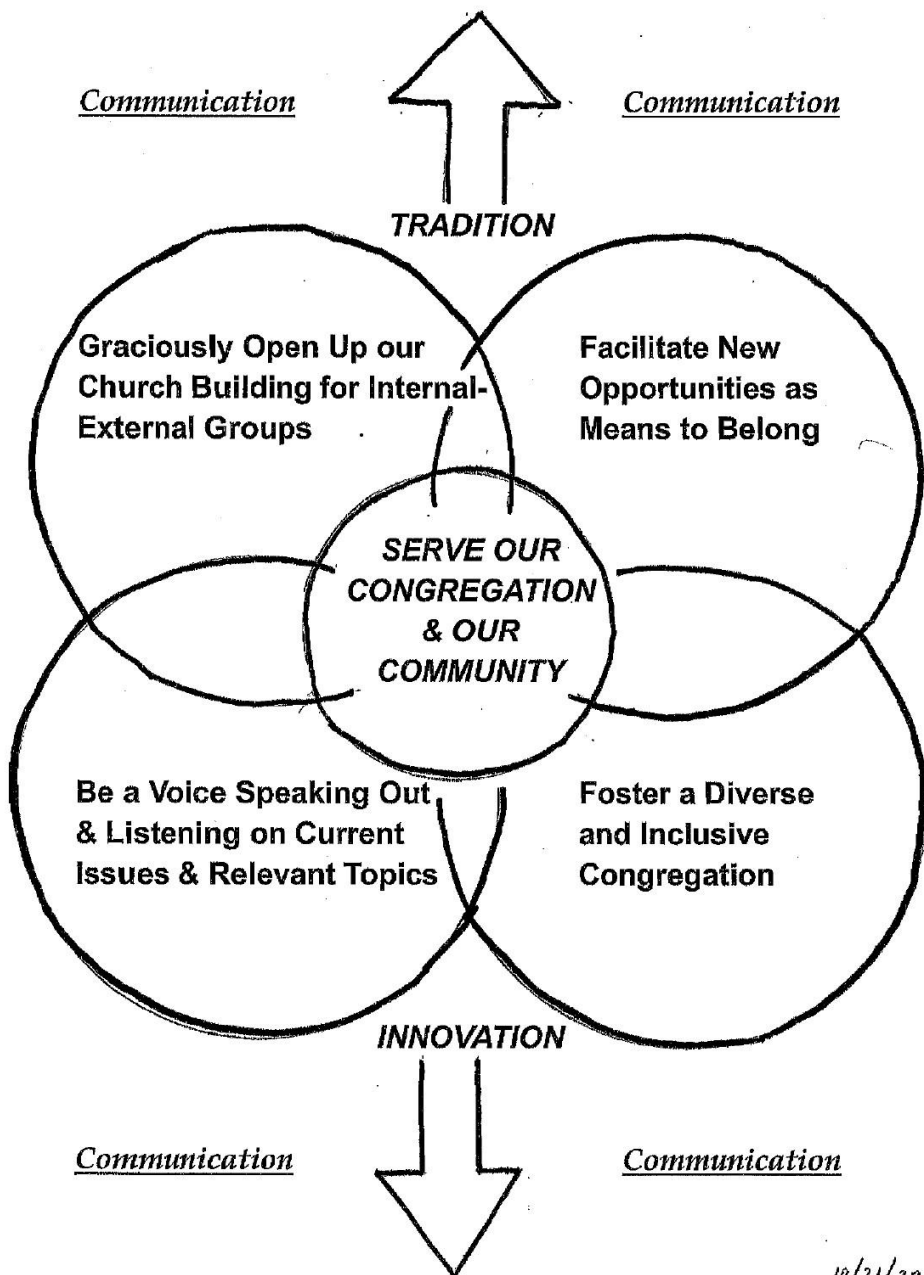


Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
He is our guide and friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
On heav-en's bliss - ful shore his good-ness we'll a - dore,



praise is his gra - cious choice: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
his love shall nev - er end: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
sing - ing for - ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Like many other hymns of praise, this text was originally addressed to children but has been embraced by adults as well. Although the tune's repetitive elements suggest folk origins (possibly with alternating groups of singers), no specific source has been identified.



10/21/2025

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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*Please be specific about the person's gifts for a particular office.
Only names with qualifications will be considered.*

NAME: _____

QUALIFICATIONS for the office of Trustee: _____

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NAME: _____

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2025/26 Nominating Committee: Carol Tsao and Jon Richards (Session); Debbie Gillard (Board of Deacons); Spencer Frank (Board of Trustees); and Audra Brennan, Tom Cooper, Martha Mainland, Victor Plantinga, and Julia Vosper from the congregation-at-large; and the Pastors, ex officio without vote.

DROP THIS FORM IN THE BOX ON THE GREAT HALL TABLE,
EMAIL YOUR SUGGESTIONS TO THE CHURCH OFFICE ipc@immanuelwi.org,
OR SUBMIT NAMES ONLINE AT https://bit.ly/IPC_TrusteeNominations2026.

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



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