

RESPONDING

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Isa 40, Ps 147, Mark 1)

Almighty God, we often forget the glory of creation and everything you have done for us. We ignore the beauty you place all around us. We brush aside the ways you strengthen us. We sing songs of lament instead of songs of praise and thanksgiving. We lose ourselves in the business of life, and forget that we are only found in you. Forgive us. Fill our hearts and our lips with your praises, and turn our lives toward you...

Moments of Silent Prayer

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (Ps 147)

Brothers and sisters, hear these words: The Lord takes pleasure in those who fear God, and place their hope in God’s steadfast love. When we turn to God and place our hope in the Lord, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

PROCLAIMING

JOYFUL NOISE CHOIR “No Ticket to Ride” (Spiritual)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Jon Hall

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 18:35-43 Page 77 in NT

One: This is the word of God. **All: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

SERMON “How to Get Your Vision Back” Rev. Jonathan Lee

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING† (see HYMNAL page 17 – Musical setting A)

One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them up to the Lord.
One: Let us give thanks to our Lord our God.
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
One: And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One that comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. (singing)
One: And so, in remember of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.
All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. (singing)
One: All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and fore ever.
All: Amen, Amen, Amen. (singing)

WORDS OF CONSECRATION and COMMUNION PRAYER

God of grace and glory, pour out your Holy Spirit on all of us gathered here and on these gifts of bread and cup. Make them be for us the life and love of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed and renewed by his love and grace. Amen.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

JOYFUL NOISE CHOIR “Become to Us the Living Bread” (Dury)

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

If you have a prayer joy or concern to share, please PRINT it on a colored prayer request card located in the pew rack and place it in the plate with your offering

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Ps 105, Rom 12)**

Creator God, in remembrance of your wonderful works and your overflowing abundance, we bring gifts that we have received from your hand. Generous One, in gratitude for your miraculous deeds, we bring these offerings of praise. Loving Spirit, in joyous trust, we place these blessings in your keeping to bless a world in need of your love. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

From the prayers cards collected in the offering plate.

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

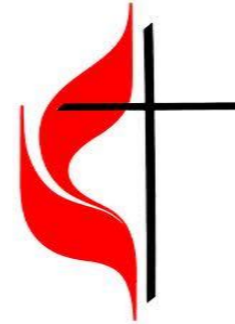
SENDING FORTH

***HYMN No. 334**

“Sweet, Sweet, Spirit”

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**



Immanuel
United Methodist Church

A church "rooted in a rich history
of serving God in our changing community."

February 4, 2018

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

10:00 am

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Organist: Leanne LaFave

LIFE & WORKS OF THE CHURCH

LIGHTING THE PEACE CANDLE

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.” Mathew 5:9

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Ps 147)**

One: Praise the Lord! How good it is for us to gather and sing praises to our God.

All: *Great is our Lord, who understands us, lifts us up, and strengthens us.*

One: Sing with joy and thanksgiving to the Lord, who fills our lives with steadfast love.

All: *Praise the Lord!*

***HYMN No. 375**

“There is a Balm in Gilead”

* Please stand as you are able.

Calendar

Access Immanuel's church calendar from the web!

www.immanuelumc.church

Sunday, February 4	Sunday School Worship Fellowship Super Bowl Party	9:00am 10:00am 11:00am 5:00pm
Monday, February 5	Praise 2.0	7:00pm
Tuesday, February 6	Class 201	6:30pm
Wednesday, February 7	Confirmation Joyful Noise Choir	6:00pm 7:00pm
Thursday, February 8	Finance Meeting Ad Council	6:00pm 7:00pm
Saturday, February 10	Men's Group "Won't You Be My Valentine" Potluck/Games	9:00am 5:00pm

Assisting in Worship

Worship Leader: Rev. Jonathan Lee

Lay Reader: Sherry Brun

Ushers: Kris Caswell, Carri Loken, Linnea & Doug Ritter

Peace Candle Lighter: Pat Kasperson

Greeters: Carol Cody and Jan Jette

Fellowship Server: Lynn Brun

Flowers: God's handiwork is beautiful!

Acolytes: 4th-6th graders: Nathan Lee, Kaline Merges, Graham Pereda, Jack Schad,
Morgan Weeks, Gavin Dupont, Caleb Lee, Madison, Liliana Mendez

Immanuel United Methodist Church

Our Mission: Immanuel United Methodist Church is rooted in a rich history of serving God in our changing community. As a growing fellowship of loving disciples, we continue to be a home for those seeking spiritual renewal and growth. As we strive to follow Christ's example, we invite others to join us in Christian service and in celebrating God's love.

Welcome To Our Guests

We welcome you and invite you to sign a visitor card located at the Welcome Desk in the Great Room. Assisted listening devices, larger print hymnals, and children's bulletins are available from usher. Children of all ages are welcome in worship. Childcare attendant, Becky Provo is in the Nursery for children 2 – 5 years old. The "Crying Room" is available at the back of the sanctuary, if needed.

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If you have a prayer, joy or concern, please PRINT it on the colored prayer request cards located in the pew racks and place in offering plate.

Ministers: The Congregation

Pastor: Reverend Jonathan Churho Lee

Lay Leader: Lois Caswell

Administrative Assistant: Deb Cupryna

Organist: Leanne LaFave

Choir Director: Chris Lee

Children/Youth Director: Jon Hall

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WHAT MAKES A HERO”

The Death-Defying Ministry of Jesus

How does Jesus redefine what it means to be a hero?

LENTEN SERVICES

Ash Wednesday - February 14

Every Wednesday through March 21

Maundy Thursday/Good Friday - Thursday, March 29

Meal 5:30 - 6:15pm

Lent Worship 6:30 - 7:00pm

It you would like to help host a supper meal during Lent, please sign-up in the narthex. Thank you!

You're invited to gather in the fellowship hall for a
SUPER BOWL PARTY!

TODAY – Sunday, February 4
5:00pm to ??

 **men's
group**
ALWAYS the 2nd Saturday
of each month!

February 10 at 9:00AM

All men are invited!

WON'T YOU BE MY VALENTINE?

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

5:00 - 8:00PM

POTLUCK

GAMES & PRIZES



ALL OF IMMANUEL IS INVITED!

EFESIOS WILL BE JOINING US, ALONG WITH BRINGING DISHES TO SHARE