



Immanuel United Methodist Church

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Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Holy Is the Lord*

Chris Tomlin, Louie Giglio

Performed by Liz Ahrens, Rhonda Grammer

We stand and lift up our hands
For the joy of the Lord is our strength
We bow down and worship Him now
How great, how awesome is He

Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
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And together we sing
Everyone sing

It's rising up all around
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown

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Song—*Good Good Father*

Pat Barrett & Anthony Brown

Performed by Liz Ahrens, Rhonda Grammer

I've heard a thousand stories of what they think you're like
But I've heard the tender whispers of love in the dead of night
And you tell me that you're pleased
And that I'm never alone

You're a good good father
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are
And I'm loved by you
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am

I've seen many searching for answers far and wide
But I know we're all searching
For answers only you provide
'Cause you know just what we need
Before we say a word

You're a good good father
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are
And I'm loved by you
It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am

Because you are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways to us

You are perfect in all of your ways
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Community Sharing

Pastor Sarah Dierker

A Liturgy for the Pandemic

Liz Ahrens
Created by Anna Blaedel for enfleshed.com

Blessed are the joy finders, the joy sharers, the joy tenders

Blessed are the workers, the strikers, the organizers bending toward collective justice, and survival

Blessed are the mask makers, the mask wearers

Blessed are those forgoing convenience and excess for someone else's survival

Blessed are the governors, and mayors, and legislators laboring for public health and collective life over profit, ego, and the deadly demands of gun-toting, terror-mongering, evil-doers

Blessed are the essential workers—yes, yes, the healthcare workers, sanitation workers, grocery store workers, mail carriers, farm workers—and also, blessed are these essential workers—the poets still feeling, dreamers still imaging, teachers still sparking curiosity, students still soaking up and sharing wisdom, care givers still caring, journalists still investigating and reporting

Blessed are the music makers, art makers, word makers, meaning makers

Blessed are the imams, the rabbis, the pastors, the chaplains, the spirit seekers ministering and tending and holding

Blessed are the baby plants, just in my garden, reaching for the sun on this cold, grey rainy day

Blessed are the letter writers, the card senders

Blessed are you, sheltering in place
Blessed are you, locked in place
Blessed are you, without a safe place

Blessed are you in your tears, your prayers, your fears

Blessed are you every moment you choose tenderness, softness, gentleness, care

Blessed are you still savoring delights when and where they are offered, and found

Blessed are you in your grieving, your losing, your mourning

Blessed are you in your living, your loving

Blessed are you in your fearing, your dying

Blessed are you
Blessed are you
Blessed are we

Song—*Blessings*

Laura Story

Performed by Liz Ahrens, Rhonda Grammer

We pray for blessings
We pray for peace
Comfort for family, protection while we sleep
We pray for healing, for prosperity
We pray for Your mighty hand to ease our suffering
All the while, You hear each spoken need
Yet love is way too much to give us lesser things

'Cause what if your blessings come through raindrops
What if Your healing comes through tears

What if a thousand sleepless nights are what it takes to know You're near
What if trials of this life are Your mercies in disguise

We pray for wisdom
Your voice to hear
We cry in anger when we cannot feel You near
We doubt Your goodness, we doubt Your love
As if every promise from Your Word is not enough
And all the while, You hear each desperate plea
And long that we'd have faith to believe

When friends betray us
When darkness seems to win
We know that pain reminds this heart
This is not, this is not our home

What if my greatest disappointments
Or the aching of this life
Is a revealing of a greater thirst this world can't satisfy
What if trials of this life
The rain, the storms, the hardest nights
Are Your mercies in disguise

Scripture—James 1:1-4 NRSV

¹James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ,
To the twelve tribes in the Dispersion:
Greetings.

²My brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of any kind, consider it nothing but joy, ³because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance; ⁴and let endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking in nothing.

Sermon Series: Don't Just Believe It, Live It

Today's Sermon: "Joy?"

Pastor David Roderick

Benediction

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Prayer/Praise Ministry (+ Indicates weeks—call office to continue another 4 weeks)

- + Doo Nee Loo who was hospitalized over the weekend, but is now at home
- ++ Floyd Fisher for strength and healing
- +++ Deloris Fisher, recovering from a broken hip
Family of Jude, sister-in-law of Libby Levin. The family appreciated all the prayers you sent their way. Continued prayers of comfort for Libby's brother Todd would be appreciated.
- ++++ Karen Trone, who is on hospice care and is wheelchair bound—she tested positive for covid-19 but had no problems recovering, however Covid restrictions keep family from visiting
For all students and staff facing new territory and challenges in schools this week
Aunt Betsy Schott, cancer treatments—aunt of Lisa Allen
Denise Threlkeld, cancer treatments leading to surgery

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP—God, as students prepare to go back to school, remind us all that your Word "is useful for teaching" (2 Timothy 3:16, NRSV) - year round! May we never stop learning the truth of your powerful love!

WELCOME! Brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, welcome to our Facebook Live worship service. May we rejoice in all our human diversity as we celebrate our oneness as God's children.

ONLINE WORSHIP—Our service will be shared via Facebook Live beginning at 8:30 am this Sunday morning, which means that you can join in the worship service at any time and pick it up in progress. Once the Live broadcast is over, then the whole service will be available on Facebook for others to watch.

<https://www.facebook.com/Immanuelonmain.org/>

We look forward to having you join us! Our hope is that you will follow the bulletin on a separate device so that you can fully participate in the worship experience.

2020 Monthly Income & Expense

Current Expense (Operating)

Budgeted Expenses, August	\$16,240.00
Received-checks/cash/online	\$ 1,565.00
Received-Venmo app	\$ 125.00
Received-Pay Pal	\$ -0-

Benevolence (Missions/Disaster Relief)

Owed by 8/30/2020	\$ 7,016.00
Received this year	\$ 2,975.00

Celebrating Birthdays this Week:

8/14 Destiny Schoettle

Celebrating Their Anniversary:

8/11 Cary & Phyllis Tucker

Do we have your birthday/anniversary dates in our file? We don't want to omit anyone—please let us know the dates for your special days!

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