

## Immanuel Lutheran Church

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# The Transfiguration of Our Lord

11 a.m. Sunday, February 27, 2022



Transfiguration, Raphael, 1520, Vatican Museum

warm welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church. God's blessings to you on this final Sunday of the Epiphany Season. Here at Immanuel, we tend to have a soft spot in our heart for this particular Sunday, Transfiguration Sunday, because it is an anniversary Sunday for our church. The beginning liturgy for our church was back in Civil War days, on Transfiguration Sunday 1863. At 10 a.m. that day, a group of our Immanuel ancestors gathered for worship in the courthouse, led by The Rev. C. Julius Renz, and afterwards met and voted to establish our Lutheran congregation. So today is our 159th anniversary. Our church's Transfiguration painting above our altarpiece is a tribute to that founding liturgy.

We hope you will find strength for your souls in this liturgy. Thank you for joining in the prayers of thanksgiving by way of the Lord's Supper. If you do not already have a church home, please consider joining us here at Immanuel. Just speak with Pastor Carol or send her a note (ceafryer@gmail.com).



#### Lutheran Book of Worship, Setting Three

PRELUDE

O Lux Beata Hieronymus Praetorius (1560-1629)

THE BELLS

Please stand when the minister approaches the center aisle.

#### BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen
- P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- **G** Amen

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P Most merciful God,
- We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

## The Entrance Rite

HYMN LBW 89

How Good, Lord, to Be Here! (Next page)

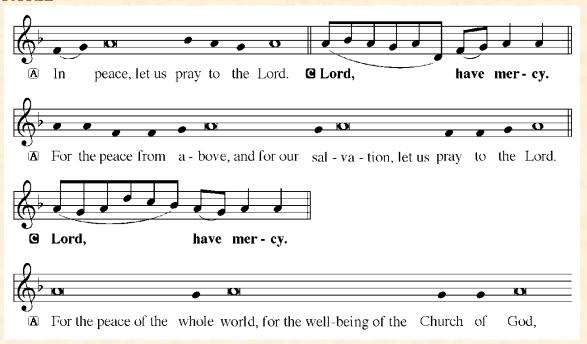
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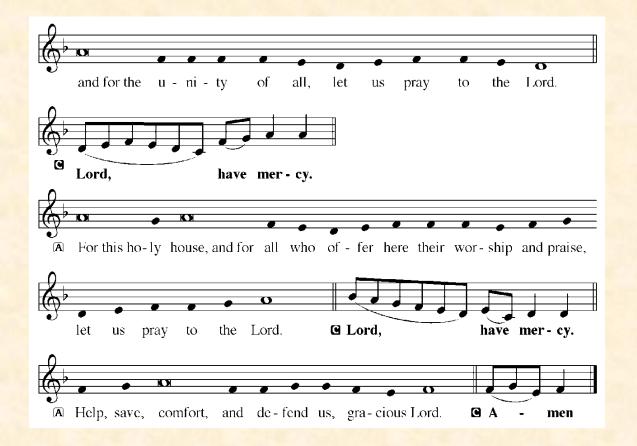


#### APOSTOLIC GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- **And also with you.**

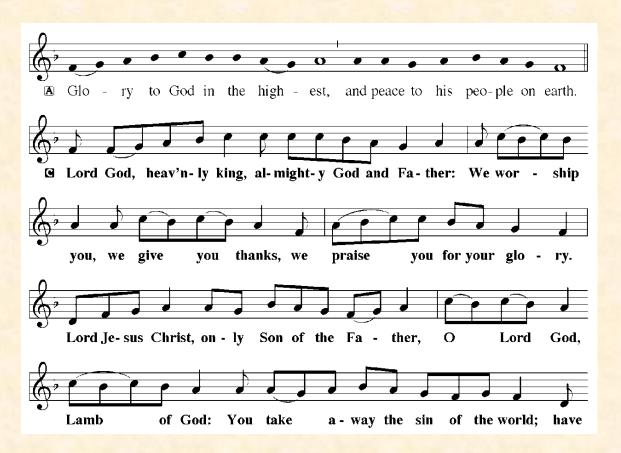
#### **KYRIE**

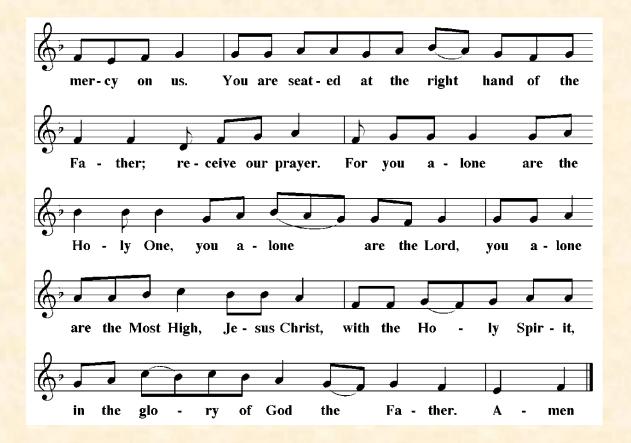




#### HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory to God





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- **And also with you.**
- P Almighty God, on the mountain you showed your glory in the Transfiguration of your Son. Give us the vision to see beyond the turmoil of our world and to behold the king in all his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### **G** Amen

Sit

# The Liturgy of the Word of God

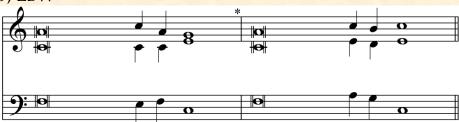
<sup>29</sup>When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tables of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God.

<sup>30</sup>And when Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup>But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. <sup>32</sup>And afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup>And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; <sup>34</sup>but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he took the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, <sup>35</sup>the people of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face shone; and Moses would put the veil upon his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

**A** The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 99, LBW



Choir <sup>1</sup>The LORD is King; let the / people tremble.\*

He is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the / earth be moved.

All <sup>2</sup>The LORD is / great in Zion;\*

he is high a-/bove all peoples.

Choir <sup>3</sup>Let them confess his name, which is / great and awesome;\* he is the / Holy One.

All 4"O mighty King, lover of justice, you have es-/tablished equity;\*

you have executed justice and righteous-/ness in Jacob."

Choir <sup>5</sup>Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and fall down be-/ fore his footstool;\*

he is the / Holy One.

All 6Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call up-/on his name,\*

they called upon the LORD, and he / answered them.

Choir <sup>7</sup>He spoke to them out of the pil- / lar of cloud;\* they kept his testimonies and the decree / that he gave them.

All

\*O LORD our God, you answered / them indeed;\*
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their / evil deeds.

\*Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and worship him
upon his / holy hill;\*
for the LORD our God is the / Holy One.

<sup>12</sup>Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, <sup>13</sup>not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. <sup>14</sup>But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; <sup>16</sup>but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup>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 to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

<sup>4:1</sup>Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the Gospel Acclamation and for the reading of the Holy Gospel.

**ALLELUIA: Traditional Gregorian Chant** 



All: Alleluia.

Verse (Choir): This is my Son, my Chosen, listen to him! (Luke 9:35)

All: Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL ...... Luke 9:28-43a, RSV

#### Before the Gospel:

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the Ninth Chapter:



Now about eight days after these sayings he took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup>And as he was praying, the appearance of his countenance was altered, and his raiment became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup>And behold, two men talked with him, Moses and Elijah, <sup>31</sup>who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup>Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, and when they wakened they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup>And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is well that we are here; let us make three booths, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah" -- not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup>As he said this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup>And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" <sup>36</sup>And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silence and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

<sup>37</sup>On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. <sup>38</sup>And behold, a man from the crowd cried, "Teacher, I beg you to look upon my son, for he is my only child; <sup>39</sup>and behold, a spirit seizes him, and he suddenly cries out; it convulses him till he foams, and shatters him, and will hardly leave him. <sup>40</sup>And I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." <sup>41</sup>Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." <sup>42</sup>While he was coming, the demon tore him and convulsed him. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. <sup>43</sup>And all were astonished at the majesty of God.

#### P The Gospel of the Lord.





#### **SERMON**

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then stand for the Creed.

NICENE CREED (In olden days, it was customary for people to bow at the confession of the Holy Incarnation: "...and was made man." This seems especially suitable for the great Christmas liturgies. If you would like to do so, the place is marked in this text:)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**G** And also with you.

Let us offer a sign of peace to our neighbors: "Peace be with you."

Sit

THE OFFERING You can give your tithes and offerings via our Q code. Just point the camera on your smart phone to this code on your screen:

Or you can donate via this link: <u>Donate</u> Here are some other options for giving: <u>Ways to Give</u>

The Eucharistic Bread and Wine are moved from the credence table to the altar. The congregation remains in the pews until the Distribution of the Sacrament.

# Offertory Anthem *Christus Jesus Splendor Patris* Luca Marenzio (1556-1599) The Immanuel Choir

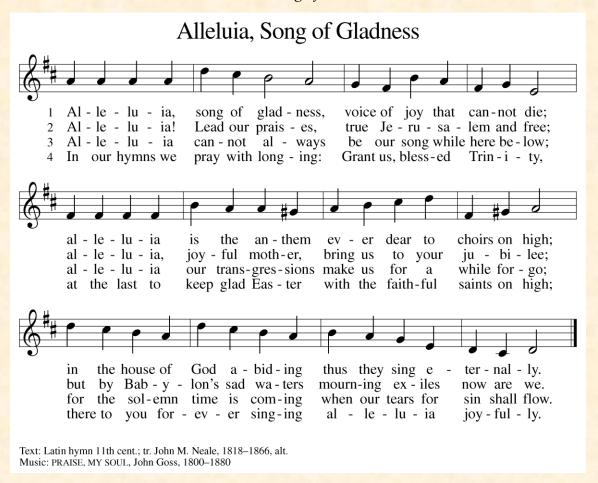
Christus Jesus splendor Patris, et figura substantiae ejus, portans omnia verbo virtutis suae purgationem peccatorum faciens, in monte excelso gloriosus apparere dignatus est. Alleluia. Jesus Christ, radiance of the Father, and the exact representation of his person, upholding all things by the Word of his power, as he was purging our sins, was pleased to manifest his glory upon a high mountain.

Alleluia.

HYMN WOV 654

Alleluia, Song of Gladness

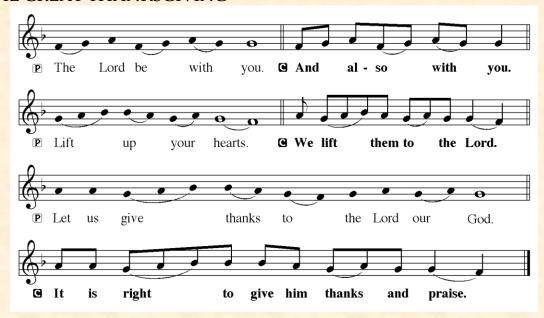
PRAISE MY SOUL



#### Offertory Prayer

- A Merciful Father,
- we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

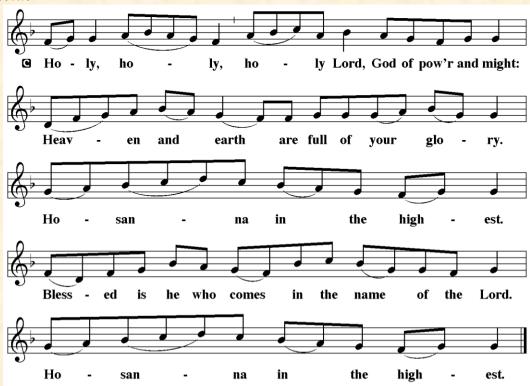
#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



#### Preface for Epiphany

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### Sanctus



#### Eucharistic Prayer II

P You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence. We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us. We thank you for the new world to come and for the love that will rule all in all. We praise you for the grace shown to Israel, your chosen, the people of your promise: the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the memory of the fathers, the homecoming from exile, and the prophets' words that will not be in vain. In all this we bless you for your only-begotten Son, who fulfilled and will fulfill all your promises.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

#### Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us. We remember the sacrifice of his life: his eating with outcasts and sinners, and his acceptance of death. But chiefly we remember his rising from the tomb, his ascension to the seat of power, and his sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

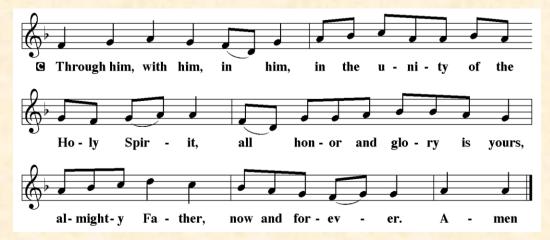
#### Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

#### Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high

priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

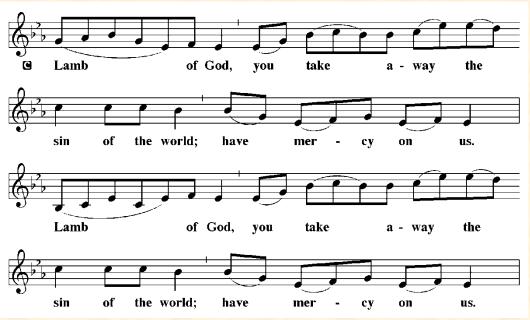


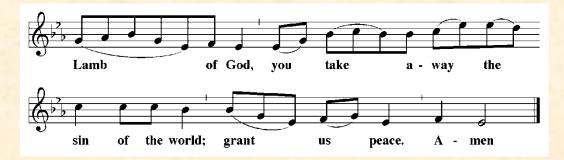
#### The Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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 and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION. The host is broken.

#### Agnus Dei





#### Sit

#### THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

+ If you are home during this pandemic, worshiping online with us, here is a possible "Prayer for Spiritual Communion" lifted up in *Forum Letter* (May 2020). *Forum Letter* is a respected Lutheran newsletter published by the American Lutheran Publicity Bureau:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Anthem O Light Everlasting Olaf Christiansen (1901-1984)
The Immanuel Choir

O Light everlasting, O Love never failing, illumine our darkness, and draw us to thee. May we from thy spirit receive inspiration that brethren together thy wisdom may see. Make known to all nations thy peace and salvation, and help us, O Father, thy temple to be.



POST-COMMUNION BLESSING POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Silence for reflection.

# The Sending

BENEDICTION (Spoken)

# In Thee Is Gladness

- 1 In thee is glad-ness a-mid all sad-ness, Je sus, sun shine of my heart.
- 2 If he is ours, . . we fear no pow-ers, not of earth or sin or death.



By thee are giv-en the gifts of heav-en, thou the true re-deem-er art. He sees and bless-es in worst dis-tress-es; he can change them with a breath.



Our souls thou wak - est; our bonds thou break - est. Who trusts thee sure-ly Where-fore the sto - ry tell of his glo - ry with heart and voic-es;



has built se - cure - ly and stands for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! all heav'n re - joic - es in him for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!



Our hearts are pin - ing to see thy shin - ing, dy - ing or liv - ing, We shout for glad - ness, tri - umph o'er sad - ness, love him and praise him



to thee are cleav-ing; naught us can sev - er: Al-le-lu - ia! and still shall raise him glad hymns for - ev - er: Al-le-lu - ia!

Text: Johann Lindemann, 1549–c. 1631; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829–1878, alt. Music: IN DIR IST FREUDE, Giovanni Giacomo Gastoldi, c. 1556–1622

#### **DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**©** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE O Lux Beata

Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

## Parish Announcements

- + COFFEE HOUR IN THE UNDERCROFT. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship following the Liturgy. Simply bear left in the narthex as you would exit the church. Today's coffee hour is hosted by Maria Van Der Merwe.
- + A SPECIAL VOTERS' ASSEMBLY will be held today during Coffee Hour.
- → The FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the 159<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of Immanuel Lutheran Church by Pastors Gregory and Carol Fryer.
- + SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER will be held on Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. Please use the 1296 Lexington Ave. entrance (the red door next to CVS Pharmacy). The price for the meal is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children, or whatever you can afford. If you can't make it to the supper, contributions are certainly welcome!
- + ASH WEDNESDAY LITURGY will be held on Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:15 PM and at 6:30 PM.
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- + FAIRLY NEW TO PRAYER LIST: Robert Huckfeldt (David Kiehl's brother-inlaw), David Kiehl, Dawn Greenberg (friend of Karen Bazik), Ana Almonte (friend of our member Tamares Perez, Larry Oglesby (father of our former member Laurin Smith), Davida Goldman, Ken Richardson (husband of former choir member Lisa Richardson), Tony Cull, (friend of Donald Kerr), Cynthia Uzzo, Charles Schramm (retired Music Director of this congregation).

### Service Notes

Music Director	Dr. Gwendolyn Toth
Ushers/GreetersToshitake "	Jazo" Ichikawa, Ed Indellicati, Luz Ortiz
Lector	Domingo Quilems
Preacher and Assisting Minister	Rev Gregory P. Fryer
Presiding Minister	Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer

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HOLY COMMUNION	11 a.m. Sundays
MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION	6:30 p.m. Wednesdays
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Sundays at 10 a.m. in the undercroft
MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY	6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther Room
PARISH SECRETARY	Rev. Carol E.A. Fryer
SEXTON	Gerry Britton
PARISH BOOKKEEPER	
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC	Dr. Gwendolyn Toth
PASTOR	Rev. Carol E. A. Fryer
SENIOR PASTOR	Rev. Gregory P. Fryer

#### Some Parish Ministry Opportunities:

CHOIR	Director of Music Dr. Gwendolyn Toth (212) 289-8128
MEALS ON HEELS	Barbara Chomko (bchomko@nyc.rr.com)

We extend to you a cordial welcome and hope that you will return. If you are a visitor, please fill out one of the cards in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Carol Fryer. If you are interested in membership here at Immanuel, please contact the church office for an appointment with Pastor Carol. Or you can email her at ceafryer@gmail.com.

- + HOLY COMMUNION is offered to all baptized Christians who have been instructed in the Church's faith, who confess it with us (as in the Creeds), and who may in good conscience receive the Sacrament in keeping with the understanding with which it is celebrated here: namely, that the Body and Blood of Christ are truly present in the consecrated bread and wine and are distributed to and received by all who commune.
- + HOLY BAPTISM is celebrated and MARRIAGES solemnized only after consultation with the pastor well in advance. If you or someone you know is ill, hospitalized, homebound, or otherwise in need of the ministry of the Church, let us know. Please call one of the Pastors (212-289-8128) or email them: gpfryer@gmail.com or ceafryer@gmail.com.
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- + LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING WITH OIL FOR THE SICK is available. Again, simply contact either Pastor Fryer.
- + FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: There is a long line of Christians, both rich and poor, who have disciplined themselves to budget a portion of their income,

put it into an offering envelope first thing, and give it to the church. Pastors Carol and Gregory Fryer live by that tradition and commend it to you. Online giving is also available through our website, or by following this QR code with your phone camera:

