

| PRAYER & MEDITATION |

For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

— 1 Corinthians 1:21-24 —

| CALL TO WORSHIP* | Psalm 66:1-2

Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise! Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!”

| PSALM OF PRAISE* | Hymnal #57
“Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul”

| PRAYER OF PRAISE* |

| READING OF GOD’S LAW | James 1:19-21

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. Therefore, put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

MINISTER: This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

| CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN |

Gracious and merciful God, You have called us to be quick to hear, slow to speak, and slow to anger, for You teach us that human anger does not produce Your righteousness. Yet, we confess that we have been impatient with others, hasty with our words, and prone to frustration and bitterness. Instead of receiving Your Word with meekness, we have allowed pride and self-righteousness to cloud our hearts. We have clung to sinful desires and failed to put away all filthiness and wickedness. Forgive us, O Lord, for not walking in humility before You and one another. Have mercy on us and cause your Word to dwell in us richly by the power of the Spirit and for the sake of Christ our Savior, Amen.

| SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN |

*Congregation stands if able

| PROMISE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS | Romans 10:6-9

But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

| HYMN OF TRUST* | Hymnal #172
“Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder”

| AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | WLC 159-160

MINISTER: How is the Word of God to be preached by those that are called thereunto?

ALL: They that are called to labor in the ministry of the Word are to preach sound doctrine, diligently, in season, and out of season; plainly, not in the enticing words of man’s wisdom but in demonstration of the Spirit, and of power; faithfully, making known the whole counsel of God; wisely, applying themselves to the necessities and capacities of the hearers; zealously, with fervent love to God and the souls of his people; sincerely, aiming at his glory, and their conversion, edification, and salvation.

MINISTER: What is required of those that hear the Word preached?

ALL: It is required of those that hear the Word preached, that they attend upon it with diligence, preparation, and prayer; examine what they hear by the Scriptures; receive the truth with faith, love, meekness, and readiness of mind, as the Word of God; meditate, and confer of it; hide it in their hearts, and bring forth the fruit of it in their lives.

| PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER |

PEOPLE: **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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

| HYMN OF MEDITATION* | (lyrics on back of bulletin)
“Speak O Lord”

| OFFERING |

| SERMON TEXT* | Titus 1:1-4

PASTOR: The grass withers, the flower fades,

PEOPLE: **But the word of our God will stand forever.**

| SERMON | Rev. Seth Miller

“The Foolishness of Preaching”

| HYMN OF RESPONSE* | Hymnal #546
“The Sands of Time Are Sinking”

| THE LORD’S SUPPER |

*You will be released to receive the elements at the front of the room.
Wine is dark in color and grape juice is light in color.*

| A WORD TO PARENTS | *Baptized children are invited to the table after they have made a profession and have been received as communing members by the elders of the church to which their parents belong.*

| HYMN OF THANKS* | Hymnal #731
“Doxology”

| BENEDICTION* | Ephesians 6:23-24

Peace be to the brothers, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with love incorruptible.

| ANNOUNCEMENTS |

We appreciate your help in gathering any nearby communion cups and bulletins and disposing of them in the receptacles as you leave.

| Welcome Visitors! | We extend a warm welcome to all who are worshiping with us today. We are delighted you are here and are available to answer any questions you may have about our worship service, our church, or even the gospel of Jesus Christ. We would love to connect with you and keep you updated each week - please fill out a contact card, located next to the bulletins, or visit immanuelpca.org and select 'contact us' so that we can stay in touch.

| Fellowship Meal | Join us for a fellowship meal following the morning service next week **Sunday, February 2nd**. For the meal, it's a taco theme - we ask that everyone with last names A-O bring a main dish or side and everyone with last names P-Z bring a dessert.

| NEXT SUNDAY'S SERMONS |

Rev. Seth Miller will be preaching on Titus 1:5-9 in the morning, and on Ecclesiastes 3:16- 4:12 in the evening.

| EVENING WORSHIP |
Order of Service

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 108:1-4

HYMN OF PRAISE: Crown Him with Many Crowns #295

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN OF THANKS: What Wondrous Love Is This #261

READING THE CATECHISM: WSC 88

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Mark 4

PSALM OF MEDITATION: The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want #87

PRAYER NIGHT

HYMN OF RESPONSE: Doxology

BENEDICTION: Galatians 6:18

“Speak, O Lord”

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy Word
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness

**That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory**

Teach us, Lord, full obedience
Holy reverence, true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity

**Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of pow'r that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief**

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity

**And by grace, we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith, we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory**

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| THE LORD'S DAY |

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