

| PRAYER & MEDITATION |

Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.” And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, “Out of Egypt I called my son.”
— Matthew 2:13-15 —

| CALL TO WORSHIP* | Psalm 105:4-6

Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually! Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered, O offspring of Abraham, his servant, children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

| PSALM OF PRAISE* | Psalter p. 18
Psalm 24, tune: “Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise”

| PRAYER OF PRAISE* |

| READING OF GOD’S LAW | Deuteronomy 31:6

Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you.

MINISTER: This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

| CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN |

Corporate Confession of Sin: Most merciful Lord, we confess that we have sinned against you and neglected your gracious promises. You have promised to be with us always, and yet we have forgotten you. We have been fearful and fretful in the face of trouble. Instead of relying on your presence, we have trusted in idols to help us, comfort us, and nourish us. Have mercy on us, o God! Our memories are short because our hearts have wandered from you. Restore us, Father, and bless us for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

| SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN |

| PROMISE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS | Romans 8:1

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

| HYMN OF TRUST* | Hymnal #194
“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

| AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | WLC 180

MINISTER: What is it to pray in the name of Christ?

ALL: **To pray in the name of Christ is, in obedience to his command, and in confidence on his promises, to ask mercy for his sake; not by bare mentioning of his name, but by drawing our encouragement to pray, and our boldness, strength, and hope of acceptance in prayer, from Christ and his mediation.**

| 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* | Hymnal #598
“Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah”

| OFFERING |

| SERMON TEXT* | Genesis 46-47

PASTOR: The grass withers, the flower fades,

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

| SERMON | Rev. Seth Miller

“Down to Egypt”

| HYMN OF RESPONSE* | Hymnal #196
“Come Thou Long- Expected Jesus”

| 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*

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

| BENEDICTION* | 2 Peter 3:18

But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

*Congregation stands if able

| 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.

| Christmas Eve Service | We will have a Christmas Eve service at the Jacklin Center on Dec. 24th at 5:00pm.

| NEXT SUNDAY'S SERMONS |

Rev. Seth Miller will be preaching on Genesis 48 in the morning, and on Matthew 2:1-12 in the evening.

| SERMON NOTES |

“Down to Egypt”
— Genesis 46-47 —

I. PRESERVED IN EGYPT

II. PROSPERING IN EGYPT

III. PREPARING FOR CANAAN

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| THE LORD'S DAY |

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