

| PRAYER & MEDITATION |

By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.
— Hebrews 11:3 —

| CALL TO WORSHIP* | Psalm 70:4

May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you! May those who love your salvation say evermore, “God is great!”

| PSALM OF PRAISE* | Psalm 96, psalter p. 82
tune: “All Hail The Power of Jesus’ Name”, hymnal #296

| PRAYER OF PRAISE* |

| READING OF GOD’S LAW | Romans 1:20-21

For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him.

MINISTER: This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

| CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN |

Holy and Loving Father, every good thing comes from you and there is nothing that we have that you didn’t graciously provide. We have received gifts from your hands and yet have failed to acknowledge you or give you thanks. We have worshiped the creation while forgetting our Creator. Forgive us, merciful Father, and renew us in repentance that we might worship you in Spirit and in truth. In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.

| SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN |

| PROMISE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS | Isaiah 43:1

But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: “Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.”

| HYMN OF TRUST* | Hymnal #263
“Lift High the Cross”

| AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | WCF 4:1

MINISTER: What do you believe about creation?

ALL: **It pleased God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, for the manifestation of the glory of His eternal power, wisdom, and goodness, in the beginning, to create or make of nothing the world, and all things therein, whether visible or invisible, in the space of six days, and all very good.**

| 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 #111
“This Is My Father’s World”

| OFFERING |

| SERMON TEXT* | Genesis 1:1-2:3

PASTOR: The grass withers, the flower fades,

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

| SERMON | Rev. Seth Miller

“Back to the Beginning”

| HYMN OF RESPONSE* |
“By Faith”

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation’s grand design
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness
Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the pow’r of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God’s own hand
A place where peace and justice reign

**We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul’s reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We’ll walk by faith and not by sight**

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow’r to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go
In the pow’r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev’ry corner of the earth

**We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul’s reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We’ll walk by faith and not by sight**

By faith the mountain shall be moved
And the pow’r of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name

**We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul’s reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We’ll walk by faith and not by sight**

| 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* | 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

*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 visit immanuelpca.org and select 'contact us' so that we can stay in touch and have a record of your attendance today.

| **Men's Night** | Men in the church are invited for a time of fellowship over food and drinks together on **Tuesday, February 27th at 6:30pm.** We'll get together at Sawmille Grille, located at 302 N Spokane St, Post Falls, ID 83854. Feel free to invite friends!

| NEXT SUNDAY'S SERMONS |

Rev. Seth Miller will be preaching on Genesis 2:4-25 in the morning, and from Philippians 1:19-26 in the evening.

| EVENING WORSHIP |

Order of Service

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 92:1-2

PSALM OF PRAISE: Psalm 149, tune: "O Worship the King"

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN OF THANKS: For the Beauty of the Earth #116

READING THE CATECHISM: WSC 13

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Hebrews 13

HYMN OF MEDITATION: Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord #465

SERMON TEXT: Philippians 1:12-18

SERMON: The Gospel's Sovereign and Surprising Advance

HYMN OF RESPONSE: All Glory be to Christ

BENEDICTION: Jude 24-25

| SERMON NOTES |

"Back to the Beginning"

— Genesis 1:1-2:3 —

I. THE GOD WHO IS

II. THE GOD WHO CREATES

III. THE GOD WHO BLESSES

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| THE LORD'S DAY |

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