



Immanuel
Presbyterian Church
A Sanctuary of Welcome
For All People



PRAYER AND MINISTRY CONCERNS

February 19, 2012

Please pray for: Field and Suzan McClelland, Ted Hicks and his son, Thomas, Yolanda Peasant Harris, Charles Friese, Veda Doss, Sam Kirk, Willa and Glen O'Rourke and Mary E.R. Jackson, Donna Baker and the Baker family, Lynn Berger, Arelle Middleton, Minetry Apperson Crowley and her family, Rebecca Mann, Eliseo Martinez, Lisa Busler, Earlene Hughes, Beverly, Bob and Paul Morrison, Pam and Tom Nowell, Joy Cooper, Gina Stallings, the Finch family, Ray Pitre, Cheryl Lumpkin, the Swinford family, Christian Graves, Margie and Bob Robertson, John Leofsky, Angela, Melinda and their infant son, Isabella and her granddaughter, Syntheia Nagel, Cindy Irvin, Susie Hester Young, the Moody family, Kathleen Holdridge, Marilyn Heard and family, Kim Connerley, Marilyn Tucker, Barry Gager, Le Hook, Tommy Patterson, Kathy Forrister, Annie Long, Ann-Louise Woodward, John and Elise Morgan, Frizz Gray, David Coxe, Ricky McGough, Gena Norris, Jim Howell, Irene Levya

Libby Fain who fell Monday and broke her hip and continues her battle with cancer and will undergo full-head radiation which began Wednesday, February 15th, each weekday for 3 weeks.

Michael Huff and Jackie Cagle, Michael is recovering from knee surgery on Wednesday

Robyn Landahl requested prayer for the Bohonnan family, who suffered the tragic loss of their infant son, Wes, as well as the loss of their home to fire; the mother, Hope Bohonnan, is hospitalized in Atlanta with severe burns.

Travis Jernigan's niece on life support in Tupelo, MS.

Martha and Kim Morgan and Martha's parents, John and Elise Morgan, who are moving to an assisted living facility.

Linda Yasim, friend of Linda and Ken Garrett, as she deals with terminal breast cancer that has metastasized to her bones.

The Mission and Ministry of Immanuel Presbyterian Church.

Families who care for aging elders; elders who rely on younger generations for help.

Awareness and compassion for those who struggle with addiction and for the families and loved ones who suffer the effects of this disease.

Families and households going through the pain and distress of separation, divorce, and brokenness in relationships.

All those who struggle each day to cope with the challenges of depression, anxiety and related disorders.

Those who struggle financially because of loss of employment and/or adequate, stable income.

The staff and board of Hospice of Montgomery.

Immanuel Presbyterian Church

Transfiguration of the Lord

February 19, 2012

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

Meditation

Gabriel Dupont

Remembering Our Baptism

Welcome and Concerns

Call to Worship

Psalm 50.1-3, 6

The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken:

God has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty:

God reveals God's own self in glory.

Our God will come and will not keep silence:

There is a consuming flame before God and a raging storm about God.

Let the heavens declare the rightness of God's cause:

For God is Lord and judge of all.

You who shine in all that's fair: season our works with your love.

*Opening Hymn #487, v.1-3

LAUDES DOMINI

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Call to Confession

Confession of Sin

God of grace and God of glory: the light of your holiness exposes our truth and reality. You know the secret thoughts we hide from one another. You know the motives behind our actions and reactions: so often for our own gain, so seldom for your glory. In your graciousness, we seek your forgiveness, O God. Help us to confront our sins that we might truly turn from them. Lead us into the light of your glory, through your mercy and forgiveness, and in the name of your beloved Son, Jesus, our Christ.

~ *Silence* ~

Amen.

* Those who are able, please stand

Assurance of Forgiveness

In the light of Christ's presence and the wideness of God's mercy, we are forgiven. The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Turn to your neighbor and offer a sign of peace.

Response to Grace #487, v.4

LAUDES DOMINI

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine:

***May Jesus Christ be praised! Be this the eternal song
through all the ages long: May Jesus Christ be praised!***

Proclaiming the Word

The Word with Children

A Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures: 2 Kings 2.1-12 page 332-333

A Reading from the Epistles: 1 Corinthians 4.3-6 page 180

A Reading from the Gospels: Mark 9.2-9 page 44

Sermon

Sealing the Word

***Hymn of Response #510**

QUEBEC

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Communion

Let us pray: Gracious God, in the midst of our lives you call us to be disciples, to be learners and teachers, to be followers and leaders, to be prophets and wonderers.

You journey with us as you journeyed with seekers long ago, leading us through encounters with Christ to new paths that lead us to new ways of living.

You call to us as you called to the boy Samuel and ask us to be truth-tellers in a world that would darken your light. You patiently wait for us in the Nineveh's of our uncertainty.

You offer us healing and cast out demons, and you challenge us to offer the same to others.

* Those who are able, please stand

Now in this sacred time we recall your challenge to us, to shine a light of grace in all the world.

Grace to others who cross our paths is offered here, for all are invited to come and share in this banquet of blessing. In simple bread and wine we know a meal that always satisfies, that fills our longings, and casts off our sorrows, and blesses us with joy.

As we share in this holy feast, may we remember Jesus in such a way as to be made one with Christ and one with each other.

Amen.

Communion of the People

Responding to the Word

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Call for the Offering

Offertory

Prayer

René Vierende

Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
praise God all creatures here below, alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

***Affirmation of Faith**

Colossians 1.15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible.

All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Jesus Christ is head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the cross. Amen.

* Those who are able, please stand

Bearing the Word

***Closing Hymn #339**

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

Announcements

***Charge and Blessing**

Postlude

Carillon-Sortie

Henri Mulet

* Those who are able, please stand

SPECIAL NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Designated Monthly Mission Offering for February:
Alabama Arise

**Study opportunities available for adult learners
during the Church School hour:**

Peacemaking Class (Library): *Healing the Heart of Democracy* by Parker J. Palmer

Pastor's Class (C.E. Building): "Prayer and Spirituality," currently studying *Dance of the Spirit*, by Maria Harris

Presbyterian 101 Class (C.E. Building): All you ever wanted to know about the Presbyterian faith, but were afraid to ask

SUNDAY to SUNDAY

Today, February 19 — Transfiguration of the Lord

9:30 a.m.—Worship

11:00 a.m.—Church School for all ages

5:30 p.m.—PYC

Wednesday, February 22—Ash Wednesday

10:00 a.m.—Wednesday Morning Bible Study

5:45 p.m.—LOGOS

6:30 p.m.—Ash Wednesday service

7:30 p.m.—Choir Practice

Saturday, February 25

8:30 a.m.—Session meeting

Sunday, February 26 —First Sunday of Lent

9:30 a.m.—Worship

11:00 a.m.—Church School for all ages

5:30 p.m.—PYC

Finance and Stewardship Update

Average monthly income needed to meet budget — \$18,605

Tithes and undesignated gifts received February 12 — \$2,845

Tithes and undesignated gifts received month to date — \$9,284

Monthly mission offering received February 12 — \$545

Monthly mission offering received February 5 — \$865

Fair Share offering received February 12 — \$0

Fair Share offering received year to date — \$165

2012 Pledge Drive Update

So far 59 pledges totaling \$185,600 have been received.

That puts us behind the totals pledged from last year's drive.

It's still not too late to turn in a pledge card!

Pastor
Liturgist
Ministers
Director of Christian Education.
Musician, Music Ministry Coordinator
Guest Musician

Rev. Elizabeth O'Neill
Teresa Halley
All the members of the church
Phyllis Ward
Michael Keeling
John Conely

Elders:

Class of 2012	Erin Kellen, Shirley Scarbrough, Joe Sims, Ann Webb
Class of 2013	Joey Brackner, Rob MacGuire, Martha Morgan, Calli Patterson
Class of 2014	Linda Carter, Tom Rodman, Cindy Sanders, Mary Wisdom
Youth Elder	Clare Forrister

Treasurer
Website Coordinator

Mike Ward
Tom Rodman

The name **Immanuel** is a compound of the three Hebrew words, *with us God*, and is used by the prophet Isaiah in 7.14 and 8.8, and by the gospel writer Matthew in 1.23, who quotes Isaiah 7.14 in reference to Jesus Christ. The name **Immanuel** expresses our two-fold conviction that in Jesus Christ, the living God is with all people and that all people are therefore welcome in this community of Christian faith. The life, death, resurrection, and reign of Jesus Christ tear down every wall that divides people — racial and ethnic, ideological, age and gender, health and disability, even walls of opinion — every wall.

At Immanuel Presbyterian Word and Sacrament are held together. The reading and proclamation from the Word prepare us to gather together as Immanuel's family around the LORD's table and to partake in the gifts of bread and cup. As the pastor comes forward to greet you, please rise and come to the table, take a piece of bread and dip the bread in the non-alcoholic wine, taste, and see that the LORD is good. This is the church's ancient practice of "intinction." If you are unable to walk, please notify the pastor or an usher; and you will be gladly served.

Immanuel Presbyterian distinguishes between *tithe* and *offering*. Tithes are money and service for Immanuel's current operating budget. *Mission Offerings* are forwarded to the designated mission recipient each month. Both tithes and offerings are given in thankful response to God's gracious love. Undesignated gifts are allocated as tithes to help meet operating expenses. For mission giving, please indicate "Mission" on your check or envelope.

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Church Office Hours:

Tuesday through Friday

9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Closed Mondays



*21 Years
of mission
and ministry*