

July 21, 2024

Order of Today's Service

Prelude

Welcome

***Opening Hymn:**

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Call to Worship

Prayer

Praise Hymn #103:

Blessed Be the Name

Praise Hymn #524:

It Took A Miracle

Children's Message

Prayer Hymn #493:

It Is Well With My Soul

Morning Prayer

Scripture:

Psalm 73

Message:

Where Is God When You Get a Raw Deal?

***Responsive Hymn #401:**

Psalm 42

Offering Prayer

Offertory

***Doxology**

Church Happenings

***Benediction**

***Closing Hymn:**

Shine, Jesus, Shine vs. 3

** Please Stand*

Read this morning's scripture:

¹Surely God is good to Israel, to those who are pure in heart. ²But as for me, my feet had almost slipped; I had nearly lost my foothold. ³For I envied the arrogant when I saw the prosperity of the wicked. ⁴They have no struggles; their bodies are healthy and strong. ⁵They are free from common human burdens; they are not plagued by human ills. ⁶Therefore pride is their necklace; they clothe themselves with violence. ⁷From their callous hearts comes iniquity; their evil imaginations have no limits. ⁸They scoff, and speak with malice; with arrogance they threaten oppression. ⁹Their mouths lay claim to heaven, and their tongues take possession of the earth. ¹⁰Therefore their people turn to them and drink up waters in abundance. ¹¹They say, "How would God know? Does the Most High know anything?" ¹²This is what the wicked are like—always free of care, they go on amassing wealth. ¹³Surely in vain I have kept my heart pure and have washed my hands in innocence. ¹⁴All day long I have been afflicted, and every morning brings new punishments. ¹⁵If I had spoken out like that, I would have betrayed your children. ¹⁶When I tried to understand all this, it troubled me deeply ¹⁷till I entered the sanctuary of God; then I understood their final destiny. ¹⁸Surely you place them on slippery ground; you cast them down to ruin. ¹⁹How suddenly are they destroyed, completely swept away by terrors! ²⁰They are like a dream when one awakes; when you arise, Lord, you will despise them as fantasies. ²¹When my heart was grieved and my spirit embittered, ²²I was senseless and ignorant; I was a brute beast before you. ²³Yet I am always with you; you hold me by my right hand. ²⁴You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will take me into glory. ²⁵Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you. ²⁶My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. ²⁷Those who are far from you will perish; you destroy all who are unfaithful to you. ²⁸But as for me, it is good to be near God. I have made the Sovereign Lord my refuge; I will tell of all your deeds.

Prayer & Praise:

- **PRAISE: Keith Halfpop's** pacemaker procedure went very well, and he is resting at home. Thank you for your prayers and well wishes!
- Thanks for your continued prayers for **Wilma, Wanda's** sister, as she undergoes chemotherapy.
- Please pray for **Mark Evans** who has been diagnosed with Stage 4 pancreatic cancer. Mark and his family live in Jefferson City, MO.
- Continue praying for **Nate McVey** as he experiences health struggles.
- **Please join the Pastor Search Committee in praying for guidance** in finding our next Shepherd here at Immanuel. This is not an easy venture and we would appreciate your support in prayer.

Church & Family News

- Once again, **coffee and restrooms are not available this morning**..but hopefully this is the last time! However, if the "spirit moves" and you really DO need a restroom, all three restrooms in the parsonage are available.
- After worship, **please stop by the parsonage** and take a look at all the improvements made! Plus, there are "slightly used" light fixtures, window shades, curtain rods, and fluorescent bulbs in the garage. Help yourself if you can use them, otherwise we'll take them to House of Treasures.
- We are in need of someone to assist **Wanda** with the **Belmond Food Pantry**. Please speak with Wanda if you have questions or could help out with this worthwhile cause.
- At this time, **Family Ministry Night** is still on the schedule for Wednesday evening, beginning with supper at 6:30.
- It's time to **update our newsletter mailing list!** Please check out the printed list on the table next to the sanctuary doors, and make sure your address is correct. If you'd rather receive your newsletter as an email, there's a place to indicate that and specify your email address. Thank you!

Serving Us Today

Greeters: Brad & Julie Berneman

Musician: Donna Buseman

July 28

Greeters: Jerry & Mary Boelman

Clean-Up: Jerry & Mary Boelman

Musician: Jerry Boelman

Happy Birthday!

July 1 John Sifert

July 2 Hoyt Jass

July 3 Kassian Stahl

July 4 Curt Dorenkamp

July 6 Tadd McKnight

July 7 Elizabeth Stahl, Richard Clark

July 9 Elly Pals, Mark Young, Nicki Jass, Renee Stahl

July 14 Weston Barkema

July 17 Monroe Goeman

Happy Anniversary!

July 3 Dan & Lisa Lovgren

July 15 Keith & Karen Halfpop

July 19 Dan & Sara Goemaat

July 22 John & Melissa Sifert

July 26 Marcus & Josie Barkema