



DANIEL PRAYER, POLITICS, AND
THE POWER OF GOD

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STAYING CONNECTED

Regathering Next Sunday

In-person worship services are now held on Sundays at 9AM and 10:30AM at 640 W Irving Park Road. (The 10:30AM service is also live-streamed for those unable to join in person.) In order to keep each in-person service limited to 50 participants, pre-registration is required. (Registration opens each Monday for the following Sunday at immanuelanglican.org/sundays.)

Join A City Group!

Immanuel City Groups are now gathering each week, and you are invited to join! City Groups are designed to be spiritual families that gather weekly and provide a space for you to be known, connected and encouraged. Learn more at immanuelanglican.org/small-groups.

Confirmation Course: Beginning this Week!

Today is the last day to register for “Strengthened in the Spirit,” our confirmation course this fall and spring! This course (beginning September 16) is for Immanuel members who desire to strengthen their relationship with God, strengthen their relationship with the church and receive more of the Holy Spirit for mission and ministry. Want to know more? Find details and register TODAY at immanuelanglican.org/confirmation.

Intro to Immanuel Course

If you are interested in pursuing church membership at Immanuel, growing in your walk with Christ or going deeper with your church community, we warmly invite you to attend our “Intro to Immanuel” Course on September 26-27. This course will cover a variety of topics: Christian discipleship; Immanuel’s history and vision; Anglican worship, theology and governance, and more. This course will be held in an outdoor courtyard at North Park Covenant Church on Saturday (9/26) from 9AM-12:30PM and Sunday (9/27) from 2PM-4:30PM. Find more info and register at immanuelanglican.org/membership.

Daniel Series: Politics, Prayer & the Power of God

This fall, we are turning to the prophet Daniel as an example of faithful courage in a time of crisis. We need strength to stay faithful to God, to serve our neighbors, and to proclaim the gospel boldly. Join us for this 13-week series from Daniel to renew your confidence in God’s power and discover how we can live faithfully, creatively and courageously in uncertain times. Find sermons you missed at immanuelanglican.org/sermons.

THE WORD OF GOD

Turn Your Eyes

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace

Turn your eyes to the hillside
Where justice and mercy embrace
There the Son of God gave His life for us
And our measureless debt was erased

**Jesus, to You we lift our eyes
Jesus, our glory and our prize
We adore You, behold You, our Savior ever true
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You**

Turn your eyes to the morning
And see Christ the lion awake
What a glorious dawn fear of death is gone
For we carry His life in our veins

Turn your eyes to the heavens
Our King will return for His own
Every knee will bow every tongue will shout
All glory to Jesus alone

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CELEBRANT: *Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit*

PEOPLE: **And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

CELEBRANT: *Let us pray.*

*Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of
our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may
perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord.*

PEOPLE: **Amen.**

Gloria

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.____
Lord God, hea-ven-ly King____ Al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther,____
we wor - ship you,____ we give you thanks____
we praise you for__ your glo - ry____ Glo - ry__ to God____
Lord, Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther____ Lord God,
Lamb of God,____ You take a - way the sin of the world____
have mer - cy__ on us;____ you are sea - ted at the right
hand of the Fa-ther, re - ceive our prayer__ re - ceive our prayer.____
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,____ you a - lone
are__ the Lord,____ you a - lone are the Most High,____
Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the Glo - ry of
God the Fa - ther____ in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther____
A - - - men.____ A - - - men____

The Collect of the Day

CELEBRANT: *The Lord be with you.*

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

CELEBRANT: *Let us pray.*

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

PEOPLE: **Amen.**

The Lessons

Please be seated.

READER: *A reading from the prophet Daniel.*

Daniel 2:1-30

In the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar, Nebuchadnezzar had dreams; his spirit was troubled, and his sleep left him. 2 Then the king commanded that the magicians, the enchanters, the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans be summoned to tell the king his dreams. So they came in and stood before the king. 3 And the king said to them, "I had a dream, and my spirit is troubled to know the dream." 4 Then the Chaldeans said to the king in Aramaic, "O king, live forever! Tell your servants the dream, and we will show the interpretation." 5 The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, "The word from me is firm: if you do not make known to me the dream and its interpretation, you shall be torn limb from limb, and your houses shall be laid in ruins. 6 But if you show the dream and its interpretation, you shall receive from me gifts and rewards and great honor. Therefore show me the dream and its interpretation." 7 They answered a second time and said, "Let the king tell his servants the dream, and we will show its interpretation." 8 The king answered and said, "I know with certainty that you are trying to gain time, because you see that the word from me is firm— 9 if you do not make the dream known to me, there is but one sentence for you. You have agreed to speak lying and corrupt words before me till the times change. Therefore tell me the dream, and I shall know that you can show me its interpretation." 10 The Chaldeans answered the king and said, "There is not a man on earth who can meet the king's demand, for no great and powerful king has asked such a thing of any magician or enchanter or Chaldean. 11 The thing that the king asks is difficult, and no one can show it to the king except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh."

¹² Because of this the king was angry and very furious, and commanded that all the wise men of Babylon be destroyed. ¹³ So the decree went out, and the wise men

were about to be killed; and they sought Daniel and his companions, to kill them.

¹⁴ Then Daniel replied with prudence and discretion to Arioch, the captain of the king's guard, who had gone out to kill the wise men of Babylon. ¹⁵ He declared to Arioch, the king's captain, "Why is the decree of the king so urgent?" Then Arioch made the matter known to Daniel. ¹⁶ And Daniel went in and requested the king to appoint him a time, that he might show the interpretation to the king.

¹⁷ Then Daniel went to his house and made the matter known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions, ¹⁸ and told them to seek mercy from the God of heaven concerning this mystery, so that Daniel and his companions might not be destroyed with the rest of the wise men of Babylon. ¹⁹ Then the mystery was revealed to Daniel in a vision of the night. Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven.

²⁰ Daniel answered and said:

"Blessed be the name of God forever and ever,

to whom belong wisdom and might.

²¹ He changes times and seasons;

he removes kings and sets up kings;

he gives wisdom to the wise

and knowledge to those who have understanding;

²² he reveals deep and hidden things;

he knows what is in the darkness,

and the light dwells with him.

²³ To you, O God of my fathers,

I give thanks and praise,

for you have given me wisdom and might,

and have now made known to me what we asked of you,

for you have made known to us the king's matter."

READER: *The word of the Lord.*

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand for the Gospel reading.



DEACON: *The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.*

PEOPLE: **Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

Matthew 18:21-35

Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?"²² Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times.

²³ "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants.²⁴ When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents.²⁵ And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made.²⁶ So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.'²⁷ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt.²⁸ But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.'²⁹ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.'³⁰ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt.³¹ When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place.³² Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me.³³ And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?'³⁴ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt.³⁵ So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

DEACON: *The Gospel of
the Lord*

PEOPLE: **Praise to You, Lord Christ.**



The Sermon

Daniel: Prayer, Politics & the Power of God
When You Don't Know What To Do

— *Fr. Aaron Damiani*

The Confession of Sin

DEACON: *Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Please sit or kneel. There will be a time of silence.*

ALL: **Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

CELEBRANT: *Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all
goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in
eternal life. Amen.*

The Peace

CELEBRANT: *The peace of the Lord be always with you.*

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

I Love You Lord

I love You Lord
And I lift my voice
To worship You
O my soul rejoice
Take joy my King
In what You hear
May it be a sweet sweet sound
In Your ear

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

The Great Thanksgiving

CELEBRANT: *The Lord be with you.*

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

CELEBRANT: *Lift up your hearts.*

PEOPLE: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

CELEBRANT: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

PEOPLE: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

CELEBRANT: *...and so we join the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory, as we sing:*

Sanctus



CELEBRANT: . . . *By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours Almighty Father, now and forever.*

ALL: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

CELEBRANT: *And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,*

ALL: **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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory
for ever and ever, Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

CELEBRANT: *Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.*

PEOPLE: **Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!**

CELEBRANT: *The gifts of God, for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.*

Trinity Song

Holy Father Son and Spirit
Holy Communion Three in One

**Come with Your peace with Your invitation
Bind us together in holy love**

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Communion

CELEBRANT: *The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven.*

PEOPLE: **Amen.**

CELEBRANT: *The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation.*

PEOPLE: **Amen.**

Sing to the King

Sing to the King Who is coming to reign
Glory to Jesus the Lamb that was slain
Life and salvation His empire shall bring
And joy to the nations when Jesus is King

Come let us sing a song
A song declaring that we belong to Jesus
He is all we need
Lift up a heart of praise
Sing now with voices raised to Jesus
Sing to the King

For His returning we watch and we pray
We will be ready the dawn of that day
We'll join in singing with all the redeemed
'Cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King

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The Prayer of Thanksgiving

CELEBRANT: *Let us pray. Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart, through Christ our Lord.*

ALL: **Amen.**

Blessing

CELEBRANT: *The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.*

ALL: **Amen.**

Dismissal

DEACON: *Go forth into the world in peace, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.*

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

New to Immanuel? We can't wait to meet you! If you're here in person with us, stop by our welcome table in the courtyard outside to pick up a welcome gift and meet some friendly faces. If you're joining us online, you can fill out a connection card at immanuelanglican.org/live and let us know how we can follow up with you.

Prayers for Spiritual Communion

OFFICIANT: *In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

ALL: **Amen.**

OFFICIANT: *God is our refuge and strength.*

ALL: **A very present help in trouble.**

OFFICIANT: *Our help is in the name of the Lord,*

ALL: **Who made heaven and earth.**

OFFICIANT: *Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst."*

ALL: **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 trespasses,**

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for
ever and ever, Amen.**

OFFICIANT: *Let us pray.*

ALL: **Heavenly Father, I now join my heart and mind
with all my brothers and sisters**

**in Holy Mother Church throughout the world
who gather at your holy table this day**

to remember your death

and proclaim your resurrection.

**Accept my soul and body as a living sacrifice,
holy and acceptable to you,**

**through the merits of your dear Son,
Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

**Hasten the day when I may once more
draw near with them to receive**

the most precious sacrament

of your body and blood. Amen.

OFFICIANT: *Soul of Christ,*

ALL: **sanctify me.**

OFFICIANT: *Body of Christ,*

ALL: **save me.**

OFFICIANT: *Blood of Christ,*

ALL: **refresh me.**

OFFICIANT: *Water from the side of Christ,*

ALL: **wash me.**

OFFICIANT: *Passion of Christ,*

ALL: **strengthen me.**

OFFICIANT: *Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!*

ALL: **Blessed is the one who takes refuge in him!**

OFFICIANT: *May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil, and bring us into everlasting life,*

ALL: **Amen.**

A note about the mural behind the cross and altar:

"This mural was created by the Visual Arts team at Immanuel for Easter of 2017 as a celebration and proclamation of our faith.

The left side of the mural features scenes from the Old Testament - creation, the flood, the patriarchs, the law, the prophets, and the kings of Israel. In the center of the mural, a cross - framed by the elements of baptism (fire and water) and surrounded by illustrations of eight 'I AM' statements that Jesus made during His ministry - bridges the heavenly and earthly realms. The right side of the mural features scenes from Jesus's birth, ministry, death and resurrection, as well as the coming of the Holy Spirit and the vision of the new earth.

The background of the mural shifts from darkness and formlessness to fruitfulness and light. The visual structure of the mural reminds us that we have inherited and take part in an ongoing narrative, centered on the person of Jesus. An immortal God condescends to meet us in time, in the life of Christ, in the large and small moments of our lives, and the lives of all those who came before us, to awaken a dead creation to abundant life."

- Sarah Cook, Artist