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Immanuel church on the hill  
(for International Anglican  
Congregation)

#### Weekly Programs

Bible Study:  
A chapter a day on WhatsApp  
group  
Google Hangout Bible Study:  
Wed. 7pm-8pm

Sweet Hour of Prayer:  
Every Friday 6pm-7pm.

#### Monthly Programs

Home Fellowships

## INTERNATIONAL ANGLICAN CONGREGATION

**FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

**APRIL 7, 2019**

### ORDER OF SERVICE

**Processional Hymn:** *Blessed Assurance...*

**Leader:** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**All:** *Blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

**Collect for Purity**

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**Collect for the day:** *Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

### The Old Testament: Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

### The Word of God.

*Thanks be to God.*

## **Psalm 126**

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, \*  
then were we like those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, \*  
and our tongue with shouts of joy.

Then they said among the nations, \*  
"The Lord has done great things for them."

The Lord has done great things for us, \*  
and we are glad indeed.

Restore our fortunes, O Lord, \*  
like the watercourses of the Negev.

Those who sowed with tears \*  
will reap with songs of joy.

Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, \*  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

### **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.**

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and forever it shall be.*

### **The Epistle: Philippians 3:4b-14**

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

### **The Word of God.**

*Thanks be to God*

**Hymn/Presentation**  
**Welcome and Announcements**

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**Praise and Worship/Hymn:** *Amazing grace...*

**The Holy Gospel: John 12:1-8**

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John*

*Response: Glory to you, Lord Christ*

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

*This is the gospel of Christ.*

*Response: Praise be to you O Christ*

**The Sermon:** Rev. Peter Gachira

**The Nicene Creed**

**The Prayers of the People:**

**Confession of Sin and Absolution**

**The Peace**

**Offertory Hymn:** *Great is thy faithfulness...*

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## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Communion Hymn:**

**Post Communion Prayer**

**The Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn:** *Nearer my God to thee...*

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## **Welcome and Announcements**

1. Greetings and warm welcome to you all and thank you for worshipping with us today. To our visitors we welcome you to our service and we appreciate your presence.
2. Please join our conversation through a chapter a day Bible Study on WhatsApp. Also join us every Wednesday at 7:00pm for a Google Hangout Bible discussions.
3. We welcome you for a sweet hour of prayers every Friday at 6pm. We encourage you all to set aside this time to pray for the Church and other needs wherever you are.
4. Please join us for a Lent Bible Study forum every Sunday from March 10-April 21 at 12:30pm, as we reflect and walk together with Jesus in his way of love.
5. We would like to thank you all for making this church your home and for being part of this family. You are a blessing to us and we appreciate your commitment to this ministry. Please invite your friends next Sunday.
6. Please join us for a cup of tea after the service. Many thanks to all those who provide some refreshments. Blessings to you for this noble ministry.

### **Blessed assurance; Jesus is mine!**

Blessed assurance; Jesus is mine!  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

*This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long;  
this is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long.*

Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
angels descending bring from above  
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest,  
I in my Savior am happy and blest;  
watching and waiting, looking above,  
filled with his goodness, lost in his love

### **Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound...**

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, that  
saved a wretch like me. I once was lost but now  
am found, was blind, but now, I see.

T'was Grace that taught, my heart to fear. And  
Grace, my fears relieved. How precious did that  
Grace appear...the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares, we  
have already come. T'was Grace that brought us  
safe thus far...and Grace will lead us home.

The Lord has promised good to me, his word my  
hope secures. He will my shield and portion  
be...as long as life endures.

When we've been here ten thousand years, bright  
shining as the sun. We've no less days to sing  
God's praise...then when we've first begun.

### **Great is Thy faithfulness...**

Great is Thy faithfulness, oh God my Father;  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou  
changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not; As  
Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy  
faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I  
see. All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above Join  
with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great  
faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth Thine  
own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for  
tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand  
beside!

### **Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!**

Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!  
E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me, still all  
my song shall be, nearer, my God, to thee;  
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

Though like the wanderer, the sun gone down,  
darkness be over me, my rest a stone; yet in my  
dreams I'd be nearer, my God, to thee; nearer,  
my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

There let the way appear, steps unto heaven; all  
that thou sendest me, in mercy given; angels to  
beckon me nearer, my God, to thee; nearer, my  
God, to thee, nearer to thee!

Then, with my waking thoughts bright with thy  
praise, out of my stony griefs Bethel I'll raise; so  
by my woes to be  
nearer, my God, to thee; nearer, my God, to  
thee, nearer to thee!

Or if, on joyful wing cleaving the sky, sun,  
moon, and stars forgot, upward I fly, still all my  
song shall be, nearer, my God, to thee; nearer,  
my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

# Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

Swing low, sweet char - i - ot, — Com-ing for to car-ry me home.

**Fine**

Swing low, sweet char - i - ot, — Com-ing for to car-ry me home.

1. I looked o - ver Jor - dan, and what did I see —
2. If you get — there be - fore — I do, —
3. The bright - est day that — ev - er I saw —
4. I'm some - times up and — some - times down, —

1. Com-ing for to car - ry me home. A band — of an - gels
2. Com-ing for to car - ry me home. Tell all — my friends I'm
3. Com-ing for to car - ry me home. When Je - sus wash'd my
4. Com-ing for to car - ry me home. But still — my soul feels

**D.C.**

1. com-ing af-ter me, — Com-ing for to car - ry me home. O,
2. com - ing too, — Com-ing for to car - ry me home. O,
3. sins a - way, — Com-ing for to car - ry me home. O,
4. heaven - ly bound, — Com-ing for to car - ry me home. O,

# What Can Wash Away My Stain?

NOTHING BUT THE BLOOD 7 8 7·8, with Refrain

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1. What can wash a - way my stain? Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;  
2. For my cleans-ing this I see— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;  
3. Noth-ing can for sin a - tone— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;  
4. This is all my hope and peace— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;  
5. Now by this I'll o - ver - come— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;

What can make me whole a - gain? Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.  
For my par-don this my plea— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.  
Naught of good that I have done— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.  
This is all my right-eous-ness— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.  
Now by this I'll reach my home— Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.

## REFRAIN

O pre - cious is the flow That makes me white as snow;

No oth - er fount I know, Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.

# Kum Ba Yah

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1 \*Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah! Kum ba  
 2 Some-one's cry - ing, Lord, kum ba yah! Some-one's  
 3 Some-one's sing - ing, Lord, kum ba yah! Some-one's  
 4 Some-one's pray - ing, Lord, kum ba yah! Some-one's

3 Em/D D A<sup>7</sup> D

yah, my Lord, kum ba yah! Kum ba  
 cry - ing, Lord, kum ba yah! Some - one's  
 sing - ing, Lord, kum ba yah! Some - one's  
 pray - ing, Lord, kum ba yah! Some - one's

5 G D G D A<sup>7</sup> D

yah, my Lord, kum ba yah! O Lord, kum ba yah!  
 cry - ing, Lord, kum ba yah! O Lord, kum ba yah!  
 sing - ing, Lord, kum ba yah! O Lord, kum ba yah!  
 pray - ing, Lord, kum ba yah! O Lord, kum ba yah!