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The United Methodist Women will lead our 10:45 am worship service next Sunday, September 17th. The focus of the service will be children, and special music will be provided by the youth of Immanuel. The guest speaker, Sandy Sinnett, from Spero Family Services at Mt. Vernon, Illinois, will speak at both services. All are invited to worship as the UMW continues their witness and ministry to the future of our church.

Kid's Night Out resumes this Friday night, September 15th, beginning with a meal at 5:30 pm. Following the meal, the children will engage in crafts, games and other activities. All children age 3 through those in 5th grade are welcome to attend this free event. The evening ends with the children watching a movie while munching on popcorn. Children should be picked up by 8:30 pm. Registration is requested but not required. Helpers are needed to help with the meal and other activities. Speak to Kiffon Lewis or Jill Winte. A sign-up sheet is available in the Hospitality Room.

Yoga will resume at Immanuel Sunday, September 17 at 4:00 pm. Come join us to recharge and energize for the week ahead. Accessible to beginners. Please bring a mat. \$5.00 donations accepted but not expected.

Flu Shots will be given during Free Lunch Friday on Friday, September 22. Paperwork will be available in the Hospitality Room the week before.

Memorial Prayer Garden Dedication: The Church of God in Christ Congregational would like to extend an invitation to you to join them for the dedication ceremony of the Community Memorial Prayer Garden this Saturday, September 16th at 1:00 pm. The Church of God in Christ Congregation is located at 6939 Marine Road in Edwardsville.

Chicken Dinner Fundraiser: On Sunday, October 8, from 11 am until 3 pm, Immanuel will sponsor a full chicken dinner at the Edwardsville Moose Lodge #1561, located at 7371 Marine Road in Edwardsville. Carry outs will be available, and desserts will be sold separately. Proceeds will benefit the IUMC Property maintenance projects. Tickets are available from Immanuel members or at the door that day. We are asking for dessert donations and for workers on that day. There is a sign-up sheet in the Hospitality Room.

55+ Fellowship meets on Sunday, September 24th beginning at 5:30 pm in the Journey's Inn Room. Sloppy Joe's will be provided—please bring a salad, vegetable or dessert to share. All are welcome!

Head Start Readers Needed: We are looking for volunteers to be put on a rotation to read to the children at Head Start for about 10 minutes. We read the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 2:15 pm. Please contact the church office if you have questions or would like to participate.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

Sunday, September 10

Faith in Action Sunday

- 8:45 am Contemporary Joint Worship held at Glik Park
- 9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Education/ Youth Devo
- 10:45 am Traditional Worship

Monday, September 11

- 10:00 am TOPS—Journey's Inn Room
- 6:15 pm Ageless Grace
- 7:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
- 7:15 pm AA
- 9:45 pm Panera Pick-Up—May

Tuesday, September 12

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 6:00 pm Small Group—JI Room

Wednesday, September 13

- 8:00 pm Worship in Sanctuary

Thursday, September 14

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- 12:00 pm United Methodist Women
- 7:00 pm AA

Friday, September 15

- 11:00 am Free Lunch Friday to 1:00 pm
- 5:30 pm Kid's Night Out to 8:30 pm
- 6:00 pm Hall in Use—Bridge Club

Saturday, September 16

- 11:00 am Youth Group to Restore Décor

Sunday, September 17

UMW Sunday

- 8:45 am Contemporary Joint Worship
- 9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Education/ Youth Devo/Coffee Fellowship
- 10:45 am Traditional Worship
- 4:00 pm Yoga in Fellowship Hall

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS for January—June 2017 can be picked in the Hospitality Room for your review.

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We seek to be God's people in attitude and action as we:

Experience and Share God's grace joyfully, Live and Teach God's

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*A Neighbor's
Independence
Depends On You*

**FAITH
IN ACTION**

**September 10, 2017
Faith in Action Sunday**

You are invited to join us in this mission ...

Reverend Jackie K. Havis-Shear
Cell Phone: (618) 531-9134

Pastor Kent Schuette
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Today's Worship Leaders:

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| Greeters: (10:45 am) | Mrs. Donna Condrey |
| | Mr. Tim Moline |
| Acolyte: (10:45 am) | Owen Potter |
| Liturgist: | Mrs. Sharon Koenig |
| Sunday School: | Mrs. Kiffon Lewis |
| | Mrs. Pam Clarkin |
| Instrument Director: | Mr. Maurice Mestemacher |
| Worship Leader: | Mr. Jordan Grammer |
| Organist: | Mr. Dave Schaake |
| Ministers: | All of Us |

Next Week's Worship Leaders:
UMW Sunday

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| Greeters: (8:45 am) | Joe Moore, Katie Akers |
| Greeters/Acolytes/Liturgist (10:45 am) | United Methodist Women |
| Sunday School: | Miss Katie Akers |
| | Ms. Missy Carter |

Word faithfully. Accept and Serve God's people lovingly.

We invite you to record your attendance on the pad found at the end of the pew.

A nursery is available in the basement level of the church.

Order of Worship Traditional 10:45 am

**WE GATHER TOGETHER...
...to Express Our Unity in Christ**

Gathering Music Saxophone Quintet
Ringing of the Bell
Prelude
Welcome/Announcements

***Call to Worship**

L: The time is near!

C: The night is past.

L: Leave the darkness behind.

C: Live in the light of God's love.

L: Set aside selfish ways.

C: Share Christ's love wherever you are.

L: The time is near!

C: Let us worship God.

(Mary J. Scifres and B. J. Beu, The Abingdon Worship Annual 2017)

*Hymn—*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* #139

*The Apostle's Creed (unison)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;**

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father

Almighty;

**from thence he shall come to judge the quick and
the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Gloria Patri #70
Children's Sermon/Noisy Offering

...to Share With Commitment and Love

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Silent Prayers
Pastoral Prayer
The Lord's Prayer #895
*Hymn—*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty* #64
*Passing the Peace
The Presentation of Our Tithes & Offerings Saxophone Quintet
*Doxology #95

...to Hear the Word of God

Old Testament Reading—Exodus 12:1-14 p. 56 OT
Epistle Reading—Romans 13:8-14 p. 152 NT

The People Respond

L: The Word of God for the People of God.

C: Thanks be to God.

Sermon—"Be With God"

...so We May Go Out and Serve

*Closing Hymn—*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* #402

*Benediction

L: Put your sandals on your feet and take your staff in your hand.

C: Walk away from darkness and enter the joy and love of God's love.

L: Follow God's call, for Christ is with us.

C: Go in peace and joy.

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*The Postlude

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*All who are able, please stand

MANY THANKS ... to the Saxophone Quintet for the special music this morning ... to Kiffon and Noah Lewis for changing our outdoor sign ... to Marc Franke for maintaining the grass around the sanctuary and parsonage ... to Mark & Phyllis Fisher for mowing the Prayer Garden lot ... to Teresa & Christal Akers-Helle for making up the Pringles cans ...

Prayer Ministry (+ Indicates weeks—call office to continue another 4 weeks)

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++ Bruce Tuley, brother of Barb Taliana, health issues
Those whose lives have been impacted by Hurricane Harvey

+++ The Helle Family at the loss of their son and brother, Mark
Tiana Washington, classmate of Sydney Grammer, bone cancer
Carolyn Land, at Meridian Village for physical therapy

++++ Nancy Darnell and family in loss of her brother and mother-in-law
Tommy George, relative of Anita Seehausen, making difficult choices
concerning cancer treatment

Celebrating Birthdays this Week: 9/10—Joann Schaake; 9/12—Dane Connoyer;
9/13—Stephen Porter; 9/14—Jane Hyten, Alexis Tharp; 9/16—Lauren Mudge

Celebrating Their Anniversary: 9/11—Dan & Rebekah Carter

Faith in Action

Today is Faith in Action Sunday. Faith in Action is a community service for adults age 60 and over. This organization provides rides to places such as doctor appointments, grocery shopping trips, and pharmacy errands. Faith in Action also assists with light housekeeping and occasional yard work. Churches within our community are celebrating together today in learning more about the services provided by Faith in Action. As with other services, Faith in Action needs volunteers to assist in meeting some of these needs within our community. If you are in need of calling on Faith in Action, or if you are interested in being a volunteer, please call Marcia Golden at 618-692-0481, or visit the website, www.fiaegc.org.

Alzheimer's Walk

The 2017 Walk to End Alzheimer's will be held on Saturday, September 23rd on the campus of SIUE (1 Hairpin Drive). Registration begins at 8 am, a ceremony will be held at 9 am, and the walk begins at 9:30 am. You can visit the Alzheimer's website (www.alz.org) to register, to volunteer or to make a donation. The goal is to raise \$155,000.00 and 50% of that goal has been achieved! Consider putting a team together or joining a team that has already registered. Take the first step to a world without Alzheimer's.

Pringles for Property

Today the Finance Committee will invite families to choose a Pringles chip can. Each can will have a suggested amount assigned. For instance, there will be \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100 and \$200 cans. The idea will be to put that suggested amount in your can each week. The Sunday before Thanksgiving we are invited to return our cans to church. All the monies will go into the property account to use for needs related to building maintenance. May each of you be blessed as you choose to give generously with a cheerful heart.

Small Group Begins on Tuesday

Christal Akers-Helle will lead a small group that will look at the book *Love Wins—A Book about Heaven, Hell, and the Fate of Every Person Who Ever Lived* beginning this Tuesday, September 12 at 6:00 pm in the Journey's Inn Room. Spaces are limited—sign up today!