

UMW Sunday—The United Methodist Women are embracing Bishop Frank Beard's initiative in support of the five child welfare agencies in the Illinois Great Rivers Conference of the United Methodist Church. This morning's worship service features guest speaker, Angela French, from one of these facilities, Spero Family Services of Mt. Vernon, Illinois. Bishop Beard's goal is to raise \$2.5 million by 2020 to permanently endow the spiritual development programs of the five agencies. The endowment will allow the staff at these facilities to continue to do what they do so well: dispense love to the MOST VALUABLE COMMODITY IN THE WORLD—our kids. Bishop Beard intends that the initiative, identified as "Our Conference Our Kids" will provide support until (in his words) Christ returns. You may make your donation by using one of the envelopes found in the pews. Make your checks payable to "Immanuel United Methodist Church."

Schedule for Next Sunday—We are having both 8:45 am as well as 10:45 am worship services at Immanuel next Sunday. Praise Community Fellowship and those who are interested may join them in worship at Glik Park at 8:45 am.

Pringles for Property—Last Sunday the Finance Committee invited families to choose a Pringles Chip can. Each can has a suggested amount assigned. For instance, there are \$20, \$50, \$100 and \$200 cans. The idea is 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. We still have some cans available and want to invite you to feel free to pick one up this morning. 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 19 at 6:00 pm in the Journey's Inn Room. Spaces are limited—sign up today 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.

55+ Fellowship meets next 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.

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 are sign-up sheets in the Hospitality Room.

Alzheimer's Walk—The 2017 Walk to End Alzheimer's will be held next Saturday, September 23rd on the campus of SIUE (1 Hairpin Drive). You can visit the Alzheimer's website (www.alz.org) to register, to volunteer or to make a donation. Consider putting a team together or joining a team that has already registered. Take the first step to a world without Alzheimer's.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

Sunday, September 17

United Methodist Women's 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

Monday, September 18

10:00 am TOPS—JI Room
 6:00 pm Finance Committee
 6:15 pm Ageless Grace
 7:15 pm AA
 9:45 pm Panera Pick-Up—Schaake

Tuesday, September 19

11:45 am Kiwanis
 6:00 pm Small Group—JI Room

Wednesday, September 20

8:00 pm Worship in Sanctuary

Thursday, September 21

6:30 pm Church Council
 7:00 pm AA
 8:00 pm PCF Rehearsal

Friday, September 22

9:00 am Newsletter Team
 11:00 am Free Lunch Friday to 1:00 pm
 FLU SHOTS GIVEN
 6:00 pm Hall in Use—Bridge Club

Sunday, September 24

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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
 5:30 pm 55+ Fellowship—JI Room

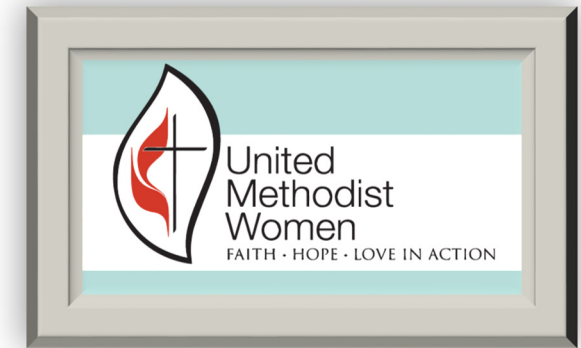
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We seek to be God's people in attitude and action as we:

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

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**September 17, 2017
 United Methodist Women's Sunday**

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

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Guest Speaker:
 Angela French, Spero Family Services

Today's Worship Leaders:

Greeters: (8:45 am)	Miss Katie Akers Mr. Joe Moore
Greeters: (10:45 am)	United Methodist Women
Acolyte: (10:45 am)	United Methodist Women
Liturgist:	United Methodist Women
Sunday School:	Miss Katie Akers Ms. Missy Carter
Instrument Director:	Mr. Maurice Mestemacher
Worship Leader:	Mr. Jordan Grammer
Pianist:	Mrs. Sheila Acuncius
Ministers:	All of Us

Next Week's Worship Leaders:

Greeters: (8:45 am)	Gary & Sharon Koenig
Greeters: (10:45 am)	Norman & Judy Schoettle
Acolytes: (10:45 am)	Ayden Hendriex, Noah Penelton
Liturgist (10:45 am)	Mrs. Betty Gengler
Sunday School:	Mrs. Kiffon Lewis Ms. Pat Schott

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 Contemporary 8:45 am

Getting Ready for Worship...

Countdown for Kids

Opening Music

Welcome

Celebration of Worship...

Worship & Praise

Celebration of the Spoken Word...

Prayer

Children's Sermon/Noisy Offering

Community Sharing

Healing Prayer

Message—Angela French, Representative of Spero Family Services

Celebration of Going Forth...

Special Music

Benediction

Closing Song CCLI #2836520

MANY THANKS ... to the **United Methodist Women** for leading our worship services this morning ... to Guest Speaker **Angela French** ... to the **Children of Immanuel** for their special music at the Traditional Service ... to **Gary** and **Sharon Koenig** for mounting the AED box in the narthex ... to **Sheila Page** for running the screens at both services this morning

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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**

Ringing of the Bell
Prelude
Welcome/Announcements

United Methodist Women Purpose:
The organized unit of the United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

*Call to Worship
L: Oh God, our help in ages past and hope for years to come,
C: We come to you because you are our living hope.
L: We come in faith because you have been faithful to us.
C: We come with our hearts full of love because you love us to the end.
L: We come in hope because you have fulfilled your promises.
C: May we pass on our faith and your faithfulness to your people.
L: May we share your tangible love with our sisters and brothers.
C: May we be vessels of hope to the world in which you have placed us.
All: We commit ourselves to you afresh. May your unfailing love rest upon us, O Lord as we put our hope in you.

*Hymn—*I Love to Tell the Story* #156

*Opening Prayer
Eternal God, we have gathered here in your sanctuary this morning as members of your family to worship you as our living God. Community-making God, you have called us to be in community with one another. Enable us to center ourselves for renewal in your presence, commitment to your mission and ministry to the least of these, here and around the world. Equip us with your Holy Spirit to witness to your love and power, healing and reconciliation, nurturance and new life. Inspire us once again to be the tellers of the old, old story in ever-new contexts that Jesus has come so that all may have life, in fact, more than life, Life in its Fullness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #70
Special Music—Children of Immanuel UMC

...to Share With Commitment and Love

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Silent Prayers
The Lord's Prayer #895
*Hymn—*Hymn of Promise* #707
*Passing the Peace
The Presentation of Our Tithes & Offerings
*Doxology #95

...to Hear the Word of God

Old Testament Reading—Micah 6:6-8 p. 816 OT
Gospel Reading—Matthew 25:34-36, 40 p. 27 NT

The People Respond
L: The Word of God for the People of God.
C: Thanks be to God.

Introduction of Speaker Angela French, Representative of Spero Family Services

...so We May Go Out and Serve

*Closing Hymn—*Pass It On* #572
*Benediction
The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

*The Postlude
+ + + + +
*All who are able, please stand

Celebrating Birthdays this Week: 9/18—Owen Hicks, Darla Knopf; 9/19—Joanie Green, Nick Schwalb, Todd Spitze; 9/20—Shirley Firsching; 9/21—Patrick McKeever, William Tebbe; 9/23—Charles Hall
Celebrating Their Anniversary: 9/23—Kyle & Lara DeGroot

Prayer Ministry (+ Indicates weeks—call office to continue another 4 weeks)
+ Donna Hardbeck, very ill with bronchial issues
Those whose lives have been impacted by Hurricane Irma
Cathy Watson, health issues
Emily Bowers, daughter of Will and Donna Bowers, cancer
Torrin Shaw, great grandson of Floyd & Deloris Fisher, grandson of Janet & Brad Browning, health issues
Cathy Favre Pulling, cousin of Pam Clarkin and Penny May, pancreatic cancer
+++ 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