

ASH WEDNESDAY is a somber but profound time of worship whereby we enter into the Lenten season trusting in the God who created us from dust and claims us as precious sons and daughters. Our Ash Wednesday worship service will be held at 6:30 pm this Wednesday, February 14, and will include Holy Communion as well as the imposition of ashes. Lent calls us to examine our beliefs, confess and dispose of old grudges and selfish habits, dust off our Bibles for a new routine of study and prayer, air out our hearts and brighten up our attitudes. Lent reminds us to show mercy to other people, just as God has shown mercy to us.

SUDSY SUNDAYS during February! Please pick up some dishwashing soap, hand soap or detergent to donate to our Glen-Ed Food Pantry. These are items that they cannot keep in stock because the demand is so great. Thank you for any and all donations, as they are all appreciated. 37 pounds of donations were taken to the Pantry this week, as well as an additional 10 pounds donated by the Yoga with Lisa group that meets on Wednesday evenings.

THE WAY TO MOVE FORWARD—Bishop Beard invites you to join him for a conversation about issues of human sexuality on Sunday, February 18th beginning at 2:30 pm at First United Methodist Church in Collinsville. Please register online via the IGRC website. For more information about this conversation, refer to our February issue of 'The Vision' which can be found on our website, or picked up this morning from the narthex or Hospitality Room.

OUR 55+ FELLOWSHIP GROUP will be meeting on Sunday, February 25 beginning at 12:15 pm (note NEW TIME!) Our meal will be warm soups and sandwiches, desserts and whatever anyone brings. Everyone from Immanuel and PCF are welcome to join us for fellowship and sharing. Contact Sharon Koenig if you have any questions.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES will make a presentation about our upcoming tuckpointing project on Sunday, February 25 at both services. Guest Brandon Lange from Western Specialty Contractors will be available during both services and during the Hospitality time to answer any questions you might have about this project.

2017 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS may be picked up from the table in the Hospitality Room.

BOXED CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES can be picked up in the narthex. If you would like to receive a box of contribution envelopes and one has not been prepared for you, please speak to Pastor Jackie or Anita in the church office. If you do not use boxed envelopes to donate, please find the number that has been assigned to you on sheets laying by the boxed envelopes to use on your checks or pew envelopes. Online giving is available, as well as the Give+ app, which are both explained in our monthly newsletter, or call the church office for more information.

THE TRUSTEES are in the process of coordinating all locks in the church building to be set to the same key. If you are in need of a key, please contact Sharon Koenig, 618-633-2659.

AFRICAN VISION OF HOPE is collecting feminine hygiene items to send to the young women of Africa. Please place your items in the basket in the narthex labeled "African Vision of Hope." Thank you for your loving contribution toward this effort.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

Sunday, February 11

With Holy Communion
 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
 5:00 pm Youth Group Meeting

Monday, February 12

7:15 pm AA
 9:45 pm Panera Pick-Up—May

Tuesday, February 13

10:00 am Staff Meeting
 6:30 pm Small Group

Wednesday, February 14

Ash Wednesday
 2:15 pm Head Start Reading—
 Pastor Jackie
 6:30 pm Worship
 7:30 pm Yoga with Lisa

Thursday, February 15

March Newsletter Items Due
 7:00 pm AA
 8:00 pm PCF Rehearsal

Friday, February 16

11:00 am Free Lunch Friday until 1:00 pm
 6:30 pm Hall in Use—Bridge Club

Sunday, February 18

1st Sunday of Lent
 8:45 am Contemporary Joint Worship
 9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Education/
 Youth Devo/Coffee Fellowship
 10:45 am Traditional Worship
 1:30 pm Fellowship Hall in Use until 3:30P
 2:30 pm The Way to Move Forward with
 Bishop Beard at First UMC in
 Collinsville
 4:00 pm Yoga

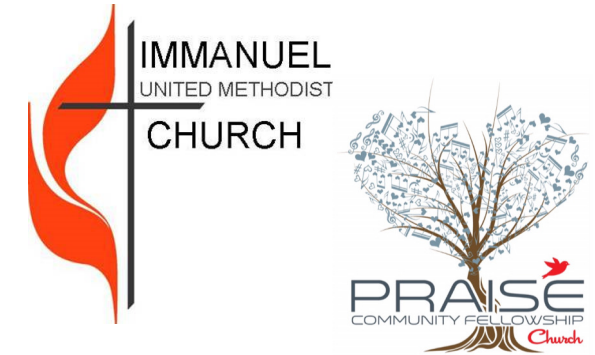
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We seek to be God's people in attitude and action as we:

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

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February 11, 2018

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

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Today's Worship Leaders:

Greeter: (8:45 am)	Mrs. Jill Winte
Sunday School: (9:45 am)	Mrs. Grace Havis
	Mrs. Pam Clarkin
	Mrs. Linda Potter
	Ms. LaVonne Timmins
	Owen Potter
	Mr. Jordan Grammer
	Ms. Emily Spitze
	Mr. Maurice Mestemacher
	Mr. Jordan Grammer
	Mrs. Sheila Acuncius
	All of Us

Next Week's Worship Leaders:

Greeters: (8:45 am)	Gary & Sharon Koenig
Sunday School: (9:45 am)	Miss Katie Akers
	Ms. Missy Carter
	Matt & Kiffon Lewis
	Mr. Jordan Grammer

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
- Opening Music
- Welcome & Announcements

Celebration of Worship...

- Worship & Praise

Celebration of the Spoken Word...

- Prayer
- Children’s Sermon/Noisy Offering
- Community Sharing
- Healing Prayer
- Scripture —Matthew 9:14-17

Sermon Series: Growth and Renewal
Today’s Sermon: “Truth in Tradition—Trust in Transformation”

Video

Celebration of Gifts...

- Prayer of Great Thanksgiving
- Holy Communion

Celebration of Going Forth...

- Benediction
- Closing Song CCLI # 2836520

DID YOU KNOW? ...
 ...Congratulations to Noah Lewis for passing the baked egg challenge
 ...Pay attention to the newly pruned parsonage bushes. They will be highlighted in next week’s sermon
 ...Thanks to Jordan Grammer and Legion Post #199 Commander, Marion Strohman, for providing a beautiful and inspiring worship service last Sunday

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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**

- Gathering Music Woodwind Quintet
- Ringing of the Bell
- Gathering Words
- With the help of the Spirit, look within. See what burdens may be lifted, what obstacles may be removed, what new life and promise await us.

***Call to Worship**

L: Even now, says the Lord: Return to me with all your heart.
Blow the trumpet in Zion; sanctify a fast.

C: With all our hearts, we return to the Lord, for God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love!

(Mary J. Scifres and B. J. Beu, The Abingdon Worship Annual 2018)

*Hymn— *This Is a Day of New Beginnings* #383

***Opening Prayer (unison)**

Come, Holy Spirit, let us find our rest in you. As we will begin this season of Lent, we step out of the fast-moving current of daily life. During this holy season, may we choose stillness over action; may we strive to listen rather than to speak. Help us slow our pace and quiet our minds, that our spirits may draw closer to you. Bless our worship with your presence, and fill our minds with new wisdom, that we may rise with you at Easter and lift up others in your name. 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

*Hymn— *Spirit of the Living God* #393

...to Hear the Word of God

Scripture Reading—Matthew 9:14-17 p. 8 NT

The People Respond

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

C: Thanks be to God.

Special Music Woodwind Quintet

Sermon Series: Growth and Renewal
Today’s Sermon: “Truth in Tradition—Trust in Transformation”

*Hymn of Preparation—*Freely, Freely* #389

...to Respond With Commitment and Love

- The Invitation Insert
- *Passing the Peace
- The Presentation of Our Tithes & Offerings
- The Great Thanksgiving Insert
- Holy Communion

Provided at the Communion Table you will find bread, common cup, individual cups, and gluten free, egg free bread

...so We May Go Out and Serve

Announcements

*Benediction

L: Return to God with all your hearts.

C: Turn to your neighbors with the compassion of Christ.

L: May the God who makes all things new, restore with you a spirit of joy and hope as you go forth this day. Amen.

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*The Postlude Woodwind Quintet

*All who are able, please stand

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Celebrating Birthdays this Week: 2/15—Trace Spitze; 2/17—Sophie Connoyer
Celebrating Anniversaries: 2/14—Armand & Patricia Boudreau, Kurt & Dawn Emshousen

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

- + Antonize Anderson, health issues
Congratulations to newly married couple Antonize and Ashlei (Wolff) Anderson
Tiana Washington, classmate of Sydney Grammer, bone cancer
Vicki Aufdemberge, cousin of Anita Seehausen, cancer
Bill Kreutzberg, healing from carpal tunnel surgery and another surgery February 15
- ++ Trevor Rallo, 19 years old with tumor on brain stem
Al Werner, friend of Joanie Green, recovering from carpal tunnel surgery
Barbara Weiss, strength and healing
Family of Amanda Bates, 26-year old in her passing
- +++ Pastor Jackie, recovering from surgery
June Helle, strength and healing
Renee Doss, broken foot
Barb Highlander, neighbor of Charles and Judy Hall
Brad Browning and family on the passing of his grandfather
Van Johnson, uncle of Floyd Fisher, continued surgeries
- ++++ Carolyn Land, hospitalized in Florida
Sara Middelkamp, daughter of Joanie Green, healing from staph infection
Emily Chionchio’s 2-month old son Maverick, who is still in ICU facing more surgeries
Prayers of peace and comfort for in-laws of Grace Havis, whose husband’s grandma is in hospice