

Small Group Begins this Week—Get ready to change your life and the lives of others by learning how Jesus truly sees all people. Through John Burke's powerful lessons gleaned from his study of every encounter Jesus had, combined with real-life stories of ordinary people having Christ-like impact, our hope is this small group experience will inspire you to truly love the messy people around you—and the one staring back in the mirror—with the unconditional, unshockable love of Jesus. The group will meet for 6 weeks on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm, starting on April 4. A sign-up sheet is located in the Hospitality Room.

Kid's Night Out will meet on Friday, April 13th from 5:30—8:30 pm. All children ages 3 through those in 5th grade are welcome to join us for supper, games, crafts, various other activities and a movie with snacks. Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet in the Hospitality Room or call the church office by Wednesday, April 11. Please note that a reservation is now required due to the tremendous growth of this program so that we can assure adequate staffing for the children.

55+ Fellowship will be meeting on Sunday, April 15 at 12:15 pm for a lunch and a presentation from Matthew Flinner. Matt works for the Better business bureau in St. Louis. He has a lot of information to give us on scams in our area and nation-wide. If you know of anyone that has been scammed by phone, email or personal business, you will be interested in his presentation. Matt will join us for lunch, so bring a small entrée and a side dish (vegetable, salad or dessert). After lunch he will give his presentation. We also want to support our SAK program that will be starting up in May when school ends. Some items to consider donating are granola bars, pop tarts, individual puddings, applesauce, fruit cups, individual cereals, crackers, water and lots more. All are welcome to attend and share lunch and some fellowship. Any questions, please see Sharon Koenig.

Mmmm Goodies for Moms and Missions—Just in time for Mother's Day, Immanuel's United Methodist Women will be taking orders for scrumptious home-made delights. Treat someone you love to a batch of brownies, a dozen cookies, a strawberry or pecan pie, a jar of jelly or another of several Mmmmm goodies made by these talented ladies. Prepaid orders will be taken April 22, 29 and May 6 after both worship services. Orders will be available for pick-up at the church on Mother's Day, May 13. Quantities of some baked goods will be very limited, so get your orders in early for best selection. Proceeds of the treats sale will support local, regional, national and international missions to women and children.

Our Food Pantry Emphasis for the Month of April continues to be men's toiletries: razors, shaving cream, deodorants, toothpaste and toothbrush, etc. Thank you for your donations of 28 pounds last week of detergents, deodorants and shaving creams. All donations of any type are greatly appreciated at the Glen-Ed Food Pantry. Place your donations in the blue box located in the narthex.

Graduating? If you or someone in your family will be graduating from high school or college this Spring, please let us know! Pick up a sheet from the table in the Hospitality Room and return it to the church office.

Night of Praise—Mr. Butch Mestemacher will be directing a Night of Praise at St. Luke's United Methodist Church on Friday, April 22 beginning at 6:00 pm. Featured will be brass, strings and several choirs. All proceeds will benefit St. Luke's handbell choir.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

Sunday, April 1

Easter Sunday

- 6:30 am Sunrise Service
- 8:45 am Contemporary Joint Worship
- 10:45 am Resurrection Celebration

Monday, April 2

- 6:15 pm Ageless Grace
- 6:30 pm PCF Board Meeting
- 7:15 pm AA
- 9:45 pm Panera Pick-Up—May

Tuesday, April 3

- 11:45 am Kiwanis
- 6:00 pm Board of Trustees

Wednesday, April 4

- 6:30 pm Small Group—Study of *Mud & the Masterpiece*
- 8:00 pm Contemplative Worship

Thursday, April 5

- 7:00 pm S. A. K. Meeting
- 7:00 pm AA
- 8:00 pm PCF Rehearsal in Sanctuary

Friday, April 6

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

Sunday, April 8

- 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

2018 Monthly Income & Expense	
(Current Expense-Operating)	
Budgeted Expense, March	\$17,653.00
Received	\$14,569.00
Budgeted Expense, April	\$20,691.00
(Benevolence-Missions/Disaster Relief)	
Owed by 3/31/2018	\$ 2,631.00
Received	\$ 2,258.97
Owed by 4/30/2018	\$ 3,508.00

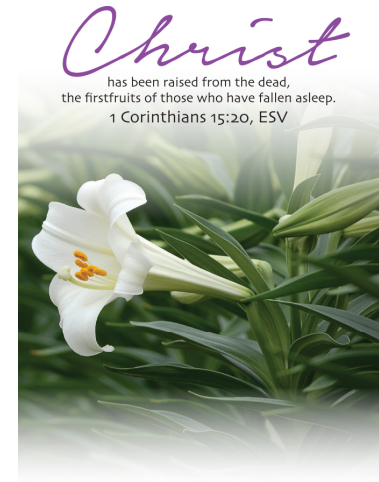
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We seek to be God's people in attitude and action as we:

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

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April 1, 2018

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

Reverend Jackie K. Havis-Shear
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Today's Worship Leaders:

Greeters: (8:45 am)
Greeters: (10:45 am)

Acolytes:

Liturgist:
Communion Assistant: (10:45 am)
Instrument Director:
Worship Leader:
Pianist:
Ministers:

Gary & Sharon Koenig
Mr. Dan Hodge
Miss Emily Spitze
Miss Zinnia Allen
Miss Shelly Brase
Mr. Jordan Grammer
Mr. Jordan Grammer
Mr. Maurice Mestemacher
Mr. Jordan Grammer
Mrs. Sheila Acuncius
All of Us

Next Week's Worship Leaders:

Greeter: (8:45 am)
Sunday School: (9:45 am)

Acolyte: (10:45 am)
Greeters: (10:45 am)

Liturgist:

Mrs. Sheila Page
Mrs. Grace Havis
Mrs. Pam Clarkin
Owen Potter
Ms. Paige Brase
Mrs. Linda Potter
Mrs. Lisa Allen

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**

Led today by Praise Community Fellowship

Getting Ready for Worship...

Welcome

Opening Music

Celebration of Worship...

Worship & Praise

Celebration of the Spoken Word...

Praise Songs

Sermon—Pastor Kent Schuette

Celebration of Gifts...

Holy Communion

You are invited to bring your offering at this time

Celebration of Going Forth...

Closing Song

Benediction

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DID YOU KNOW?...

...The Edwardsville NAACP prepared the food for Free Lunch Friday this week.
...Don & Evelyn Schaaake and Gary & Sharon Koenig represented Immanuel UMC at a prayer breakfast at Mt. Joy this week.
...Our Easter egg helpers filled 860 eggs, plus received donations of 28 pre-filled eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt last Sunday, for a total of 888 eggs hidden!
...Sydney Grammer had her wisdom teeth pulled and she is doing well.

Celebrating Birthdays this Week: 4/01—Angela Dyer, Susan Miller; 4/02—June Helle, Barbara Weiss; 4/03—Joyce Koenig; 4/04—Cindy Goff; 4/05—Trisha Boudreau; 4/06—Brittney Gilleland, Randy McKeever, Marilyn Vignola, Danielle Woods

Celebrating Their Anniversary: 4/06—Brad and Janet Browning

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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 String Ensemble
Ringing of the Bell
Prelude

***Call to Worship**

L: Christ has risen.

C: Christ has risen indeed.

L: God is alive . . .

C: New birth is given.

L: Hope is alive . . .

C: A new age is dawning.

L: Joy is alive . . .

C: Redemption is here.

L: Love is alive . . .

C: Death cannot harm us.

L: We are alive . . .

C: New life is within us.

L: The church is alive . . .

C: God's Spirit is within us.

ALL: God of life, we worship you. God of creation, we praise you. God of revelation, we learn from you. God of resurrection, we are here to celebrate you.

(Ruth C. Duck, [Flames of the Spirit](#))

*Hymn—*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

#327

***Opening Prayer (unison)**

Dear God, this past week has been one of mixed emotions; of faith struggling to understand. We have greeted you with palm branches; we have sat at table with you to share a farewell meal. We have witnessed your death on a simple wooden cross. Yet on the third day, you come to us again in victory. By this, we know that death is not the final word. As the sun boldly rises to meet a new day, rise in our lives this Easter morning, for you are our hope, our life, and our joy. Amen.

(Ruth C. Duck, [Flames of the Spirit](#))

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—*Up From the Grave He Arose*

#322

...to Hear the Word of God

Scripture Readings

Mark 16:1-18

p. 51 NT

Romans 6:3-11

p. 146 NT

The People Respond

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

C: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: We Shall Be Like Him...

Because We Are All God's Children

*Hymn of Preparation—*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* vs. 1-4 #302

...to Respond With Commitment and Love

The Invitation

Insert

*Passing the Peace

The Presentation of Our Tithes & Offerings

String Ensemble

The Great Thanksgiving

Insert

Holy Communion

String Ensemble

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: Because the tomb is empty your life can be full, so go into every place and every day as people brimming with the love of God.

C: Be graceful in spirit, hopeful in word, faithful in deed.

L: Live for the risen Christ as Christ lives in you.

ALL: Alleluia and Amen! (Ruth C. Duck, Maren C. Tirabassi, [Touch Holiness](#))

*The Postlude

*All who are able, please stand

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Christ is risen! Alleluia! We're overjoyed to celebrate with you that Christ's resurrection means the gift of new life for all! Welcome!

SAK Meeting—An organizational meeting for this summer's SAK (Serving Area Kids) program will be held this Thursday, April 5, at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. This group of awesome volunteers serve a sack lunch to school-aged children in our community each week day of summer vacation. They are distributed at various locations in Edwardsville. If you would like to participate this summer, please be sure to attend this important meeting, or speak to Pastor Jackie or Sherry Buhrmester if you cannot attend.

Tuck In Cash for Tuckpointing—You might have noticed our Tuck Pointing Thermometer is at approximately \$15,000! Please remember to *Tuck In Cash for Tuck Pointing*. Our goal is \$24,000. We are working hard to reach our goal within the next month. Thank you for your generosity in keeping our building and facilities beautiful and inviting.