

55+ Fellowship will be meeting today at 12:15 pm for a pot-luck luncheon 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. We also want to support our SAK program that will be starting up on May 24th. 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.

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. 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.

Night of Praise—Mr. Butch Mestemacher will be directing a Night of Praise at St. Luke’s United Methodist Church on Sunday, April 22 beginning at 7:00 pm. Featured will be brass, strings, hand bells and several choirs. Proceeds will benefit St. Luke’s handbell choir.

Tuck In Cash for Tuckpointing—You might have noticed our Tuck Pointing Thermometer is at approximately \$16,800! 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.

The District UMW Spring Meeting will be held on April 28th at Union UMC in Belleville, from 9 am until 3 pm. Cost of lunch is \$6.00. Reservations due by April 23 to Pam or Penny.

News Articles & Calendar Items Due in church Office—If you have news for the May newsletter, or a meeting date for the calendar, please be sure to turn them into the church office by this Thursday, April 12th. The May edition of ‘The Vision’ will be sent out on April 26th.

Community Service Day is fast approaching! On Saturday, April 28th, you are invited to participate in a day of service. We will gather at a pavilion at the Township Airplane Park at 7:30 am, where donuts and coffee will be provided. You will receive your assignment and be given a T-Shirt to wear while working. Return to the park between 4:30-5:30 pm. Wang Gang will provide food at this time, and you will be invited to share stories reflecting the work and relationships of the day. A sign-up sheet can be found on the table in the Hospitality Room.

The Alton Symphony Orchestra will present their second annual *Amen!* concert today at 3:00 pm at Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road in Godfrey. The concert experience is designed to combine the orchestra with the voices of the audience as hymns are sung that have survived numerous generations and have brought peace and hope to so many. Sheila Acuncius is a part of this orchestra and hopes to see you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

Sunday, April 15
Native American Ministries Sunday
 8:45 am Contemporary Joint Worship
 9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Education/
 Youth Devo/Coffee Fellowship
 10:45 am Traditional Worship
 12:15 pm 55+ Fellowship
 2:00 pm Hall in Use until 3:30 pm
 4:00 pm Yoga

Monday, April 16
 6:15 pm Ageless Grace
 7:15 pm AA
 9:45 pm Panera Pick-Up—Schaake

Tuesday, April 17
 10:00 am Staff Meeting
 11:45 am Kiwanis

Wednesday, April 18
 9:00 am JI Room in Use until 5:30 pm
 6:30 pm Small Group
 8:00 pm Contemplative Worship in
 Sanctuary

Thursday, April 12
 5:15 pm Hall in Use
 7:00 pm AA
 8:00 pm PCF Rehearsal

Articles Due for May Newsletter

Friday, April 20
 11:00 am Free Lunch Friday to 1:00 pm
 6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal
 6:30 pm Hall in Use—Bridges Club

Saturday, April 21
 2:00 pm Wedding of Dan Hodge & Tara Viviano

Sunday, April 22
 8:45 am Joint Contemporary Worship
 9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Education/
 Youth Devo/Coffee Fellowship
 10:45 am Traditional Worship
 No Yoga Today
 7:00 pm Night of Music—St. Luke’s UMC
 Maryville, Illinois

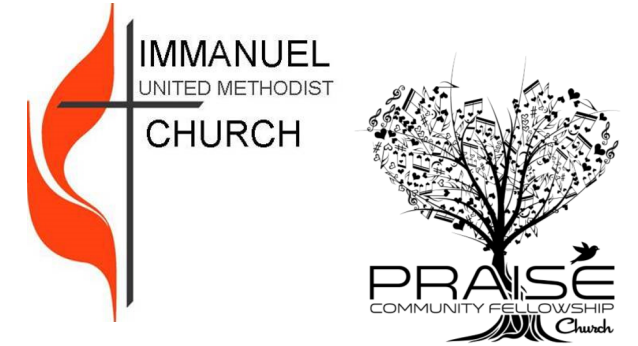
| 2018 Monthly Income & Expense | |
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| (Current Expense-Operating) | |
| Budgeted Expense, April | \$20,691.00 |
| Received to Date | \$ 9,605.64 |
| (Benevolence-Missions/Disaster Relief) | |
| Owed by 4/30/2018 | \$ 3,508.00 |
| Received to Date | \$ 2,498.97 |

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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 15, 2018

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

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

Greeter: (8:45 am)
 Sunday School:

Greeters: (10:45 am)
 Acolyte: (10:45 am)
 Liturgist: (10:45 am)
 Instrument Director:
 Worship Leader:
 Pianist:
 Ministers:

Miss Emily Spitze
 Miss Katie Akers
 Ms. Missy Carter
 Matt & Kiffon Lewis
 Noah Lewis
 Mrs. Pam Clarkin
 Mr. Maurice Mestemacher
 Mr. Jordan Grammer
 Mrs. Rhonda Grammer
 All of Us

Next Week's Worship Leaders:

Greeter: (8:45 am)
 Sunday School:

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

Mrs. Jill Winte
 Mrs. Linda Potter
 Ms. Pat Schott
 Norman & Judy Schoettle
 Ayden Hendriex, Noah Penelton
 Mrs. Barbara Taliana

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

Celebration of Worship...

- Worship & Praise

Celebration of the Spoken Word...

- Prayer
- Children's Sermon/Noisy Offering
- Community Sharing
- Healing Prayer
- Scripture Reading—John 20:19-31
- Sermon Series—Text with a Twist
- Today's Sermon—"Touching is Teaching"

Celebration of Going Forth...

- Special Music
- Benediction
- Closing Song CCLI #2836520

DID YOU KNOW?...

- ...Tuckpointing has been completed; however some rotten wood has been discovered that will need to be addressed
- ...Restore Décor continues to need furniture movers on Monday and Thursday evenings
- ...Noah Lewis played the trumpet in a band concert this past week—Awesome Job!!

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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
- *Call to Worship
 - L: God of change and glory, God of time and space,
 - C: When we fear the future, give to us your grace.**
 - All: In the midst of changing ways, give us still the grace to praise.**
 - L: God of many colors, God of many signs,
 - C: You have made us different, blessing many kinds.**
 - All: As the old ways disappear, let your love cast out our fear.**
 - L: Freshness of the morning, newness of each night,
 - C: You are still creating endless love and light.**
 - All: This we see, as shadows part, many gifts from one great heart.**

(The United Methodist Hymnal, *Many Gifts, One Spirit*, ©1989)

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

*Opening Prayer (unison)
We come before you, O God, in Easter joy, seeking to be a people of the resurrection. Be known among us; grant us the assurance of your presence, your love, and your renewing power. Through your Word and Spirit, reveal to us your purpose in our lives. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Ruth C. Duck, Maren C. Tirabassi, *Touch Holiness*)

*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—*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* #133
- *Passing the Peace
- The Presentation of Our Tithes & Offerings
- *Doxology #95

...to Hear the Word of God

Gospel Reading—John 21:4-14 p. 109 NT

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

Sermon Series: Text with a Twist
Today's Sermon: "Tasting is Telling"

...so We May Go Out and Serve

- *Closing Hymn—*Great Is Thy Faithfulness* #140
- *Benediction
 - L: Now return to your homes, but not to stay:
 - C: Our pilgrimage is not complete.**
 - L: So come again: Join us on our common journey,
 - C: seeking always God's promised *shalom* and sharing it with the world.**
 - L: Go in peace. Come again in hope. And may God bless you.
Amen. (Ruth C. Duck, Maren C. Tirabassi, *Touch Holiness*)
- *Choral Benediction—*Shalom to You* #666
- *The Postlude

*All who are able, please stand

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

- + Emily Chionchio's 5 month old son Maverick who remains in ICU
Dave Romoser, pastor of Newsong Fellowship, recovering from shoulder surgery
- ++ Family and friends of Hope Krieger
Grant Kang, congestive heart failure
Antonize Anderson, health issues
Friend of Brandy Page in the loss of his aunt
- +++ Pastor Jackie Havis-Shear who continues having skin cancer removed from her back
Sue Hester, great niece of Peggy Worthey, undergoing chemotherapy
Kim Sickbert, cousin of Eileen Kreutzberg, pancreatic cancer
Mike Rodgers, husband of Lori, back surgery
Jennifer Kaburik, recently diagnosed with Stage 1 breast cancer
Father-in-law of Patty Barney, advanced stages of Parkinson's Disease
Lane Kaburik, recovering from ACL surgery
Mary & Leland Knapp, God's healing touch for health issues
- ++++ June Helle, strength and healing
Family of Clinton Howe, brother-in-law of Joanie Green

Celebrating Birthdays this Week: 4/16—Rich Koenig, 4/18—Madison Emshousen, Kelly Robbins, 4/19—Kris Lancaster

Today is Native American Ministries Sunday—Your gift today educates Native American seminarians and empowers Native American outreach. "It takes a movement like Native American Ministries Sunday to bring awareness that we're more than a percentage. We're a people who are still present in this time and in this culture." - *The Rev. Roy Hillburn, Native American Seminary Scholarship Recipient*

The Mayor's Prayer Breakfast will be held on Thursday, May 3, beginning at 7:30 am at the Lewis & Clark LeClair Campus. If you are interested in attending, please speak to Pastor Jackie.