

Today's Worship Leaders

Greeters:
Acolytes:
Liturgist:
Pianist:
Elementary Sunday School:
Middle School Confirmation:

Norman and Judy Schoettle
Ayden Hendriex, Noah Penelton
Mrs. Sharon Koenig
Mrs. Rhonda Grammer
Mrs. Linda Potter
Rev. Jackie Havis-Shear
Mr. Jordan Grammer

Next Week's Worship Leaders

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Pianist:
Elementary Sunday School:
Middle School Confirmation:

Gary & Sharon Koenig
Zinnia Allen, Shelly Brase
Mrs. Lisa Allen
Mrs. Rhonda Grammer
Mrs. Kiffon Lewis
Mr. Dan Hodge
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Immanuel United Methodist Church

February 24, 2019

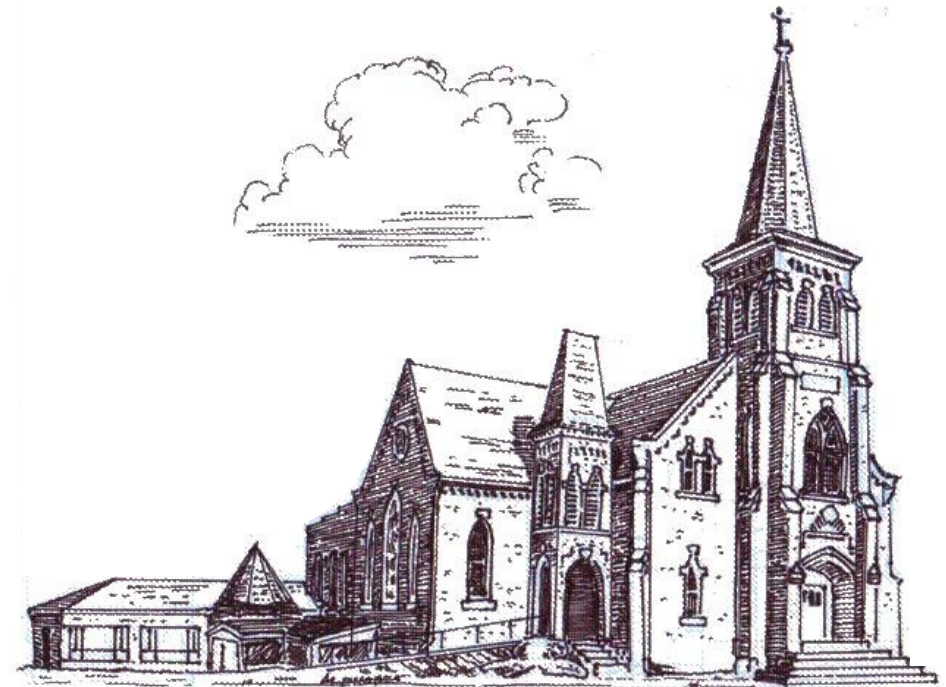
We seek to be God's people in attitude and action as we:

Experience and Share God's grace joyfully,

Live and Teach God's Word faithfully,

Accept and Serve God's people lovingly.

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



Art by Alan Rhodes

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Those who are comfortably able may stand

Ringling of the Bell

Prelude

We are so glad you are here today. Please take this time to enjoy your place and breathe!

***Words of Invitation**

One: Jesus calls us from the shore,
All: We must sail into uncharted waters.

One: Jesus calls us from our homes,
All: We must abandon comfort, and embrace each other.

One: Jesus calls us to be a full community,
All: Full of diversity, full of justice, full of grace.

***Community Song—Great Are You, Lord**

You give life, you are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope, You restore
Every heart that is broken
Great are You, Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
We pour out our praise
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To You only

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All the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry
These bones will sing
Great are You, Lord

All the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry
These bones will sing
Great are You, Lord

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Great are You Lord

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, February 24
Scrip Orders Received

- 8:45 am Worship
- 9:45 am Elementary Sunday School/Seeker's Class
- 9:45 am Confirmation Class Field Trip to Cathedral Basilica
- 10:30 am Praise Community Fellowship
- 4:00 pm Yoga

Monday, February 25

- 7:15 pm AA
- 9:30 pm Panera Pick-Up—Krieger

Wednesday, February 27

- 9:30 am Head Start Reading—Sherry Buhrmester
- 8:00 pm Contemplative Worship

Thursday, February 28

- 7:00 pm Sanctuary in Use

Friday, March 1
World Day of Prayer

- 9:15 am World Day of Prayer Service at 1st Presbyterian Church
- 11:00 am Free Lunch Friday
- 6:30 pm Fellowship Hall in Use—Bridge Club

Sunday, March 3
Communion Sunday

- 8:45 am Worship
- 9:45 am Elementary Sunday School/Middle School Confirmation/Seeker's Class
- 12:00 pm Journey's Inn Room in Use until 5:00 pm
- 4:00 pm Yoga
- 5:00 pm Senior High Youth Group

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

- + John Burk, who suffered a stroke on February 17
Family of Kim Sickbert, cousin of Eileen Kreutzberg, who passed away this past week
Family of Melvin Aufdemberge, uncle of Anita Seehausen
Stephanie Turbiville, cousin of Sheila Page, breast cancer
Carrie Smith, cousin of Sheila Page, breast cancer
Donna and Janet Hardbeck for the continued processing of their parent's estate
Erica Robertson, great niece of Deloris Fisher, cancer

- ++ Family of Al Davis
Phyllis Marshall, sister of Gary Koenig, broken femur and rehab
David Frazier who was hospitalized for an infection as a result of his knee replacement
Carolyn Land, now at Rosewood Nursing Home. She welcomes short visits and cards!
Rosewood Care Center, 6277 Center Grove Road, Edwardsville, IL 62025
Edwardsville New Church Start with Reverend Michael Whitaker, blessings for wisdom and inspiration

- +++ The District Superintendent asks our congregation to pray at noon every day until the end of February concerning the United Methodist Denomination, that God's will be done in this moment of decision-making process
Intentionally pray for Peace for the World

- ++++ Faye Heuchert, hospitalized for a brain aneurism
Mother of Bonni Burns, undergoing chemotherapy
Becky Martin, wisdom in making decision concerning health issues
Janet & Donna Hardbeck's niece, Amelia, health issues
April Shaw and her mother-in-law, strength and healing

MYSTERY DINNER THEATER—"Holy Taco" will be performed as our Senior High Youth Group hosts a Mystery Dinner Theater on Saturday, March 30. A sign-up sheet is available on the table in the Hospitality Room. Come join the fun!

GLEN-ED FOOD PANTRY UPDATE—45 pounds were donated last week, consisting of 9 detergents, 4 dishwashing soaps, 3 deodorants, and 5 2-in-one packs. In March, in addition to detergent and dishwashing soap, we are asking for personal care items, saltine crackers, paper towels, cereal and devil's food cake mixes.

***Welcome and Greetings**

Each are invited to take time sharing blessings with each other through a hand-shake, a hug, or a smile.

Creative Moment

This is a time for us to creatively re-imagine and play with today's message and application. The children are invited to the front of the church, however all are invited to participate.

Offering of Gifts

Isn't it a privilege to give to God? May each of you be blessed!

***Response of Gratitude—Doxology**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Community Sharing

There are prayer cards placed in each pew for your convenience. Or, you may wish to simply share a spoken request.

Responsive Prayer

Beloved Healer, always and everywhere we give thanks to you, the creator of a world blessed by your breath. In the beauty of nature, the harmony of seasons, the unique faces, and all the webs of life, we see your glory reflected in all of creation. As we are the caretakers of this creation, O God, form us into a diverse body of love, hope, and righteousness. Refresh our souls and bones for the work that must be done. As we remember Christ's mighty acts of breaking barriers and restoring communities, we pray for the courage and energy to follow this call. Continue to guide us in community, to sustain us when we are weary and frustrated, to teach us the work is much less heavy when we do it together. We pray all this in the name of your Spirit that sends us forth, Amen.

Song of Prayer—*Spirit of the Living God*

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This is your prayer time. Feel free to come to the altar, sit in your pew, sing or not sing. This is your time!

Scripture—Mark 2:1-12

p. 34 NT

Special Music—*Turning Over Tables*

The Brilliance

Sermon Series: We Celebrate Who We Can Be

Today's Sermon: "We Celebrate the Gift of Community"

***Song of Sending**—*For the Healing of the Nations*

vs. 1-2, 4 #428

Benediction

Thank you for your presence. Together we celebrate God's presence.

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ASH WEDNESDAY—This year, all are invited and welcome to join together for a reflective, candlelit Ash Wednesday service at 6:30 pm this Wednesday, March 6. We will gather into a quiet space to begin the season of Lent, wonder about this mystery named Jesus, and revisit the long road of authentic healing. We will have imposition of ashes and holy communion. Please dress comfortably in a way that is authentically you, and we look forward to praying and healing with you on Ash Wednesday.

CELEBRATION OF PI(e) DAY—Immanuel United Methodist Women invite you to celebrate PI(e) Day on 3.14. We are taking orders for delicious homemade pies. We will have both 8 inch and 9 inch pies, priced \$10 and \$15. Varieties include: Apple, Chocolate, Custard, Pecan, Pineapple Cream, Strawberry and Toll House. We will be taking orders today through Sunday, March 10th. The pies will be available for pick-up at the church on Thursday, March 14. Pick up times will be 11:30—1:30 and 5:00—7:00. Proceeds from the sales will be used to support mission work both locally and globally. Thank you for your support of our missions.

SCRIP ORDERS will be received today. There are packets on the table in the Hospitality Room explaining this fundraiser, as well as a listing of all the vendors, plus the percentage of your order they will donate to Immanuel. Please place your order form and check on the Secretary's desk, or hand it to Pastor Jackie today. Thanks!

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER will be celebrated at the First Presbyterian Church, 3601 Ridgeview Road in Edwardsville this Friday, March 1, beginning at 9:15 am. This year, the women of Slovenia call us to worship with the words: "Come—Everything is Ready."

THE MARCH ISSUE of 'The Vision' was sent out this week. Copies of the paper edition are available to be picked up this morning from the narthex or Hospitality Room.

VANCO GIVE+ APP CANCELLATION—Immanuel began offering the option to give through the Vanco Give+ app on your smart phone almost two years ago. We had a 24-month introductory discount for using this app. That discount will come to an end in June. After reviewing the amount of money contributed on this app, with the fees that are charged, and the fact that fewer than five families are using the app, the Church Council has decided to discontinue the use of this app. As of the end of March, we will no longer have the option available to give to Immanuel through Give+. An alternative might be to check with your personal bank to see if they offer mobile apps or text banking. Some have found that they can use these, without a fee being charged to Immanuel.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

- 2/24 Marge May
- 2/26 Tad Roniger
- 2/28 Dale Fellhauer
- 3/01 Keith Kane
- Kiffon Lewis
- 3/02 Christal Akers-Helle
- Ethan Brown
- BethAnne Havis



2019 Monthly Income & Expense

(Current Expense [Operating])

Budgeted Expense, February	\$17,122.00
Received*	\$ 9,773.25

(Benevolence [Missions/Disaster Relief])

Owed by 02/28/2019**	\$ 1,776.00
Received	\$ 993.00

*(Church Cancelled 2/10) **(\$888/month)

BATHROOM UPDATE—The Board of Trustees made the decision to move forward on the addition of our sanctuary level bathroom addition. To date we have received 18 pledges in the amount of \$11,875, plus we have received \$1,740 from people who contributed but did not pledge. We obviously still have a gap, so you are asked to prayerfully consider making a pledge or a donation if you have not yet done so. Blue pledge cards can be found in the entryway, the narthex, and the Hospitality Room for this purpose. The Board of Trustees will hire Randy Leitner to be the contractor for this project, and *will proceed as soon as all of the monies needed have been received.* It is not too late to show your support for this project, which will address the needs of many who cannot easily navigate our stairs.