

Today's Worship Leaders

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

Ms. LaVonne Timmins
Ms. Emily Spitze
Owen Potter
Mrs. LeeAnn Kane
Mrs. Rhonda Grammer
Mrs. Grace Havis
Rev. Jackie Havis-Shear
Mr. Jordan Grammer

Next Week's Worship Leaders

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

Mrs. Kiffon Lewis
Mrs. Jill Winte
Noah Lewis
Mrs. Betty Gengler
Mrs. Rhonda Grammer
Miss Katie Akers
Ms. Missy Carter
Rev. Jackie Havis-Shear
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Immanuel United Methodist Church

March 10, 2019



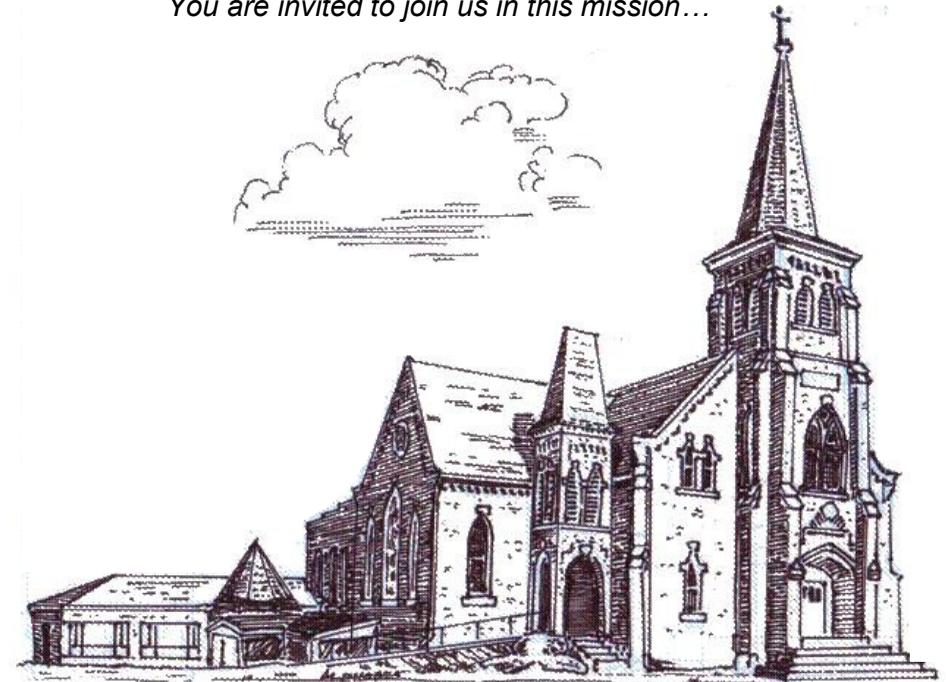
We seek to be God's people in attitude and action as we:

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 Bowl

Silent Prayer

Prelude

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

***Invitation into Lent**

This morning we gather to begin our journey to a violent cross and an empty tomb. Lent is a season of preparation; a space for us to consider what must change within us to do no more harm, and then commit to that change. The journey ahead is one of comforting shadows and dark valleys that offer room for our fears to transform into confidence. The darkness has much wisdom to offer us, if only we are willing to step into it and find God dancing in the twilight. So come, let us hold each other in love, leave behind our comforts, and learn to walk in the dark.

***Community Song—Mighty to Save**

Everyone needs compassion,
Love that's never failing;
Let mercy fall on me.
Everyone needs forgiveness,
The kindness of a Savior;
The Hope of nations.

So take me as You find me,
All my fears and failures,
Fill my life again.
I give my life to follow
Everything I believe in,
Yes, I surrender.

Savior, He can move the mountains,
My God is mighty to save,
He is mighty to save.
Forever, Author of salvation,
He rose and conquered the grave,
Jesus conquered the grave.

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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 10

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

Monday, March 11

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

Wednesday, March 13

- 9:00 am United Methodist Women in Kitchen
- 9:30 am Head Start Reading—Pam Clarkin
- 8:00 pm Contemplative Worship

Thursday, March 14—PI Day

- 11:30 am—1:30 pm Pie Pick-up hours
- 12:00 pm United Methodist Women
- 5:00 pm—7:00 pm Pie Pick-up hours
- 7:00 pm Sanctuary in Use

Friday, March 15

- 11:00 am Free Lunch Friday
- 5:30 pm Kid's Night Out
- 6:30 pm Fellowship Hall in Use—Bridge Club

Sunday, March 17

- 8:45 am Worship
- 9:45 am Elementary Sunday School/Middle School Confirmation/Seeker's Class
- 2:00 pm Month of Grace and Prayers in Journey's Inn Room

GLEN-ED FOOD PANTRY UPDATE—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 during the month of March. 70 pounds was delivered to the Pantry this past week! Thanks you to those who donated!

NEW DIRECTORIES have been prepared for you to look over. They are located on the table in the Hospitality Room. If you authorized your email address to be put into our previous directory, it was included in this one. A limited number of directories were printed—please look it over and inform the church office of any changes that are needed. We can easily add or delete phone numbers, email addresses, etc. Have you gotten rid of your land line? Let us know! When we are confident it is as accurate as possible, we will print the finished edition for your use at home.

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.

GO FUND ME PLEA FOR SAK RECIPIENT—It was reported on KSDK on Tuesday, February 26, that the wheelchair accessible van owned by Suzanne Bettonville was stolen near Tower Grove Park the previous day. Suzanne and her son Ewan Dallape live in the Quail Run Mobile Home Park, which is serviced by our S.A.K. volunteers. Ewan has muscular dystrophy, and the van was his only means for getting around. One of our S. A. K. volunteers recognized Ewan as she watched the news, and brought it to our attention. For those interested, a go fund me account has been established for Ewan's family to replace the van. You can check it out at www.gofundme.com/please-help-replace-a-stolen-wheelchair-van

Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory of the risen King
Jesus, shine your light and let the whole world see,
We're singing for the glory of the risen King.

Savior, He can move the mountains,
My God is mighty to Save,
He is mighty to save.
Forever, Author of salvation,
He rose and conquered the grave,
Jesus conquered the grave.

You're my Savior, You can move the mountains,
God, You are mighty to save,
You are mighty to save.
Forever, Author of salvation,
You rose and conquered the grave,
Yes, You conquered the grave,
You are mighty to save.

***Welcome and Greetings**

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

Holy Communion

On the night in which Jesus was arrested, he took the bread and cup, and after giving thanks, gave them both to the disciples, saying: "Take and eat, take and drink, this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And when all seemed hopeless and lost, Jesus rolled the stone away from his tomb, revealing God's work continues for the healing of the world.

Christ has died, Christ has risen, Love is stronger than death.

All: Gracious God, we ask you to bless these gifts of bread and cup through the power of your Holy Spirit. As we share this meal, give us confidence

and hope as we enter this season of Lent. Create in us one heart for humanity, every person, so that we create justice for the world as the body of Christ. Amen.

Sharing the Elements

Each of you are invited to join the Heavenly Banquet Meal. We serve gluten free for everyone as we eat from one loaf; one body. We serve grape juice to symbolize the wine that Jesus served as the blood of the new covenant was celebrated.

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—*Bless Thou the Gifts (To the tune of Sweet Hour of Prayer)

**Bless Thou the gifts our hands have brought;
Bless Thou the work our hearts have planned.
Ours is the faith, the will, the thought;
The rest, O God, is in Thy hand.**

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—Psalm 51

Holy Healer, you are steadfast in your love and overflow with mercy. We know we have sinned, as individuals and as a community. We have ignored the voices of the oppressed, we have allowed comfort to control our actions, and we turn away from the painful truths of our world. But you, O God, desire truth in and all around us. You whisper wisdom to us even when we refuse to listen. So we pray for restoration; for those whom we have harmed and for us who are covered in sin. Sustain us for another day as we repent and do the hard work of changing ourselves for the better. And on that day, the day where we have healed all harm, we will rejoice with you for all of time. Amen.

BATHROOM UPDATE—We have received pledges from 20 families to go towards the addition of a bathroom on the sanctuary level of our church. Those pledges total \$12,575.00, and so far we have received \$11,000 from those who made a pledge. We have also received an additional \$3,935.00 from those who did not fill out a pledge card, but made a donation. Pledges and donations equal \$16,510.00. Our goal is to raise \$20,000 so that we can move ahead with this project. Thank you for your support in making this dream become a reality.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER—Our Senior High Youth Group is selling butter braids, cookie dough and pizza. Orders will be taken after church each Sunday through March 31, and orders will be delivered the week of April 8th. All monies raised will be used for their mission trip this summer.

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. Today is the last day to place your order. The pies will be available for pick-up at the church this 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.

MYSTERY DINNER THEATER: "HOLY TACO" — Be a dining detective! You are invited to put on your detective hat and help Inspector Petrocelli (Doc Shear) solve a case during an interactive dinner at Immanuel on Saturday, March 30, beginning at 6:00 pm. From the moment you enter to take your seat, you are a part of the action! Help solve a case that will keep you guessing (and laughing) until the end. The meal will consist of appetizers, enchiladas, taco salad and dessert, at a cost of \$15/person. A sign-up sheet is available on the table in the Hospitality Room. Come join the fun!

REMINDER—Please remember to lock our doors in our coming and going in our building. With the freezing temperatures we may think the door has completely shut when in reality the door hasn't completely latched. Thank you for this careful attention.

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

- + Family and friends of Firefighter Jacob Ringering, and all first responders and their families
- ++ Family of John Burk, friend to many at Immanuel, passed away on February 23
- +++ Family of Kim Sickbert, cousin of Eileen Kreutzberg
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, complications of knee replacement
Carolyn Land recovering at Rosewood Care Center. She welcomes short visits and cards! Rosewood Care enter, 6277 Center Grove Road, Edwardsville, IL 62025
Edwardsville New Church Start with Reverend Michael Whitaker, blessings for wisdom and inspiration

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

- 3/10 Dakota Zirges
- 3/11 Eric Levin
- 3/13 Sheila Beegle, Kurtis Roniger
- 3/14 Bill Kreutzberg, Jessica Spengler
- 3/15 Donna Condrey, Gary Koenig,
Brandy Page, Brittney Page

2019 Monthly Income & Expense

Current Expense [Operating]

Budgeted Expense, March	\$16,940.00
Received	\$ 2,636.00

Benevolence [Missions/Disaster Relief]

Owed by 03/31/2019*	\$ 2,664.00
Received	\$ 1,238.00
*(\$888/month)	

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

During Lent, Lord, help us to grow in faith, hope and love—“and the greatest of these is love” (1 Corinthians 13:13, NRSV).

Song of Prayer—It Is Well

Kristine DiMarco

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

Grander earth has quaked before
Moved by the sound of His voice
Seas that are shaken and stirred
Can be calmed and broken for my regard

So let go my soul and trust in Him
The waves and wind still know His name
So let go my soul and trust in Him
The waves and wind still know His name

Through it all, through it all
My eyes are on You
Through it all, through it all
It is well

It is well with my soul
It is well with my soul
It is well with my soul
It is well, it is well with my soul

Through it all, through it all
My eyes are on You
It is well with me

It is well with my soul
It is well with my soul
It is well with my soul
It is well, it is well with my soul

Far be it from me to not believe
Even when my eyes can't see
And this mountain that's in front of me
Will be thrown into the midst of the sea

Through it all, through it all
My eyes are on You
Through it all, through it all
It is well

Through it all, through it all
My eyes are on You
Through it all, through it all
It is well

Through it all, through it all
My eyes are on You
It is well with me

Through it all, through it all
My eyes are on You
It is well, it is well

So let go my soul and trust in Him
The waves and wind still know His name
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Scripture—Isaiah 45:1-3

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Sermon—“Come Outside It’s Getting Dark!”

Rev. Jackie K. Havis-Shear

***Song of Sending**—*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

Noah James

O soul, are you weary and troubled?
No light in the darkness you see?
There's light when we look at the Savior,
And life more abundant and free!

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of his glory and grace.

Through death into life everlasting He passed,
and we follow Him there;
O'er us sin no more had dominion
For more than conquerors we are!

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of his glory and grace.

His Word shall not fail you, He promised;
Believe Him, and all will be well,
Then go to a world that is dying,
His perfect love to tell!

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Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
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Benediction

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

**In This Season,
May I be Reborn,
Washed Clean,
Made New,
Forgiven,
And
Spectacularly Loved!**

Postlude

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