

Today's Worship Leaders

Greeters: Mrs. Kiffon Lewis
Mrs. Jill Winte
Acolyte: Noah Lewis
Liturgist: Mrs. Betty Gengler
Pianist: Mrs. Rhonda Grammer
Elementary Sunday School: Miss Katie Akers
Ms. Missy Carter
Middle School Confirmation: Rev. Jackie Havis-Shear
Mr. Jordan Grammer

Next Week's Worship Leaders

Greeters: Errick & Cindy Cameron
Acolytes: Ayden Hendriex, Noah Penelton
Liturgist: Mrs. Barb Taliana
Pianist: Mrs. Rhonda Grammer
Elementary Sunday School: Mrs. Linda Potter
Middle School Confirmation: Rev. Jackie Havis-Shear
Mr. Jordan Grammer

Immanuel United Methodist Church
800 North Main Street
Edwardsville, IL 62025
Office: (618) 656-4648
Office e-mail: anita@immanuelonmain.org
www.immanuelonmain.org

Reverend Jackie K. Havis Shear
Cell phone: (618) 531-9134

Born March 1, 1859



Immanuel United Methodist Church

March 17, 2019



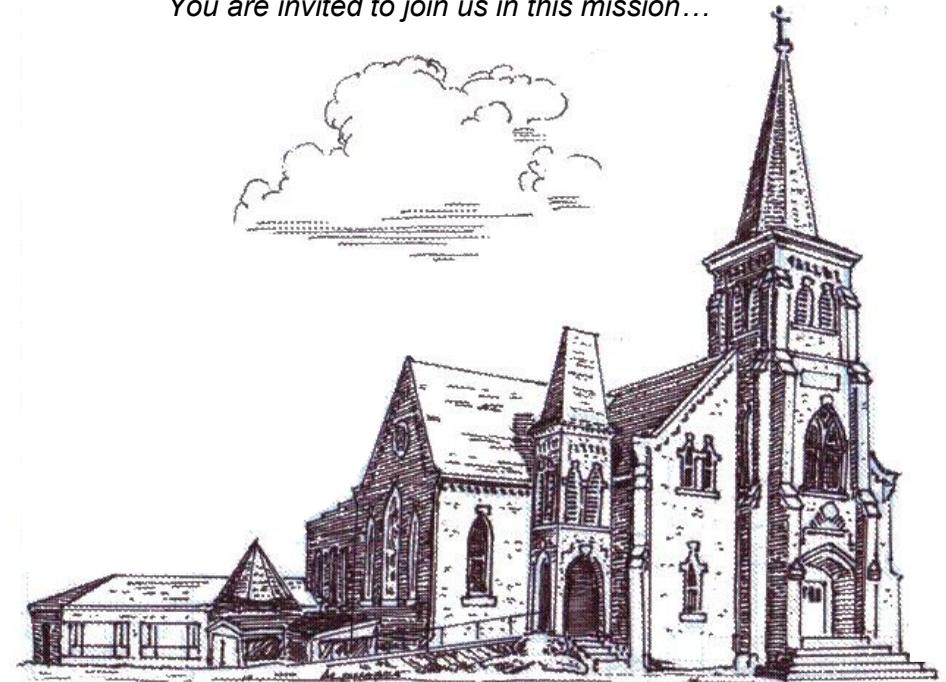
We seek to be God's people in attitude and action as we:

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**

One: We are made in wonder and awe,

All: We are made in the beauty of night.

One: Christ calls us from our slumber.

All: God's promises know no rest.

One: In the cover of God's divine womb,

All: We will be forged with grace and strength.

***Community Song—Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)** C. Tomlin, J. Newton, L. Giglio

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

(Continued...)

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

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

Monday, March 18

7:15 pm AA

9:30 pm Panera Pick-Up—Schaae

Tuesday, March 19

10:00 am Staff Meeting

11:45 am Kiwanis

Wednesday, March 20

First Day of Spring!

8:00 pm Contemplative Worship

Thursday, March 21

4:00 pm Care Team

7:00 pm Sanctuary in Use

April Newsletter Items Due

Friday, March 22

11:00 am Free Lunch Friday

6:30 pm Fellowship Hall in Use—Bridge Club

Saturday, March 23

8:00 am Confirmation Class to Jewish Reformed Congregation

Sunday, March 24

8:45 am Worship

9:45 am Elementary Sunday School/Middle School
Confirmation/Seeker's Class

10:30 am Praise Community Fellowship

12:00 pm Journey's Inn Room in Use until 5 pm

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

- + Congratulations to Blake & Kayley Kreutzberg on the birth of their daughter Paisley Ann, on Thursday, March 14, who weighed in at 7 lbs. 10 oz. Paisley Ann is the granddaughter of Bill & Kathy Kreutzberg, and great granddaughter of Eileen Kreutzberg
Family of Erica Robertson, 38-year old great niece of Deloris Fisher, who passed away this week
Carolyn Land, recovering at Rosewood Care Center. She welcomes short visits and cards!
Rosewood Care Center, 6277 Center Grove Road, Edwardsville, IL 62025
- ++ 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

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

***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 journey through 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.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

- 3/17 Ashlei Anderson, Haydon Grammer
Dave Poteet, Candy Wentz
- 3/18 Joshua Newman
- 3/19 Cheyanna Zirges
- 3/20 Teresa Akers-Helle
Dustin McCullough
- 3/23 Trent Connoyer, Andrew Viviano

2019 Monthly Income & Expense

Current Expense [Operating]

Budgeted Expense, March	\$16,940.00
Received	\$ 7,321.00

Benevolence [Missions/Disaster Relief]

Owed by 03/31/2019*	\$ 2,664.00
Received	\$ 1,298.00
*(\$888/month)	



Offering of Gifts

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

***Response of Gratitude—Thank You, Lord**

#84

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 77

Mighty Healer, we cry aloud to you so that you might hear our heavy hearts. This world is overflowing with distress, violence, apathy, and greed. We have promised to take care of all humanity, all creation, and we have not lived into that covenant. We grieve for the harm we have caused and mourn for the harm done to us. But you, O God, work wonders among the world. When our souls refuse to be comforted, you remain by our side. When we anxiously pace through sleepless nights, you supply our breath and steps. So together we pray that you lead us through these chaotic waters, as we arise again to take care of your people and your creation. Some moments, we will succeed. Some moments, we will fail. But through the struggle, we trust in your un-failing love. Amen.

Song of Prayer—Beneath the Cross of Jesus

vs. 1 & 3, #297

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—John 9:1-12

p. 634 OT

Sermon—“Tender to the Touch”

Rev. Jackie K. Havis-Shear

***Song of Sending—Lift My Life Up**

C. Mattson, J. Ingram, J. Lowry

You brought me this far
So why would I question You now
You have provided
So why would I start to doubt

I've never been stranded, abandoned
Or left here to fight alone
So I'm giving You control

(Continued...)

I lift my life, lift my life up
I give it all in surrender
I lift my heart, lift my heart up
You can have it forever
All my dreams, all my plans
Lord I leave it in Your hands
I lift my life, lift my life up
Have Your way in me
Have your way in me

If peace is a river
Then let it sweep over me
If I'm under fire
I know it's refining me
When I hear You calling out
I follow now
Wherever the road may go
I know You're leading me home

I lift my life, lift my life up
I give it all in surrender
I lift my heart, lift my heart up
You can have it forever
All my dreams, all my plans
Lord I leave it in Your hands
I lift my life, lift my life up
Have Your way in me
Have your way in me

Take my life and let it be all for You
Take my life and let it be all for You

I lift my life, lift my life up
I give it all in surrender
I lift my heart, lift my heart up

I lift my life, lift my life up
I give it all in surrender
I lift my heart, lift my heart up
You can have it forever
All my dreams, all my plans
Lord I leave it in Your hands
I lift my life, lift my life up

Have Your way in me
Have Your way in me
Have Your way in me
Have Your way in me

Take my life and let it be all for You

CCLI #2836520

***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!**