

Today's Worship Leaders

Greeters: Dan Hodge  
Tom May  
Acolytes: Zinnia Allen, Shelly Brase  
Liturgist: Mrs. Lisa Allen  
Communion Assistant: Mr. Jordan Grammer  
Pianist: Mrs. Rhonda Grammer  
Instrument Director: Mr. Maurice Mestemacher  
Worship Leader: Mr. Jordan Grammer  
Elementary Sunday School: Mrs. Kiffon Lewis  
Mr. Dan Hodge  
Middle School Confirmation: Rev. Jackie Havis-Shear  
Mr. Jordan Grammer

Next Week's Worship Leaders

Greeters: Ms. Emily Spitze  
Ms. Sherry Buhrmester  
Acolyte: Owen Potter  
Liturgist: Mrs. LeeAnn Kane  
Pianist: Mrs. Rhonda Grammer  
Elementary Sunday School: None—Easter Egg Hunt  
Middle School Confirmation: Rev. Jackie Havis-Shear  
Mr. Jordan Grammer

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April 7, 2019



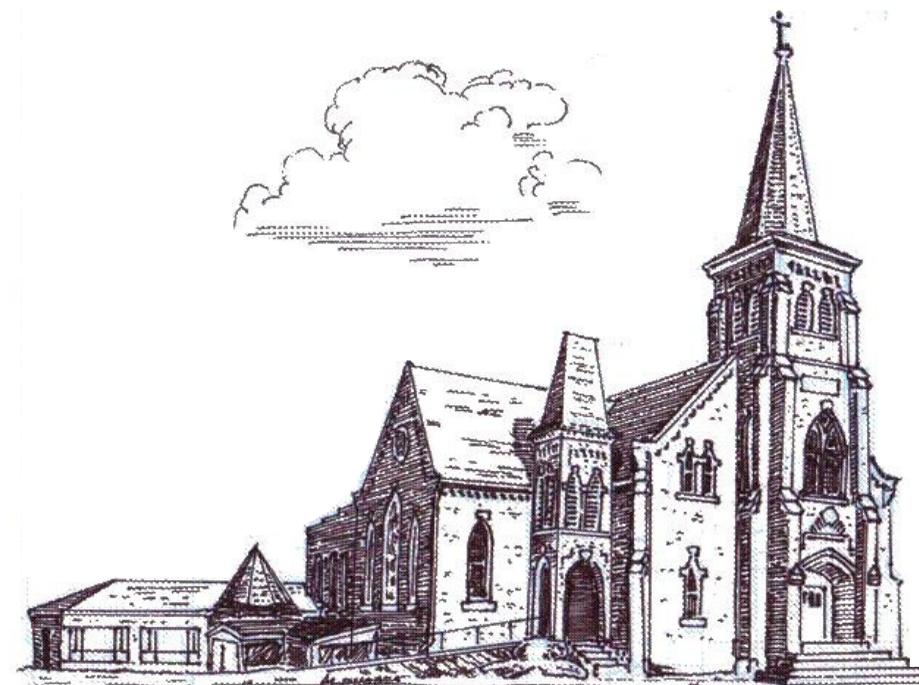
*We seek to be God's people in attitude and action as we:*

***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

### Gathering Music

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

String Ensemble

### Prelude

### Ringing of the Bowl

### \*Words of Invitation

One: God loves what they have created,

**All: Even the parts that make us human.**

One: When we lack the strength to remain,

**All: God invites us to draw near.**

One: Jesus knows we will fall asleep,

**All: But He asks us to watch and pray.**

### \*Community Song—*Be Thou My Vision*

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### \*Welcome & Greetings

*Each are invited to share 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.**

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday, April 7

8:45 am Worship with Holy Communion

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

9:45 am Coffee Talk—The Way Forward in Journey's Inn Room

1:00 pm Hall in Use—Madison County Historical Society

5:00 pm Sr. High Youth Group

### Monday, April 8

6:00 pm Move, Breathe, Heal Class in Fellowship Hall

7:15 pm AA

9:30 pm Panera Pick-Up—May

### Wednesday, April 10

9:30 am Head Start reading—Pam Clarkin

6:30 pm Small Group

8:00 pm Contemplative Worship

### Thursday, April 11

7:00 pm S. A. K. Meeting in Fellowship Hall

7:00 pm Sanctuary in Use

### Friday, April 12

11:00 am Free Lunch Friday

5:30 pm Kid's Night Out

6:30 pm Fellowship Hall in Use—Bridge Club

### Saturday, April 13

10:00 am S. A. K. Fundraiser at Restore Décor until 1 pm

### Sunday, April 14

#### **Palm Sunday**

8:45 am Worship

9:45 am Easter Egg Hunt

9:45 am Confirmation Class/Seeker's Class

9:45 am Coffee Talk on The Way Forward

10:30 am Praise Community Fellowship

5:00 pm Middle School Youth Group



# HOLY WEEK

**Palm Sunday**—April 14  
8:45 am Worship  
9:45 am Easter Egg Hunt



**Easter Sunday**—April 21  
6:00 am Community Sunrise Worship  
at City Park  
In case of inclement weather, service  
will be held at Esic Baptist Church  
1000 University Drive

8:45 am Worship with Confirmation  
9:45 am Reception for Confirmands



## 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—Doxology

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## 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 63 adapted by Jordan Grammer

**Eternal Love, we seek you in this season where our bodies faint with worry. There is hardly any rest for us in this tired world. Yet, you continue to lift us in your hands and speak our names in beloved whispers of assurance. Even when evil rises, even while injustice reigns, even when we fall asleep, you enfold all people in the shadow of your wings. As our souls cling to you for life, we pray for the strength to stay awake, to watch and pray. Reform our hearts to hold your goodness and reject the evils that we find. From the morning sun to the rising moon, we will praise you with joyful lips. Amen.**

## Song of Prayer—Now and At The Hour

The Brilliance

*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 14:32-42

p. 49 NT

## Sermon— "The Dark Speaks to Darkness"

Rev. Jackie Havis-Shear

**\*Song of Sending—10,000 Reasons**

J. Myrin, M. Redman

Bless the Lord O my soul  
O my soul  
Worship His holy name  
Sing like never before  
O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Bless the Lord O my soul  
O my soul  
Worship His holy name  
Sing like never before  
O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

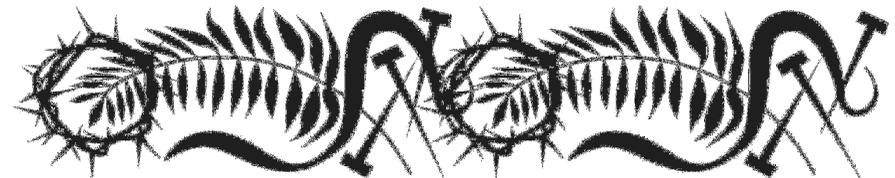
Bless the Lord O my soul  
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Worship His holy name  
Sing like never before  
O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name

And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

**2019 WORLD VISION GLOBAL 6K FOR WATER**—Join our team Holy Walkamolies on May 4 to support a global initiative to provide water for underdeveloped countries. Why a 6K? Because that's the average distance women and children have to walk daily to find water. Registration is \$50 for adults, \$25 for kids under 18. The money raised through *World Vision's Global 6K Walk for Water* will help fund water projects in communities where World Vision works. Through World Vision water projects, \$40 will provide clean water for one person. Your \$50 registration fee goes directly to that! The link is [worldvision.com](http://worldvision.com)—click on 6K for water and look for Holy Walkamolies in Edwardsville. If you aren't able to participate, you may also click on the support button to make a donation. Speak with Rhonda Grammer if you have any questions.

**MOVE, BREATHE, HEAL**—Move, Breathe, Heal is an exercise class designed with the overall theme of healing. The class offers you therapeutic benefits founded in movement and mindfulness while focusing on the sensation of feeling better move by move, breath by breath. Join Jeanne Carter as you learn to move with ease, to find your body's own natural healing. Perfect for those dealing with arthritis, injury, illness, trauma, grief, illness and care givers. You can feel better regardless of your physical condition. \$5 per class, save with 10 class cards for \$45, Silver Sneakers cards accepted. Monday evenings 6-6:45 beginning April 1 in the Fellowship Hall at Immanuel.

**THE JOY OF EASTER**—You are invited to the **Joy of Easter**, a musical passion play depicting the life and ministry of Jesus. The **Joy of Easter** will take place at St. Matthew UMC in Belleville, Illinois on April 17, 18 & 19 at 7:30 pm. This will be the 30th annual presentation which includes a cast of 200 including: choir, orchestra, drama team, and tech support. In addition there are beautiful sets and costumes as well as live animals. St. Matthew is located at 1200 Moreland Drive.



**GARDENERS!!** If anyone is interested in planting flowers and helping to clean up our landscaping this Spring, please speak to Sharon Koenig.

**SPRING FLOWERS FOR EASTER**—In lieu of ordering Easter lilies this year, we are asking you to purchase a potted Spring flower of your choice to bring to church on Easter Sunday. Please choose a potted flower about the same size of the lilies we have had in the past. We will have labels available for you to write your name on, plus the name of the special person of whom you are donating the flower. You are invited to take your flower home after our Easter service, but leave the information about your donation so we can publish it after Easter.

**S. A. K. (Serving Area Kids)** We are gearing up for our summer kid's feeding program. Groups of volunteers are sent out each weekday during summer vacation to hand out sack lunches to school-aged children at several different locations. Our Spring organizational meeting will be held this Thursday, April 11, beginning at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to participate or have questions about this mission program, please attend this meeting, or speak to Pastor Jackie or Sherry Buhrmester.

**S. A. K. FUNDRAISER!** This Saturday, April 13, Restore Décor will be donating 100% of their proceeds to our Serving Area Kids summer lunch program. You can shop between the hours of 10 am until 1 pm at two locations: 111 N. Second Street, and 223 N. Main Street, in Edwardsville. Restore Décor is a ministry of Faith Coalition and offers a little bit of everything, and something for everyone. Customers find a unique selection of used furniture and home accessories that have been lovingly restored at unbeatable prices. We hope that you will come shop and meet some of our S. A. K. volunteers.

**SPRING GARAGE SALE**—Our Middle School Youth Group will be hosting a garage sale at Immanuel on Friday and Saturday, April 26 & 27 in the Journey's Inn Room. If you have been doing some Spring cleaning and have some items that you no longer need, you are welcome to donate them for this sale. Donations can be brought any time to the youth room, lower level. We are not accepting donations of adult clothing. Please be sure that your donations are clean and ready for sale. We hope that you will come shop—Friday, from 8 am until 2 pm, and Saturday, 8 am until noon.

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O my soul  
Worship His holy name  
Sing like never before  
O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name

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I'll worship Your holy name  
Worship Your holy name  
Lord I'll worship Your holy name

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**\*Announcements**

**\*Benediction**

*Thank you for your presence. Together we go in God's presence.*

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

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BLESS THE LORD  
*Oh my soul*  
PSALM 103: 1

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

- + Mary Reiter, health issues  
Kim Poteet, health issues  
The Slaby family at the passing of mother/grandmother, Eunice  
Teresa Akers-Helle's friend's father, having a difficult time recovering from surgery
  
- +++ Larry Taliana, having a heart procedure on April 17  
Bernice, grandmother-in-law of Sheila Page, health issues  
The Ladd and Buchta Families  
Christ Church in New Zealand  
Janet Grammer, mother of Alan, health issues  
Phyllis Marshall, sister of Gary Koenig, recovering from broken leg  
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
  
- ++++ 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  
Carolyn Land, recovering at Rosewood Care Center

**2019 Monthly Income & Expense**

**Current Expense [Operating]**

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Budgeted Expense, March | \$16,940.00 |
| Received                | \$21,529.64 |
| Actual Expense          | \$15,990.53 |
| Budgeted Expense, April | \$19,759.00 |

**Benevolence [Missions/Disaster Relief]**

|                      |             |
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| Owed by 03/31/2019** | \$ 2,664.00 |
| Received             | \$ 2,423.00 |
| Owed by 04/30/2019** | \$ 3,552.00 |
| **(\$888/month)      |             |

**CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

- 4/11 Kyle Starks
- 4/12 Bobby Hicks

**CELEBRATING THEIR ANNIVERSARY**

- 4/11 John & Tiffany Schwalb



**SPECIAL DAYS**  
THIS WEEK

**COFFEE TALKS ON THE WAY FORWARD**—As many of you know, the global United Methodist Church has voted to continue their ban on LGBTQIA+ folks. Beginning today we will be hosting coffee talks in our Journey's Inn room downstairs after our morning worship on Sundays. These talks will be a space where we can gather to seek clarity and wrestle with the questions about our future. We are interested to know where people stand on this issue, what resources we have available, and we'll hopefully be able to answer most of your questions. At this point in time, the coffee talks will be weekly unless the group decides otherwise. We'll also be discussing potential actions we can take as a local church, and what roads are open to us for the future. Looking forward to meeting with you all!! If you have questions, or you have feedback and won't be able to attend, please email your questions and feedback to Jordan Grammer at [jagscw@gmail.com](mailto:jagscw@gmail.com)

**KIDS NIGHT OUT** will meet this Friday, April 12, 5:30—8:30 pm. We have a desperate need for adult volunteers—for an hour or two, or whatever you can give. There are sign up sheets for both kids and volunteers on the table in the Hospitality Room. Reservations for your kids should be made by this Wednesday. Please consider if you can volunteer some time to help with this outreach ministry.

**THE MAYOR'S PRAYER BREAKFAST** in recognition and celebration of the National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 2, 2019, 7:30—8:30 am at the Lewis & Clark N. O. Nelson Campus in the LeClaire Room. The event is sponsored by the Glen-Ed Ministerial Alliance and provides a wonderful opportunity for our communities to join the rest of the country in prayer for our nation and local communities. Hear faith leaders share stories of coming together in service for our common good. Members of the Edwardsville High School Choir will be performing. If you are interested in attending, please speak with Pastor Jackie.

**UPDATED CHURCH DIRECTORIES**—We would like to publish an updated church directory soon. Please look over the directory on the table in the Hospitality Room to see if your information is correct. Make any corrections on the copies that are there. Once we are sure that they are as correct as possible, we will produce a copy for you to take home. Let us know if we have omitted you, please!! Have you moved or removed your land line? Do you want your cell or email published? Please let us know. *If you have proofed your information, please put a check mark next to it so I will know that it is accurate.* Thanks!