

Today's Worship Leaders

Greeters:
Acolyte:
Liturgist:
Pianist:
Instrument Director:
Worship Leader:
Elementary Sunday School:
Middle School Sunday School:

Mrs. Kiffon Lewis
Mrs. Jill Winte
Noah Lewis
Mrs. LeeAnn Kane
Mrs. Rhonda Grammer
Mr. Maurice Mestemacher
Mr. Jordan Grammer
Mr. Dan Hodge
Ms. Missy Carter
Mrs. Linda Potter

Next Week's Worship Leaders

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

Sherry Buhrmester
Emily Spitze
Ayden Hendriex, Noah Penelton
Mrs. Sharon Koenig
Mr. Jack Butterfield
Mrs. Linda Potter
Mrs. Jill Winte

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May 19, 2019

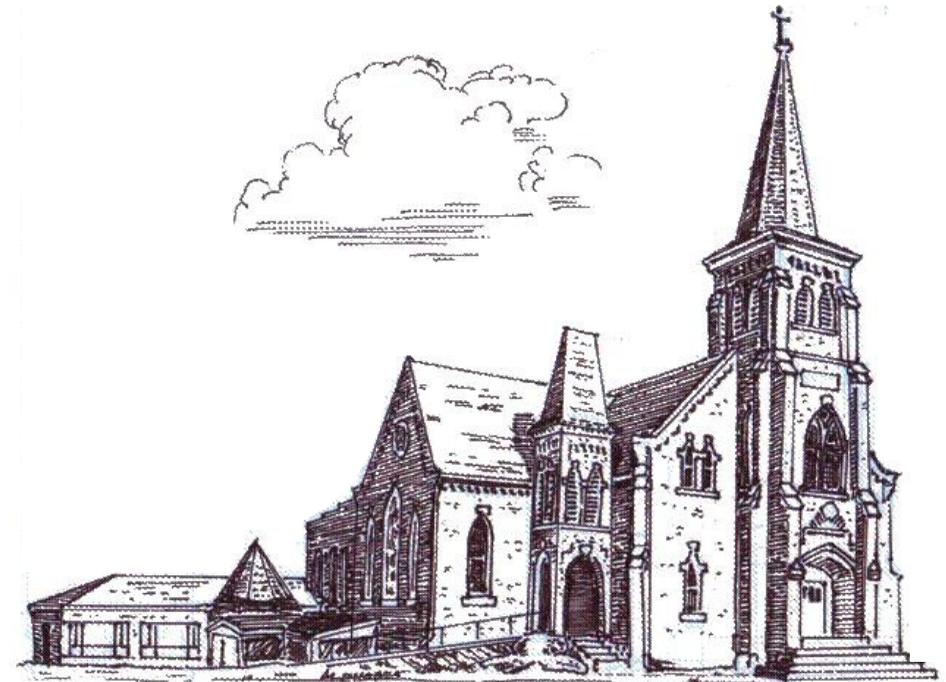
We seek to be God's people in attitude and action as we:

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

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude

***Words of Invitation**

In our busy "24/7" lives, where is God when we are stressed out, overwhelmed, and discouraged? How many of us have wondered that? We sometimes think of God as a distant deity, sitting on a satin cushion in a dreamy, faraway heaven, but the Bible tells us otherwise. God is here. God is near. Like a true mother, God sees the needs of our lives. Like a true father, God knows our call for help. God is here. And God is near. Thanks be to God!

Community Song—*Here I Am to Worship

Tim Hughes

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes
Let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that
You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, May 19

- 8:45 am Worship
- 9:45 am Elementary & Middle School Sunday School/Seeker's Class
- 9:45 am Coffee Talk on 'The Way Forward'
- 10:30 am Journey's Inn Room in Use until 4 pm
- 5:00 pm Middle School Youth Group

Monday, May 20

- 9:00 am Journey's Inn Room in Use until 5:00 pm
- 6:00 pm Move, Breathe, Heal Class in Fellowship Hall
- 7:15 pm AA
- 10:00 pm Panera Pick-Up—Schaake

Tuesday, May 21

- 5:00 pm Kiwanis Banquet in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 22

- 12:00 pm Hall in Use—Bridge Club

Thursday, May 23

- 1:00 pm Newsletter Team
- 7:00 pm Sanctuary in Use

Friday, May 24

- 11:00 am Free Lunch Friday until 1:00 pm
- 6:30 pm Bridge Club

Sunday, May 26

- 8:45 am Worship
- 9:45 am Elementary & Middle School Sunday School/Seeker's Class

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

- + Errick Cameron, now at home, recovering from heart attack and heart surgery
Donna and Janet Hardbeck, for the continued processing of their parents' estate
- ++ Kim Poteet, expected surgery for breast cancer
Family of Janet Grammer, mother of Alan, who passed away on May 4th
- +++ Blessed transition and preparation for Jordan and Shelby Grammer in moving upon
graduation from Eden Theological Seminary
Blessed transition and preparation for Brittney Gilleland upon graduation from
Garrett Evangelical Seminary
- ++++ Steve Hamil, cousin of Jill Winte, while battling stage four kidney cancer, fell and broke a
vertebrae in his neck—all while his wife is recovering from knee replacement
Faye Heuchert recovering from brain surgery on May 8
Floyd Myrick, dear friend of Keith & LeeAnn Kane, hospice care

King of all days
Oh, so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
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2019 Monthly Income & Expense

Current Expense (Operating)

Budgeted Expense, May	\$17,158.00
Received	\$ 9,357.65

Benevolence (Missions/Disaster Relief)

Owed by 05/31/2019*	\$ 4,440.00
Received	\$ 2,918.00

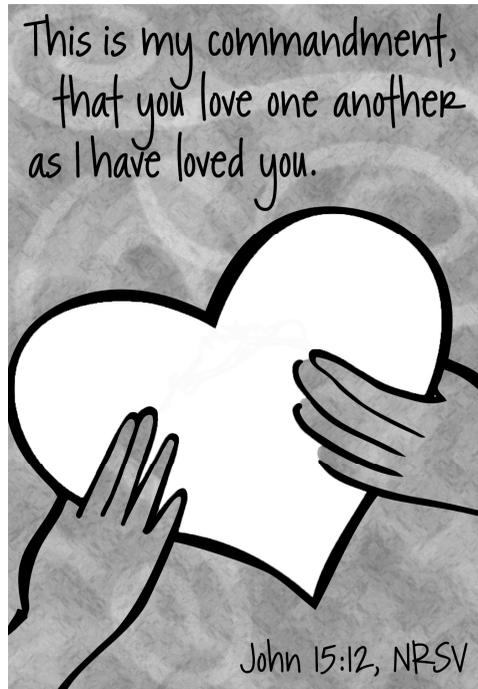
*(888/month)

Celebrating Birthdays this Week

- 5/19—Althea Burdick, Dawn McCormick
- 5/20—Addax Hendriex, Tiffany Schwalb
- 5/24—Dan Carter, Connor Emshousen
- 5/25—Janet Hardbeck

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries

- 5/22—Billy & Michelle Woods



***Welcome and Greetings**

Each are invited to share 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.

Receiving of Gifts

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

***Response of Gratitude—The 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.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

Song of Prayer—Great is Thy Faithfulness

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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 Readings

John 13:31-35 p. 102 NT
Revelation 21:1-6 p. 244 NT

Sermon— "You Can't Come Now—I've Got to Clean Up First!"

Ms. Brittney Gilleland

OUR LANDSCAPING NEEDS HELP! Please feel free to come and pull weeds around the church and parsonage anytime that fits your schedule! With all of the rain that we have had, they will pull out nice and easy. Thank you!!

JUNE CALENDAR AND NEWSLETTER—The June, 2019 edition of our newsletter will be sent out this Thursday. If you still need to get a news article turned in, please be sure to have it to the office by tomorrow morning. Worship assistants—if you received a letter about serving in June and the date assigned to you does not work, please be sure to let Anita know by tomorrow also. Thank you for your help in keeping our newsletters and calendars as up-to-date and correct as possible.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to answer the telephone in the church office while our secretary is on vacation. Anita will be gone for 9 days, July 31 through August 12. You would be needed from 8 am until noon each day. If you would be willing to take one or more days, please contact Anita in the church office. Thanks!

MIXED BLESSING

Graduation day is tough for adults. They go to the ceremony as parents. They come home as contemporaries. After 22 years of child-raising, they are unemployed. — Erma Bombeck



Congratulations and God's Blessings to all of our graduates! Let us share in your joy as together, we celebrate what God has done in your lives. As you graduate, we pray that you will go on to what God has already planned. "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11) May you sense God's will for your lives as you seek God's guidance for the future.

GLEN-ED FOOD PANTRY focus for May—In addition to detergent and dishwashing soap, the Pantry is currently in need of flour, sugar, white and brown rice, Hamburger Helper, cereal, and great northern beans. Thank you for contributing 59 pounds to the Food Pantry this past week! They were so excited to see the 5 containers of detergent, and 15 bottles of dishwashing soap, and they were totally out! In addition, you donated 54 rolls of toilet paper, 4 boxes of pasta and used plastic bags. Way to Go!

S. A. K. NEEDS VOLUNTEERS—The seventh year of our free Kid's Summer Lunch Program (**S**erving **A**rea **K**ids) begins on Tuesday, May 28. Lunches are served each weekday during summer vacation, with the exception of Thursday, July 4, at six different Edwardsville locations. All school-aged children are welcome to come and receive a lunch—no questions asked. S.A.K. is sponsored by local churches and is run out of Immanuel UMC. If you have questions about this program, speak to Sherry Buhrmester. Immanuel serves lunches on Mondays, and there are sign-up sheets on the table in the Hospitality Room for you to indicate which days you can help.

SHARE GOD'S LOVE WITH OUR KIDS! We have openings for teachers and assistants for our Elementary Sunday School rotation. You would be assigned one Sunday per month. If you would like to partner with our awesome children's ministries staff or would like more information, please speak to or call Kiffon Lewis at (618) 210-9628.

ONE SUMMER SCRIP ORDER—Due to everyone's differing vacation plans this summer, it has been decided that we will place just one Scrip order for May, June, and July. That Scrip order will be taken on **Sunday, June 16**. If you will not be in church that Sunday but want to place an order, you can phone Teresa at ((618) 560-9562 or place your order form and check on the secretary's desk. prior to that date.

UPDATED CHURCH DIRECTORY—You may pick up a copy of our updated Church Directory this morning from the narthex or table in the Hospitality Room. Thank you to everyone who proofed the copy before this final run. If you find an error or omission, please contact the church office. Thanks!

Song of Sending—*He Lives

Alfred Henry Ackley

I serve a risen Savior,
He's in the world today;
I know that He is living,
whatever foes may say.
I see His hand of mercy,
I hear His voice of cheer,
and just the time I need Him,
He's always near.

He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me
along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives within my heart.

In all the world around me
I see His loving care,
and though my heart grows weary,
I never will despair.
I know that He is leading
through all the stormy blast;
the day of His appearing
will come at last.

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***Benediction**

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

One: Jesus gave us a new commandment —

All: That we love one another,

One: Go forth to serve God

All: And love our brother and sister as Christ has loved us.

Postlude

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WELCOME! Living always in the joy of the Resurrection, let us join hearts and voices to praise the Living Lord!

A COFFEE TALK ON 'THE WAY FORWARD' will be held today following morning worship in the Journey's Inn Room. As many of you know, the global United Methodist Church has voted to continue their ban on LGBTQIA+ folks. This talk is 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. We'll also be discussing potential actions we can take as a local church.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE will be held June 6-8 at the Peoria Civic Center in Peoria. The theme for Annual Conference is *Let's Get Fired Up: Hearts Strangely Warmed by the Blaze of the Holy Spirit*. Congregations are invited to send their offering by way of our Delegates for Tornado Totes. Tornado totes include the basic necessities for persons whose homes have been affected by tornados or floods. If each person could contribute just \$9.00, that would afford contributions for two totes. Please make a note in the memo section of your check or place cash in an envelope labeled Tornado Tote. We will receive this special offering today and through Sunday, June 2, 2019. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

LET THE SUMMER BEGIN ... however, with our first holiday Sunday approaching, please don't forget your offering and contributions. We appreciate if you are not going to be present, for you to mail in your gifts. Thank you so much for loving the church and being generous.

GRADUATION CELEBRATION TODAY! You are invited to celebrate with Brittney Gilleland at an Open House in our lower level, Journey's Inn room, between 12:00 and 3:00 pm today. Brittney graduated from Garrett Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois on Friday and would love to see all of you one last time.

GRADUATES—If you or a family member will be graduating from high school or college this Spring, we would appreciate receiving information on the graduate and a picture of the graduate by tomorrow! We will be featuring all graduates on the front page of our June newsletter, and honoring all graduates in worship on Graduate Sunday, June 2. Please pick up and fill out the Graduate form found on the table in the Hospitality Room and return it to the church office *along with a picture*. Thanks!

OUR SR. HIGH YOUTH will be holding two fundraisers as their final push for funding before leaving on their mission trip at the end of June:

- ◆ **"A Night at the Movies"** Trivia Night will be held on Saturday, June 1. Cost is \$10 per person, with 8 players per table. Popcorn is provided, and soda & bottled water will be available to purchase. Please sign up on the sheets found on the table in the Hospitality Room. The doors open at 5:30 pm, and play begins at 6 pm. Get a group together for a fun evening.
- ◆ **Chicken Dinner at the Moose**—Our Sr. High youth will be hosting a chicken dinner held at Moose Lodge #1561, 7371 Marine Road in Edwardsville on Sunday, June 9 from 11:00 am until 3:00 pm. This is an all-you-can-eat meal of fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, corn, green salad, all for \$9.00 for adults, and kids age 5-12 are only \$4.00. Carry outs are available, and desserts will be sold separately. Please come to support our youth, and visit with others from Immanuel all while enjoying a delicious meal.