



Immanuel United Methodist Church

Live Stream

March 22, 2020



Ringling of the Bell

Please feel free to check in and say, "Good Morning," to everyone.

Gathering Words of Peace

Today we have on our church table—food that satisfies,
The taste of communion.

Today we have on our church table—wine pouring free,
And the waters of baptism for the washing away of fear.

Here we celebrate life abundant,
A table of peace for all.

May this peace be in us and among us,
A sign of hope for a world renewed.

Welcome and Passing the Peace

All of you are invited to offer peace to each other by posting, "Peace Be With You"

Creative Moment

Community Sharing

Please post any praise reports or concerns during this time.

Prayers for the People

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.**

Centering Words

The essence of being a Christian is to widen our relationships—of trust, affection, commitment, loyalty, faithfulness, kindness, thoughtfulness, compassion, mercy, helpfulness, encouragement, support, strength, protection—all the qualities that bind people together in mutual love and unity. We know that opening Scripture and remembering the stories of Jesus our hearts are stirred to good works. Lord, we know your words are gentle and your ways are kind. Teach us while you live with us, in us, and through us.

Scripture Reading—Mark 3:31-35

Then [Jesus'] mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Sermon Series: Presence in the Present

Today's Sermon: "Family Ties"

Lenten Benediction

**In this Season,
May we be reborn,
Washed clean,
Made new
Forgiven,
And Spectacularly Loved**

Saying our Goodbyes

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Let's send our sentiments to each other by posting our well wishes and love.

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP—Hosanna! - that is, "LORD, save us!" (Psalm 118:25, NIV). We need your salvation not only from sin but from fear, hatred, despair, worries, apathy, fatigue. Through worship, may we sense your saving power.

IN THE ABSENCE OF A PUBLIC WORSHIP SERVICE, we pray that our live stream offers you comfort and hope. We are sending out devotions and encourage you to stay engaged in God's Word during this brief time away. We will resume our lives of worship, study and fellowship as soon as the situation allows.

WELCOME PASTOR DAVID RODERICK! Bishop Beard has appointed Reverend David Roderick to serve as full-time pastor at Immanuel beginning July 1, 2020. He currently serves Troy United Methodist Church as the Associate Pastor of Outreach & Mission. Pastor David and wife Tami have four grown children, Brad, Zack, Christian and Tori. We look forward to meeting this family and welcoming them to our family at Immanuel.

GIFTS & OFFERINGS—It is our goal to care for the members of Immanuel as best as possible. We also want to make sure that we care for our Staff as well as our community who is in need. To do this, we need each of you to continue to faithfully and sacrificially support this ministry. You can do this in a number of ways: Mail your check to 800 North Main Street, Edwardsville, IL 62025. Set Immanuel United Methodist as a “Company” in your banking Payment Center and send us gifts electronically. Enroll as a contributor in our bi-weekly or monthly online giving—stop by the church office or e-mail, and you will be given/sent forms to fill out to have a draw automatically taken from your checking/savings account either bi-weekly or monthly. If you feel well, you may drop a check by the Church Office. We appreciate your support!!

POSTPONEMENTS—All activities that call for a public gathering of people have been postponed. This includes all worship services, Sunday School classes, Free Lunch Friday, Sistahs, A Month of Grace + Prayer, Bridge Club use of our Fellowship Hall, OWL Curriculum Classes, Head Start Reading, Kid’s Night Out and all Meetings. We do anticipate sending out a newsletter for April. We will send out a calendar as soon as we know when we can begin to gather together again.

EASTER LILY/BLUE HYACINTH ORDER—If you placed an order for an Easter lily or blue hyacinth last Sunday, we want you to know that we are waiting to place our order, and are holding those checks for now until we know what our schedule looks like for Easter.

DO YOU HAVE A NEED? As we continue to be the church, even without our beloved building and meaningful traditions, there are those in our church community willing and able to help if you find yourself in need in the weeks to come. That need might consist of a wellness check via phone for those who live alone, a conversation for those who are feeling sad or isolated, grocery/medication delivery, online tutoring for a student, etc. As events continue to unfold, you may call the church office, where Anita has a list of contacts ready and willing to help!

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

- + A friend of Jill Garbs recovering from open heart surgery on Monday
For our community, state, nation and world as we deal with COVID-19
Phyllis Marshall, sister of Gary Koenig, healing prayers who suffered a stroke Monday evening
Prayers for the family of Kristen Sultan upon the passing of her mother, Charlene Sultan

- ++ Gary White—brother of Mary Reiter, bacterial infection after amputation of leg
Missy Carter, respiratory issues
Praise Report from Paige & Shelly Brase—they were involved in an auto accident that totaled their car, but no one was hurt!

- +++ Victims of Nashville tornado
Dale Brueggemann, father of Joanie Green, broken hip
Family of Roger Kuchta, father-in-law of Carrie Kuchta who is the daughter of Missy Carter and sister of Dan Carter
Kim Poteet, recovering from radiation
Evelyn Boswell, a Tennessee toddler who has been missing since mid-December

- ++++ The family of Evelyn Schaake at her passing—her memorial service will be rescheduled at a later time

Celebrating Birthdays This Week:

3/23 Andrew Viviano
3/24 Kyle Emshousen
 LaVonne Timmins
3/25 Trisha Emshousen
 Katheryn Kreutzberg
3/27 David Condrey
 Payton O'Bryan

Celebrating Their Anniversary:

3/24 Keith & LeeAnn Kane

2020 Monthly Income & Expense

Current Expense (Operating)

Budgeted Expenses, March	\$17,441.00
Received	\$10,644.45

Benevolence (Missions/Disaster Relief)

Owed by 3/31/2020	\$ 2,631.00
Received	\$ 1,000.00

We ask that you e-mail or use the US Postal Service to mail your responses to this Enduring Love Offering of Present to God. Mail to church office or Pastor Jackie.



OFFERING OUR PRESENT TO GOD

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Where do you see present diversity at Immanuel UMC?

Where do you see present homogeneity (sameness) at Immanuel UMC?

How many would you guess to be in attendance on Sundays at Immanuel UMC? (During *normal* times!)

For I, the LORD your God, hold your right hand;
it is I who say to you, "Do not fear, I will help you."

Isaiah 41:13

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