



Immanuel United Methodist Church

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May 24, 2020
Memorial Day Weekend

Invitation to Connect

Get Ready! Be Ready! Let's Gather!

Ringing of the Bell

Gathering Words

Liz Ahrens

This weekend as we observe our flags in memory of those that have died, those that have given up more than I have dared risk, those men and women of every creed, race, and background, we can share a simple prayer: "No more." It is a prayer that will not be answered today. For we know we live in a broken world. We live in a world where the ambitions and greed of a few can cost the lives of thousands. We live in a world where sons and daughters leave home to defend their loved ones, and often do not return. Still, we believe. We believe spears will be plowed into pruning-hooks; and nations shall not lift up sword against nation, and neither shall we learn war anymore. Today we stand on our belief—someday there will be no more.

Community Song— *Build Your Kingdom Here*

Chris Llewellyn, Gareth Gilkeson

Come set Your rule and reign
In our hearts again
Increase in us we pray
Unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope
Like wildfire in our very souls
Holy Spirit come invade us now

We are Your Church
We need Your power in us

We seek Your kingdom first
We hunger and we thirst
Refuse to waste our lives
For You're our joy and prize
To see the captive hearts released
The hurt, the sick, the poor at peace
We lay down our lives for Heaven's cause

We are Your Church
We pray revive this earth

Build Your kingdom here
Let the darkness fear
Show Your mighty hand
Heal our streets and land
Set Your church on fire
Win this nation back
Change the atmosphere
Build Your kingdom here we pray

Unleash Your kingdom's power
Reaching the near and far
No force of hell can stop
Your beauty changing hearts
You made us for much more than this
Awake the kingdom seed in us
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ

Invitation to a Moment of Silence in Honor of our Fallen Heroes

Pastor Jackie Havis-Shear

One: Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of remembrance.

All: We remember fallen soldiers, and the sacrifice they made for the sake of others.

One: Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of thanksgiving.

All: We thank God for brave men and women that have given their lives so that we may worship without fear.

One: Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of silence, for a moment is the least we can do for those that gave their eternity.

All: In Jesus' name we give thanks!

Interview with Douglas and Jill Garbs, Parents of U.S. Army Ranger Specialist, Ryan. C. Garbs

The Gold Star Monument of Ryan C. Garbs is located downtown Edwardsville and was dedicated April 21, 2012 by Mayor Gary Niebur

America the Beautiful

Sheila Acuncius

Prayers for the People

Pastor Sarah Dierker

Leader: Let us give thanks to God for the land of our birth with all its chartered liberties.

For all the wonder of our country's story:

People: We Give You Thanks, O God!

Leader: For leaders in nation and state, and for those who in days past and in these present times have labored for the commonwealth:

People: We Give You Thanks, O God!

Leader: For those who in all times and places have been true and brave, and in the worlds' common ways have lived upright lives and ministered to all of humanity:

People: We Give You Thanks, O God!

Leader: For those who served their country in its hour of need, and especially for those who gave even their lives in that service:

People: We Give You Thanks, O God!

Leader: O almighty God, as we remember these your servants, remembering with gratitude their courage and strength, we hold before you those who mourn them. Look upon your bereaved servants with your mercy. As this day brings them memories of those they have lost awhile, may it also bring your consolation and the assurance that their loved ones are alive now and forever in your living presence. Amen!

Scripture Reading—Isaiah 2:2-4

2) In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. 3) Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. 4) He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

Sermon—"As Peace Comes, No More War"

Pastor Jackie Havis-Shear

Invitation to Respond to God's Word

Pastor Sarah Dierker

Song of Sending—*Let There Be Peace on Earth*

Sy Miller, Jill Jackson

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me;
let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God our creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
to take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Benediction

Gary & Sharon Koenig

The world will be healed. It might not happen in our lifetime,
but we believe in the power of God to heal all things.
Until then, we hang our flags with pride.
Not because we live in a country that is perfect,
but because we believe in a God that is perfect.
Until our land is healed, we hang our heads.
Not out of sorrow or despair, but in humility and prayer to a God that keeps promises.
Go forth in these promises, looking for peace, pursuing justice, and living in humility.

Invitation to Share Goodbyes and Offer Well Wishes!

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

- + Hannah, Trevor Page's girlfriend, who had her tonsils removed on Friday
Brittney Page began therapy this week to correct nerve damage in her neck
Sarah Dierker's father, recovering from surgery on Wednesday
BethAnne's friends's Dad has been tested for Covid-19
Prayers for all the Graduates of this Season
Wanda Marth, who is on hospice care
Jerry White, a friend of Gary & Sharon Koenig, fighting cancer
A high school friend of Eric Zelasko who has been placed on hospice due to pancreatic cancer
- ++ Libby Levin's Sister-in-Law, Jude, was diagnosed with an aggressive brain tumor and is alone due to quarantine
John Schwalb who is recovering from Covid-19 and hopes to come out of isolation soon.
- +++ The family of Gary Niebur upon his passing

WELCOME! We carry in our hearts this weekend the memory of those who have died in U.S. military service. May they remind us of God's Son, who bought our ultimate freedom with the sacrifice of his life. Welcome to worship in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

80th BIRTHDAY! Larry Worthey will celebrate his 80th birthday this week on Thursday, May 28th. Peggy reports that he loves to receive cards and reads them over and over again. If you would like to send a birthday card to Larry, his address is 941 Esic Drive, Edwardsville, IL 62025.

S.A.K. VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED—Our summer children's lunch program will look very different this year. We will serve all lunches from the Immanuel Prayer Garden, and will serve them only on Mondays. Churches will alternate Mondays to work. Sherry is in need of volunteers, especially for bagging during the week of June 8th. If you would like to help, please call Sherry Buhrmester at 656-4680, or 791-6457.

COVID-19 TESTING SITE—A free test for Covid-19 is available at the Jackie Joyner Kersee Center in East St. Louis, which opens daily at 8:00 am. Drive-thru and walk-up services are available. People who can be tested regardless of symptoms include Healthcare workers, First Responders, Correctional Employees, Critical Infrastructure Employees (Grocery Stores, Gas Stations, Utilities, Daycares, Factories, Sanitation, Restaurants), Those exposed to COVID-10 patients, and Those with chronic illnesses and/or compromised immune systems. All individuals with these symptoms can be tested: Fever, Cough, Shortness of Breath, Chills, Muscle Pain, Loss of Taste or Smell, Headache or Sore Throat. The Jackie Joyner Kersee Center is located at 101 Jackie Joyner-Kersee Circle off of Argonne Drive in East St. Louis.

OFFERING—Your offerings make a difference! Thank you for your continued generosity. There are several giving opportunities:

- Mail a check to the Church Office: 800 North Main Street, Edwardsville, IL 62025
- Go to www.immanuelonmain.org and use the Pay Pal button on our homepage
- Give through the Venmo giving app on your phone
- Automatic Withdrawal: Sign up for automatic withdrawal through the church office

2020 Monthly Income & Expense	
Current Expense (Operating)	
Budgeted Expenses, May	\$17,296.00
Received	\$12,459.60
Benevolence (Missions/Disaster Relief)	
Owed by 5/31/2020	\$ 4,385.00
Received	\$ 2,450.00

Celebrating Birthdays this Week	
5/24	Dan Carter, Connor Emshousen
5/25	Janet Hardbeck
5/27	Shellie Franke
5/28	Larry Worthey
5/30	Matthew Firsching, Tyler Potter
Celebrating Their Anniversary	
5/27	Eric & Libby Levin

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