



Immanuel United Methodist Church

Edwardsville, Illinois

January 9, 2022

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Prayer

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Blessed Be Your Name*

Jordan Grammer, Rhonda Grammer, Sydney Grammer

Prayer

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Hymn—*It Is Well with My Soul*

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Scripture Reading—Luke 3:2-18, 21-22

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² during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³ He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, ⁴ as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.

⁵ Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth;

⁶ and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”

⁷ John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸ Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ⁹ Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.”

¹⁰ And the crowds asked him, “What then should we do?” ¹¹ In reply he said to them, “Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.” ¹² Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, “Teacher, what should we do?” ¹³ He said to them, “Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.” ¹⁴ Soldiers also asked him, “And we, what should we do?” He said to them, “Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.”

¹⁵ As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶ John answered all of them by saying, “I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

¹⁸ So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

Sermon

Guest Speaker Jordan Dollar

Song—*How Great Is Our God*

Jordan Grammer, Rhonda Grammer, Sydney Grammer

Benediction

Pastor David Roderick

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Preparation for Worship—As Jesus' baptism inaugurated his ministry, may we who are baptized or preparing for baptism also minister by whatever means you direct, Lord.

Welcome to Worship—each and every one of you, a chosen and beloved child of God. May we follow Jesus into the work of ministry.

Human Relations Day is the first of six special Sundays of the United Methodist Church, and will be celebrated next Sunday, January 16. The Human Relations Day offering supports neighborhood ministries through Community Developers, community advocacy in the United States and Puerto Rico through United Methodist Voluntary Services, and work with at-risk youth through the Youth Offender Rehabilitation Program.

Committee Chairpersons—All 2022 Committee Chairpersons have the opportunity to attend a District Training event at Troy United Methodist Church on Saturday, January 15, from 9 am until noon. This will be especially helpful if you will be new to your position.

Dear Sistahs—We are taking a winter pause while COVID is rampant. You are all too precious to risk. I hope we can gather in February. — Lisa Allen

The January Edition of 'The Vision' was sent out on Friday. If you did not receive a copy in your inbox but would like to get one, please notify the church office. Paper copies of this newsletter are available from the entryway and Hospitality Room this morning.

Safe Zone Training—January 23, 11:30 am—1:30 pm. What does it look like to be LGBTQ+ inclusive? Join us on Sunday, January 23 at the Rainbow House as we look at how we can create a safe space and a feeling of acceptance for those in the LGBTQ+ community. More information is available in the January newsletter. Lunch will be provided for all who attend. Please register by emailing or calling the church office.

Next Steps Lunch—If you are new to Immanuel UMC, that is new since the beginning of COVID, you are invited to our Next Steps Luncheon after church on January 30th in the Journey's Inn Room. You will hear some of the history of Immanuel as well as what we believe the future holds. You will also have a chance to ask questions about the church, the denomination, and anything else that is on your mind. To register, please call the church office, 618-656-4648.

Prayer/Praise Ministry (+ Indicates weeks—call office to continue another four weeks)

- + Dave Kriege has tested positive for COVID
- +++ Cheryl Zimmerman, sister-in-law of Jerry & Sharon Prott, numerous health issues
Daughter of Jim & Betty Burns
- ++++ Sid Helle, cancer treatments
Family of Pam Clarkin, who was suddenly called home to eternal life on December 13
Glen Tipton, nephew of Nancy Phillippe, bladder cancer
Erika Baily, single mother of seven kids with cancer on her brainstem
Betsy Schott, aunt of Lisa Allen, cancer

Blessed Be Your Name

Beth Redman, Matt Redman

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll
Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll
Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in Lord, still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

You give and take away, You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord, blessed be Your name
You give and take away, You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord, blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
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It Is Well With My Soul

Horatio G. Spafford, Philip P. Bliss

When peace like a river attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say
It is well, *it is well*, with my soul, *with my soul*
It is well, it is well with my soul

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
It is well, *it is well*, with my soul, *with my soul*
It is well, it is well with my soul

And, Lord, haste the day
When my faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trump shall resound
And the Lord shall descend
Even so, it is well with my soul.
It is well, *it is well*, with my soul, *with my soul*
It is well, it is well with my soul

How Great Is Our God

Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash & Jesse Reeves

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty
Let all the Earth rejoice
All the Earth rejoice

He wraps Himself in Light,
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
Trembles at His voice

How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God

Age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the end
Beginning and the end

The Godhead Three in One
Father, Spirit, and Son,
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 9 <i>The Baptism of Our Lord</i>	10:00 am	In-Person & Livestream Worship Service
Monday, January 10	7:15 pm	AA in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, January 12	12:00 pm	Bridge Club in Fellowship Hall
Thursday, January 13	12:00 pm	United Methodist Women
Friday, January 14	6:30 pm	Bridge Club
Saturday, January 15	9:00 am	Committee Chair District Training Event at Troy United Methodist Church
Sunday, January 16 <i>Human Relations Day</i>	10:00 am	In-Person Worship with Holy Communion & Livestream Service

Today's Worship Assistants—Worship Leader: David Roderick; Greeters: Gary & Sharon Koenig; Soundboard: Phoebe Hammon; Worship Screens: Priscilla Hammon

Next Week's Worship Assistants—Worship Leader: Sarah Dierker; Greeters: Emily Spitze, Christal Akers-Helle; Soundboard: Priscilla Hammon; Worship Screens: Phoebe Hammon

Celebrating Birthdays this Week—1/09—Imani Sharp; 1/12—Jeffrey Land; 1/13—David Roderick

Immanuel's Welcoming Inclusion Statement—As we recognize the value in each other, we recognize God. We embrace God's good gift of diversity and believe all persons are of sacred worth. Therefore, we welcome people of every age, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, social-economic background, family structure, and physical or mental ability into the full participation of this congregation. We are called by God to raise the level of hope for those who have been marginalized and singled out for exclusion, including our LGBTQIA+ siblings. Our passion for a wide welcome of all God's children moves us to participate in reconciling and justice ministries so that we might truly be open minds, open hearts, and open doors.



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