



Immanuel United Methodist Church

800 North Main Street • Edwardsville, Illinois 62025

Sunday, January 19, 2025

Order of Worship

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Spirit of the Living God*

Worship Team

Opening Prayer

Sarah Woods

Call to Worship

Sarah Woods

L: Praise God, who made each of us, and all of us.

P: Praise God! We are fearfully and wonderfully made.

L: The Holy One knows each of us – actions and thoughts.

P: The Creator wraps us in tender care.

L: So we rejoice! Waking or sleeping, we know God is with us.

P: Let's honor this One as we share this time of worship!

Song—*Come, Christians, Join to Sing UMH #158*

Worship Team

Affirmation of Faith - UMH #886

Sarah Woods

We believe in God, creator of the world and of all people; and in Jesus Christ, incarnate among us, who died and rose again; and in the Holy Spirit, present with us to guide, strengthen, and comfort.

We believe; God, help our unbelief.

We rejoice in every sign of God's kingdom: in the upholding of human dignity and community; in every expression of love, justice, and reconciliation; in each act of self-giving on behalf of others; in the abundance of God's gifts entrusted to us that all may have enough; in all responsible use of the earth's resources.

Glory be to God on high; and on earth, peace.

We confess our sin, individual and collective, by silence or action: through the violation of human dignity based on race, class, age, sex, nation, or faith; through the exploitation of people in personal, communal, national, and international life; through the search for security by those military and economic forces that threaten human existence; through the abuse of technology which endangers the earth and all life upon it.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy;

Lord, have mercy. We commit ourselves individually and as a community to take up the cross; to seek abundant life for all humanity; to struggle for peace with justice and freedom; to risk ourselves in faith, hope, and love, praying that God's kingdom may come.

Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Lord, I Need You*

Worship Team

Scripture Isaiah 43:1-7 ^{NRSVUE}

Sarah Woods

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine. ²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you, and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴Because you are precious in my sight and honored and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; ⁶I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—⁷everyone who is called by my name,

Message: *The God of Creation Loves YOU!*

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*No Longer Slaves*

Worship Team

Prayer of Thanks

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Doxology UMH #95*

Worship Team

Benediction

Pastor David Roderick

Worship Team: Caleb Kelahan, Jennifer Moore

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MLK, Jr on What Really Matters

Exactly two months before his assassination, Martin Luther King Jr. preached his final sermon at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta. On February 4, 1968, the civil-rights icon spoke about how he wanted to be remembered at his funeral. He preferred that people recall not his education or achievements but that he “tried to give his life serving others” and “tried to love somebody.”

Adapting a 1952 homily by J. Wallace Hamilton, King decried the “drum major instinct — a desire to be out front, a desire to lead the parade.” Humans often want to be great and first, as evidenced by the disciples James and John requesting prime seats in paradise. But King urged listeners to focus on the “reordered priorities” of Jesus, who wants us to “be first in love.”

As Jesus showed, “everybody can serve,” King said. Your background or status doesn’t matter, as long as you have “a heart full of grace” and “a soul generated by love.”



The Prophets of Old

Over the next few weeks, we will be looking at what a prophet is and what the Old Testament prophets had to say, and what they meant at the time they said it. We will also try to build bridges that will hopefully extend that meaning forward to us and our world today. Below are the scripture we will be talking about on upcoming Sunday mornings. I encourage you to read them in advance. Also, take time to read the scriptures in their larger context for better understanding.

January

12 - Isaiah 60:1-6
19 - Isaiah 43:1-7
26 - Isaiah 62:1-5

February

2 - Nehemiah 8:1-10
9 - Jeremiah 1:4-10
16 - Isaiah 6:1-13
23 - Jeremiah 17:5-10

Friday Food and Fellowship is scheduled for Friday, January 24th. The meal will begin at 11:00am and will be served until 1:30pm and is open to everyone in the community. There is no cost. You may donate as you are able. We hope you will bring a friend and stay for fellowship. We look forward to seeing you!

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Celebrating Birthdays This Week: 1/25—Emily Spitze

Our Online Calendar can be accessed at any time by following this link:

<https://73818207.view-events.com>.

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.

Calendar for the Week

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| Monday, January 20 | All Day 7:30 pm | MLK, Jr. Holiday. Church Office Closed AA |
| Tuesday, January 21 | 6:00 pm | OWL Class until 8:00 pm |
| Wednesday, January 22 | | No Events Scheduled |
| Thursday, January 23 | | No Events Scheduled |
| Friday, January 24 | 11:00 am | Friday Food and Fellowship |
| Saturday, January 25 | 8:30 am | CPR Class in Journey's Inn until 2:30 pm |
| Sunday, January 26 | 10:00 am 11:00 am | In-Person & Livestream Worship Trustee Meeting |

This Week's Worship Assistants: Today's Worship Assistants:

Liturgist: Sarah Woods
Greeter: Larry & Linda Duckworth
Soundboard: Keith Housewright
Worship Screens: Helen Housewright

Next Week's Worship Assistants:

Liturgist: Lisa Allen
Greeter: Emily Spitze
Soundboard: Matt Lewis
Worship Screens: Kiffon Lewis



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Prayer/Praise Ministry

Please pray for:

- Brenda Johnson and Family, niece of David and Marion Norris, as she battles Glioblastoma cancer discovered last March and latest MRI shows growth starting back up.
- Josh Burch, partner of Shannah Wagner, recovering from kidney surgery.
- Kelly Forrest, fighting heart, liver and kidney failure.
- Nephew of Koenig family, having test for heart issues; possible surgery.
- Young Koenig family friend diagnosed with Stage 3 Colon cancer, facing surgery and treatment.
- Gary Ramey, Stepfather of Emily Spitze, fighting cancer that has spread. He began a new treatment on December 22nd.

If you have someone or something you would like to have us pray for, please use the tear off sheet on the bulletin and drop in an offering box, or contact the church office via email: Kelly@immanuelonmain.org.

**Song #1 - Spirit of the Living God UMH #393
(2x's)**

Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on me.

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Fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on me.

**Song #2 - Come Christians Join to Sing
UMH #158**

Come, Christians, join to sing
Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King
Alleluia! Amen!

Lest all with heart and voice
Before his throne rejoice
Praise is his gracious choice
Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high
Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky
Alleluia! Amen!

He is our guide and friend
To us he'll condescend
His love shall never end
Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet the Lord again
Alleluia! Amen!

Life shall not end the strain
On heaven's blissful shore
His goodness we'll adore
Singing for evermore
Alleluia! Amen!

Song #3- Lord, I Need You

Verse 1

Lord I come, I confess
Bowling here, I find my rest
Without You, I fall apart
You're the one, that guides my heart

Chorus 1

Lord I need You, oh I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Verse 2

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more
Where grace is found, is where You are
And where You are, Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

Chorus 2

Lord I need You, oh I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Bridge

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And When I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay

Chorus 3

Lord I need You, oh I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Ending

My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Song #4 - No Longer Slaves

Verse 1

You unravel me, with a melody
You surround me with a song
Of deliverance, from my enemies
Until all my fears are gone

Chorus 1

I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God
I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God

Verse 2

From my mother's womb
You have chosen me
Love has called my name
I've been born again, into Your family
Your blood flows through my veins

Chorus 2

I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God
I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God

Chorus 3

I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God
I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God

Bridge 1

You split the sea so I could walk right through it
My fears are drowned in perfect love
You rescued me so I could stand and sing
I am a child of God

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Song #4 - No Longer Slaves Continued

Bridge 2

You split the sea so I could walk right through it
My fears are drowned in perfect love
You rescued me so I could stand and sing
I am a child of God

I am a child of God
I am a child of God
I am a child of God
Yes, I am
I am a child of God

Ending

I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God
I'm no longer a slave to fear
I am a child of God

Song #5 – 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.

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