

Immanuel United Methodist Church

800 North Main Street • Edwardsville, Illinois 62025 Sunday, March 2, 2025

Order of Worship

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome Pastor David Roderick

Prelude— Rhonda Grammer

Call to Worship Jules Donnelly

L: God is calling each one of us.

P: Lord, help us to hear your call.

L: If you answer the summons, your life will be totally changed.

P: Lord, help us to be ready for that change.

L: There is so much blindness to the needs of our world

P: Lord, help us to give sight to those who cannot see those needs.

L: People may not understand and may ridicule us.

P: Lord, give us courage and strength to withstand the ridicule and taunting.

L: Lord, we come with willing hearts today to learn how to fulfill the promises given to the people.

P: Make us ready, O Lord, to be true disciples offering ministries of hope and compassion. AMEN.

Opening Prayer Jules Donnelly

Song—Holy Spirit Worship Team

Scripture—Matthew 22:34-40 NRSVUE

Jules Donnelly

³⁴ When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵ and one of them, an expert in the law, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶ "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" ³⁷ He said to him, " 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' ³⁸ This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets."

³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Pastoral Prayer Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Have Thine Own Way Lord UMH #382*

Worship Team

Message: No Holiness but Social Holiness

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Crowded Table*

Worship Team

Communion Pastor David Roderick

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners. The Mighty One has sent his deliverance for all people; even the generations yet unborn. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us, grant us your peace.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

**Amen. Alleluia

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

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

Prayer of ThanksPastor David Roderick

Song—Blest Be the Tie (v. 1,2) Worship Team

Benediction Pastor David Roderick

Worship Team: Sophie Antonini, Rhonda Grammer, Caleb Kelahan

Ash Wednesday—The sanctuary will be open for ashes from 7:00am—9:00am on Wednesday, March 5th to anyone who would like to stop by.

Lenten Bible Study - The Gospel of John

Sundays 6:00-7:15 pm March 9-April 13

Easter is just around the corner, and we are preparing for our journey to the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. The journey begins with Ash Wednesday and continues through the 6 Sundays of Lent. This year we will take that journey on Sunday mornings through stories found in the Gospel of John. We will also take a deeper dive into those stories on Sunday evenings during our Lenten Bible Study. Our classes will be taken from the new book by Amy Jill Levine, *The Gospel of John: A Beginners Guide to the Way, the Truth, and the Life.* Classes will meet at 6 pm on Sundays beginning March 9. I hope that you will plan to take this journey with us. A sign-up sheet is in the hospitality room.

United Women in Faith will meet on Thursday, March 13 at noon. We will use this meeting to prep the pies for Pi(e) Day.

Pi(e) Day—May 14— United Women in Faith will be taking pie orders before and after church on March 2nd and 9th. You may also phone Penny (618-655-0706) to place your order. Pies available are apple (double crust or crumb topping), chocolate cream, coconut cream, custard, pecan, strawberry and Toll House. All donations are used to support missions for women and children. Many thanks to all who support us—through us God is doing great things!

Friday Food and Fellowship will take place on Friday, March 7. The menu will be tomato soup, kielbasa soup, grilled cheese and a variety of desserts. All are welcome!

2024 Contribution Statements are available. They can be sent electronically or by the US Postal system. Please contact the church office and let us know how you would like for it to be delivered. We greatly appreciate all of your donations!

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Celebrating Birthdays This Week: 3/2—Christal Akers-Helle; Ethan Brown, Bethanne Havis, 3/3—Kyle Hatton, 3/4—Bob Ahrens, 3/7—Lisa Lange, 3/8—Phyllis Fisher

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

Sunday, March 2 10:00am In-Person & Livestream Worship

Monday, March 3 11:30am Head Start Learn & Play

7:30pm AA

Tuesday, March 4 6:00pm OWL Class until 8:00 pm

Wednesday, March 5 7:00am Sanctuary Open to Receive Ashes until 9:00am

Ash Wednesday 7:00pm Rainbow House Adult Group

Thursday, March 6 9:00am Sit and Stand Yoga

6:00pm Beginner/Intermediate Yoga 7:00pm PFLAG Meeting in Journey's Inn

Friday, March 7 11:00am Friday Food and Fellowship

Saturday, March 8 8:30am CPR Class until 2:30pm in Journey's Inn

9:00am Rise and Shine Yoga

Today's Worship Assistants:

Liturgist: Jules Donnelly Greeter: Emily Spitze Soundboard: Matt Martell Worship Screens: Hayden Ellis

Next Week's Worship Assistants:

Liturgist: Sarah Woods

Greeter: Gary & Sharon Koenig Soundboard: Bob Ahrens Worship Screens: Tami Masinelli



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Prayer/Praise Ministry

Please pray for:

- Family of Brenda Johnson, niece of David and Marion Norris, who passed away this week of Glioblastoma cancer.
- Jennifer Moore and family, for comfort and healing, as they recover from illness.
- Those fighting addiction and their families.
- 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 in December.

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 - Holy Spirit

Verse 1
There's nothing worth more
That will ever come close
No thing can compare
You're our living hope
Your Presence, Lord

Verse 2
I've tasted and seen
Of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free
And my shame is undone
Your Presence, Lord

Chorus

Holy Spirit, You are welcome here Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for To be overcome by Your presence, Lord

Verse 3
There's nothing worth more
That will ever come close
No thing can compare
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Your Presence, Lord

Verse 4
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Where my heart becomes free
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Your Presence, Lord

Chorus

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Bridge

Let us become more aware of Your Presence Let us experience the glory of Your goodness Let us become more aware of Your Presence Let us experience the glory of Your goodness

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Song #2 - Have Thine Own Way Lord UMH #382

Verse 1
Have thine own way, Lord!
Have thine own way
Thou art the potter, I am the clay
Mold me and make me after thy will
While I am waiting, yielded and still

Verse 2
Have thine own way, Lord!
Have thine own way
Search and try me, Savior today!
Wash me just now, Lord, wash me just now
As in thy presence humbly I bow

Verse 3
Have thine own way, Lord!
Have thine own way
Wounded and weary, help me I pray!
Power, all power, surely is thine!
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

Verse 4
Have thine own way, Lord!
Have thine own way
Hold o'er my being absolute sway
Fill with thy Spirit till all shall see
Christ only, always, living in me!

Song #3 - Crowded Table

Verse 1
You can hold my hand
When you need to let go
I can be your mountain
When you're feeling valley-low
I can be your streetlight
Showing you the way home
You can hold my hand
When you need to let go

Chorus

I want a house with a crowded table
And a place by the fire for everyone
Let us take on the world
While we're young and able
And bring us back together when the day is done

Verse 2
If we want a garden
We're gonna have to sow the seed
Plant a little happiness
Let the roots run deep
If it's love that we give
Then it's love that we reap
If we want a garden
We're gonna have to sow the seed

Chorus 2
Yeah I want a house with a crowded table
And a place by the fire for everyone
Let us take on the world
While we're young and able
And bring us back together when the day is done

Bridge

The door is always open Your picture's on my wall Everyone's a little broken And everyone belongs Yeah, everyone belongs

Chorus 3
I want a house with a crowded table
And a place by the fire for everyone
Let us take on the world
While we're young and able

Song #4- Blest Be the Tie UMH #557 (v. 1,2)

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above

Before our Father's throne
We pour our ardent prayers
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one
Our comforts and our cares

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