



Immanuel United Methodist Church

800 North Main Street • Edwardsville, Illinois 62025

Sunday, March 23, 2025

Order of Worship

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Pastor David Roderick

Prelude— *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Jennifer Moore

Call to Worship

Sarah Woods

L: We come with joy to this celebration of God's love!

P: Open our hearts, Lord, to receive your love.

L: We come with hope to this witness to God's power!

P: Challenge and encourage our spirits to serve you, Lord.

L: We come with a willingness to proclaim God's presence to all.

P: We thank God for this invitation to worship, witness and serve. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Sarah Woods

Song— *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name UMH#154*

Worship Team

Song— *Victory in Jesus #370*

Worship Team

Scripture— *John 5:1-18* NRSVUE

Sarah Woods

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor David Roderick

Song— *Blessed Assurance*

Worship Team

Message: *Stirring Up Trouble*

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone*

Worship Team

Communion—

Pastor David Roderick

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

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. Hosanna in the highest.

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.

Communion—Cont'd

Pastor David Roderick

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.

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 Thanks

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Doxology #95*

Worship Team

Benediction

Pastor David Roderick

Worship Team: Sophie Antonini, Caleb Kelahan, Jennifer Moore

Lenten Bible Study - The Gospel of John

Sundays 6:00-7:15 pm through April 13—Classroom #4

With Easter just around the corner, we have been preparing for our journey to the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. The journey began 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 (available for purchase on Amazon) by Amy Jill Levine, *The Gospel of John: A Beginners Guide to the Way, the Truth, and the Life*. Classes will meet in Classroom #4 at 6 pm on Sundays through April 13th. I hope that you will plan to take this journey with us.

Congratulations to Penny and Tom May on the birth of their Great Granddaughter, Aryah Rose Zornes on Monday, March 17th. Penny's Grandson Gabriel and his wife Briana were in a car accident on their way to the hospital when her contractions began. We lift them up in prayer as they recover and celebrate the birth of their beautiful daughter.

Karen Trone's Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, April 5 at 11:00am at Immanuel. A lunch will immediately follow. Memorials may be made to the Missouri Botanical Garden, the Alzheimer's Association, or the Alzheimer's Foundation of America.

UMCOR Sunday will be celebrated on March 30. This is one of the six Special Sundays of the United Methodist Church—all donations to UMCOR Sunday underwrite administrative costs so that gifts made to humanitarian response efforts directly support those in need. These gifts ensure UMCOR can respond swiftly and be a source of hope for vulnerable communities.

Friday Food & Fellowship will be served Friday, April 4 from 11:00 am until 1:30 pm. This meal is for the whole community. There is no set cost, but donations are accepted as you are able. Due to Good Friday, this will be the only lunch held in the month of April.

Good Friday Worship—We invite you to join hearts and hands with us in remembrance of He who bore his crown of thorns willingly, arose from the dead, and defeated death that we might have eternal life. Worship with us at 6:00 pm on Friday, April 18.

Easter Worship—Sunday, April 20. There will be no community sunrise service this year. Please join us at 10:00 am as we celebrate Christ's victory over death and the grave.

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Celebrating Birthdays This Week: 3/25—Katheryn Kreutzberg; 3/25—Rebekah Carter

Celebrating Anniversaries This Week: 3/24—Keith & LeeAnn Kane

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

Calendar for the Week

Sunday, March 23	10:00am In-Person & Livestream Worship 6:00pm Lenten Bible Study—Classroom #4
Monday, March 24	7:30pm AA
Tuesday, March 25	6:00pm OWL Class until 8:00 pm
Wednesday, March 26	6:00pm SPPRC Meeting in Journey's Inn 6:30pm Metro East UUC Adult Education Class - Classroom #4
Thursday, March 27	9:00am Sit and Stand Yoga 6:00pm Beginner/Intermediate Yoga
Friday, March 28	No Events Scheduled
Saturday, March 29	8:30am CPR Class—Classroom #4 until 2:30pm 9:00am Rise & Shine Yoga

Today's Worship Assistants:

Liturgist: Sarah Woods
Greeter: Jill Winte
Soundboard: Matt Lewis
Worship Screens: Kiffon Lewis

Next Week's Worship Assistants:

Liturgist: Dave Norris
Greeter: Emily Spitze
Soundboard: Matt Martell
Worship Screens: Hayden Ellis



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Prayer/Praise Ministry

Please pray for:

- Gabriel Zornes and his wife Brianna, grandson of Penny & Tom May, recovering from a car accident on their way to the hospital. Brianna delivered a healthy baby girl, Aryah Rose a few weeks early on Monday March 17th.
- Larry & Linda Duckworth and family, for the passing of Larry's brother Allen.
- Those fighting addiction and their families
- Donna as she will be going through a series of treatments.
- Continued prayers for Mike Portell as he continues to recover in rehab.
- 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.

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 - All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name #154 v. 1,4,6

Verse 1

All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown him Lord of all
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown him Lord of all

Verse 4

Let every kindred every tribe
On this terrestrial ball
To him all majesty ascribe
And crown him Lord of all
To him all majesty ascribe
And crown him Lord of all

Verse 6

O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown him Lord of all
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown him Lord of all

Song #2 - Victory in Jesus #370 v. 1,3

Verse 1

I heard an old, old story
How a Savior came from glory
How He gave His life on Calvary
To save a wretch like me
I heard about His groaning
Of His precious blood's atoning
Then I repented of my sins
And won the victory

Refrain

O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever
He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood
He loved me ere I knew Him
And all my love is due Him
He plunged me to victory
Beneath the cleansing flood

Song #2 - Victory in Jesus #370 v. 1,3 Cont'd

Verse 3

I heard about a mansion
He has built for me in glory
And I heard about the streets of gold
Beyond the crystal sea
About the angels singing
And the old redemption story
And some sweet day I'll sing
Up there the song of victory

Refrain

O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever
He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood
He loved me ere I knew Him
And all my love is due Him
He plunged me to victory
Beneath the cleansing flood

Song #3 – Blessed Assurance

Verse 1

Oh, blessed assurance, Jesus is mine
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine
Heir of salvation the purchase of God
Born of His spirit and washed in His blood

Chorus

This is my story, this is my song
I'm praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story, oh, this is my song
'Cause I'm praising my Savior all the day long

Verse 2

Perfect submission now, all is at rest
'Cause I in my Savior, oh, I am happy and blessed
And I'm watching and waiting and I'm looking above
'Cause I'm filled with His goodness and I'm washed in
His blood

Chorus

This is my story, this is my song
I'm praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story, oh, this is my song
'Cause I'm praising my Savior all the day long

Song #3 – Blessed Assurance Cont'd

Instrumental 1

Bridge (2x)

This is my story
I'll testify that God is good
All the time He saw me
And heard my cry, now, I am His

Tag:

And He is mine, He is mine

Chorus

This is my story, this is my song
I'm praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story, oh, this is my song
'Cause I'm praising my Savior all the day long

Instrumental 2:

Bridge 2: (x4)

This is my story
I'll testify that God is good
All the time He saw me
And heard my cry, now, I am His

Outro:

He healed my body
He touched my mind
He'll save you right on time

Song #4 – Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Song #4 – Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone Cont'd

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
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That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

Song #5– Doxology #95

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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