



Immanuel United Methodist Church

800 North Main Street • Edwardsville, Illinois 62025

October 5, 2025

Order of Worship

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Sweet, Sweet Spirit #334*

Worship Team

Call to Worship

Pastor David Roderick

L: Just as the heavens burst forth in praise to God.....

P: We celebrate God's abundant and powerful love.

L: Day by day, and night by night.....

P: God watches over us, loving and healing us.

L: Come, celebrate with joy the love of God.

P: Open our hearts and spirits, Lord, and teach us your ways. AMEN

Opening Prayer

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Hold Us Together*

Worship Team

Scripture Reading—*1 Corinthians 1:10-13; 2:1-5*^{NRSVUE}

Pastor David Roderick

1¹⁰ Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you but that you be knit together in the same mind and the same purpose. **11** For it has been made clear to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. **12** What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." **13** Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

2 When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. **2** For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. **3** And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. **4** My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, **5** so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Pastoral Prayer

Sarah Woods

Song—*Let Them See You*

Worship Team

Today's Message: *Finding Unity in a Divided World*

Sarah Woods

Song—*They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love*

Worship Team

Holy 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.

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**

Receiving the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanks

Pastor David Roderick

Song—Reprise: *They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love*

Worship Team

Benediction

Pastor David Roderick

Fall Bible Study—1st Corinthians: A Study in Unity

Sundays October 5—November 2, 2025—6:00-7:15pm—Classroom #4

This study will be led by Sarah Woods and will focus on Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. Paul discusses many things that had been plaguing the church at Corinth. It is the intention of this study to explore if and how these issues continue to impact our faith communities today, particularly around Unity. We hope you can join us!

World Communion Day—Today we celebrate World Communion Sunday, one of the six special offering Sundays of the United Methodist Church. World Communion Sunday is an annual opportunity for United Methodists to call attention to the unity of all Christians at the table of the Lord, and to raise funds to support United Methodist students in the US and around the world.

Leclaire Parkfest 2025: October 19—Volunteer Needed

Friends of Leclaire's 33rd Annual Parkfest will be held from 11am-5pm on Sunday, October 19, at Leclaire Park. Immanuel will have a table. If you are interested in volunteering at our table, please fill out the slip on the bulletin or contact the church office. [Learn more](#)

The Current

The purpose of The Current is to "report significant news, events, programs, ministries, and decisions of The United Methodist Church that occur within the bounds of or are of particular interest to the annual conference, and to publish national and global news of the church. Its focus shall center on the interests, needs, opinions, and concerns of United Methodists." [Click here](#) to subscribe or change your current subscription. To view the October 2025 digital version [click here](#).

Church Work Day: Saturday, October 18 from 9am—noon

The Board of Trustee Committee has scheduled a Church Work Day. We will do some work in the Prayer Garden and anywhere else that may need it. All are welcome to pitch in. More info is available in the Weekly Update Email.

Fellowship Potluck—Join us for our next fellowship potluck that will take place on Sunday, November 9th, immediately following church. A sign up sheet will be in the hospitality/overflow room.

Sistahs and UWF Joint Meeting and Meal—A joint potluck dinner meeting with Sistahs and UWF will be held at 6:00pm on Wednesday, November 12th. We will assemble the Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes. A tote is located in the hospitality room for those who would like to drop off new small items to be used to fill the shoe boxes. Boxes are also available, if you would like to fill one yourself. Boxes must be returned by November 9th and include \$10 (cash/check) for shipping.

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Celebrating Birthdays This Week: 10/5—Renee Doss, 10/6—Nancy Schwalb, 10/7—LeeAnn Kane; Butch Mestemacher, 10/8—Darrin Lancaster; Becky Mestemacher, 10/9—Breck Newman

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.

Prayer/Praise Ministry

- Josh Burch (and family), fiancé of Shannah Wagner, for the loss of his grandfather, Louis Burch.
- Elmer Mckean, father of Sheila Page, recovering from several surgeries.
- Rhonda Grammer and family, for the loss of her father, Ron Jones.
- Rich (and family), friend of Paige Brase, who is battling cancer.
- Barb Mindak recently diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis.
- Ann Pugh fighting brain cancer.
- Nancy Darnell, who is continuing treatment for colon cancer.
- Peggy Worthey, prayers for comfort and healing as she goes through health issues.
- Maryrose Donnelly, mother of Jules Donnelly, recently diagnosed with cancer.
- Carl Streubel, friend of Emily Spitze, who was recently diagnosed with colon cancer.
- Gary Ramey, Stepfather of Emily Spitze, undergoing treatment for cancer that has spread.

To add someone to the prayer list fill out the bulletin slip or contact the church office.

Calendar for the Week

Sunday, October 5	10:00 am	In-Person & Livestream Worship
Monday, October 6	10:30 am 7:15 pm	Head Start Learn & Play AA
Thursday, October 2	12:00 pm	United Women in Faith Meeting in Journey's Inn
Sunday, October 5	10:00 am 11:00 am	In-Person & Livestream Worship Board of Trustees Meeting

Today's Worship Assistants:

Guest Speaker: Sarah Woods
Liturgist: Pastor David Roderick
Greeter(s): Emily Spitze
Soundboard: Hayden Ellis
Worship Screens: Tami Masinelli

Next Week's Worship Assistants:

Liturgist: Sarah Woods
Greeter(s): Jill Winte
Soundboard: Matt Martell
Worship Screens: Kiffon Lewis



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Song #1 - Sweet, Sweet Spirit #334

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord

There are sweet expressions on each face
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove
Stay right here with us filling us with your love

And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise
Without a doubt we'll know
That we have been revived
When we shall leave this place

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Song #2 - Hold Us Together

It don't have a job, don't pay your bills
Won't buy you a home in Beverly Hills
Won't fix your life in five easy steps
Ain't the law of the land or the government
But it's all you need

And love will hold us together
Make us a shelter to weather the storm
And I'll be my brother's keeper
So the whole world would know
That we're not alone

It's waiting for you knocking at your door
In the moment of truth
When your heart hits the floor
And you're on your knees

And love will hold us together
Make us a shelter to weather the storm
And I'll be my brother's keeper
So the whole world would know
That we're not alone

This is the first day of the rest of your life
This is the first day of the rest of your life
'Cause even in the dark you can still see the light
It's gonna be alright, It's gonna be alright

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Song #3 - Let Them See You

Take away the melodies
Take away the songs I sing
Take away all the lights
And all the songs You let me write
Does the person that I am today
Say the words You need to say

Let them see You in me
Let them hear You when I speak
Let them feel You when I sing
Let them see You, let them see You in me

Who am I without Your grace
Another smile another face
Another breath a grain of sand
Passing quickly through Your hand
I'd give my life an offering
Take it all take everything

Let them see You in me
Let them hear You when I speak
Let them feel You when I sing
Let them see You, let them see You in me

With every breath I breathe
I sing a simple melody
But I pray they'll hear more than a song in me
In me, in me

Let them see You in me
Let them hear You when I speak
Let them feel You when I sing
Let them see You

Let them see You in me
Let them hear You
When I speak
Let them feel You when I sing
Let them see You

Let them see You in me
Let them see You

Song #4 - They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

We are on in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord
We are on in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity
May one day be restored

And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
By our love
Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love

We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
And together we'll spread the news
That God is in our land

And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
By our love
Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love

We will work with each other
We will work side by side
We will work with each other
We will work side by side
And we'll guard each man's dignity
And save each man's pride

And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
By our love
Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love

All praise to the Father
From whom all things come
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only son
And all praise to the Spirit that makes us one

And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
By our love
Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love

Song #5 - Reprise

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

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We are on in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord
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