



Immanuel United Methodist Church

800 North Main Street • Edwardsville, Illinois 62025

November 16, 2025

Order of Worship

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Pastor David Roderick

Prelude—

Emerson Gausmann

Opening Prayer

David Norris

Call to Worship

David Norris

L: Almighty God, through your Holy Spirit you created unity in the midst of diversity;

P: We acknowledge that human diversity is an expression of your manifold love for your creation;

L: We confess that in our brokenness as human beings we turn diversity into a source of alienation, injustice, oppression, and wounding.

P: Empower us to recognize and celebrate differences as your great gift to the human family.

L: Enable us to be the architects of understanding, of respect and love;

P: Through the Lord, the ground of all unity, we give thanks.

Affirmation of Faith— *The Apostles' Creed #882*

David Norris

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the universal church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Song—*We Believe*

Worship Team

Scripture Reading—*Luke 21:5-19*^{NRSVUE}

David Norris

⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ⁶ "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." ⁷ They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" ⁸ And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. ⁹ "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." ¹⁰ Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. ¹² "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, ¹⁵ for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls.

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Come as You Are*

Worship Team

Today's Message: "*Our Hope is in Christ*"

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Forever Reign*

Worship Team

Prayer of Thanks

Pastor David Roderick

Doxology #95

Worship Team

Benediction

Pastor David Roderick

Worship Team:

Emerson Gausmann, Jennifer Moore

Friday Food and Fellowship—REMINDER

Due to the UWF Fundraiser on November 21st, there will be no Friday Food & Fellowship lunches for the rest of November. Our December dates will be December 5 and 19. Our thanks to everyone who volunteers their time to help our community.

Fundraiser

Immanuel's United Women in Faith group will host their annual Soup and Sandwich Fundraising Luncheon on Friday, November 21st from 11:00am - 1:00pm. The menu will be chicken salad on croissant, a variety of soups and cake and pie for dessert. The women will use all the funds raised from this fundraising lunch to support missions both locally and nationally. We hope you will support this important work. Join us and bring a friend. All are welcome! As always, your donations are appreciated!

Help us "Spruce" up the Church for the Holidays

Christmas will be here before we know it. Following our service on Sunday, November 23rd, we will need volunteers to help bring up the Christmas decorations. In addition, we will need volunteers to stay to help decorate as the tree will need to be completed for Advent which starts the following Sunday November 30. All are welcome to participate!

Sistah's/UWF Joint Christmas Party

Sistahs and United Women in Faith will be hosting a joint Christmas party on Wednesday, December 3rd at 6:00 pm. The evening will start with appetizers and desserts—bring your favorite to share. We will have a gift exchange—\$5 suggested cost. There will be a short program from the [Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House](#) and we will collect gifts from their wish list (list forthcoming).

Immanuel Goes to a Hockey Game

Please mark your calendars for Friday, December 19th at 8:15 PM for Hockey Fights Cancer at the RP Lumber Center. Immanuel will participate in the puck drop before the game to honor those fighting cancer, survivors or loved ones lost to cancer. Those individuals will be honored on the ice during a pre-game ceremony. (One only has to look at the current Immanuel Prayer List to see how many of our congregation have been impacted by cancer.) We hope many of you, families, and friends can join us for this event. More details to come!

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Celebrating Birthdays This Week: 11/19—Becky Anderson; 11/22—Delores Fisher

Celebrating Anniversaries This Week: 11/16—Jim and Diane Kelahan

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

Prayer/Praise Ministry

- Gary Ramey, stepfather of Emily Spitze, no longer receiving cancer treatment and has been placed on long term hospice.
- Prayers of comfort for the family of Rich, friend of Paige Brase, who recently passed from cancer.
- Sutton Anne Hain, granddaughter of Shawn Uhe, comfort and continued improvement following a recent hospital stay.
- Brandy Page, daughter of Sheila Page, prayers for continued healing.
- Barb Mindak recently diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis.
- Ann Pugh fighting brain cancer.
- Maryrose Donnelly, mother of Jules Donnelly, diagnosed with cancer.
- Carl Streubel, friend of Emily Spitze, who was diagnosed with colon cancer.

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

Calendar for the Week

Sunday, November 16	10:00 am 11:00 am	In-Person & Livestream Worship Board of Trustees Meeting
Monday, November 17	5:00 pm 7:15 pm	Head Start Parent Meeting AA
Wednesday, November 19	1:00 pm 7:00 pm	Head Start Learn & Play Rainbow House Adult Group
Thursday, November 20	9:30 am	Prep for UWF Fundraiser
Friday, November 21	11:00 am	UWF Fundraiser Soup & Sandwich Lunch till 1pm
Sunday, November 23	10:00 am	In-Person & Livestream Worship

Today's Worship Assistants:

Liturgist: David Norris

Greeter (s): Emily Spitze

Soundboard: Keith Housewright

Worship Screens: Helen Housewright

Next Week's Worship Assistants:

Liturgist: Andrew Taylor

Greeter (s): Jill Winte

Soundboard: Hayden Ellis

Worship Screens: Kiffon Lewis



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Song #1 - We Believe

In this time of desperation
When all we know is doubt and fear
There is only one foundation
We believe, we believe

In this broken generation
When all is dark, You help us see
There is only one salvation
We believe, we believe

We believe in God the Father
We believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit
And He's giving us new life

We believe in the crucifixion
We believe that He conquered death
We believe in the resurrection
And He's coming back again
We believe

So, let our faith be more than anthems
Greater than the songs we sing
And in our weakness and temptations
We believe, we believe!

We believe in God the Father
We believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit
And He's giving us new life!

We believe in the crucifixion
We believe that He conquered death
We believe in the resurrection
And He's coming back again

Let the lost be found and the dead be raised
In the here and now, let love invade
Let the church live loud, our God, we'll say
"We believe, we believe"

And the gates of hell will not prevail
For the power of God has torn the veil
Now we know Your love will never fail
We believe, we believe

We believe in God the Father
We believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit
And He's giving us new life!

We believe in the crucifixion
We believe that He conquered death
We believe in the resurrection
And He's coming back again
He's coming back again
He's coming back again

We believe We believe

Song #2 - Come as You Are

Come out of sadness from wherever you've been
Come broken-hearted, let rescue begin
Come find your mercy, O sinner come kneel
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

Lay down your burdens, lay down your shame
All who are broken, lift up your face

O wanderer, come home!
You're not too far
So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart
Come as you are

There's hope for the hopeless
And all those who've strayed
Come sit at the table, come taste the grace
There's rest for the weary, rest that endures
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure

Lay down your burdens, lay down your shame
All who are broken, lift up your face

Song #2 - Come as You Are Cont'd

O wanderer, come home!
You're not too far
So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart
Come as you are
Come as you are
Fall in His arms
Come as you are

There's joy for the morning
O sinner be still
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

Lay down your burdens, lay down your shame
All who are broken, lift up your face

O wanderer, come home!
You're not too far
So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart
Come as you are
Come as you are
Come as you are

Song #3 - Forever Reign

You are good, You are good,
When there's nothing good in me.
You are love, You are love,
On display for all to see.

You are light, You are light,
When the darkness closes in.
You are hope, You are hope,
You have covered all my sin.

Oh, I'm running to Your arms,
I'm running to Your arms.
The riches of Your love,
Will always be enough.
Nothing compares to Your embrace.
Light of the world, forever reign.

You are peace, You are peace,
When my fear is crippling.
You are true, You are true,
Even in my wandering.

You are joy, You are joy,
You're the reason that I sing.
You are life, You are life,
In You, death has lost its sting.

Oh, I'm running to Your arms,
I'm running to Your arms.
The riches of Your love,
Will always be enough.
Nothing compares to Your embrace.
Light of the world, forever reign.

I'm running to Your arms.
The riches of Your love,
Will always be enough.
Nothing compares to Your embrace.
Light of the world, forever reign.

You are more, You are more,
Than my words will ever say.
You are Lord, You are Lord,
All creation will proclaim.

You are here, You are here,
In Your presence I'm made whole.
You are God, You are God,
Of all else I'm letting go.

Oh, I'm running to Your arms,
I'm running to Your arms.
The riches of Your love,
Will always be enough.
Nothing compares to Your embrace.
Light of the world, forever reign.

I'm running to Your arms,
I'm running to Your arms.
The riches of Your love,
Will always be enough.
Nothing compares to Your embrace.
Light of the world, forever reign.

Song #3 - Forever Reign Cont'd

My heart will sing no other name
Jesus, Jesus.

My heart will sing no other name
Jesus, Jesus.

My heart will sing no other name
Jesus, Jesus.

My heart will sing no other name
Jesus, Jesus.

Oh, I'm running to Your arms,
I'm running to Your arms.
The riches of Your love,
Will always be enough.
Nothing compares to Your embrace.
Light of the world, forever reign.

I'm running to Your arms,
I'm running to Your arms.
The riches of Your love,
Will always be enough.
Nothing compares to Your embrace.
Light of the world, forever reign.

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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