



Immanuel United Methodist Church

800 North Main Street • Edwardsville, Illinois 62025

March 1, 2026
Second Sunday of Lent

Order of Worship

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Emerson Gausmann

Song: *Surely the Presence of the Lord # 328*

Worship Team

Call to Worship*

Lisa Allen

L: Jesus shared meals with saints and sinners, outcasts and leaders.

P: He welcomed everyone to the table.

L: Today, that same table stretches wide.

P: There is a place for each of us here.

L: So come in joy, come in honesty—

P: And worship the One who invites us all.

Opening Prayer

Lisa Allen

Song—*Holy Spirit*

Worship Team

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Nancy Wilson

Song—*Have Thine Own Way, Lord #382*

Worship Team

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ² I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed. ⁴ So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ¹⁷ And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people."

Today's Message: *Stepping Out in Faith*

Rev. Nancy Wilson

Song—*Come to the Table*

Worship Team

Holy Communion

Rev. Nancy Wilson

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

Rev. Nancy Wilson

Song—Doxology #95

Worship Team

Benediction

Rev. Nancy Wilson

Speaker Bio: Rev. Nancy Wilson recently retired after serving 14 years in pastoral ministry in The United Methodist Church. While pastor, she also served on a variety of committees and commissions and recently served as dean of the conference school for local pastors.

Prior to entering ministry, she was a business owner and served on the faculty of Eastern Illinois University. She then went on to become an administrator at EIU before assuming an administrative role at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Worship Team:

Emerson Gausmann, Jennifer Moore

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*From Pastor Jason Elder

Worship Assistant Volunteers

We're looking for volunteers to serve as Worship Assistants in a few areas on Sundays. This is a great way to serve Immanuel. We are specifically looking for greeters and live stream assistants. But also worship slides and soundboard. Training will be provided. If you are interested in seeing if you would be a fit please contact the church office, for more information.

Pi(e) Day

Penny May will be taking pie orders before and after church on March 1st and 8th. Pickup will be on Saturday, March 14 from 10am—noon. You may also phone Penny (618-655-0706) to ask a question or 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!

Honor Flight for Our Veterans

Two of our Immanuel church family members have been accepted to participate in the Greater St. Louis area Honor Flight for Veterans on April 1, 2026.

On the flight home there will be a Mail Call, where cards and letters from family and friends are provided to the veterans thanking them for their service. If you would like to thank our veterans, please refer to the Weekly Update email or contact the church office for more information. Blank cards are available in the hospitality room for anyone who would like one. You may mail your card or leave at the church. Cards are due by March 5.

Friday Food and Fellowship

Our next lunch will take place on Friday, March 6 and will be provided by Faith in Action. As always, there is no charge for the meal, however donations are welcome and appreciated. Everyone is welcome. Our thanks to all the volunteers who help to prepare and serve these meals to our community.

Inclement Weather Policy

If Church or a Friday Food & Fellowship lunch is ever cancelled or postponed due to weather, or any other unexpected reason, it will be posted on our Facebook page and/or on our website.

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Celebrating Birthdays This Week: Celebrating Birthdays This Week: 3/1—Keith Kane; Kiffon Lewis, 3/2—Christal Akers-Helle, BethAnne Havis, 3/3—Kyle Hatton, 3/4—Bob Ahrens, 3/7—Lisa Lange

Celebrating Anniversaries This Week:

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

- Family and friends of Al Werner, longtime companion of Joanie Green, recently passed from pancreatic cancer.
- Sue Guglielmo, for the loss of her mother, Tippie Heimos.
- Jill Winte, Kiffon Lewis and family, prayers of comfort for the loss of Jill's mother and Kiffon's grandmother, Nina Weber Bizaillion.
- Penny May and Dale Fellhauer thanks everyone for their prayers and support for their sister Pat Boudreau. She continues to heal and received a good report from doctors.
- Dennis Fellhauer, brother of Penny May and Dale Fellhauer, recovering from a kidney infection.
- Kimberly Buckley, daughter of Linda & Larry Duckworth, prayers for emotional support
- Prayer of healing for Shelley Duncan, cousin of Sheila Page.
- Brandy Page, daughter of Sheila Page, prayers for continued healing.
- Carl Streubel, friend of Emily Spitze, who was diagnosed with cancer.

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

Calendar for the Week

Monday, March 2	7:15 pm	AA
Tuesday, March 1	10:00 am	Home School Group —Lower Level until 3pm
Wednesday, February 25	7:00 pm	Rainbow House Adut Group
Thursday, March 5	7:00 pm	PFLAG Meeting
Friday, March 6	11:00 am	Friday Food and Fellowship Hosted by Faith in Action until 1pm
Saturday, March 7	9:00 am	Rise & Shine Yoga Set Clocks Ahead one Hour at Bedtime
Sunday, March 8	10:00 am	In-Person & Livestream Worship Daylight Savings Time Begins

Today's Worship Assistants:

Guest Speaker: Rev. Nancy Wilson
Liturgist: Lisa Allen Host: Emerson Gausmann
Greeter: Emily Spitze
Soundboard: Hayden Ellis
Worship Screens: Tami Masinelli

Next Week's Worship Assistants:

Guest Speaker: Rhonda Grammer
Liturgist and Host: Sarah Woods
Greeter: Lisa Allen
Soundboard: Tobias Weaver
Worship Screens: Hayden Ellis



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**Song #1 – Surely the Presence of the Lord
#328**

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings,
I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

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Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Song #2 - Holy Spirit

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

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

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Your Presence, Lord

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

Let us become more aware of Your Presence
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness
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Song #3 - Have Thy Own Way, Lord #382

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

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

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!

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 #4—Come to the Table

We all start on the outside
The outside looking in
This is where grace begins

We were hungry, we were thirsty
With nothing left to give
Oh, the shape that we were in

Just when all hope seemed lost
Love opened the door for us, He said:

Come to the table
Come join the sinners
Who have been redeemed
Take your place beside the Savior
Sit down and be set free
Come to the table

Come meet this motley crew of misfits
These liars and these thieves
There's no one unwelcome here

So, that sin and shame
That you brought with you
You can leave it at the door
Let mercy draw you near

Come to the table
Come join the sinners
Who have been redeemed
Take your place beside the Savior
Sit down and be set free
Come to the table

To the thief and to the doubter
To the hero and the coward
To the prisoner and the soldier
To the young, to the older

All who hunger, all who thirst
All the last, all the first
All the paupers and the princes
All who fail, you've been forgiven

All who dream and all who suffer
All who loved and lost another
All the chained and all the free
All who follow, all who lead

Anyone who's been let down
All the lost, you have been found
All who've been labeled right or wrong
To everyone who hears this song

Come to the table
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Who have been redeemed
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Sit down and be set free
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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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