



Immanuel United Methodist Church

800 North Main Street • Edwardsville, Illinois 62025

May 31, 2026

Order of Worship

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Pastor David Roderick

Prelude

Rhonda Grammer

Call to Worship

Jules Donnelly

L: Christ sets before us this day life and death and calls for us to choose life that we and our children may live.

P: We accept life, so teach us to live.

L: Christ sets before us this day the challenge to seek peace and to pursue it.

P: We accept the challenge of peace, so enable us to pursue it.

L: Christ sets before us this day the call to be peacemakers;

P: to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ to a suffering world.

L: We gather to embody God's love and desire for peace for all people;

P: to hear and give voice to creation's cry for justice and peace.

L: We gather to name and confront the influence of evil within and among us;

P: to repent of our silence and complicity with the powers of chaos and death.

L: We gather to join with the oppressed and troubled people of the world in the struggle for liberation and peace;

P: to work for justice, healing and wholeness of life.

L: We gather to embrace the unity of God's people and Christ's church;

P: to make peace a reality.

Song—*Let There Be Peace on Earth* #431

Worship Team

Opening Prayer

Jules Donnelly

Song—*O God of Every Nation #435*

Worship Team

Scripture Reading: *Isaiah 9:2-7*

Jules Donnelly

² The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. ³ You have multiplied exultation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder ⁴ For the yoke of their burden and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. ⁵ For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. ⁶ For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders, and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷ Great will be his authority, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

Pastoral Prayer

Rhonda Grammer

Song—*For the Healing of the Nations #428*

Worship Team

Today's Message—*Let There Be Peace*

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Give Us Clean Hands*

Worship Team

Prayer of Thanks

Pastor David Roderick

Doxology #95

Worship Team

Benediction

Pastor David Roderick

Worship Team:

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Emerson Gausmann, Rhonda Grammer

*Written by Joanna Harader

Welcome!

Good morning, and welcome to worship at Immanuel. What a blessing to take time away from life's busyness to rest in God's presence.

Preparation for Worship

Lord, rest your Spirit upon us, we pray, so we may go from this worship to share your goodness and love with others. Amen.

Worship Assistant - Matt Martell Relocating

Sunday marks the last Sunday Matt Martell will be serving as a Worship Assistant. Many of you know Matt from running our soundboard during Sunday services as well as serving as a guest speaker from time to time. A heartfelt thank you to Matt for his faithful service to Immanuel! Matt's dedication has meant so much to our church family. We are wishing you all the best as you relocate and start your new position—may this new adventure be filled with joy and success. We pray God's richest blessings on your next chapter.

Immanuel Member, Lisa Allen, Honored for Equity Leadership

Lisa was the winner of the Equity Advocate Award at the 2026 District #7 Awards Banquet. "Through her leadership, cultural awareness initiatives, and dedication to elevating diverse voices, she inspires both students and staff to build a stronger, more inclusive school community." Congratulations, Lisa!. [Click here](#) to read the River Bender article.

Peace With Justice Sunday

Today is Peace and Justice Sunday. The United Methodist Church uses this day to speak out for peace and justice. Our Social Principles call us to love our enemies, seek justice, and serve as peacemakers in resolving conflict. 50% of your donation stays in our local conference and 50% of your donation funds peace making ministries and grants.

Friday Food and Fellowship

Our next lunch will be held on Friday, June 5th and will be hosted by Mount Joy. We hope that you will join us for good food, meaningful conversation and shared community. These meals are free and open to everyone, with donations gratefully accepted as each person is able.

Faith in Action - Fried Chicken Dinner Fundraiser

Faith in Action will be holding a Fried Chicken Dinner Fundraiser on Sunday, June 7 from 11:00am - 3:00pm at the Edwardsville Moose Lodge. The cost is \$14 for adults and \$7 for children. You can dine in or carry-out.

Brown Bag Buddies 2026

The Brown Bag Buddies Program is starting up for Summer 2026 and will distribute lunches on Monday's from June 1 - August 10 between 10am-12pm. Brown Bag Buddies provides support lunches for those District 7 students aged 0-18 in need during the summer when school lunches are not available. [Click here](#) for more information.

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Celebrating Birthdays This Week: 6/01—Elisa Huffer, 6/02—Michelle Woods

Celebrating Anniversaries This Week: 6/2—Caleb & Sarah Lutz

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

- David and Marion Norris ask for prayers for their niece Jean Ann, who is in treatment for metastatic cancer while struggling with family challenges.
- Jules Donnelly, for health concerns.
- Dennis Fellhauer, brother of Penny May and Dale Fellhauer, as he goes through cancer treatments. Prayers to the family as they support him during this time.
- Healing prayers for Sharon Koenig as she recovers from a compression fracture of her L4.
- Kathy and Lynn Blomgren, mother and father-in-law of Sheila Page, for health concerns.
- Prayer of healing for Shelley Duncan, cousin of Sheila Page.
- Carl Streubel, friend of Emily Spitze, who is battling with cancer.

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

Calendar for the Week

Monday, June 1	10:30 am 6:00 pm 7:15 pm	Head Start Learn & Play Girl Scouts in Journey's Inn AA in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, June 2		No Events Scheduled
Wednesday, June 3	10:00 am 7:00 pm	Yoga Class Rainbow House Adult Group
Thursday, June 4	7:00 pm	PFLAG in Journey's Inn
Friday, June 5	11:00 am	Friday Food & Fellowship Hosted by Mount Joy
Saturday, June 6	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Rise & Shine Yoga Rainbow House Theatre Group
Sunday, June 7	10:00 am	In-Person & Livestream Worship

Today's Worship Assistants:

Liturgist: Jules Donnelly
Greeter: Penny & Tom May
Soundboard: Matt Martell
Worship Screens: Hayden Ellis

Next Week's Worship Assistants

Liturgist: Andrew Taylor
Greeter: Emily Spitze
Soundboard: Keith Housewright
Worship Screens: Helen Housewright



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**Song #1 - Let There Be Peace on Earth
#431**

Let there be peace on earth,
and let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on earth,
the peace that was meant to be.
With God our creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other
in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me;
let this be the moment now.
With every step I take,
let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment
and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth,
and let it begin with me.

Song #2 - O God of Every Nation #435

O God of every nation
Of every race and land
Redeem your whole creation
With your almighty hand
Where hate and fear divide us
And bitter threats are hurled
In love and mercy guide us
And heal our strife-torn world

From search for wealth and power
And scorn of truth and right
From trust in bombs that shower
Destruction through the night
From pride of race and station
And blindness to your way
Deliver every nation
Eternal God we pray

Keep bright in us the vision
Of days when war shall cease
When hatred and division
Give way to love and peace
Till dawns the morning glorious
When truth and justice reign
And Christ shall rule victorious
O'er all the world's domain
To be overcome by Your presence, Lord

Song #3—For the Healing of the Nations #428

For the healing of the nations,
 Lord we pray with one accord;
 for a just and equal sharing
 of the things that earth affords;
 to a life of love in action
 help us rise and pledge our word
 help us rise and pledge our word

Lead us forward into freedom;
 from despair your world release;
 that, redeemed from war and hatred,
 all may come and go in peace
 Show us how through care and goodness
 fear will die and hope increase
 fear will die and hope increase

All that kills abundant living;
 let it from the earth be banned;
 pride of status, race or schooling,
 dogmas that obscure your plan
 In our common quest for justice
 may we hallow life's brief span
 may we hallow life's brief span

Song #4—Give Us Clean Hands

We bow our hearts
 We bend our knees
 Oh Spirit come make us humble
 We turn our eyes from evil things
 Oh, Lord we cast down our idols

So, give us clean hands
 And give us pure hearts
 Let us not lift our souls to another
 Give us clean hands
 And give us pure hearts
 Let us not lift our souls to another

Song #4—Give Us Clean Hands

Oh, God let us be
 A generation that seeks
 Who seeks Your face, oh, God of Jacob
 Oh, God let us be
 A generation that seeks
 Who seeks Your face, oh, God of Jacob

We bow our hearts we bend our knees
 Oh Spirit come make us humble
 We turn our eyes from evil things
 Oh, Lord we cast down our idols

So, give us clean hands
 And give us pure hearts
 Let us not lift our souls to another
 Give us clean hands, oh God
 And give us pure hearts
 Let us not lift our souls to another

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 Let us not lift our souls to another
 Give us clean hands, oh God
 And give us pure hearts
 Let us not lift our souls to another

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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