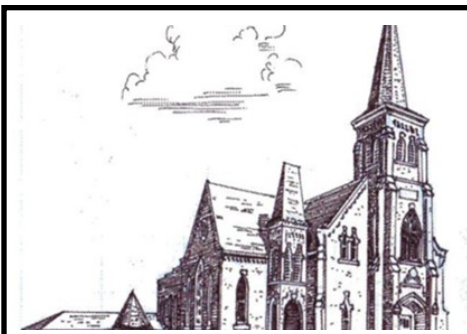




Immanuel United Methodist Church

800 North Main Street • Edwardsville, Illinois 62025

September 27, 2026

Order of Worship

Ringin of the Bell

Welcome

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Thy Word is a Lamp* #601

Worship Team

Call to Worship

Jules Donnelly

L: Listen! You who are thirsty, come to the waters! You that have no money, come, take, and eat!

P: We have spent our money on that which is not bread, and labored for that which does not satisfy.

L: Listen carefully to God, and you'll have good nourishment. You'll delight yourselves in God's gourmet fare.

P: We come to you, God. We are listening. Hungry for grace, we gladly receive your Word that gives us life.

L: For Your thoughts are not our thoughts, nor are our ways your ways, O Lord.

P: For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are your ways higher than our ways and your thoughts than our thoughts.

Opening Prayer

Jules Donnelly

Song—*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

Worship Team

55 Hear, everyone who thirsts;

come to the waters;

and you who have no money,

come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk

without money and without price.

² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread

and your earnings for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,

and delight yourselves in rich food.

³ Incline your ear, and come to me;

listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,

my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples,

a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵ Now you shall call nations that you do not know,

and nations that do not know you shall run to you,

because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,

for he has glorified you.

⁶ Seek the Lord while he may be found;

call upon him while he is near;

⁷ let the wicked forsake their way

and the unrighteous their thoughts;

let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them,

and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts,

nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.

⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth,

so are my ways higher than your ways

and my thoughts than your thoughts.

¹⁰ For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven

and do not return there until they have watered the earth,

making it bring forth and sprout,

giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;

it shall not return to me empty,

but it shall accomplish that which I purpose

and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

¹² For you shall go out in joy
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle,
and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*In Christ Alone (My Hope is Found)*

Worship Team

Today's Message: *An Invitation*

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Wonderful Words of Life #600*

Worship Team

Prayer of Thanks

Pastor David Roderick

Doxology #95

Worship Team

Benediction

Pastor David Roderick

Worship Team:

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Emerson Gausmann, Jennifer Moore

Welcome!

This is the Lord's house. The Lord is here to welcome all who have come. Let us join in the spirit of love and peace for all who worship the Creator of us all.

Preparation for Worship

Lord, quiet the distractions within us and around us as we gather in Your presence. Open our hearts to Your Word, fill our minds with Your truth and lead us to worship You with sincerity and joy. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Next Steps Luncheon—Sunday, September 27, 11:00am - 12:15pm

If you have started attending Immanuel UMC over the past year, you are invited to our Next Steps luncheon after church today, September 27 in Journey's Inn. Pastor David Roderick will be your host and share some of the church's history as well as what the future holds. You will also have a chance to ask questions about the church, the denomination, and anything else that is on your mind. We look forward to seeing you there.

Edwardsville Unity Fest 2026 - A Free Family Festival

Saturday, September 26—11am-4pm

Edwardsville Unity's Annual Unity Fest will be held 11am-4 pm on Saturday, September 26th, at LeClaire Park. Immanuel will be represented and have a table at the event.

Operation Christmas Child Box

We continue to collect items for the shoeboxes. Thank you to those who have donated to date, both with items for the boxes and with funds to help cover shipping (\$10 per box). We will get together on November 11 at 6:30pm in Journey's Inn to pack these items. Questions can be directed to Laurie Frey or Tami Roderick.

Friday Food and Fellowship

Our October lunches will take place on Friday, October 2 and 16, from 11am-1pm. As always, there is no charge, but donations are accepted and appreciated as able. Please join us and bring a friend!

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Celebrating Birthdays This Week: 9/28—Dustin Franke

Celebrating Anniversaries This Week: 10/1-Jules & Amber Donnelly; Joe & Pamla 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

- Family member who has been deployed overseas.
- Nadine, cancer diagnosis.
- Catherine, breast cancer diagnosis.
- Thomas Schultz, friend of Larry & Linda Duckworth, for heart condition.
- Dear friend of Laurie Hosto battling breast cancer.
- Continued prayers for Sharon Koenig, who is healing well but dealing with a pinched nerve.
- Sherri, fiancé of Koenig family nephew. Surgery went well. Prayers of comfort during recovery.

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

Calendar for the Week

Sunday, September 27	10:00 am 11:15am	In-Person & Livestream Worship Next Steps Lunch
Monday, September 28	10:00am 7:15 pm	Head Start Learn & Play AA in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, September 29	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Homeschool Group until 3pm Centering Prayer Group
Thursday, October 1	7:00 pm	PFLAG
Friday, October 2	12:30 pm	Head Start Learn & Play
Saturday, October 3	9:00 am 11:00 am	Rise & Shine Yoga Rainbow House and Metro East Pride

Today's Worship Assistants:

Liturgist: Jules Donnelly
Greeter: Larry & Linda Duckworth
Soundboard: Hayden Ellis
Worship Screens: Tami Masinelli



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Song #1 – Thy Word is a Lamp #601

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid,
Think I've lost my way,
Still you're there right beside me,
And nothing will I fear
As long as you are near.
Please be near me to the end.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

Now I will not forget your love for me
And yet my heart
Forever is wandering.
Jesus, be my guide
And hold me to your side,
And I will love you to the end.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path.

Song #2 – Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Come, Christians, join to sing
Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King
Alleluia! Amen!
Lest all with heart and voice
Before his throne rejoice
Praise is his gracious choice
Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high
Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky
Alleluia! Amen!
He is our guide and friend
To us he'll condescend
His love shall never end
Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet the Lord again
Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain
On heaven's blissful shore
His goodness we'll adore
Singing for evermore
Alleluia! Amen!

Song #3 – In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love
What depths of peace
When fears are stilled When strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The love of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious Blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Song #4 – Wonderful Words of Life #600

Sing them over again to me,
Wonderful words of life;
Let me more of their beauty see,
Wonderful words of life
Words of life and beauty
Teach me faith and duty.

Beautiful words, wonderful words,
Wonderful words of life.
Beautiful words, wonderful words,
Wonderful words of life.

Christ, the blessed one, gives to all
Wonderful words of life;
Sinner, list to the loving call,
Wonderful words of life;
All so freely given,
Wooing us to heaven.

Beautiful words, wonderful words,
Wonderful words of life.
Beautiful words, wonderful words,
Wonderful words of life.

Sweetly echo the gospel call,
wonderful words of life;
offer pardon and peace to all,
wonderful words of life;
Jesus, only Savior,
sanctify forever.

Beautiful words, wonderful words,
Wonderful words of life.
Beautiful words, wonderful words,
Wonderful words of life.

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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