

"FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE ARE



**GATHERED
IN MY NAME,**

THERE AM I AMONG THEM."

MATTHEW 18:20, ESV

Immanuel United Methodist Church

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Order of Worship

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome

Pastor David Roderick

Opening Prayer

Lisa Allen

Call to Worship

Lisa Allen

L: Welcome to this community of faith.

C: We come seeking hope and courage for the future.

L: Here you will find peace, hope, love and joy.

C: We come weighed down by difficulties in our lives.

L: Here you will find Jesus who will take your burdens on himself.

C: Lord, we come to you this day in need of your mercy and love. AMEN.

Community Song—*Holy, Holy, Holy*

Rhonda Grammer, Caleb Kelahan
Lyrics Begin on Page 3

Responsive Reading—From Psalm 24

Lisa Allen

L: The earth is the LORD'S and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it,

C: for he has founded it on the seas and established it on the rivers.

L: Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?

C: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false and do not swear deceitfully.

L: They will receive blessing from the LORD and vindication from the God of their salvation.

C: Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Scripture Reading—Matthew 18:15—20 NRSVUE

Lisa Allen

¹⁵“If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

Prayer

Pastor David Roderick

Prayer Song—*Goodness of God*

Rhonda Grammer, Caleb Kelahan

*This is your prayer time. Feel free to come to the altar,
sit in your pew, sing or not sing. This is your time!*

Today’s Message

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Take Time to Be Holy*

Rhonda Grammer, Caleb Kelahan

Prayer of Thanks

Pastor David Roderick

Benediction

Pastor David Roderick
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Preparation for Worship—“The earth is the Lord’s and everything in it” (Psalm 24:1, NIV). On this end of summer day, I can’t help but rejoice in God’s creation!

Welcome to the house of the Lord! May God’s grace and peace fill you today.

PFLAG Edwardsville Fundraiser Today! PFLAG Edwardsville is a support group for the LGBTQIA+ community and its allies. We provide help for individuals and families through education, advocacy, visibility and support. They are holding a fundraiser at MOD Pizza today—September 10. PFLAG will receive 20% of the cost of your order if you bring in the flyer that can be picked up in the entryway and Hospitality Room. The flyer also gives instructions for placing your order online, with a code to participate in the fundraiser. Your monetary participation allows PFLAG to purchase education and support materials to share at public events.

Friday Food & Fellowship –You’re invited to our lower level this Friday, September 15, for Friday Food & Fellowship. Serving begins at 11:00 am and goes until 1:30 pm. Everyone is welcome! Thanks to the volunteers that make this possible!

An Opportunity to Serve—Each Fall we begin the process of finding people to serve in various leadership roles around the church. Please be praying about the places you can serve in the coming year and if asked for a specific place, be thoughtful in your consideration. Also, feel free to say, “here I am, where can I serve,” and we will help find the right place for you.

Another Area of Service—We are once again in need of volunteers to run the soundboard during worship services. If you enjoy playing with technology and would like more information, please speak to Bob Ahrens after the service today. You can find him in the church balcony.

Contribution Statement—If you would care to have a statement of your contributions to Immanuel through the first seven months of this year, please contact the church office. We will be happy to send that. We are very grateful for your support.

The Vision—A paper copy of the September issue of our newsletter can be picked up this morning from the Entryway or Hospitality Room. It can also be found on our website. If you would like this newsletter delivered to your inbox each month, please contact the church office.

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Reginald Heber, John B. Dykes

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to thee
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee
Which wert and art, and evermore shalt be

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee
Though the eye of sinful man
thy glory may not see
Only thou are holy, there is none beside thee
Perfect in power, in love and purity

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name
In earth and sky and sea
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty
God is three persons, blessed Trinity

Goodness of God

Ed Cash, Ben Fielding, Brian Johnson, Jenn Johnson,
Jason Ingram

I love you, Lord
For Your mercy never fails me
All my days, I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night You are close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a Friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God

Your goodness is running after
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With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
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All my life You have been faithful
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Take Time to Be Holy

William D. Longstaff, George C. Stebbins

Take time to be holy, speak oft with the Lord
Abide in him always and feed on his word
Make friends of God's children, help those who
are weak
Forgetting in nothing his blessings to seek

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on
Spend much time in secret with Jesus alone
By looking to Jesus like him thou shalt be
Thy friends in thy conduct his likeness shall see

Take time to be holy, let him be thy guide
And run not before him whatever betide
In joy or in sorrow, still follow the Lord
And, looking to Jesus, still trust in his word

Take time to be holy, be calm in thy soul
Each thought and each motive beneath his control
Thus led by his spirit to fountains of love
Thou soon shalt be fitted for service above

Celebrating Birthdays This Week: 9/10—Joann Schaake; 9/14—Jane Hyten

Celebrating Their Anniversary This Week: 9/11—Dan and Rebekah Carter

Our Online Calendar can be accessed at any time by visiting this site:
<https://73818207.view-events.com>. Every effort is made to keep this calendar up-to-date.

Today's Worship Assistants:

Worship Leader: Lisa Allen
Greeters: Noah Lewis, Jill Winte
Soundboard: Matt Lewis
Worship Screens: Kiffon Lewis

Next Week's Worship Assistants:

Worship Leader: Sarah Dierker
Greeter: Emily Spitze
Soundboard: Jim Van Nest
Worship Screens: Carrie Van Nest

Calendar for the Week

Sunday, September 10	10:00 am 10:00 am	In-Person & Livestream Worship Children's Sunday School
Monday, September 11 Patriot Day	6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:15 pm	SPPRC Meeting—Journey's Inn Room Rainbow House Young Adults AA in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, September 13	12:00 pm	Bridge Club
Thursday, September 14	12:00 pm 6:00 pm	United Women in Mission in Journey's Inn Room Beginner/Intermediate Yoga Class
Friday, September 15	11:00 am 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	Friday Food & Fellowship until 1:30 pm Restorative Yoga Bridge Club in Journey's Inn Room
Saturday, September 16	8:00 am	Rise & Shine Yoga
Sunday, September 17	10:00 am 10:00 am 4:00 pm	In-Person & Livestream Worship Children's Sunday School Rainbow House Youth Group

Prayer/Praise Ministry (+ indicates weeks—call office to continue another 4 weeks)

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++ Joy—Gary Koenig is home and feeling well
Dale Wilhaber, for strength and healing during cancer treatment

+++ Sharon Stoeckel, mother of Christal Akers-Helle and Carrie Van Nest, whose sister, Debra Waters, died unexpectedly

++++ Jerry Prott Sr., for strength and healing
Those affected by wildfires

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