



Immanuel United Methodist Church

800 North Main Street • Edwardsville, Illinois 62025

October 8, 2023

Order of Worship

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Pastor Sarah Dierker

Call to Worship

Pastor Sarah Dierker

L: Welcome to God's house, a place of faith.

C: From our homes, we come seeking God's Word.

L: Here you will find nourishment and hope.

C: May we learn lessons of courage and peace.

L: Here you will find rest from your struggles.

C: Lord, prepare our hearts to receive your words that we may leave this holy house of faith and return to our homes, encouraged and challenged to be your people. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

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Community Song—*Forever Reign*

Rhonda Grammer, Caleb Kelahan
Lyrics Found on page 3

Scripture—Jonah 4:6-11^{NRSVUE}

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⁶ The LORD God appointed a bush and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort, so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷ But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸ When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live." ⁹ But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." ¹⁰ Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹ And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left and also many animals?"

Prayer

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Prayer Song—*Take My Life and Let It Be*

Rhonda Grammer, Caleb Kelahan

Today's Message— "People Are More Important than Things"

Guest Preacher Jordan Dollar

Song—*Trust and Obey*

Rhonda Grammer, Caleb Kelahan

Prayer of Thanks

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Benediction

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Fall Bible Study—Revival: Faith as Wesley Lived It

You are invited to travel (via DVD) with Adam Hamilton on location to John Wesley's England, following the life of John Wesley and exploring his defining characteristics of a Wesleyan Christian. We are meeting every Sunday evening from 6:00-7:30 pm at Rainbow House until November 12. The study includes a six-chapter book and accompanying DVD. We will watch together the accompanying video (approx. 15 minutes), discuss events from Wesley's life, ask questions, and share thoughts about how Wesley's experiences and ideas may be relevant to our faith journey today.

Sistahs to Meet—Food Donations Sought

Sistahs will meet this Thursday, October 12 beginning at 6:00 pm in the Journey's Inn Room. Bring a crock pot full of your favorite Soup, Stew, or Crockpot meal to share, then we can package up the leftovers to put in freezer containers. Rolls, crackers, and drinks will be provided.

Participants as well as others are asked to bring food donations, freezer meals or money to purchase food for the family of Erika, a single mom with seven kids, who has been fighting chondrosarcoma for 3 years (cancer at the base of her skull). If anyone food preps and wants to make a few extra meals that can be put in the freezer please contact Teresa at 618-560-9562. If you want to purchase food, they could use Freezer meals, either single or family styles that the kids can take out and heat up. Frozen bags of chicken breast, chicken strips raw or precooked. Ground beef fresh or frozen. Easy cook things like Hamburger Helper, Pot Pies, and Lasagnas. And let's be honest what kid doesn't like snacks? Monetary donations will be used to purchase food items for the family. Teresa Akers-Helle is willing to pick up any donations, or they can be brought to Sistahs on October 12.

Kid's Night Out will meet this coming Saturday, October 14 from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm. All kids age 4 through those in 5th grade are welcome to join us for supper, games, crafts and other activities. A reservation is greatly appreciated! Sign up on the sheet in the Hospitality Room or contact the church office to make your reservation. Friends are welcome with a reservation!

Parkfest will be held next Sunday, October 15 at LeClaire Lake. We will have a table to greet people and represent our congregation. We could still use a few more volunteers. If you would like to help this year, please sign up at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040845A9AA29AFA7-leclaire2#/>

Celebrating Birthdays This Week: 10/8—Darrin Lancaster; 10/9—Breck Newman; 10/12—David Clarkin, Noah Penelton, Pam Spengler; 10/14—John Spengler

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.

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

- + Michelle Simms, prayers for strength
Bob Koenig, brother of Gary Koenig, heart issues and in Anderson hospital
Stacey Koenig niece of Gary Koenig, who is having health issues

- +++ Family of Jennie Lynn Totten who passed away on September 8
Starla, dear friend of Amy Sedor who has glioblastoma

- ++++ Jerry Prott, Sr., for strength and healing
Lisa, co-worker of Paige Brase, who was injured at work

Forever Reign

Reuben Morgan, Jason Ingram

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

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

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

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My heart will sing
No other name
Jesus, Jesus
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Jesus, Jesus.
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Take My Life, and Let It Be

Frances R. Havergal, Louis J. F. Herold

Take my life and let it be
Consecrated Lord to Thee
Taky my moments and my days
Let them flow in ceaseless praise
Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice and let me sng
Always, only for my King
Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee
Taky my silver and my gold
Not a mite would I withhold
Take my intellect and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose

Take me will and make it Thine
It shall be no longer mine
Take my heart, it is Thine own
It shall by Thy royal throne
Take my love, my Lord I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store
Take myself and I will be
Ever, only all for Thee

Trust and Obey

John H. Sammis, Daniel B. Towner

When we walk with the Lord in the light is His Word
What a glory He sheds on our way
While we do His good will He abides with us still
And with all who will trust and obey

Refrain:

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share
But our toil he doth richly repay
Not a grief or a loss not a frown or a cross
But is blest if we trust and obey *Refrain*

But we never can prove the delights of His love
Until all on the altar we lay
For the favor He shows, for the joy He bestows
Are for them who will trust and obey *Refrain*

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet
Or we'll walk by His side in the way
What He says we will do where He sends we will go
Never fear, only trust and obey *Refrain*

Calendar for the Week

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| Sunday, October 8 | 10:00 am 10:00 am 6:00 pm | In-Person & Livestream Worship Children's Sunday School Fall Bible Study at Rainbow House |
| Monday, October 9 | 7:00 pm 7:15 pm | Rainbow House Young Adults AA in Fellowship Hall |
| Wednesday, October 11 | 12:00 pm | Bridge Club |
| Thursday, October 12 | 12:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm | United Women in Faith Sistahs Beginner/Intermediate Yoga Class |
| Friday, October 13 | 6:00 pm 6:00 pm | Restorative Yoga Bridge Club in Journey's Inn Room |
| Saturday, October 14 | 8:00 am | Rise & Shine Yoga |
| Sunday, October 15 | 9:00 am 10:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 2:00 pm 4:00 pm 6:00 pm | Set-up at Parkfest In-Person & Livestream Worship Children's Sunday School 1st shift at Parkfest until 2:00 pm 2nd shift at Parkfest until 5:00 pm Rainbow House Youth Group Fall Bible Study at Rainbow House |

Today's Worship Assistants:

Worship Leader: Pastor Sarah Dierker
Greeter: Jill Winte
Soundboard: Matt Lewis
Worship Screens: Kiffon Lewis

Next Week's Worship Assistants:

Worship Leader: David Norris
Greeters: Tom & Penny May
Soundboard: Dustin Franke
Worship Screens: Sheila Page

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