



Immanuel United Methodist Church

800 North Main Street • Edwardsville, Illinois 62025

November 19, 2023

Order of Worship

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome

Pastor David Roderick

Opening Prayer

David Norris

Call to Worship

David Norris

L: We lift our eyes to the Lord.

C: God created the heavens and the earth.

L: We raise our voices in songs and speech.

C: We raise our voice in prayer and praise.

L: Lord, hear our prayers, accept our praise.

C: Lord, open our hearts to receive your blessings of peace. AMEN.

Community Hymn—*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

UM Hymnal vs. 1, 2 & 3 #89
Rhonda Grammer, Caleb Kelahan
Lyrics Begin on Page 3

Scripture—2 Corinthians 9:6-15 ^{NRSVUE}

David Norris

⁶ The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷ Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. ⁹ As it is written, "He scatters abroad; he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." ¹⁰ He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us, ¹² for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. ¹³ Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your partnership with them and with all others, ¹⁴ while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. ¹⁵ Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Prayer

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Goodness of God*

Rhonda Grammer, Caleb Kelahan

Video—Turkey Helpline

Today's Message— "Give Thanks"

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Give Thanks*

Rhonda Grammer, Caleb Kelahan

Prayer of Thanks

Pastor David Roderick

Benediction

Pastor David Roderick
CCLI #2836520

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Preparation for Worship—May my prayers to you, O God, begin from a place of thanksgiving, recognizing your countless gifts.

Welcome to longtime friends and new ones. Welcome to worship as we gather to praise God for his generous outpouring of love and blessings!

Do You Enjoy Singing? Caleb is organizing a choir to help provide music throughout advent. If you would like to participate, please contact the church office. You could also talk to Caleb or David to find out more information. This is open to everyone who likes to sing and will be a great opportunity to share in worship throughout advent.

Christmas Decorating—We will be decorating our church during the last week of November. The tree will be placed in the sanctuary on the 28th and decorating will be done on Wednesday, November 29. Please come and help if you have time— November 29 around 9:30 am. Contact Sharon Koenig 618-972-5679 with any questions.

United Methodist Student Day, the original Special Sunday founded by United Methodist Church, will be celebrated next Sunday, November 26. The fund was originally established in 1872 as the Children's Fund. Today, United Methodist Student Day Sunday has the same purpose, calling upon the denomination to support their students as they prepare for life by adding knowledge to their faith. Every year, General Board of Higher Education and Ministry awards an average of \$5.5 million in financial aid to United Methodist students. The offering taken on United Methodist Student Day is one opportunity to support these scholarships. Every dollar – **yes 100%** - received goes towards supporting and educating a new generation of principled Christian leaders for the church and the world. Supporting this Special Sunday is truly an investment in our future.

Angel Tree Ministry—We have an opportunity to serve the children in our community through Angel Tree Ministries this year! We ask you to prayerfully consider providing a gift for children on behalf of a parent who is currently incarcerated this holiday season. Gift tags are available on the small tree in the overflow room. If you select a tag, please gift wrap items and return to church by Dec. 10 for delivery. Thank you. Call Rhonda Grammer (618) 444-4871 for any questions.

Sistahs and United Women in Faith will be hosting a joint Christmas party on Wednesday December 13 at 6 pm. We will start the evening with appetizers and desserts - please bring your favorite to share. We will have a gift exchange - \$5 suggested cost - be creative. We plan to play Christmas JINGO, have an offering to support gifts for local children, share some stories and songs. Everyone is welcome to join us for a joyful gathering.

Celebrating Birthdays This Week: 11/19—Becky Anderson; 11/22—Delores Fisher; 11/24—Cary Tucker

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.

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Henry Van Dyke, Ludwig van Beethoven

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee
God of glory, Lord of love
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee
Opening to the sun above
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness
Drive the dark of doubt away
Giver of immortal gladness
Fill us with the light of day!

All thy works with joy surround thee
Earth and heaven reflect thy rays
Stars and Angels sing around thee
Center of unbroken praise
Field and forest, vale and mountain
Flowery meadow, fleshing sea
Chanting bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in thee

Thou art giving and forgiving
Ever blessing, ever blest
Well-spring of the joy of living
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother
All who live in love are thine
Teach us how to love each other
Lift us to the joy divine

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
It's running after me
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It's running after me
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
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Give Thanks

Don Moen

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

- ++ Sherry Buhrmester, for strength and healing
Brandy Page, health concerns
Martie Web, grandmother of Hannah Page, health concerns
Praise for God's protection of Ivy Hallquist during an altercation
Jerry Prott Sr., health issues
- +++ Bill Brase, father of Paige, will be getting a pacemaker
Megan Brase, Niece of Paige, & Fiancé Patrick on their upcoming wedding
- ++++ Ed & Darilyn Johnson (friends of Sid & June Helle) both have serious health issues
Erika Bailey for her continued cancer battle, and who currently has an infection in her spine and brain

Calendar for the Week

Sunday, November 19	10:00 am 10:00 am 4:00 pm	In-Person & Livestream Worship Children's Sunday School Rainbow House Youth Group
Monday, November 20	10:30 am 7:15 pm	Head Start in Fellowship Hall until 11:30 am AA in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, November 22	12:00 pm	Bridge Club
Thursday, November 23 Thanksgiving Day		Have a blessed Thanksgiving! <i>Church Office Closed</i>
Friday, November 24	6:00 pm 6:00 pm	<i>Church Office Closed</i> Restorative Yoga Bridge Club in Journey's Inn Room
Saturday, November 25	8:00 am	Rise & Shine Yoga
Sunday, November 26 United Methodist Student Day	10:00 am 10:00 am	In-Person & Livestream Worship Children's Sunday School

Today's Worship Assistants:

Worship Leader: David Norris
Greeters: Tom & Penny May
Soundboard: Christal Akers-Helle
Worship Screens: Tami/Leah Masinelli

Next Week's Worship Assistants:

Worship Leader: Eloise Allen
Greeter: Jill Winte
Soundboard: Matt Lewis
Worship Screens: Kiffon Lewis

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