



## Immanuel United Methodist Church

800 North Main Street • Edwardsville, Illinois 62025

January 21, 2024

### Order of Worship

#### Ringling of the Bell

#### Welcome

Pastor David Roderick

#### Prelude—*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

Jennifer Moore

#### Opening Prayer

Lisa Allen

#### Call to Worship—Taken from Psalm 62

Lisa Allen

L: God is our refuge and our strength.

**C: Let the church say amen!**

L: God is the rock of my salvation.

**C: Let the church say amen!**

L: God is our certain hope in times of trial.

**C: Let the church say amen!**

L: Our God is an awesome God.

**C: Let the church say amen!**

#### Hymn—*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Lyrics Begin on Page 4  
Caleb Kelahan, Jennifer Moore

#### Scripture—1 Samuel 3:1-10 <sup>NRSVUE</sup>

Lisa Allen

**3** Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. <sup>2</sup> At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; <sup>3</sup> the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. <sup>4</sup> Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" <sup>5</sup> and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. <sup>6</sup> The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." <sup>7</sup> Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. <sup>8</sup> The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup> Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. <sup>10</sup> Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

## Pastoral Prayer

Pastor David Roderick

## Song—*Refiner's Fire*

Caleb Kelahan, Jennifer Moore

## Scripture—1 Samuel 3:11-20 NRSVUE

Lisa Allen

<sup>11</sup> Then the LORD said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. <sup>12</sup> On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. <sup>13</sup> For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. <sup>14</sup> Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever." <sup>15</sup> Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. <sup>16</sup> But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." <sup>17</sup> Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." <sup>18</sup> So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him." <sup>19</sup> As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. <sup>20</sup> And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.

## Today's Message— "Whose Voice Is It?"

Pastor David Roderick

## Hymn—*Here I Am, Lord*

Caleb Kelahan, Jennifer Moore

## Prayer of Thanks

Pastor David Roderick

## Benediction

Pastor David Roderick  
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**Preparation for Worship**—As I prepare my heart for worship today, I pray like young Samuel: "Speak, for your servant is listening" (1 Samuel 3:10).

**Welcome!** The God of all times and seasons welcomes you, now and always. May the Word of God, heard and experienced, strengthen you this day.

**Today is Human Relations Sunday**, one of the six special offerings of the United Methodist Church. Your donations today will strengthen community outreach and empower at-risk youth.

## SAK Fundraiser—*Peel Wood Fired Pizza—Dine & Donate*

All day on Wednesday, January 31, Peel will donate 20% of your orders to SAK—Serving Area Kids. This includes take out orders as well as dine in orders. Enter code 2024 for online ordering. You should present a flyer, posted on the Weekly Reminder sent out this past Wednesday or mention this fund raiser when placing your order. A few printed copies of this flyer have been made and can be picked up in the entryway and Hospitality Room today. SAK is Edwardsville's very successful kid's summer lunch program, Serving Area Kids, which was started right here at Immanuel, but is now handled through the Glen-Ed Food Pantry.

**Valentines for Seniors**—State Senator Erica Harriss is hosting a Valentines Cards for Seniors Card Drive from January 5 to February 5, and you are invited to participate. Seniors are incredibly important to our community, and Senator Harriss needs your help by writing cards to those living in assisted living and long-term care facilities in the 56th Senate District. The hope is to bring joy to our community's seniors this Valentine's Day. Please drop off or mail your cards to Senator Harriss' office and Senator Harriss and her staff will personally deliver those cards to local seniors. Drop off or mail cards to:

Senator Eric Harriss' Office  
120 N. Main Street, Suite 1B  
Edwardsville, IL 62025

**Friday Food & Fellowship**—The next Friday lunch will be served on Friday, February 2, from 11:00 am until 1:30 pm. The lunches are served in our Lower Level, and all are welcome!

**2023 Contribution Statements** are available. They can be sent electronically or by the US Postal system. Please contact the church office if you would like to receive your statement, and tell us how you would like for it to be delivered. We greatly appreciate your donations!

**2024 Contributions**—Please contact the church office to receive offering envelopes to use in 2024. Please be sure to mark your check or pew envelope with your name and/or contribution number, and let us know how your offering is to be directed.

**Celebrating Birthdays This Week:** 1/25—Emily Spitze; 1/26—Amber Larson; 1/27—Patricia Davis, Shannah Wagner

**Our Online Calendar** can be accessed at any time by following this link: <https://73818207.view-events.com>.

### Calendar for the Week

Sunday, January 21	10:00 am 4:00 pm	In-Person & Livestream Worship Rainbow House Youth Group
Monday, January 22	10:30 am 7:15 pm	Head Start in Fellowship Hall until 11:30 am AA in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, January 24	12:00 pm	Bridge Club
Thursday, January 25	7:30 pm	Salsa Dance Class in Fellowship Hall
Friday, January 26	6:00 pm	Bridge Club in Journey's Inn Room
Sunday, January 28	10:00 am	In-Person & Livestream Worship

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

- + Erika Bailey for her continued cancer battle  
Janice Schoonover, friend of Gary & Sharon Koenig
  
- ++ Shellie Franke, for strength and healing  
Callista Heuter, granddaughter of Mike & Ruth Portell, for healing from burns on her back and arms  
Peggy Holdener, mother of Cindy Taylor
  
- +++ Sherry Buhrmester, for strength and healing  
Jerry Prott Sr., health issues  
Susan McKean, mother of Sheila Page, learning to navigate diabetes

## **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

Joachim Neander

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,  
the King of creation!  
O my soul praise Him for He is thy health and  
salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near  
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things  
so wondrously reigning  
Bears thee on eagle's wings,  
e'er in his keeping maintaining  
God's care enfolds all, whose true good he upholds  
Hast thou not known his sustaining?

Praise to the Lord who doth prosper thy work and  
defend thee;  
Surely His goodness and mercy here  
daily attend thee  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do  
Who with His love doth befriend thee

Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy  
life and defend thee  
Fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever  
before thee  
Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed  
Spreading the wings of grace o'er thee

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore  
Him!  
All that has life and breath, come now with praises  
before Him  
Let the amen sound from His people again  
Gladly forever adore Him

## **Refiner's Fire**

Brian Doerksen

Purify my heart  
Let me be as gold  
And precious silver  
Purify my heart  
Let me be as gold  
Pure gold

Refiner's Fire  
My heart's one desire  
Is to be holy  
Set apart for you Lord  
I choose to be holy  
Set apart for You my Master  
Ready to do your will

Purify my heart  
Cleanse me from within  
And make me holy

Purify my heart  
Cleanse me from my sin  
Deep within

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## **Here I Am, Lord**

Dan Schutte

I, the Lord of sea and sky  
I have heard my people cry  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save

I who made the stars of night  
I will make their darkness bright  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

### *Refrain:*

Here I am, Lord  
Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me  
I will hold your people in my heart

I, the Lord of snow and rain  
I have borne my people's pain  
I have wept for love of them  
They turn away

I will break their hearts of stone  
Give them hearts for love alone  
I will speak my word to them  
Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

I, the Lord of wind and flame  
I will tend the poor and lame  
I will set a feast for them  
My hand will save

Finest bread I will provide  
Till their hearts be satisfied  
I will give my life to them  
Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

**Today's Worship Assistants:**

Worship Leader: Lisa Allen  
Greeters: Tom & Penny May  
Soundboard: Dustin Franke  
Worship Screens: Sheila Page

**Next Week's Worship Assistants:**

Worship Leader: Eloise Allen  
Greeters: Gary & Sharon Koenig  
Soundboard: Keith Housewright  
Worship Screens: Helen Housewright

**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.



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