



Immanuel United Methodist Church

800 North Main Street • Edwardsville, Illinois 62025

February 11, 2024

Order of Worship

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

Caleb Kelahan, Jennifer Moore
Lyrics Begin on Page 4

Opening Prayer

Andrew Taylor

Call to Worship

Andrew Taylor

L: Life can seem shrouded in mystery.

C: O Lord, lift the veil of our misunderstanding that we may see your Light.

L: We are eager to serve.

C: O Lord, calm our spirits and patiently prepare us for service.

L: Look to the Lord for Mercy and comfort.

C: We look to the Lord for healing and hope. AMEN.

Hymn—*Blessed Assurance*

Caleb Kelahan, Jennifer Moore

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor David Roderick

Song—*Rescue*

Caleb Kelahan, Jennifer Moore

Scripture—Genesis 50:19-21 THE MESSAGE

Andrew Taylor

Joseph replied, "Don't be afraid. Do I act for God? Don't you see, you planned evil against me but God used those same plans for my good, as you see all around you right now—life for many people. Easy now, you have nothing to fear; I'll take care of you and your children." He reassured them, speaking with them heart-to-heart.

Today's Message— "Joseph's Story, Our Story, God's Story"

Rev. Bradley Watkins

Song—*Who You Say I Am*

Caleb Kelahan, Jennifer Moore

Prayer of Thanks

Pastor David Roderick

Benediction

Pastor David Roderick
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Preparation for Worship—Holy One, help us recognize you, whether we glimpse your bright glory or hear your voice amid the clouds that sometimes come with life.

Welcome to worship! May we always follow God’s call to listen to his beloved Son.

We Welcome Rev. Bradley Watkins as our guest speaker this morning. Rev. Watkins serves as the District Superintendent for our Central District (formerly called Mississippi River District). May God bless our time of worship together this morning.

Ash Wednesday is this week, on February 14, and we will do something a little different. The sanctuary will be open from 7:00—8:15 am, Noon—1:30 pm and again from 6:00—7:00 pm. The pastor will be available to offer communion and the imposition of ashes. You will also have the opportunity to participate in an individually guided meditation. Hopefully, this will offer more people an opportunity to participate at a time that works best for them.

Lenten Bible Study— *The Historical Jesus* begins this Thursday, February 15 at 6:30 pm. Pastor David will be leading a study based on the teachings of John Dominic Crossan that will focus on the history and culture of the Mediterranean from the 1st Century BCE to the time of Christ. Week 1 will be an introductory night. For the next four weeks, there will be a one-hour video lecture from Dr. Crossan that you will need to watch in advance of the class. We will then discuss the lecture together. It is important to sign up in advance to get a link to the resources for the class. There is a sign-up sheet in the Hospitality Room, or you may contact the church office to sign up.

Pi(e) Day March 14, 2024. The United Women in Faith will be taking pie orders after church on February 25, March 3 and March 10, or you may phone Penny May, 618-655-0706. Pies available are apple, chocolate, coconut, custard, pecan, pumpkin, strawberry and Toll House. Pies can be picked up on Thursday, March 14 from 4:30 to 6:00 pm or you can make special arrangements with Penny. All donations are used to support missions for women and children. Many thanks to all who support us—through us God is doing great things!

You’re Invited! The Midwest Illinois *Operation Christmas Child* Team invites you to celebrate with them on Saturday, February 24, 2024 from 9-11 am at Trinity Lutheran Church in Edwardsville. There will be prayer and celebration for the boxes that are collected. Please RSVP to 618-818-7600 or to Robin.RRQC@gmail.com by February 11.

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

Celebrating Birthdays This Week: 2/15—Trace Spitze

Celebrating Anniversaries: 2/14—Armand & Pat Boudreau, Kurtis & Dawn Emshousen

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

- + For the family of Peggy Holdener, mother of Cindy Taylor, who passed away on January 31
- ++ For friends of Sherry Buhrmester whose funeral was held on Tuesday
Jerry Prott Sr., for strength and healing
Prayers for comfort and strength for Larry Worthey and family as he begins hospice care
- ++++ Erika Bailey for her continued cancer battle
Janice Schoonover, friend of Gary & Sharon Koenig

Our Online Calendar can be accessed at any time by following this link:

<https://73818207.view-events.com>.

Today's Worship Assistants:

Worship Leader: Andrew Taylor

Greeter: Jill Winte

Soundboard: Matt Lewis

Worship Screens: Kiffon Lewis



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Next Week's Worship Assistants:

Worship Leader: David Norris

Greeters: Tom & Penny May

Soundboard: Dustin Franke

Worship Screens: Tami & Leah Masinelli



Calendar for the Week

Sunday, February 11	10:00 am	In-Person & Livestream Worship
Monday, February 12	10:30 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:15 pm	Head Start in Fellowship Hall until 11:30 am SPPR Committee in Journey's Inn Room Rainbow House Young Adults AA in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, February 14 Ash Wednesday	12:00 pm	Sanctuary Open for Ashes, Communion, Meditation: 7:00—8:15 am 12:00—1:00 pm 6:00—7:00 pm Bridge Club in Journey's Inn Room
Thursday, February 15	10:00 am	Bridge Tournament in Lower Level until 7:00 pm
Friday, February 16	10:00 am	Bridge Tournament in Lower Level until 7:00 pm
Saturday, February 17	10:00 am	Bridge Tournament in Lower Level until 7:00 pm
Sunday, February 18	10:00 am 4:00 pm	In-Person & Livestream Worship Rainbow House Youth

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

Doris Akers—UM Hymnal #334

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord
There are sweet expressions on each face
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove
Stay right here with us, filling us with your love
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise
Without a doubt we'll know that we have
 been revived
When we shall leave this place

Blessed Assurance

Fanny J. Crosby, Phoebe P. Knapp—UM Hymnal #369

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood

*This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long*

Perfect submission, perfect delight
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love *Refrain*

Perfect submission, all is at rest
I in my Savior am happy and blest
Watching and waiting, looking above
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love *Refrain*

Rescue

Jason Ingram, Paul Mabury, Lauren Daigle

You are not hidden
There's never been a moment
You were forgotten
You are not hopeless
Though you have been broken
Your innocence stolen
I hear you whisper underneath your breath
I hear your SOS, your SOS

I will send out an army to find you
In the middle of the darkest night
It's true, I will rescue you

There is no distance
That cannot be covered
Over and over
You're not defenseless
I'll be your shelter
I'll be your armor

I hear you whisper underneath your breath
I hear your SOS, your SOS

I will send out an army to find you
In the middle of the darkest night
It's true, I will rescue you
I will never stop marching to reach you
In the middle of the hardest fight
It's true, I will rescue you.

I hear the whisper underneath your breath
I hear you whisper, you have nothing left

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I will never stop marching to reach you
In the middle of the hardest fight
It's true, I will rescue you

Oh, I will rescue you

Who You Say I Am

Ben Fielding, Reuben Morgan

Who am I that the highest King
Would welcome me?
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me
Oh His love for me

Who the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God
Yes I am

Free at last, He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me
Yes He died for me

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Who the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God
Yes I am
In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God
Yes I am

I am chosen
Not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me
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**“YOU INTENDED TO
HARM ME, BUT GOD
INTENDED IT FOR GOOD
TO ACCOMPLISH WHAT IS
NOW BEING DONE, THE
SAVING OF MANY LIVES.”**

GENESIS 50:20, NIV

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