

IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

221 Church Street, Ferguson, Missouri 63135

Oct. 1, 2017 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 8:30 & 10 a.m.
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*Those who are able are invited to stand.
 The hymns today are in the Chalice Hymnal (red).*

Gathering Music

Welcome & Life of the Church

Prelude "Celebration Rondo" Shenenberger
 Crescendo Ringers

*Bells and Chimes (You are invited to stand)

*Call to Worship

One: Watch and listen for the wonders of our God.
All: Our God is among us.
 One: Watch and listen for the goodness of our God.
All: Our God moves among us.
 One: Watch and listen, for God is here.
All: Our God dwells among us.

*Hymn of Praise "Woke Up This Morning" #623

*Gathering Prayer

**God, the encourager, God, the compassionate, God, the merciful, holy, blessed:
 Disturb us. Rouse us from our sleep. Lift us into consciousness of your pres-
 ence. Change us, move us, mold us for the better. So that, at the sound of your
 voice, at the call of our name, we will never be the same. May this worship do
 this and so much more, in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

*Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
 world without end. Amen. Amen.*

THANKS TO TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS

Lay Readers this morning:

8:30 a.m.
 Leah Richmond

10:00 a.m.
 Carolyn Rock

Ushers this morning:

8:30 a.m.
 Bonnie & Bud Heenan
 Barb Bloomfield
 Robert McGrath

10:00 a.m.
 Terry & Karen Fox
 Jack Krein
 Karl Klasing
 Charlie & Cathy Miller
 Jeff Remmert
 Louise Pennell

Sanctuary Door Greeters this morning:

8:30 a.m.
 Teddy Branom

10:00 a.m.
 Tim & Julie Guethler

Outside Welcomers this morning:

8:30 a.m.
 Judy Thompson

10:00 a.m.
 Kathi Remmert

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING

Operating Income

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| Pledge Payments | \$ 2,879.00 |
| Special Donations (Memorials) | 45.00 |
| Loose Offerings | 9.00 |
| Sub Total | \$ 2,933.00 |

Other Receipts

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| Coffee Hour | 25.75 |
| Sub Total | \$ 25.75 |
| TOTAL | \$ 2,958.75 |

~ *Announcements* ~

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be on Sunday, October 15 following the worship service. There will be **ONLY ONE SERVICE** that Sunday at **9:30 a.m.**

ADVENTURE SEEKERS meet on October 19 at 8:30 a.m. for a trip to Fulton, Mo. We will be touring the Winston Churchill Memorial museum. The tour will take about 2 hours. Cost of the museum is \$7.50 (65+) and \$8.50 for adults. Following the tour we will have lunch at Bek's restaurant in Fulton. Please call the church office and make a reservation and let us know if you can drive.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT COLLECTIONS Please bring your weekly donations to help feed the Ferg/Flor Middle School students on weekends during the school year.

FREE! FREE! FREE! Please visit the Reception Room downstairs and peruse the FREE archival surplus table. We're working hard to update all materials in the room and these are extras. Please take what you want.

ECH CHRISTMAS FOOD BOX list is a little different this year. The approximate size of some items has been included to aid you with the purchasing of items. Approximate size for cereal is 11-15oz.; jelly/jam can range from 16-32oz depending on brand and type. Immanuel has always shown their love and generosity including items with twenty-five percent more or bonus size containers. This is always welcome and appreciated, as long all items can fit into the bins with the lid secure. Lists and bins are available downstairs now.

PUMPKINLAND NIGHT IS SET - Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 21, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. is Immanuel's night at Pumpkinland. The place is Thies Farm in Creve Coeur, 3121 Maryland Heights Expressway. There will be hayrides, snacks and fun for all! Everyone attending will need to sign a waiver which can be found in the October newsletter, both online and hard copy plus we'll have some in the church office.

THERE WILL BE A FALL FESTIVAL at Camp Moval on Sunday, October 15th from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. The price is \$5/person with a \$20 cap for families. There will be hot dogs, boating, inflatables, crafts, hayride, archery, costume contest, campfire and more!

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT for youth in grades 6-8 at Camp Moval November 17-18. Registration forms and money are due by Sunday, October 29. Please see Pastor Courtney for more information.

THIRD QUARTER GIVING STATEMENTS were emailed and mailed this week. Please call the church office if you have any questions.

Reading of Exodus 17:1-7

Special Music - 10:00 a.m.

"Living Bread"
Sanctuary Choir

Raney

Reading of Philippians 2:1-13

Prayer of Confession

One: Let us pray:

All: Disturb the habits of our sin, O God.

Rouse us from the sleep that cradles sin's embrace.

One: In the name of Jesus, we pray—Show us your ways. Highlight what we can change.

All: And change what we cannot.

Assurance of Pardon

Reading of Matthew 21:23-32

Hymn of Preparation

"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

#419

Sermon

"The Elevator"

Dr. Jimmy Watson

Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer (using "debts" and "debtors")

Prayer Response

"Trust and Obey"

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

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

"Lord of the Dance"

***Doxology**

*"Praise God from whom all blessing flow,
Praise God all creatures here below: Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! Amen."*

***Dedication of the Offering**

These gifts represent the best of ourselves, O God. We attest, with joy, that we can do no better. Receive them with our prayers. Take and use them for your goodness. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Invitation to Worldwide Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

One: May God be with you.

All: And also with you!

One: Elevate your hearts.

All: We elevate them up to God!

One: Let us give thanks to the God who occupies the top floor.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise!

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Elements

(Our table is open. Everyone is welcome to partake of the bread and wine)

***Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion**

Gracious God, we thank you for this meal and for all of the ways you nourish us. Grow in us that we may nourish others. Sustain us as we press toward the goal of your call in Christ Jesus. Amen.

***Hymn of Parting**

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

#91

***Benediction**

***Postlude**



FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

*In Loving Memory of
Dorothy M. Traver
Given by
Russ & Virginia Viehmann*

**** CALENDAR ****

IMMANUEL ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

- Today:** 8:30 & 10:00 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion
9:15 a.m. Flu Shots - Archive Room
11:15 a.m. Puppet Rehearsal -Puppet Room
- Monday:** 6:30 p.m. Immanuel Bowling League - Olympic Lanes
7:00 p.m. Faith Explorations - Room 202
- Tuesday:** 10:00 a.m. PACE - Room 100
7:00 p.m. Bd of Christian Ed meeting - Library
- Wednesday:** 9:00 a.m. Quilters - Room 100
10:00 a.m. Prayer & Share - Room 202
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting - Library
7:00 p.m. Crescendo Ringers - Sanctuary
- Thursday:** 10:45 a.m. Im. Fellowship Bible Study - Chapel
11:45 a.m. Im. Fellowship lunch & program - Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - Reception Room
- Friday:** NO PACE
- Next Sunday:** 8:30 & 10:00 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Sunday School Singers - Music Room
11:15 a.m. Worship Committee - Room 202
11:15 a.m. Puppet Rehearsal - Puppet Room
11:15 a.m. Christmas pageant rehearsal - Sanctuary

MINISTERS

The People of Immanuel Church
MINISTERS TO THE MINISTERS

Dr. Jimmy Watson
Senior Pastor

Paul Westcott
Minister of Music

God is Still Speaking

Rev. Courtney Chandler
Minister of Christian Education

Linda Stoecklin, R.N.
Faith Community Nurse

*** LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE ***

| <u>Worship</u> | <u>Sunday School</u> | <u>Adult Sunday School</u> | |
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| 8:30 a.m. 30 | Students | 24 | 5 |
| 10:00 a.m. 97 | Teachers | 8 | |
| Total 127 | Total | 32 | |