

IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

221 Church Street, Ferguson, Missouri 63135

Feb. 11, 2018 **SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY/TRANSFIGURATION**
8:30 & 10:00 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 *“Steal Away to Jesus”*

*Bells and Chimes *(You are invited to stand)*

*Call to Worship

- One: Gathering in this sacred place we anticipate new wonders each week.
All: Wherever two or three are gathered to worship, a holy spirit is present.
 One: Open our eyes to witness the fantastic love and wondrous joy waiting to be revealed, even this day, even in this place.
All: We will want to linger and camp in this sanctuary but when we leave today may our hearts be open to all the wonders of God’s beautiful world.

*Hymn of Praise *“Jesus Shall Reign”* #95 vss. 1, 3 & 5

*Invocation

O Holy One, on mountaintops and valley floors you reveal to us the light of your love. Our hearts desire is to bask in the amazing glory of the divine presence. With each encounter we are changed and transformed. Draw us nearer that we might receive a double portion of your Holy Spirit. Help us, O Holy One, to live our lives as a reflection of divine glory. May we walk among our brothers and sisters as a blessing, bearing light into dark places, hope to displace despair, and love that casts out hate. Our world is hurting and we need the followers of Jesus to follow more closely. Maybe then we will hear your voice speaking to us and saying, “Listen to my Child, the Beloved!” Amen.

THANKS TO TODAY’S VOLUNTEERS

Lay Readers this morning:

8:30 a.m.
Leah Richmond

10:00 a.m.
Barb Krewson

Ushers this morning:

8:30 a.m.
George Hildebrand
Barb Johnson
Marian Pohlmann

10:00 a.m.
Tim & Julie Guethler
Greg Conrad
Joe Henke
Rose Lockner

Sanctuary Door Greeters this morning:

8:30 a.m.
Judy Thompson

10:00 a.m.
Larry & Sandy Priem

Outside Welcomers this morning:

8:30 a.m.
Merry Geisler

10:00 a.m.
Cassie Weber

LAST WEEK’S OFFERING

Operating Income

Pledge Payments	\$ 11,501.00
Loose Offerings	65.00
Initial Offerings	16.00
Sub Total	\$ 11,582.00

Other Receipts

Blanket Fund	398.00
Emmaus Home Operating Fund	525.00
Ash Wednesday	50.00
Lenten Mid-Week	100.00
Building & Capital Improvement	1.00
Coffee Hour	19.32
Sub-Total	\$ 1,093.32
TOTAL	\$12,675.32

~ *Announcements* ~

E-TEAM SPONSORS A PANCAKE BREAKFAST/BRUNCH - Today, following worship a pancake & sausage breakfast will be held in the Fellowship Hall. Come join us and bring your appetite! A free-will offering will be taken.

PASTOR COURTNEY'S last Sunday with Immanuel is today. We wish her well and thank her for all of her ministry with Immanuel.

BREAKFAST WITH PASTOR JIMMY— We will be meeting this Tuesday, February 13th at 8:00 a.m. at the Cracker Barrel on New Halls Ferry Road at Highway 270.

ASH WEDNESDAY DINNER AND WORSHIP - Ash Wednesday is this week on February 14. We will have services at both 1:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m., both in the Sanctuary. The Church Council will provide dinner at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, prior to the 7 p.m. service. Both worship services will include the imposition of ashes, the anointing of oil and a healing blessing.

2018 CAMP MOVAL APPLICATIONS ARE HERE! -The church office received 2018 information booklets and registration forms for summer camps. If you are interested in signing up your child for one of the camps, the deadline for early registration is April 1, 2018. Please call the church office to request a form.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - With the departure of Rev. Courtney this month, we will need to fill her role with the children during worship. Pastor Jimmy has been sharing with the children on the fourth Sunday and the children aren't in worship on the first Sunday of each month. If you would like to be a "children's time" volunteer for the second or third Sunday on a rotating basis or just on a periodic basis, we'd love to hear from you. You can call the church office to let us know how you can help. Thank you.

CARDINAL TICKETS - June 16 will be NCCU night at the Cardinals game. They'll be playing the dreaded Chicago Cubs! As a fundraiser for the NCCU, right field box seats, normally \$89 are available for \$60. A portion of each ticket, \$5, will benefit the NCCU youth programs and TEAM (The Emergency Assistance Ministry) in Florissant. Please contact Leah Richmond, 314/276-9974, if you'd like to attend and how many tickets you will need. Tickets are limited, so the sooner the better. Thanks!!

***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.*

Anthem

"Let There be Peace on Earth"
Sanctuary Choir & Sunday School Singers

Raney

Reading of 2 Kings 2:1-12

Children's Moment

Raised Hand Puppets

(The children may now go to Sunday School while we sing "Jesus Loves Me")

Reading of 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Prayer of Confession

Forgive us, God, when we linger too long by the waters, and on the mountain tops, enthralled with the glory that flows from you. When we fail to listen to your voice, leading and guiding us, shake us from our contentment and send us forward endowed with your power. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Reading of Mark 9:2-9

Hymn of Preparation

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

(insert)

Sermon

"The Secret"

Dr. Jimmy Watson

Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

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

Prayer Response

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"
*Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the sight of His glory and grace.*

Offering Invitation

Offertory *“Open My Eyes That I May See”*

***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**

With these gifts we proclaim not ourselves but Jesus and commit ourselves to follow a way that leads to love and life. May our sacrifice be witness to our love for each other and the God who loves us all. Amen.

***Hymn of Parting** *“This Little Light of Mine”* (insert)

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”*

WELCOME VISITORS! Please fill out the attendance pads that are located in the pew. If you are a visitor, please let us know you were here and provide us with any information you feel comfortable sharing with us.

PRAYER CARDS IN THE PEW. If you have a prayer request please fill out the Prayer Card in the pew and give to the ushers during the first hymn.

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

**** CALENDAR ****

IMMANUEL ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Today: 8:30 & 10:00 a.m. Worship
8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School - Library
9:30 a.m. Sunday School Singers - Reception Room
11:30 a.m. Pancake Breakfast - Fellowship Hall

Monday: 6:30 p.m. Immanuel Bowling League - Olympic Lanes
7:00 p.m. Faith Explorations - Room 202

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m. Breakfast w/Pastor Jimmy - Cracker Barrel
10:00 a.m. PACE - Room 100
7:00 p.m. Church Council - Room 202

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. Quilters - Room 100
10:00 a.m. Prayer & Share - Room 202
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting - Library
1:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship Service - Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Dinner - Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship Service - Sanctuary

Thursday 9:30 a.m. IM FSH Executive Meeting - Room 202
7:00 p.m. E-Team - Room 202
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir - Sanctuary

Friday: 10:00 a.m. PACE - Room 100

Next Sunday: 8:30 & 10:00 a.m. Worship
8:30 a.m. Adult SS - Library
9:15 a.m. Blood Pressure Screening - Archive Room
9:30 a.m. Sunday School Singers - Music Room
3:00 p.m. Interfaith Dialogue - Room 202

*** LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE ***

<u>Worship</u>		<u>Sunday School</u>		<u>Adult Sunday School</u>
8:30 a.m.	35	Students	13	6
10:00 a.m.	<u>77</u>	Teachers	<u>9</u>	
Total	112	Total	22	