

Emmanuel United Church of Christ

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July 7, 2024

10 am

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Bold invites congregation to participate. An asterisk (*) indicates “stand as you are able.”

PRELUDE

In the Garden
Amy Kwon

arr. Mark Hayes

WELCOME

To my neighbors present, and to those who join us online, I lay down all differences and ask the same of you. With our shared goal of equality for all identities, let us now open our hearts to each other and God, ensuring the safety of grace and peace to all present. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #531

God, Speak to Me, That I May Speak

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Dear Teacher, we have come to learn.

Teach us, we pray, and may we not continue to doubt but to reach out in faith.

Dear Teacher, we confess our doubts not only of teachings but of you the teacher. Help us to overcome those doubts and fears.

Open our hearts and our ears so that simplicity may be our guide, hearing truth in its simplicity.

And forgive us dear One, we so often want to be in charge,

So fill us with an acceptance, with love in our hearts and hope in our minds. Blessings!

*OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Powerful One, we come into this gathering humbled by your presence among us, grateful for the companionship of your people, and eager to worship your name. As we tell your story anew, we enter your story as the objects of your attention, love and care. May we know you more deeply and clearly. May we be transformed and transfixed by your mystery. May we be inspired by your deeds of power to be instruments of your reign in the world. Empower us, O Holy One. Amen.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE ***Gloria Patri*** (sung)

**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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Battle Hymn of the Republic
Henry McLin, soloist

arr. Mark Hayes

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Rev. Ken

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Karen Jones

Mark 6:1-13

This is the word of our Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*HYMN #465 *Teach Me, O Lord, Your Holy Way*

MESSAGE

Rev. Ken Peterkin

TIME FOR FOCUS AND PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

PASTORAL PRAYER

GIVING OF OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Swing Low Sweet Chariot
Henry McLin, soloist

*DOXOLOGY *A song of thanks for God's abundance*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below,

Praise Him above ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

Creator, all we have emanates from you and your creation. Receive these gifts we give with thanksgiving and hope for a shared future without lack, disparities, and unmet needs. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and Loving God, have mercy on us. We confess our own forms of rebellion and stubbornness. We seek our own way and fail to wait for your counsel, wisdom, and insight. We hold fast to hopes and dreams that do not include your kingdom or our neighbors. We choose comfort over holy confrontation, doctrine over faithful discipleship and position over spiritual power. Awaken in us hunger and thirst for righteousness. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF GRACE

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*You are invited to greet one another with the words "Peace be with you"
and gestures in your own style and comfort level*

PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PARTAKING

PRAYER OF THANKS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

*HYMN #400 ***Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation***

*BENEDICTION

Benediction

for the 225th Anniversary of Emmanuel UCC (1765-1990)

Karen Buckwalter

Henry McLin, vocals

POSTLUDE

The Love of God

Amy Kwon

arr. Larry Shackley

Now that worship has ended, let service begin

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Our House – Is Your House!

We hope you feel welcomed and relaxed here. Our church (Emmanuel) and our denomination (The United Church of Christ) practice “radical hospitality.” Your presence here today is an honor to us. Let us and Rev. Ken know how we might get to know you better. Please tell us about yourself by filling out a Welcome Card found on the back of the pew in front of you. Return your card in the offering. Thanks!

Holy Communion

The sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated monthly. The Communion Table is open to all who wish to know the presence of Christ and to share in the community of God’s people. All adults, regardless of their church background, are welcome to take the elements; children and youth are welcome to partake at their parents’ discretion. You are not obligated to receive communion if you do not wish to.

Sunday School for Children

The Children’s Sunday School program for children age 4 through 7th grade is held September through June in the downstairs classroom after the Time for Children during worship.

Nursery

The nursery is located across from the elevator in the Frock Annex. At any time, you may take children to the nursery, where the service can be heard.

Adult Sunday School

Adult Learning Hour meets for lively book discussions Sunday mornings September to May in Bowers Chapel and by Zoom. For info, email Brian at brianfrederick44@gmail.com.

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Lunch Bunch to meet next week

The group will gather for food and fellowship after worship on July 14 at Sign of the Horse, 979 York St., Hanover. RSVP to Sandy Rebert, 717-586-2136.

SnackTown Street Fair volunteers needed!

The Church Growth team is seeking volunteers for our SnackTown Street Fair booth this Saturday, July 13. Find details or sign up on the purple clipboard.

Afternoon of Games

The Gamers will meet at Genova's To Go, 1412 Baltimore Pike, Hanover (in the Weis Market shopping center) this month, on July 11 and 18. Grab lunch or a snack and enjoy socializing, Scrabble, cards and more. New players are always welcome! For info, call Carol Giesey at 717-632-2665.

Learn about the Trolley Trail

Peg Moulton will be available during Fellowship Hour for information and to answer questions about the Hanover Trolley Trail, as she wrote about in the July EmmanueLife.

Monthly Mindfulness: Today

Our First Sunday Monthly Mindfulness Drop-In session with Karen Jones will be 6 pm today in King Auditorium. Use the courtyard door. The 45-minute program is free and the sessions are open to all, whether you are a long-time practitioner or trying something new. For a Zoom link or questions, email Karen at kjones@mindfulnessandmotion.com.

Pastoral concerns

If you have an emergency or any pastoral concerns, please call Rev. Ken at 860-581-0869.

► **New names on the prayer list will be in bold** for the first week and prayer concerns will remain on the list for a month, unless you request additional time.

Please remember those who are in need of prayer and special encouragement at this time and throughout the year.

Myron Bird

Tom Craig, friend of Cathy Reck

Petty Gist, friend of Cathy Reck

Kim Harris, friend of Cathy Reck

The family of Joyce Fay, who died June 26; she was the grandmother of Jess Beavers

Donna Seddens

The family of Helen Smith who died June 27; she was the sister of Charlotte Pinette

The family of Margaret Wade, who died June 27; she was a relative of Peg Moulton

UPCOMING WEEK: JULY 7-14

Sunday, July 7

10 am Worship in King Auditorium with holy communion, special music from Henry McLin, Children's Message; Fellowship Hour Sponsor: Jane & Chuck Siegel

6 pm Monthly Mindfulness in King Auditorium

Monday, July 8

1 pm Compassionate Crafters in the Pastor's Parlor

Wednesday, July 10

12-1 pm Bowers Chapel open for an hour of quiet reflection

Thursday, July 11

1:30-4 pm Afternoon of Games at Genova's to Go

Friday, July 12

9:15 am Coffee ER with Rev. Ken at The Reader's Café

Saturday, July 13

8 am-4 pm SnackTown Street Fair in downtown Hanover

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Sunday, July 14

- 10 am Worship in King Auditorium with special music, Children's Message; Fellowship Hour
 Sponsor: *TBD*
- 1 pm Lunch Bunch outing to Sign of the Horse

A LOOK AHEAD

Church Office: The office will be closed Monday, July 15 and member services will be limited as the church secretary is on vacation July 15-19.

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Open & Affirming Welcoming Statement

We, the members of Emmanuel United Church of Christ, Hanover, Pennsylvania, are a community of Christians who believe that all people are created in God's image. As we seek to fulfill our mission to live out Christ's compassion and grace, fairness and equality, we welcome into our community of faith all persons of every gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, mental and physical ability, age, race, ethnic origin, economic and social status, faith background, marital standing and family structure; and we invite each of them to share in the life, leadership, ministry, fellowship, worship, rites and sacraments, responsibilities, blessings and joys of our congregation as we seek to grow together in faith and love. Therefore, we celebrate ourselves as an Open and Affirming Christian Community.