

Emanuel United Methodist Church

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December 13, 2020

10:30 AM Service

WELCOME! We welcome you to EMANUEL CHURCH. We are small in size, LARGE ON CARING, and FILLED WITH LOVE. Your race does not matter, nor your wealth, nor your education. Our sincere desire is that through the moving power of the Holy Spirit, all may know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Welcome, everyone, WELCOME!

THE WORSHIP SERVICE for The Third Sunday of Advent

[Please wear your mask when singing or moving about the sanctuary]

* Please stand as a symbol of Praise and Honor to God if you are able. If you would like to try our hearing assistance system, please see John Elicker before or during the service.

PRELUDE "Starlight" by Frick

PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* OPENING HYMN #246 "Joy to the World"

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Let the world, and all who live in it, rejoice.

People: Let the rivers clap their hands with joy and the mountains rejoice.

Liturgist: Come together sisters and brothers in Christ to fill the earth with songs of joy.

People: May our worship this day glorify the Lord, as we rejoice in God our Savior.

* UNISON PRAYER: *Joy-giving God, we come to worship you today. We come as we are. If our hearts are already filled with joy, we come with gratitude and thanksgiving. If this week has been "one of those weeks", we come to be renewed. If life is confusing, hard, and hurtful right now, we come to be comforted. How ever we come, may we meet you in these moments. We pray in the name of Jesus, who came that we may know you. Amen*



LIGHTING OF THE THIRD ADVENT CANDLE JOY

ADVENT HYMN #211 "O Come, O Come Emmanuel [third verse]

OLD TESTAMENT READING: *Psalms 126*

Liturgist: The Lord be with us. *People: Amen*

CHOIR ANTHEM: "The Splendor of Christmas" by Parks

PRAYER REQUESTS, CONCERNS, THANKSGIVING [*Liturgist*]

PRAYER HYMN #216 "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

GENERAL PRAYER AND THE LORDS PRAYER

RESPONSE #898 "Amen"

* GOSPEL READING: *Luke 1:46-55*

Liturgist: The Word of the Lord. *People: Thanks be to God*

* GLORIA PATRI #71

THE MESSAGE by Pastor Swift "Joy"



CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

* CLOSING HYMN #224 *"Good Christian Friends Rejoice"*

* BENEDICTION

* CHORUS OF BLESSING *"May the Lord, Mighty God"* (tune of Edelweiss)
[Please remain at your pew - see screen]

POSTLUDE *"There's a Song in the Air"* by Harrington

**The altar flowers today are presented by Beth and Atlee Hershner
in memory of Bill Goodling on his birthday [December 5th].**

PASTOR: Harry "Ron" Swift

AUDIO VISUAL DIRECTOR: John Elicker

ORGANIST: Sally Brown

GREETER: Linda Elicker

LITURGIST: Linda Elicker

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Mary Kraft / Deb Yost

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Please include the following in your prayers:

The Brianna Ann Dorgan family		Bob Heichel
The Jake Randall family		The Joyce Grimm family
Ed Lilley	Anna Knipp	John Elicker Jr and family
Dave Doll	J.T. Elicker III	Mikhala
Gloria Doboy		Doctor Su
Linda Koons	Donna Goodling	Tanya Baust
Jackie Luca	Jeremy Withers	Teresa Graham
Bernard Ake	Jody Darnell	Jim Butler
Beulah Ness	Lucille Decker	Nan Hershner
Nancy Munn and Tracy Wilkins	Allison	Jean McLaughlin
Brian Townsend	Rob Hanrahan	Eric Withers
		Jarrett Arnold

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

During the week of December 13th through December 19th please join with the members of the 850+ congregations of the Susquehanna Conference praying for these sister churches.

Huntsville UMC, Shavertown	Grace UMC, Windsor
Rose Valley UMC, Trout Run	Otterbein UMC, Newburg
West Nicholson UMC, Nicholson	Donnally Mills UMC, Donnally Mills
Mifflinville UMC, Mifflinville	Faith UMC, Bellefont
Zion UMC, Red Lion	Wesley Chapel UMC, Huntingdon

PRAYER FOR HEALING AND ANOINTING

The prayer of faith will save the sick and the Lord will raise them up. We lift our sisters and brothers before the Lord that they might receive healing. Let those who seek healing open their hearts to the Spirit of the Lord.



CALENDAR

Sun. Dec. 20 th	Fourth Sunday of Advent - Candle of Peace
Thu. Dec. 24 th	Christmas Eve Service at 7:00 p.m.
Sun. Jan. 3 rd	Epiphany Sunday
Sun. Jan. 10 th	Baptism of our Lord



DIAPERS AND WIPES

During the month of December please bring diapers and wipes, and other baby things in honor of the birth of the baby Jesus. We will donate these items to the Southern York County Pantry to help needy families with newborn babies.

THE NUMBERS

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY	18
OFFERING LAST SUNDAY	\$ 1,055
OFFERINGS YEAR-TO-DATE	\$35,899
BUDGET YEAR-TO-DATE	\$39,200

The Ritual of Holy Communion

L: The Lord be with you.

P: **AND ALSO, WITH YOU.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: **WE LIFT THEM UP TO THE LORD.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: **IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. We thank you, O God our Father. From the beginning you made the world and all its creatures; you made people to live for you and for each other.

You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets, who looked for that day when justice shall roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream, when nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, whom you sent in the fullness of time to be a light to the nations. You scatter the proud in the imagination of their hearts and have mercy on those who fear you from generation to generation. You put down the mighty from their thrones and exalt those of low degree. You fill the hungry with good things, and the rich you send empty away.

Your own Son came among us as a servant, to be Emmanuel, your presence with us. He humbled himself in obedience to your will and freely accepted death on a cross. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said, "Drink from this all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

The invitation and sharing of the bread and cup.