



## The Season After Pentecost July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 9am

**Welcome Guests!** We're glad you're with us today. **If you are a visitor to Emmanuel UMC**, please complete our online Guest Card at [bit.ly/EUMCGuestCard](http://bit.ly/EUMCGuestCard). We look forward to hearing from you!

**WELCOME** Rev. Edgardo Rivera  
*(If you would like a Joy or Concern shared publicly, please send a text now to our new designated number, 410-705-4773, so we can read your joys and concerns after the sermon. Please be sure to include your name in the text.)*

**CANDLE LIGHTING** Rev. Leo Yates  
*We all light a candle together at the start of our worship services to remind us that however we gather, God is with us.*

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Led by Ellen McDaniel  
One: Family of faith, this must be the place.  
**All: This is the place for connection and growth, for community and hope.**  
One: This must be the place for questions like, "Where are you from?" and, "What do you need?"  
**All: For whispers of: "I've been thinking of you," and, "I've been meaning to ask. . ."**  
One: This must be the place, because all belong here. All are welcome here.  
**All: All hurt and joy, needs and prayers, dreams and love, are welcome here.**  
One: For our Call to Worship Today, we are going to lean into invitation for connection. I want to invite you to take two minutes to introduce yourself to someone around you and to share one thing that has brought you deep joy this week so that we might begin our service with joy, gratitude, and connection.  
*(Engage in a few moments of conversation with someone near you!)*  
One: God is near. Let us worship Holy God.

**\*HYMN** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* #57 Vs. 1-3

**BIBLE LESSONS** Job 2:11-13 & 2 Timothy 4:9-18 Read by Ellen McDaniel  
One: This is the Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rev. Matt Upshaw

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*(We recognize that we call God by many names, use the name you prefer.)*

**ALL: Our God (Father, Mother, Creator) 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**ANTHEM** *The Summons* TFWS #2130 Vs. 1 & 3

## TIME OF CENTERING

We use this time to make the transition between "getting here" and "being here." Take these few minutes of quiet time to get in touch with the calm places, the still, the deep places in you; the spirit.

**SERMON** "I've Been Meaning to Ask... What Do You Need?"  
Pastor Edgardo Rivera

## SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

**PASTORAL PRAYER** Rev. Kim Capps

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**\*HYMN** *Jesu, Jesu* #432 Vs. 2, 3, 5

## \*BENEDICTION

*Give yourself the gift of an uninterrupted worship service by silencing your cell phone and removing all other distractions.*

*\*Please stand in heart or posture.*

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**Emmanuel UMC embraces Jesus' message that God loves everyone and we affirm that all persons are of sacred worth.**

We believe that every human being is created and gifted by God; therefore, every human being is invited to be part of our church. We welcome into our fellowship, membership, and leadership, all people, regardless of age, economic reality, education, ethnicity, faith history, family structure, gender identity, nationality, disability, race, sexual orientation, and life experience.