



The Season After Pentecost
August 15th, 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. We look forward to hearing from you!

WELCOME Rev. Kim Capps
(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 Psalm 100 Led by Ellen McDaniel
One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.
All: Know that the Lord is God.
One: It is he that made us, and we are his;
All: We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
One: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.
All: Give thanks to him, bless his name.
One: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.
All: Amen.

***HYMN** Welcome Worship and Song #3152

BIBLE LESSONS Micah 6:8 NRSV Page 866
I John 3:16-24 from The Message
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 *Forward through the Ages* #555

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... Who Are We as a Church?"
Rev. Edgardo Rivera

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Kim Capps

OFFERTORY

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***HYMN** *We Are Called* TFWS #2172

***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.*

We are blessed to have music provided for us this Sunday by John Gauthier and Dana Scott!

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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.