

Emanuel
UCC



Seventeenth Sunday after
Pentecost

September 20, 2026

Rev. Julie Kies, Worship Leader

A warm welcome to all today!

May this time of worship strengthen your faith and desire to serve the Creator who loves us with everlasting love in Christ Jesus.

Children are welcome in this worship service and encouraged to participate in any way they are able to. Teach the children sitting around you how to use their bulletins and sing & speak loudly!

We value the noise made by our children!

We have a nursery available in our education building with a video feed of our service.

Visitors, we are glad you are here! Please sign our Guest Register and feel free to fill out a “welcome slip” in the pews.

Please come again!!

Serving in Worship

Organist: *Christy Shinn*

Worship Assistant: *Pat Holley*

Greeters: *Mark & Melanie Lutes*

Altar Flowers: *Roxie Davis*

Last Week's Number's

Attendance: 49

Offering: \$1,808

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ORDER FOR WORSHIP

***Indicates congregation please stand if able**

Congregational responses are printed in **BOLD** type

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GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

RINGING OF BELL & LIGHTING OF CANDLES

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***INTROIT** *“Seek Ye First”*

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you
Allelu Alleluia

Ask and it shall be given unto you
Seek and ye shall find
Knock and it shall be opened unto you
Allelu Alleluia

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

In the prayers and the praise,
in the words and the wonder:
we are given enough joy to live each day.

In the justice for the oppressed,
in the unexpected generosity for the lost:
**we are given enough compassion
to use in service each day**

In the promises made to all,
in the mercy offered to each:
we are given enough grace to share each day.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Sovereign and Awesome God, we come to worship you, to know you and to be known by you. Expand our hearts to love fully. Build our courage to receive the truth. Nurture our spirits to be gracious, merciful, and kind. Transform us in your image and for your glory as we dwell in your presence. Amen.

***PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE**

It seems we cannot decide, Cloud of Glory. We say we will live to serve others, but end up meeting only our needs. We claim to live in a way that honors Christ, but we do not take him to work, school, home. We believe that the gospel can transform lives, (at least, for those who need it – but surely, not us).

Forgive us, Presence of Peace.

Instead of grumblers,

may we be ambassadors of grace.

Instead of complaining,

may we carry compassion to the hurting.

Instead of whiners,

may we be workers with Jesus Christ,

to reach out and bring the kingdom of God to everyone we meet. Amen.

The Holy One is faithful to forgive and extends grace and mercy lavishly. At the same time, God wants us all to be well and whole. The Holy One will strengthen us to be accountable to both God and one another as well as to do the work of restoration and repair.

PASSING OF THE PEACE**GLORIA PATRI****WORD**

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

CHOIR ANTHEM *“Be Still My Soul”*

This beautiful anthem is a gentle reminder to trust in God’s presence through life’s joys and struggles. With its peaceful melody and heartfelt message, it invites us to quiet our hearts, find comfort in God’s faithfulness, and rest in the assurance that we are never alone.

HEBREW TEXT Exodus 16:2-15

***GOSPEL READING** Matthew 20:1-16

SERMON

***SERMON HYMN** *“O Master, Let Me Walk”* #503

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *New Creed* #887

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER
(debts/debtors)

THANKSGIVING

God’s gifts move us to respond with grateful words and actions.

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY** #780

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

***SENDING HYMN** *“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”* 471

***WORLD PEACE PRAYER**

**Lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth, from
despair to hope, from fear to trust**

Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace

**Let peace fill our hearts, let peace fill our world, let peace fill
our universe.**

Peace, peace, peace.

***BLESSING**

***CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION** “*As We Go*”

As we go may Your Spirit go before us

As we go may we follow where You lead

May we live what we have learned

Share the message we have heard

And be a light unto the world as we go

***POSTLUDE**

We Keep in Prayer

*Please keep in your prayers those who are in need of healing and our
shut-ins and homebound members. May God's grace surround them
with comfort and care.*

Mary Lou Abernathy, LaDonia Beggs, June Borgfield, Larry Borgfield,
Larry Brockmire, Larry Doggett, Jeffrey Kies, Alice Koeppel, Robert
Loos, Junior Peetz, Marvin Peetz, Helen Poston, Alice Quigley, Cindy
Smith



THIS WEEK

Today

9:00 am-Faith and Fellowship

10:10 am-Traditional Worship

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Worship Leader: Christy Shinn

2:00-4:00 pm-Fall Family Faith
Night at Beggs Farm

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