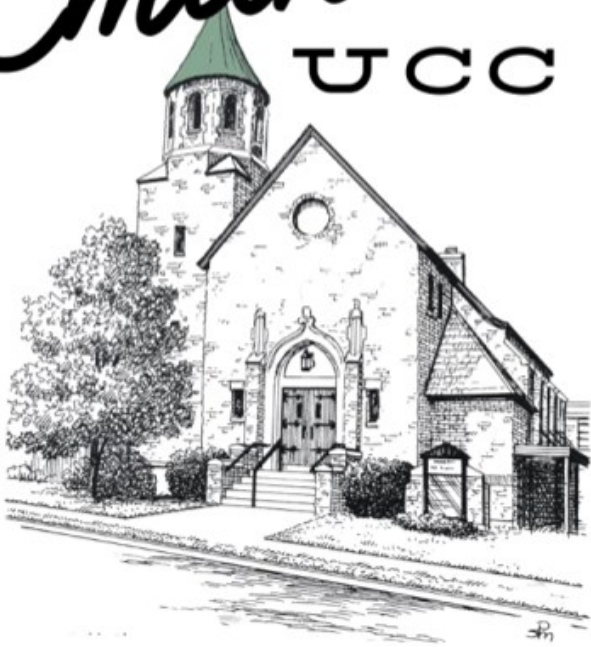


Emanuel

UCC



Good News!

September 2026

Welcoming. Witnessing. Worshiping... through Christ.

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Emanuel United Church of Christ—304 E. Adams, Jackson, Missouri 63755

Founded in 1867—Incorporated as German Evangelical Emanuel Church in 1891



Upcoming Events—September

Tues.	Sept. 1	Book Club 6:00 pm
Wed.	Sept. 2	Choir Practice 6 pm
Thur.	Sept. 3	Bethany Circle 6:30 pm
Sun.	Sept. 6	- Faith & Fellowship 9:00 am - Worship 10:10 am Worship Leader: <i>Rev. Ann Mowery</i>
Mon.	Sept. 7	Office Closed—Labor Day
Fri.	Sept. 11	Church Women United Awareness Luncheon Fellowship Hall 9:30 am-registration, 10:00 am-program, 11:30 am- lunch
Sat.	Sept. 12	- Clothing Closet 9:00-11:00 am - St. John's UCC—Sausage Supper 3:30-6:30 pm
Sun.	Sept. 13	- Church Council 8:00 am - Faith & Fellowship 9:00 am - Worship 10:10 am - CBE Meeting following worship
Tues.	Sept. 15	Book Club 6:00 pm
Wed.	Sept. 16	Choir Practice 6:00 pm
Sun.	Sept. 20	- Faith & Fellowship 9:00 am - Worship 10:10 am
Sun.	Sept. 27	- Faith & Fellowship 9:00 am - Worship 10:10 am
Tues.	Sept. 29	Book Club 6:00 pm

Weekly Use of Church Facilities

Every Monday	TOPS 11am
Every Tuesday	Guitar Lessons 3:30-6:30 pm
Every Wednesday	Optimist 12:00-1:00 pm

Greeters—September

Sept. 6	Earlene Sokolowski Mark Statler
Sept. 13	Mark & Lisa Dambach
Sept. 20	Mark & Melanie Lutes
Sept. 27	Paul & Debra Hoffmann

Altar Flowers—September

Sept. 6	Shirley McCormack
Sept. 13	Dorothy Rowley
Sept. 20 Sept. 27	Roxie Davis



The due date for submissions for the October newsletter is September 24, 2026. Please send submissions to: office@euccjackson.org or call 573.243.3323.

Stewardship Corner

Part of stewardship is to pray. Pray for our friends, family, our country, the poor, the sick, and each other. We need to include in this our church and our community. Take time each day and thoughtfully pray. Have you ever gone into our empty sanctuary and sat in one of the pews surrounded by stained glass windows and the altar? Have you closed your eyes and poured your heart out to God? It is a peaceful, inspirational experience. Have you sat in your comfortable chair with coffee or hot tea and offered prayers of gratitude to God?

Prayer should become a habit like brushing your teeth. Prayers of gratitude and prayers for people in need of guidance, forgiveness, hope, or healing will start your day off with positivity. Your prayers can be simple, they can just be a conversation, they can be songs or poems.

As a church family, let us continue or start daily prayers. Pray from your heart.

Thank you for all you do

Prayerfully. The Stewardship Committee

FOOD PANTRY

For the month of September, the food pantry is in need of:

- POWDERED MILK
- SALT
- PEPPER
- PUDDING (IN A TUB, ALREADY MADE)



DONATIONS NEEDED!

ST. JOHN'S
UNITED CHURCH OF
CHRIST

**SAUSAGE
SUPPER**

SEPTEMBER 12, 2026
3:30-6:30 PM

GRILLED LINK SAUSAGE, BUTTERED POTATOES,
SAUERKRAUT, GREEN BEANS, BREAD, COOKED
CHEESE, DESSERT, DRINK

781 ST. HWY FF
JACKSON, MO 63755
573-275-2824

ADULTS - \$15
CHILDREN 6-12 -\$7
UNDER 6 - NO CHARGE

DINE IN OR CARRY OUT

COME CELEBRATE

EUCC
*Fall Family
Faith Night*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
2 - 4 PM
BEGGS FAMILY FARM

Women's Ministries



Bethany Circle

Members gathered in the church parlor at 6:30 PM on June 4, 2026.

Debra Hoffmann opened the meeting with sharing of joys, prayers and concerns. Dorothy Rowley read a devotion based on Psalm 23 and a Father's Day poem.

Business meeting was called to order by President Debra Hoffman. Six members answered roll call. Minutes from the May meeting were read by Secretary Lisa Dambach and approved. Treasurer Dorothy Rowley reported a current balance of \$1493.15.

Old Business:

Rev. Joshua Rau ordination ceremony and reception was held May 31. Twenty-nine pastors attended with many assisting with the service.

The Red Cross blood drive was held on June 2 with 6 donors participating.

Bethany Circle meeting time will remain at 6:30 PM. for now.

New Business:

- Bethany Circle will not meet in July.
- Members agreed to support (1) Ministerial Alliance food pantry, (2) lunch debt assistance for our faith based partnership with West Lane Elementary School and (3) Jackson Fire and Rescue for 2026. Will discuss more during the August meeting to determine donation amounts and any other organizations to support.

Upcoming Events:

- The EUCC Congressional Vision meeting is from 1-3 PM on June 6 with a potluck lunch at noon.
- Book Club meeting hosted by Marilee Roethemeyer will start on June 9 at 6:00 PM
- Ignite Saturday evening worship service is on summer break.
- Community Worship Service will be July 5 at the bandshell in Jackson City Park.
- Church Women United meeting and salad luncheon will be at EUCC on September 11.

Closing:

In honor of Father's Day and remembrance of D-Day, Debbie spoke of her experience when she accompanied her uncle to Washington D.C. for the Veterans Honor Flight ceremony and said a prayer for Veterans and active service members.

The meeting closed with the Mizpah prayer followed by refreshments served by hostess Shirley Bock.

Next meeting is scheduled for August 6, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Dambach, Secretary



Women's Fellowship

The Women's Fellowship met in the church sanctuary immediately following worship on Sunday August 9, 2026. The meeting was called to order by President Kelly Crawford. She followed with a prayer and devotion titled "Called to Serve". Earlene gave our treasure report with a current account balance of \$5612.01.

We plan to continue to be West Lane Elementary's faith based partner for the 2026-27 school year providing a treat, gift, or "event" once each of the 4 school quarters. This year we are also adding Quarterly hand written notes for the school staff (Cathy, Pat, Heather, Kelly, & Catheryn have volunteered to help with this. Anyone else wanting to do this please contact Catheryn or Kelly) The Crawford family will make little notes to be attached to hand sanitizers that the Hartle family is purchasing for the 1st event.

Making the JHS Marching Chiefs band treat bags was discussed. Ann made a motion and Debra seconded it for us to make them again this year. Catheryn will get the info from the band director and shop for the event. After a date is chosen a "packing party" after church on a Sunday will be set.

A fundraiser sale of Butterbraids was agreed upon for the same general time frame as last year. Catheryn is reaching out to the company to set the sale dates.

Debra brought up discussions of multiple events coming up at the church that we will need help from the ladies.

1. 09/11/26 - Church Women United Meeting and Salad Luncheon

Program at 10:00am with the salad luncheon to follow (all ladies in attendance are to bring a salad to share) EUCC will be providing the desserts. Heather will decorate. If you would like to help that day or bring a dessert please contact Debra, Cathy, or Ann.

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**It was also discussed and approved to provide 10 CWS Kids Kits that will be collected at this event. Debra motioned and Ann seconded.

2. 09/30/26 - Noon Optimist Luncheon

Volunteers to prep, serve, & clean up that day will be needed in addition to possible food donations. Meal served at 12:00. Please contact Debra, Cathy, or Ann to help with this event

3. 10/04/26 - Eastern Association UCC Meeting at 3:00pm

A reception will be following the meeting. Heather will decorate for the event. Help that afternoon to serve & clean up will be needed in addition to the finger foods to serve. Please contact Debra to help with this event.

**Please note this event is not just a Women's Fellowship event and help from any church member will be appreciated.

Reminders of upcoming Fall Church Events were mentioned including:

- Sausage Supper on Saturday November 7th
- Live Nativity on Thursday December 3rd
- Pop Up Shop on Saturday December 5th

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Catheryn Hartle

Secretary, Women's Fellowship



**CHURCH WOMEN UNITED OF
CAPE GIRARDEAU & SUR-
ROUNDING AREA**

ANNUAL AWARENESS LUNCHEON

SEPTEMBER 11, 2026

Emanuel United Church of Christ
304 E. Adams Street
Jackson, MO

**Registration 9:30 a.m./Program 10:00 a.m.
Lunch ≈11:30 a.m.**

Speaker #1: Felice Patton – Founder, S.N.A.P. (Stop Needless Acts of Violence Please)

Speaker #2: Shannon Freeman – Program Director, Deborah's House Teen Challenge

**Church Women United is collecting station-
ery items (paper, envelopes, cards, stamps,
pens) for Women at Deborah's House.**

***Bring a salad or light lunch item**

***Bring a Friend**



Clothing Closet

Emanuel UCC is pleased to offer free clothing to anyone in need through our Clothing Closet Ministry

2nd Saturday of each month

9:00 am-11:00 am

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320A East Adams St.  
Jackson, MO 63755

(white house on the corner of E Adams & Georgia St)



ACCEPTING GENTLY USED FALL/WINTER CLOTHING



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## Church Council Minutes--August

Below are the unapproved minutes from the August 9, 2026 Church Council Meeting. Minutes will be approved at the next council meeting.

### **EUCC Council Meeting Minutes 8/9/26**

Meeting Members: Kelly Crawford, Geoff Shinn, Katie Beardslee, Matt Zschille, Pat Holley, Ann Fields, Matt Roethemeyer, Jimmy McCormack, Layton Beggs

Members absent:

The meeting was called to order at 8:07 with an opening prayer by Kelly.

Previous minutes were available for review. Motion for approval of previous minutes made by Matt R. and seconded by Kelly. Council approved.

Treasurer and Financial reports given by Pat Holley. Will file for audit.

The Budget Committee meeting Wed, Aug 12 at 6:00 PM will be attended by Kelly, Jimmy & Pat. Matt R. will provide an estimate of capital expenditures and repairs for next year. Venmo options were discussed. A new account will have to be created and maintained by a trusted individual at the church if we want to continue using it.

### **Report of Committees**

**Buildings and grounds report:** 1. Jason Floyd replaced the concrete sidewalk on 8/6. After payment, we will reach out to June Borgfield to ask about the possibility of moving her Memorial money to the General Fund.

2. Matt R. will check with the neighbor to the east of the parsonage about removing the maple tree that is dying. Layton had a quote of \$400 to trim the dead limbs or \$800 to remove the tree entirely.

3. The emergency light batteries still need to be replaced.

4. Matt will start making weekly visits to the parsonage after the Rau's move out.

5. Jimmy will check on the lawnmowers. Someone will need to start mowing the parsonage lawn. We will ask Derrick Sievers first.

6. Layton will spray the gravel lot with herbicide.

**Audit committee report:** Met 8/6 and did the audit of the first half of the year.

**Rental property:** All is well.

**Clothing Closet:** Was open 8/8 and served 9 families. In need of school age children's clothing and starting to transition to winter clothing.

**Stewardship Committee:** Trivia Night was held on 8/7. The next meeting is 9/10.

**CBE report:** Family Faith Nights was a success. The next meeting is 8/11 to decide on Sunday School curriculum.

**Lay Service/ Member Care report:** All is well

**Worship report:** All is well. Josh talked to Ann about changing paraments & banners. Mark Statler has volunteered to take out the trash once a week. Barb Chaney has volunteered to check on the sanctuary and keeping pencils and cards in the pew racks.

**Head Usher report:** All is well

**Pastor Report** with notes from Pastor Joshua Rau

### **Old Business**

A letter will be drafted to the Voshage family, that since the organ repair costs have been met, requesting permission to repurpose excess and future memorial funds to the General Fund to keep the church running. Explain that we have moved to seeking a part-time pastor in an effort to cut expenses.

Updates after the Congregational Meeting on 7/26

- Well attended and constructive ideas were submitted
- A search committee will be formed with at least 7 active members

## New Business

Supply pastor(s) update

- Rev. Dr. Jeff Long unable to commit for personal/health reasons
- Ann Mowery - 1st Sunday of each month for communion Sept. - Dec
- Rev. Phil Hodges will be preaching Oct 4 because he will be here for the Eastern Association Meeting that afternoon at 3:00.
- Sam Roethemeyer may be available the 1st & 2nd Sunday of each month beginning in October because the Chester Presbyterian church may be closing. He will keep us updated, but is also willing to do funerals, nursing home communion, and hospital visits if Council wishes.

The congregational meeting was set for Oct 25, 2026. Kelly will start a Nominating Committee.

- Council nominees needed
  - ♦ Layton Beggs run for 2nd term
  - ♦ Geoff Shinn - termed out
  - ♦ Matt Zschille - termed out
    - Suggestions were Rick Brown, Mark Dambach, Judy Peetz
- CBE - need 2 nominees
- Conference Delegates - need 2 nominees

The Noon Optimist Club lease will expire in December. They have a budget meeting upcoming. They utilize various spaces within the church on a weekly basis and have a cabinet to store items in. Pat motioned to increase rent to \$100/month to more closely align with our Church Facilities Fee Schedule. Layton seconded. Motion passed.

Next meeting: Sept 13, 2026 8:00 AM

Meeting adjourned at 9:42 with motion by Kelly, seconded by Layton with the Lord's prayer led by Jimmy.

*Submitted by: Geoff Shinn, Church Council Secretary*

## Church Council

|                                              |                                                                                         |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>President</b><br>Jimmy McCormack          | <b>Buildings and Grounds</b><br>Matt Roethemeyer                                        |
| <b>Vice President</b><br>Katie Beardslee     | <b>Worship Coordinator</b><br>Ann Fields                                                |
| <b>Treasurer</b><br>Pat Holley               | <b>Lay Services Director</b><br>Matt Zschille                                           |
| <b>Secretary</b><br>Geoff Shinn              | <b>Head Usher</b><br>Layton Beggs                                                       |
| <b>Financial Secretary</b><br>Kelly Crawford | <i>Church Council<br/>Meetings are the 2nd<br/>Sunday of each month<br/>at 8:00 am.</i> |

# Financial Report

Pat Holley, Treasurer

## July 2026 BUDGET COMPARISON

| 2026 BUDGET   |                                                      |                                                                                 |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Annual Budget | Budgeted Expense Monthly Average                     | 2026 YTD Annual Budget thru July '26                                            |
| \$215,488.00  | \$17,957.33                                          | \$125,701.33                                                                    |
|               | <b>July '26 MTD Contributions &amp; Other Income</b> | <b>July '26 YTD Contributions &amp; Other Income</b>                            |
|               | \$16,677.95                                          | \$86,457.89                                                                     |
|               | <b>2026 July Excess (Shortfall)</b>                  | <b>Projected EOY 2026 Annual Budget Shortfall based on Income Thru July '26</b> |
|               | (\$1,279.38)                                         | (\$67,274.47)                                                                   |

## YTD MONTHLY INCOME VERSUS EXPENSE TREND

|                                   | January       | February      | March        | April        | May          | June         | July         |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Actual YTD Income</b>          | \$6,357.20    | \$17,876.95   | \$30,060.19  | \$44,350.83  | \$59,359.94  | \$69,779.94  | \$86,457.89  |
| <b>Budgeted YTD Expense</b>       | \$17,957.33   | \$35,914.67   | \$53,872.00  | \$71,829.33  | \$89,786.67  | \$107,744.00 | \$125,701.33 |
| <b>Projected Annual Shortfall</b> | -\$139,201.60 | -\$108,226.30 | -\$95,247.24 | -\$82,435.51 | -\$73,024.14 | -\$75,925.12 | -\$39,243.44 |

|                                    |            |             |             |             |             |             |             |
|------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Income Each Month</b>           | \$6,357.20 | \$11,519.75 | \$12,183.24 | \$14,290.64 | \$15,009.11 | \$10,420.00 | \$16,677.95 |
| <b>Monthly % Increase/Decrease</b> |            | 81.21%      | 5.76%       | 17.30%      | 5.03%       | -3.06%      | 60.06%      |
| <b># Sundays Each Month</b>        | 4          | 4           | 5           | 4           | 5           | 4           | 4           |
| <b>Weekly Average</b>              | \$1,589.30 | \$2,879.94  | \$2,436.65  | \$3,572.66  | \$3,001.82  | \$2,605.00  | \$4,169.49  |

**Note: \$3,996.71 of income in July resulted from a gain on sale of securities associated with a \$20,000 withdrawal from UC Funds account. This was a one-time gain not resulting from contributions.**

| <b>CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL OFFERINGS &amp; DEDICATED FUNDS NOT AVAILABLE TO FUND CHURCH BUDGET</b> |                                      |                               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|                                                                                                     | <b>Contributions in<br/>July '26</b> | <b>Contributions YTD 2026</b> |
| UC Funds                                                                                            | \$0.00                               | \$750.00                      |
| Dime-A-Day                                                                                          | \$0.00                               | \$219.00                      |
| CWS Blankets                                                                                        | \$0.00                               | \$615.00                      |
| Ordination Svc - Fallen Firefighters Mem                                                            | \$50.00                              | \$663.00                      |
| FMSC                                                                                                | \$0.00                               | \$1,000.00                    |
| Food Pantry & Family Thank Offering                                                                 | \$0.00                               | \$320.00                      |
| Neighbors in Need                                                                                   | \$0.00                               | \$0.00                        |
| One Gt Hr Sharing                                                                                   | \$0.00                               | \$220.00                      |
| Strengthen the Church                                                                               | \$0.00                               | \$150.00                      |
| Women's Prison Kits                                                                                 | \$0.00                               | \$0.00                        |
| Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Shipping                                                                  | \$0.00                               | \$0.00                        |
| Christmas Fd/Veterans of the Cross                                                                  | \$0.00                               | \$0.00                        |
|                                                                                                     |                                      |                               |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                                                                        |                                      | <b>\$3,937.00</b>             |

## **Christian Board of Education (CBE) Meeting Minutes - August 11, 2026**

The Christian Board of Education (CBE) met on **Tuesday, August 11**, in-person. Members in attendance included Morgan Hoffman (President), Marcie Brown (Treasurer), Amber McCormack (Vice President), Heather Beggs (Event Coordinator), Carrie Zschille (Librarian), Lydia Shinn (Secretary), and Katie Beardslee (Council Liaison).

### **Old Business/Follow-Up**

N/a

### **New Business**

#### **Rally Day**

Rally day is August 23rd, we will be celebrating all EUCC Sunday School Classes. There will be a meal of hotdogs and hamburgers provided by CBE.

#### **Fall Family Faith Nights**

We discussed potentially hosting Fall Family Faith Nights at the Beggs Family Farm. There would be a bonfire and other activities from 2-4 on Sunday, September 27th.

#### **Next Meeting**

The next CBE meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, September 13th**, following worship.

For questions or to assist with any of these initiatives, please reach out to a CBE member. Thank you for your continued support of Christian education at our church!

*Lydia Shinn, Secretary*



|    |                     |
|----|---------------------|
| 3  | Jerry Bailey        |
| 6  | Mark Bock           |
| 6  | Jacob Cantoni       |
| 6  | Christine Sievers   |
| 6  | Jerry Wolfenkoehler |
| 7  | Patti Beussink      |
| 10 | Sam Koppenaal       |
| 11 | Hannah Rinehart     |
| 11 | Debbie Trankler     |
| 12 | Weston Holcomb      |
| 16 | Justin Bromley      |
| 16 | Andrew Scholl       |
| 19 | Debra Hoffmann      |
| 19 | Lonnie Peetz        |
| 22 | Mary Lou Abernathy  |
| 22 | Matthew Biri        |
| 23 | Chris Crawford      |
| 24 | Sara Drew           |
| 27 | Kelly Crawford      |
| 28 | Craig Floyd         |
| 29 | Connie Brothers     |

## September Anniversaries



|    |                                |
|----|--------------------------------|
| 2  | Josh & Paige Kester, 9th       |
| 3  | Bill & Jane Koppenaal, 38th    |
| 6  | Frank & Debbie Trankler, 46th  |
| 7  | John & Katie Beardslee, 7th    |
| 14 | James & Cindy Bromley, 46th    |
| 20 | David & Heather Cantoni, 29th  |
| 25 | Doug & Susan Wessell, 55th     |
| 26 | Rick & Pam Brown, 44th         |
| 29 | Ronnie & Jessica Maxwell, 19th |

## Recommended Scripture for September

|          |                                                                  |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sept. 6  | Exodus 12:1-14<br>Psalm 149<br>Matthew 18:21-35<br>Luke 23:32-34 |
| Sept. 13 | Exodus 14:19-31<br>Psalm 114<br>Romans 14:1-12                   |
| Sept. 20 | Exodus 16:2-15<br>Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45<br>Matthew 20:1-16        |
| Sept. 27 | Exodus 17:1-7<br>Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16<br>Matthew 21:23-32         |

## We Keep in Prayer

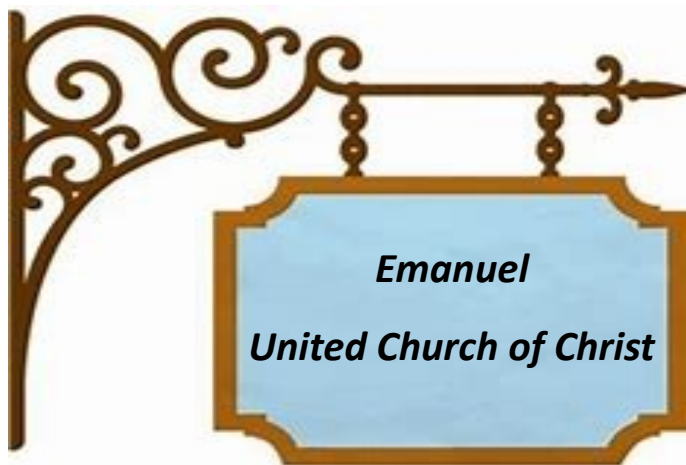
*Please keep in your prayers those who are in need of healing and our shut-ins and homebound members. May God's grace surround them with comfort and care.*

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

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| Worship and Ministry |            |                                                   |
|----------------------|------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| Faith & Fellowship   | 9:00 a.m.  | Sundays                                           |
| Worship              | 10:10 a.m. | Sundays                                           |
| Communion            | 10:10 a.m. | Monthly—1st Sunday and<br>Special Church Holidays |

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