

EMMANUEL (BAUST)
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Service of Word

November 17, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Twenty-Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Interim Pastor: Rev. Herb Ruby

L = Leader P = People

**For those who are able, please stand.*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Liturgist

***Call to Worship**

L: The God of wisdom calls us to worship;

P: In humility, we gather to offer our thanks and praise.

L: The God of peace calls us to let go of our cares and worries;

P: In faith, we turn to God for hope and guidance.

L: The God of past, present and future welcomes us into this moment;

P: In joy, we celebrate life in God's presence!

L: Let us worship God together.

P: Hallelujah! Let us praise the Lord!

***Hymn**

O Worship the King

Green No. 2

***Prayer for Our Humanity**

L: Lord of goodness and life, we are in wonder and awe, eager to praise Your name. You are the source of all that is good and true, the essence of Your love. You bring gifts of peace and healing into troubled lives. You show us the way to love friend and enemy alike, and how to build a better world together. In this time of worship, inspire us to believe our work in Jesus' name makes a difference. So may we live to bring You glory, O God, for the sake of Christ our Lord, now and always.

P: God of justice and mercy, You call us to take part in our community, loving our neighbours and serving Your purposes. We confess this is easier said than done. We often sit in judgment on those who serve in public life, criticizing any who fall short of our expectations. Yet we confess we too fall short of Your loving purpose for us. Forgive us when we have been too quick to criticize, and too slow to join in what needs to be done.

***Words of Assurance**

Liturgist

***Song of Praise**

Thou Art Worthy

Green No. 126

Thou art worthy, thou art worthy, thou art worthy, O Lord,
to receive glory, glory and honor, glory and honor and power;
for thou hast created, hast all things created, thou hast created all things,
and for thy pleasure they are created; for thou art worthy O Lord!

Anthem

Scripture

1 Samuel 1:4-20

Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

Liturgist

Sermon Hymn

What Wondrous Love Is This

Green No. 257

***Gospel**

Matthew 14:22-33

Rev. Herb Ruby

Sermon

Jesus Walks on Water

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***Affirmation of Faith**

P: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Herb Ruby

Our Lord's Prayer (using debts)

Offertory

*Doxology Doxology (with A-men)

Red No. 356

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

L: Please join me in the prayer of dedication.

P: Gracious God, we bring our gifts to You with grateful hearts, aware of all we enjoy in Christ and in creation. Bless these gifts and the service we offer in Jesus' name, so that others may share in Your goodness and know of the love we witness in Christ, our friend and Saviour.

*Closing Hymn Rock of Ages

Green No. 384

*Benediction

Rev. Herb Ruby

Postlude

Week of November 17, 2024

**"Whoever you are and wherever you
are on life's journey,
you are welcome here!"**

We extend a warm welcome to each one in worship, whether a member, friend or guest with us today. If you are not currently on our church mailing list to receive the church newsletter and would like to be included, please let us know. Our church website is: ebucc.com. If you use email and would like to receive updated prayer concerns, Church information and announcements please send an email to: office@ebucc.com noting that we may include you in our electronic mailings which include our church newsletter.

EBUCC Offerings: Baust members, friends, and visitors may put regular offerings and special donations in the offering plates placed just inside the front and rear entrances to the sanctuary. During the offertory, these plates will be brought to the altar by our ushers.

Help Needed! Are you able to volunteer to be part of the audio-visual "Zoom" transmitting of our worship services? We're down to just three rotating volunteers now, and the burden would be more manageable if we had a few more folks in the rotation. The commitment would be for running the transmission and recording set-up in the Good Shepherd Room for about fifteen minutes before our worship services, monitoring the transmission during worship and closing it down when the service concludes. Our current "Techs, " Beth Raver, Ben Brandenburg and Kent Kallay, would train and help new volunteers. And we would all be grateful for your willingness to help. Please let Kent, Beth or Ben know if you'd consider joining the crew!

Altar Flowers: Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by the Rodkey family. We grateful and blessed to have such an amazing church family. Wishing each one a safe and healthy holiday.

Prayer List: Please take a moment to review the prayer lists for our members and friends in the bulletin. If there are names to be added or taken off, please contact the church office or Jane Rodkey.

Choir Rehearsal: Choir will rehearse each Sunday in the sanctuary immediately following church. Also, the choir will warm up each Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. in the choir room.

Bible Study: Bible Studies will be on Thursday evenings at 6:00 in the parsonage. We will be continuing the study based on Rev. Herb Ruby's book, *Memorizing Scripture, Why Bother?* The tentative schedule for November is as follows in Part Two: Faith beginning on page 61: November 7: G,H,I,J; November 14: K,L,M,N; November 21: O,P,Q,R. All ages and all levels of understanding are welcome. Contact Betty Stonesifer if there are questions.

Carroll Food Sunday: Baust Church has been asked to donate canned fruit for the months November and December. Donations can be brought to the Good Shepherd Room or the porch in the parsonage. Donations can also be brought

to Trinity Lutheran on Tuesday or Thursday mornings or left in the cabinet under the portico throughout the week.

Consistory Meeting: Consistory will meet on Tuesday, December 3, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the parsonage.

Let's Decorate! Help prepare our church for the Christmas season. We'll put up the big Baust Christmas tree and decorate our beautiful sanctuary beginning on Friday, November 29th at 6:00pm. Please come out to help if you can! We'll be ready for December 1st, the first Sunday of Advent.

November Fundraiser: Texas Roadhouse Gift Cards. Cards may be purchased in \$5.00 increments up to \$100.00. Checks payable to EBUCC. We earn 15% for our total sales. These make a great Stocking Stuffer and can be used for friends who live away from our area because they can be used at any of the 750 locations nationwide. See Bob Miller for details (443-789-7035 or whsowlalum64@yahoo.com). May purchase cards 11/01/24 through 12/01/24.

Christmas for Kids: Caring and Sharing churches are collecting donations of new Socks, Blankets, Sweatshirt, Gloves, Hats, Toys, Books. Gifts will be gathered at Trinity Lutheran on Friday, December 13, 2024 and sorted for distribution by appointment on December 16th. I will have a box located in the Good Shepherd room for donations. Please do NOT wrap your donations, I will take the box up to Trinity the week of December 8th. Thanks Marge.

Baust Literary (November): Book club will meet at 6 pm on Tuesday, November 26th. The book for November is "The Orphan Keeper" by Camron Wright. The story is based on a remarkable true story of Taj Rowland. Seven-year-old Chellamuthu's life is forever changed when he is kidnapped from his village in India, sold to a Christian orphanage, and then adopted by an unsuspecting couple in the United States. It takes months before the boy can speak enough English to tell his parents that he already has a family back in India. Horrified, they try their best to track down his Indian family, but all avenues lead to dead ends. Meanwhile, they simply love him, change his name to Taj, enroll him in school, make him part of their family.

Newsletter Articles: Newsletter Articles for December 2024 are due to Jane Rodkey November 17th.

Stewardship Reflection: Ever find yourself thinking, “too many nonprofits ask me for money!” Or, “why does the church have so many offerings?” The number of ways that we can make a difference in the world can feel overwhelming. Phil Buchanan, author of “Giving Done Right: Effective Philanthropy and Making Every Dollar Count,” speaks to this situation, “Most givers start as charitable bankers – responding to requests without a lot of clarity about what they’re trying to achieve.” Instead of responding to whatever request comes across our desk, Buchanan suggests adopting a strategic approach. He realized many of the donors whose generosity inspired him gave strategically. Begin to articulate your philanthropic strategy. Build your plan around a

- Framework (what core values shape you?)
- Context (what issues and areas do you pay attention to?)
- Marks (what defines a faithful ministry or nonprofit to you?)

As you begin to think about your giving, create a list of all the organizations you gave to last year. Did you give everyone about the same amount? Did one organization stand out? Can you see a goal emerging from your pattern of giving? Does a particular scriptural story inspire your choices? Could your spouse or children explain your giving strategy?

First Sunday of the Month Luncheon:

Date: Sunday, December 1, 2024

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Flick's Pub and Restaurant

Address: 100 Antrim Blvd., Taneytown, MD

Website: flickspub.com

Phone: 410-756-6400

RSVP by: Noon, Saturday, November 30, to Kathy Cromwell at 443-331-3160 (H) or 410-456-7672 (C) or KathleenCromwell@comcast.net

November 24th Speaker: Rev. Andy Hood

November 24th Scriptures: 2 Samuel 23:1-7 and Psalm 132:1-12

Revelation 1:4b-8

John 18:33-37

November 24th Liturgist: Sandy Stonesifer

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

Church Members

Nancy Edwards	Joan Wantz
Duane Rodkey	Linda Goodwin
Linda Dennis	Eddie Dutterer
Betty Gross	Bob Harrison
Skeeter Dull	Brent Grove
Calvin Bloom	Bob Miller
Dan & Betty Heltibridle	Bick and Lois Bickerton

Friends

Eric Helm	Steve Stambaugh
Mimi DeLore	Joe Morningstar
Libby Fuss	Chic and Sandy Warehime
Allen Robertson	Janie Dell
Lainey Hood	Nancy Saari
Tom Henning	Bobby Yingling
Joann Stull	Carole Hill
Rudy Feuerschutz	Ken Morningstar
Randy Brodbeck	

IN GOD'S SERVICE

Interim Pastor:	Rev. Herb Ruby
Secretary:	Jane Rodkey
Secretary's email:	office@ebucc.com
Accompanist:	Jen Sullivan Brown
Consistory President:	George Hardinger
Liturgist:	Bob Miller



Poinsettias - 2024

Join your church family in a lovely Baust Christmas tradition . . .

Order your Christmas poinsettias now!

Poinsettias will be on display in our sanctuary on December 8th and throughout the Advent and Christmas seasons. You may pick up your plants through December 25th. If you are unable to pick up your poinsettias at in-person worship services on December 8, 15, 22, 24, or 29, we will be happy to schedule a midweek time to meet you at the church for pick up. We will make delivery arrangements if you are unable to come to the church at all.

The last day to order is November 24, 2024.

Please use the tear off order form below and place it in the offering plate on Sunday mornings or mail it to Susan Hardinger, 1147 Humbert Schoolhouse Road, Westminster, MD 21158 or email your order to shardinger@aof.com or text/phone your order to Susan 443-789-0142. Checks payable to EBUC.

Colors: Red, White and Pink in all sizes.

4" pot, 3+ blooms - \$5.00

6" pot, 5+ blooms - \$9.00

8" pot, 12+ blooms - \$19.00

10" pot, 15+ blooms - \$24.00

Name _____ phone: _____

Size Color Quantity Price Total _____

Amount enclosed: _____ check _____ cash _____



Emmanuel (Baust) United Church of Christ
 2950 Old Taneytown Rd, Westminster, MD 21158
2024 Christmas Cookie Order

ORDERS DUE BY DECEMBER 5th

(Sandy Stonesifer – 410-857-0416 or email sandys46@netscape.com)

- **PICKUP: DECEMBER 14TH, 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.**

Cookies: \$6.00/Dozen or \$3.00 a Half Dozen

# dozen	Cookies \$6.00/dozen or \$3.00/half dozen	Total \$
	Black Walnut (crisp butter with black walnuts)	
	Chocolate Chip	
	Cranberry Orange (Orange and Cranberry layered)	
	Ginger	
	Oatmeal Raisin	
	Peanut Butter	
	Snickerdoodle (cookie rolled in cinnamon & sugar)	
	Spritz (press cookie in Christmas Shape) (24 cookies/ <u>doz</u>)	
	Sugar (drop rolled in red or green sugars)	
	White Chocolate Macadamia Nut	
# dozen	Special Dietary Needs \$6.00/dozen or \$3.00/half <u>doz</u>	
	Gluten Free Chocolate Chip	
	Gluten Free Oatmeal Raisin	
# <u>lbs</u>	Candy \$8.00/pound or \$4.00/ half pound	
	Chocolate Fudge	
	Peanut Butter Chocolate Fudge - contains nuts	
	Peanut Brittle- contains nuts	
Total items		
	Total due from customer	\$

Customer Name: _____ Phone # _____

Email/Address _____