### EMMANUEL (BAUST) United Church of Christ

Service of Word

September 28, 2025

10:00 a.m.

#### Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Rev. Dan Summers

L =Leader

P = People

\*For those who are able, please stand.

#### **Prelude**

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

Lituraist

\*Opening Music

Seek Ye First (vs. 1)

Green No. 349

#### \*Call to Worship

L: We gather today to worship God, who listens when we call.

P: We gather to rest in the shadow of God's wings.

L: We gather to pray to God, who answers us when we call.

P: We gather to lift our voices in the shadow of God's wings.

L: We gather to praise God, who rescues us when we call.

P: We gather to rejoice in the shadow of God's wings.

L: Beloved, come! Let us worship God, who covers and delivers us in Love.

P: We gather to worship in the shadow of God's wings. Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, April 2025..

Amazing Grace! \*Hymn

Green No. 422

\*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Summers

#### \*Words of Assurance

Lituraist

Only a loving God would send a Savior to suffer for a sinful and forgetful people. Only a concerned God would put on human flesh and experience the same temptations that we face. Lord Jesus Christ You alone understand our frailties and offer us compassionate help when we are tempted. Thank you for being our merciful and faithful high priest. Thank you for welcoming us into Your holy

family. Thank you for declaring our names in the presence of Your holy congregation. Today we walk assured that You love us, forgive us, and trust us with the precious good news of the gospel. (Hebrews 2:10-18.)

P: Amen.

\*Song of Praise His Name is Wonderful

Green No. 102

His name is Won-der-ful, his name is Won-der-ful, his name is Won-der-ful, Jesus, my Lord; he is the might-y King, Mas-ter of ev-ery-thing, His name is Won-der-ful, Jesus, my Lord.

He's the great Shep-herd, the Rock of all a-ges, Al-might-y God is he; bow down be-fore him, love and a-dore him, his name is Won-der-ful, Jesus my Lord.

#### **Anthem**

**Scripture** Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 Liturgist

1 Timothy 6:6-19 Rev. Summers

**Sermon Hymn** Faith of Our Fathers Green No. 530

**Sermon** Persevering Faith Rev. Summers

#### \*Affirmation of Faith

P: We believe that Jesus is the Christ.

L: We believe that Jesus is the Christ who was born of God and that everyone who loves the parent loves the child.

#### P: If anybody asks you who I am, tell'em I'm a child of God.

L: As children of God, we love God and obey God's commandments.

It is not burdensome for us to love ourselves. It is not burdensome for us to love our neighbors. Whatever is born of God conquers the world.

## P: Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

L: We believe in God the Father.

#### P: If anybody asks you who I am, tell'em I'm a child of God.

L: As children of God, who are born of God, we can conquer the systems of this world. Our faith will give us the victory over inadequate schools, drug trafficking in our neighborhoods, drive-by shootings, the criminal justice system, a

materialistic culture, and a media that portrays us as being less than children of God. Whoever is born of God conquers the world.

## P: Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

L: We believe in the Holy Spirit. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

P: If anybody asks you who I am, tell'em I'm a child of God.

#### **Prayers of the People**

Rev. Summers

Our Lord's Prayer (using debts)

#### **Invitation to Offering**

Offering may be placed in the plates near the sanctuary entrances. Ushers will bring them to the altar during the offertory.

#### Offertory

\***Doxology** Doxology (with A-men) Green: 688 (vs.1)

We give thee but thine own, what-e'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine a-lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee. Amen

#### \*Prayer of Dedication

L: Please join me in the prayer of dedication.

Holy God, how often we take for granted all that we have. How often we fail to recognize how blessed we are. Take these gifts we give in response to Your generosity and use them to further Christ's mission and ministry in a hurting world. Amen

\*Closing Hymn Be Not Dismayed Black No. 460

(God Will Take Care of You)

\*Benediction Rev. Summers

#### **Postlude**

Welcome: Thank you, Rev. Dan Summers, for worshipping with us today and for filling in for Rev. Wilmer during his vacation. It's great to have you back at Baust, Rev. Summers!

# September 28, 2025 "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.

**Let's Keep in Touch** If you learn of anyone in our Baust Church Family who needs a visit or phone calls, please let Pastor Wilmer know @ 301-639-6477 or Email: <a href="mailto:pastorrwilmer@hotmail.com">pastorrwilmer@hotmail.com</a>. Office hours every Wednesday, call Rev. Wilber for appointment anytime.

**Media Consent Form:** Your consent to being filmed or photographed for use by Emmanuel Baust United Church of Christ in marketing, promotional materials, social media, personal images, and live-stream services. If you do not want to be photographed or recorded, please notify the pastor or consistory board. If children in your household are under 18 years of age, you are also giving consent for their image to be used in marketing, promotional materials, social media, personal images, and live-stream services. The consent form can be found in the Good Shepherd room, sign at your name or add your and to the list and sign.

<u>Altar Flowers:</u> Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God in Honor and Celebration of our Children and Grandchildren - Corey, Casey, HW, Will, Simone, Emma, Michael, Alice, Ivy - and in loving memory of Dale and Gloria Oxley by George and Susan Hardinger.

**<u>Bible Study:</u>** Bible Study is on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. in the parsonage. We will be diving into the Book of Revelation. Bible Study is open to all ages. Please register at Faithlife.com for more detail and resources.

**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.am. in the choir room.

<u>Carroll Food Sunday:</u> Baust Church has been asked to donate instant pudding regular and diet and cake or Brownie mix for the month of September. 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.

**Grief Share Group:** Grief Share Group will meet in the Parsonage on Wednesdays' beginning August 6th @ 5:30pm Dates: 10/1, 10/15, 11/5, 11/19, 12/3, 12/17. A support group to help you move through the grief process. A Grief Share support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. Through this 13-week group, you'll discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal" in grief. Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, you'll learn helpful ways of coping with grief, in all its unpredictability—and gain solid support each step of the way.

**Consistory Meeting:** Consistory will meet Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the parsonage.

**Baust Literary (September):** The September book is, "*Uther*" by Jack Whyte. Uther Pendragon and cousin Merlyn Britannia's are two men that are closer than brothers could be, and yet they are as different as fire and air. As a man Uther has known instinctively that command in Camulod was for Merlyn and that he belonged among his father's people in the mountain kingdom ruled by his ancestors but fortified with as many of the advantages of Camulodian technology as he could use. Next meeting is September 30, 2025 at 6pm in the Parsonage.

**Newsletter Items:** Newsletter items for November are due October 19, 2025 to Jane Rodkey.

**First Sunday of the Month Lunch:** Don't let this monthly fellowship time end. We are in the need of someone to be our new coordinator for our monthly

Sunday Luncheons. Someone to pick a place, gather suggestions from others, send information to the church office, and make reservations. See Kathy Cromwell for more information or church office. Thank you, Kathy for coordination of the monthly luncheon these past several years.

Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> Pastor: Rev. Andy Hood Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> Scriptures: Lamentations 1:1-6

Lamentations 3:19-26

Luke 17:5-10

Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> Liturgist: Nancy Edwards

#### PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

#### **Church Members**

Nancy Edwards Joan Wantz Duane Rodkey Linda Goodwin

Linda Dennis Bick and Lois Bickerton

Betty Gross Cris Hevner
Skeeter Dull Brent Grove
Sue Bloom Bob Miller
Dan & Betty Heltibridle Ron Corbin

#### **Friends**

Eric Helm
Libby Fuss
Rev. Herb Ruby
Lainey Hood
Tom Hennin
Joann Stull
Ken Morningstar
Mimi DeLore
Allen Robertson
Randy Brodbeck
Nancy Saari
Chris Johnson
Sylvia Miller
Eddie Smith

#### **IN GOD'S SERVICE**

Pastor: Rev. Wilmer Secretary: Jane Rodkey

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Accompanist: Jennifer Sullivan Brown

Consistory President: George Hardinger Liturgist: Lois Bickerton

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