

*EMMANUEL (BAUST)*  
*UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST*

*Service of Word*

*January 11, 2026*

*10:00 a.m.*

***First Sunday After Epiphany***

**Pastor:** Rev. Roger Wilmer, Jr.  
"In Every Prayer, We Grow."  
Colossians 1:9-10

*L = Leader      P = People*

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

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

Liturgist

**\*Opening Music:** Arise, Your Light Is Come! Vs. 4 Green No. 231  
Arise, Your light is come! The mountains burst in song! Rise  
up like eagles on the wing, God's power will make us strong.

**\*Call to Worship:** Liturgist

L: The voice of the Lord is powerful and full of majesty.

**P: May the Lord bless us with God's Peace!**

L: The voice of the Lord proclaimed Jesus as God's beloved.

**P: In our own baptisms, we are claimed as God's beloved.**

(from Psalm 148)

**\*Hymn** We Three Kings of Orient Are Green No. 233

**\*Prayer of Confession**

God of majesty and mystery, we come to You in wonder and praise, for Your purposes are beyond our comprehension, Your majesty incomparable, Your love beyond imagination and Your presence always with us. We praise You for Your creation, for Your transforming grace and Your abiding steadfast love. In

recalling who You are and what You have done, we remember who we are and what we have done. To begin again with You and one another, we confess our sins.

**\*Words of Assurance**

Rev. Wilmer

**\*Song of Praise**

People Need the Lord

Green No. 568

People need the Lord, people need the Lord;  
At the end of broken dreams, He's the open door.  
People need the Lord, people need the Lord;  
When will we realize, people need the Lord.

**Anthem**

**Scripture**

Isaiah 42:1-9  
Psalm 29

Liturgist

**\*Gospel**

Matthew 3:13-17

Rev. Wilmer

**Sermon Hymn**

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Green No. 232

**Sermon**

"The Spirit Who Brings Peace to Our Minds"  
(from John 14:26-27)

Rev. Wilmer

**Invitation to Join God's Family**

Rev. Wilmer

**Installation of Consistory Officers**

**Prayers of the People**

Rev. Wilmer

**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**

**In A Bleak Midwinter**

What can I give him, poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;

if I were a wise one, I would do my part;  
yet what I can I give him—give my heart.

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

L: Please join me in the prayer of dedication.

**P: God of majesty and mystery, we bring our gifts to You, grateful that You are with us in good times and hard times. We do not know what the year ahead will hold but Your love shines like a star to guide us. Bless these gifts that they may keep the light of Christ shining through the church to offer the world truth and wisdom, healing and hope, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn** Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Green No. 218

**\*Benediction**

Rev. Wilmer

**Postlude**

**January 11, 2026**

**"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](http://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](mailto: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: [pastorwilmer@hotmail.com](mailto:pastorwilmer@hotmail.com). Office hours every Wednesday, call Rev. Wilmer for appointment anytime.

**Altar Flowers:** Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Bonnie and Joe Morningstar in loving memory of Herman and Mary Eyler.

**Reserving Altar Flowers:** Here are the remaining open dates for altar flowers for 2026: January 25, March 29, April 5 and 12, May 31, June 14, August 23 and September 27. If you would like to reserve a date to remember, honor, and celebrate someone or something important to you or to our Baust Family, just let Susan Hardinger know, or use one of the order forms found at the sanctuary entrances.

**Bible Study:** Bible Study begins again this Thursday, January 8, at 6:00 pm in the parsonage. We are studying the Book of Revelation. Bible Study is open to all ages. Please register at Faithlife.com for more detail and resources. A link to join the study virtually is listed on the Church website under "Groups" and "Bible Study."

**Consistory:** Today we install our newly elected and appointed Consistory and Church officers for this year. Jim Stonesifer, President; Cal Bloom, VP; Beth Raver, Secretary;Carolynn Dutterer, Treasurer; Bob Miller, Financial Recording Secretary; Jone Bowersox, Elder's Chair; Joe Engle, Deacon's Chair

**Hymnals for the sanctuary:** We are in need of 20 additional hymnals for the sanctuary. If you would like to sponsor a hymnal in honor or memory of someone the cost is \$20. Please indicate if it is in honor or memory and the name of the person(s) so we can put this inside the cover of the hymnal.

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

**Grief Share Group:** Grief Share Group will meet in the Parsonage on Wednesdays' @ 5:30pm Dates: 1/21, 2/4, 2/18, 3/4, 3/18. 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.

**Baust Literary:** The Literacy Group is reading "The Promise," by Robert Crais for January. In this Elvis Cole & Joe Pike thriller, they are joined by LAPD K-9 Officer Scott & K-9 Maggie. In what seems to be an ordinary case until Elvis learns of a missing woman who is an explosives expert, who works for the DOD. Our next meeting will be, Tuesday, January 27, at 6 pm in the Parsonage.

**Homewood Auxiliary:** Homewood Auxiliary membership drive-Homewood Living Plum Creek is a continuing care retirement community in Hanover PA. One way the auxiliary members can show love is by making auxiliary treasury funds available to purchase items from a "wish list" to their members. The membership drive will be held between January 11 and February 1; membership dues are \$3.00 for an individual and \$ 5.00 for a joint membership. Your light can make a difference! Please take this opportunity to join the Homewood Auxiliary. See Jan Corbin for details and with any questions. Thank you.

**Newsletter Items:** Newsletter items for February 2026 are due January 18, 2026 to Jane Rodkey.

**Annual Reports:** Our EBUCC By-Laws call for Consistory and all church organizations and committees to submit 2025 annual reports in writing to the church office. These reports shall consist of a summary of the past year's activities, a projected plan for 2026, and a financial report of the past year. Annual reports for 2025 shall be turned in to EBUCC Secretary Jane Rodkey before March 31, 2026.

<b>Jan. 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Pastor:</b>	Roger Wilmer
<b>Jan. 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Scriptures:</b>	Isaiah 49:1-7 Psalm 40:1-11 John 1:29-42
<b>Jan. 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Liturgist:</b>	Sandy Stonesifer
<b>Jan. 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Media Tech:</b>	Connie Muscato

**PRAYERS AND CONCERNS**

**Church Members**

Nancy Edwards	Joan Wantz
Duane Rodkey	Linda Goodwin
Linda Dennis	Bick and Lois Bickerton
Betty Gross	Peggy Warner
Skeeter Dull	Brent Grove
Sue Bloom	Bob Miller
Dan & Betty Heltibridle	Eddie Dutterer
Don Brower	Mark Muscato

**Friends**

Eric Helm	Mimi DeLore
Libby Fuss	Allen Robertson
Rev. Herb Ruby	Randy Brodbeck
Lainey Hood	Andrea Mathias Warren
Tom Hennin	Chris Johnson
Joann Stull	Sylvia Miller
Ken Morningstar	Shelley Simmont
Sam Warner	

**IN GOD'S SERVICE**

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