

EMMANUEL (BAUST)
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Service of Word

May 31, 2026

10:00 a.m.

Trinity Sunday

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:** Open Our Eyes

Green No. 491

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,
To reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen,
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

***Call to Worship:**

Liturgist

L: Our gracious God has created us and called us his own.

P: Let us worship the triune God.

L: Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, has redeemed our lives.

P: Let us worship the triune God.

L: The Holy Spirit sustains and guides us all the days of our lives.

P: In gratitude and joy, let us worship the triune God!

***Hymn** I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Black No. 12

***Prayer of Confession**

Look deep, loving God, and see us as we really are. We are a people who prefer our will to Your will. We focus on things of the self and give little thought or care to others. We wander through our days giving little thought to our own discipleship, let alone our call to help others become disciples. Forgive us, God of grace. Forgive us and set us again on the path of your righteousness. Amen.

***Words of Assurance**

Rev. Wilmer

***Song of Praise**

Glory Be to the Father

Green No. 734

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost;
As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ever shall be,
World with-out end. A-men, A-men.

God's Word

Psalm 8

Liturgist

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Matthew 28:16-20

Rev. Wilmer

Sermon Hymn

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Green No. 30

Sermon

This is the Real Thing (1 John 2:29, 3:1-2)

Rev. Wilmer

Invitation to Join God's Family

Rev. Wilmer

***Affirmation of Faith**

L: How do you live for the love of God?

P: I love because God first loved me. God loves me in Christ with a love that never ends. Amazed by grace, I no longer live for myself. I live for the Lord who died and rose again, triumphant over death, for my sake. Therefore, I take those around me to heart, especially those in particular need, knowing that Christ died for them no less than for me. Amen.

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

Doxology (with A-men)

Black No. 780

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

*Prayer of Dedication

L: Please join me in the prayer of dedication.

P: Holy God, all that we have and all that we are is a gift from You. We dedicate these gifts given this day to Your work of making disciples in this time and place. Amen.

*Closing Hymn God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

Green No. 728

*Benediction

Rev. Wilmer

Postlude

May 31, 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. 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: pastorrwilmer@hotmail.com. Office hours every Wednesday, call Rev. Wilmer for appointment anytime.

Taneytown Caring and Sharing Caring and Sharing pantry items requested for June, are canned meats such as tuna, salmon, chicken, Spam, etc. Donations may be left at the back porch of the parsonage or brought to church; or donations may be taken directly to the cabinet at the portico located at the back of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Altar Flowers: Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Deni Krug and Family in Loving Memory and in Honor of all the men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our safety and freedom.

Bible Study: Bible study series continues this Thursday at 6PM in the parsonage. We will be discussing the Book of Acts. Bible Study is now available online, as well as, in person. To get the link, go to our church website, go to Group tabs, then click on Bible Study and the link will be there.

Father's Day Names: On Father's Day, June 10, 2026 Baust will honor our Fathers, relatives, and friends with a special Father's Day bulletin which will list the names of all those men you would like to recognize. The cost is \$1.00 per name, and all funds will go into Baust's general operating fund. Names and money should be given to Betty Stonesifer by Sunday, June 14, 2026. Names can also be sent to Jane Rodkey (office@EBUCC.com). Please note - for each name - whether the listing is "In Honor of . . . By . . . " or "In Memory of . . . By . . . "

Upcoming Meetings:

Consistory will meet on Tuesday, June 2, 2026 at 6:30 pm in the parsonage.

Elders will meet on Wednesday, June 10, 2026 at 6:30pm in the parsonage.

Deacons will meet on Wednesday, June 17, 2026 at 6:30 in the parsonage.

Worship will meet on Thursday, June 25, 2026 at 7:00pm via zoom.

May Mission: The Holy Spirit gathers us together. From across the country and the spectrums of human experience, we become united in Christ. And, united, the Spirit commissions us to work for a more just world for all. The Strengthen the Church Offering supports congregations and leader across the United Church of Christ as they respond to the Spirit's call to be united in Christ for a more just world for all.

The challenges our congregations face vary:

- Some seek ways to strengthen youth ministry
- Some hope to start new congregations
- Some look for innovative ways to renew existing congregations
- Some need help developing leaders

The giving in your congregation can ensure congregations get the help they need from their conference and the national ministries of the UCC. Together we can answer the Spirit's call to be united in Christ for a just world for all.

Newsletter Items: Newsletter items for July 2026 are due June 21, 2026 to Jane Rodkey.

June 7th	Pastor:	Roger Wilmer
June 7th	Scriptures:	Genesis 12:1-9 Romans 4:13-25 Matthew 9:9-13; 18-26
June 7th	Liturgist:	Nancy Edwards
June 7th	Media Tech:	Jane Rodkey

First Sunday of the Month Lunch:

Date: Today

Time: 12:00

Place: Flick's Pub

Address: 100 Antrim Blvd., Taneytown, MD. 21787

Phone: (410) 756-6400 Web: flickspub.com

Reservations: Contact Bob (443) 789-7035 by 12:00 Sat. 6/6/26

Annual Reports: 2025 Annual Reports are complete, if you wish to have a copy contact Jane Rodkey (office@ebucc.com).

Announcement:

Prayers and Concerns. Please take time to review the list at the end of the bulletin and see if there are people we need to add or remove from the list. Contact the office so we may keep the concerns up to date.

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

Church Members

Nancy Edwards	Joan & Jim Wantz
Duane Rodkey	Linda Goodwin
Linda Dennis	Bick and Lois Bickerton
Betty Gross	Peggy Warner
Skeeter Dull	Brent Grove
Sue & Calvin Bloom	Bob Miller
Dan & Betty Heltibridle	Eddie Dutterer
Don Brower	Carl Bloom
Will Wilt	Jennifer S. Brown
Susan Hardinger	

Friends

Eric Helm	Mimi DeLore
Libby Fuss	Allen Robertson
Randy Brodbeck	Shelley Simmont
Lainey Hood	Andrea Mathias Warren
Tom Hennin	Chris Johnson
Sylvia Miller	Ken Morningstar
Carol DeGroft	Bob Peters
Sam Warner	Wingerden Family
Victoria Nefflen	Brandi Anderson

IN GOD'S SERVICE

Pastor:	Rev. Roger Wilmer
Secretary:	Jane Rodkey
Secretary's email:	office@ebucc.com
Accompanist:	Susan Hardinger
Consistory President:	Jim Stonesifer
Liturgist:	Cindy Osborne
Media Tech:	Connie Muscato

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Bulletin Summary

“This is the Real Thing”

[1 John 2:29](#) “29 If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who does right has been born of him.”

[1 John 3:1–2](#) “1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.”

“Behold, What Manner of Love” — 1 John 2:29; 3:1–2

Today we celebrate the astonishing love of God—a love so unexpected and unearned that John invites us to pause and behold it with wonder. God’s love is not ordinary; it is a love that gives of itself, embraces us even in our failures, and calls us His children. Because of this great love, we already belong to God, even though the fullness of who we will become has not yet been revealed. As we abide in Christ, we live with confidence, knowing that when He appears, we will be like Him. We are God’s children now—and the best is yet to come.

- A. What does 1 John 2:29 teach us about righteousness and being born of God?
- B. How does the concept of being called 'children of God' impact our identity according to 1 John 3:1-2?
- C. In the sermon, what does the sign language gesture for love represent about God's love?
- D. How does the sermon describe the contrasts between God's love and the world's love?
- E. According to the sermon, what implications does God's unearned love have on our understanding of identity?

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Baust UCC
Peach Festival
& Show



**SATURDAY, 22
AUGUST 2026
10 AM - 2 PM**

**2950 OLD TANEYTOWN RD,
WESTMINSTER,
MD 21158**



If you have questions call Jane Rodkey at 410-984-0648 or email office@ebucc.com

First entry for \$15 and any additional entries for \$5 each.