

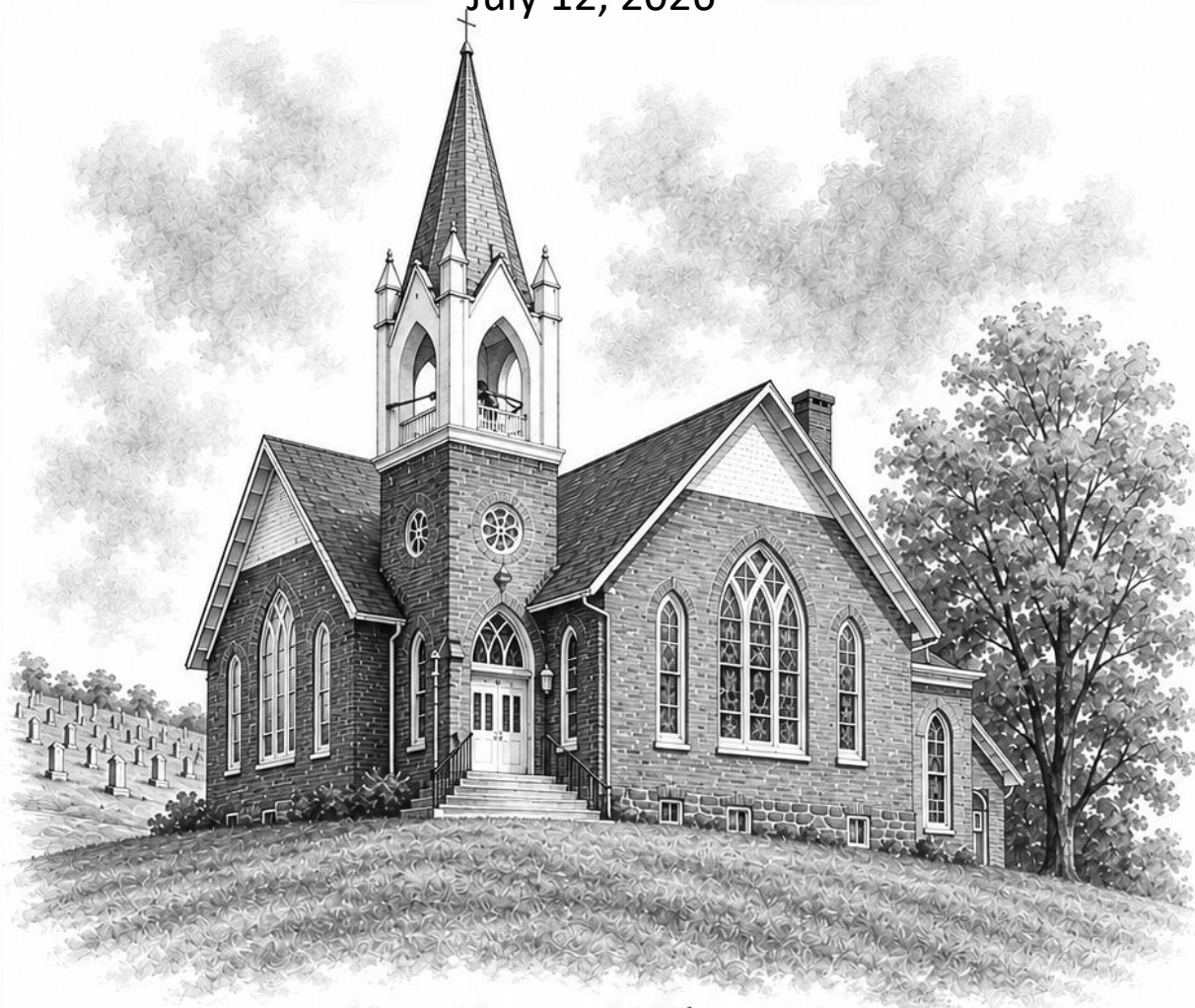
Emmanuel

(BAUST)

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

SERVICE OF WORD

July 12, 2026



Rev. Roger Wilmer, Jr.

2950 Old Taneytown Rd., Westminster, MD 21158

Sunday Service 10 am

Service of Word

July 12, 2026

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

“In Every Prayer, We Grow.” Colossians 1:9-10

*For those who are able, please stand

L = Liturgist P= People

Prelude

Accompanist

Welcome and Announcements

Liturgist

***Call to Worship**

L: All who walk in shadow, come into the light!

P: God’s Word lights the way for us.

L: God has promised to abide with us.

P: So let us commit to walk in God’s ways.

L: All who are afflicted, ensnared by the world, come give praise to God.

P: God is the joy of our heart, our sure and certain comfort, come what may!

***Hymn**

All Creatures of Our God and King vs. 1, 2, 4, 5

Green [23](#)

***Prayer of Confession**

Gracious Creator, You created this world and called it good, and out of it called a pilgrim people, chosen to abide with You and to bear witness to Your reality. Yet we, who have been called “Beloved” by You, often find ourselves making peace with what does not give peace. Meet us in our weakness; turn our unwilling eyes upon our unruly hearts. Draw us away from our love of power, our tolerance of injustice, our ignorance of suffering. Drive us towards what is fearfully and wonderfully made, so that we may inspire hope, offer forgiveness, and love our neighbors through faithful living, according to the way of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

***Words of Assurance**

Rev. Wilmer

***Song of Praise**

I Love You, Lord

Green [85](#)

I Love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to wor-ship you,
O my soul, re-joice!

Take joy, my King, in what you hear;
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

Scriptures	Genesis 25:19-34	Liturgist
	Romans 8:1-11	
	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	Rev. Wilmer
Sermon Hymn	This is My Father's World (Requested by Susie Lawrence)	Green 21
Sermon	Sing! The Theology and Practice of Music in Worship	Rev. Wilmer
Invitation to Join God's Family		Rev. Wilmer

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Christian Church is the congregation of the brethren in which Jesus Christ acts presently as the Lord in Word and Sacrament through the Holy Spirit. As the Church of pardoned sinners, it has to testify in the midst of a sinful world. So, we reject the false doctrine, as though the church in human arrogance could place the Word and work of the Lord in the service of any arbitrarily chosen desires, purposes, and plans. 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 Accompanist

***Offertory Response** Green 34

Doxology
*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: Holy God, You have called us together as Your people, gathered in Your church, to struggle on behalf of Your promises of grace and life for all the world. So, we pledge this portion of what is precious to us gratefully and hopefully. Bless and multiply these gifts. May their fruit demonstrate the

unfathomable, inestimable glory that is Yours in Christ Jesus. And if that's asking too little, do more! In Jesus' name we pray: Amen.

***Closing Hymn**

To God Be the Glory
(Requested by Rev. C.)

Green [66](#)

***Benediction**

Rev. Wilmer

Postlude

Accompanist

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Throughout the month of **July**, we will be using a new bulletin format on a trial basis. During these four weeks, we invite you to explore the new layout and let us know what you think. Your comments and suggestions will help us determine what works well and what could be improved.

If you are worshiping from home and viewing the bulletin electronically, you can simply **click on each hymn number** to open the words and music for that hymn.

Please share your feedback with any member of the worship committee at any time during the trial period. Thank you for helping us make our worship materials as welcoming and easy to use as possible!

Worship committee members are: Sandy Stonesifer, Nancy Edwards, Beth Brandenburg, Susan Hardinger, Jen Brown, or Jane Rodkey.

Announcements for July 12, 2026

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

Church Website: ebucc.com

Church Email: office@ebucc.com

Church Phone Number: 410-202-8655

Phone Number for Rev. Wilmer: 301-639-6477

Email for Rev. Wilmer: pastorrwilmer@hotmail.com

We extend a warm welcome to each one in worship today, whether you are a member, friend, or first-time guest. We are grateful that you have joined us for worship and fellowship.

If you are not currently receiving our church newsletter and would like to be included, or if you would like to receive prayer updates, church news, and special announcements through our electronic mailings, please contact us using the church email.

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 know of a member or friend of our Baust Church Family who would appreciate a visit, phone call, or pastoral care, please contact Rev. Roger Wilmer. Office hours are held on Wednesdays, and appointments may be scheduled at any time.

Caring and Sharing Ministries of Taneytown has suggested dessert mixes (such as cake, brownie, gelatin, pudding) for July, August, September. Basic necessary non-perishable products other than desserts will also be greatly appreciated. Items may be placed on the table in the back porch of the Parsonage or brought to church. Also, items donated may be placed in the cabinet at the back portico of Trinity Lutheran Church. As always, thank you for supporting our community's needs.

Support our student population by participating in Caring and Sharing's partnership with Shepherd's Staff in their Back to School program. Please bring school supplies to our church by July 26. This early date allows time for supplies to be pooled, sorted, and packed for distribution by mid August.

Altar Flowers: Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Sue Robinson with love and appreciation for Beth Brandenburg, our wonderful choir director, our talented music "transposer," and our perfect hymn "picker."

Grief Share Group: Grief Share Group will meet in the Parsonage on Wednesdays' @ 5:30-7pm Dates: July 15, 29, Aug. 12, 26, Sept. 9, 23, Oct. 7, 21, Nov. 4, 18 & Dec. 2 & 16. 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.

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.

The Antique Car & Tractor Show and Peach Festival: This event will be held August 22, 2026 from 10AM-2PM. **How can we help?** See the sign-up sheets in the Good Shepherd room for donating baked items, peeling peaches (8am on 8/22), and helping to prepare and serve food on 8/22. Also, monetary donation can be given to Carolyn or placed in the offering plate (marked Tractor Show).

Church Yard Sale: Join us for our **First Annual Church Yard Sale** on **Friday, September 18** and **Saturday, September 19**, from **8:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.**, at **Emmanuel (Baust) United Church of Christ, 2950 Old Taneytown Road, Westminster**. We are now accepting donations of clean, gently used items for the sale. Donation drop-off begins **September 1** at the Parish Social Hall. We also welcome volunteers to help organize donations before the sale and assist during the event. **All proceeds will benefit the church's General Fund.** For more information or to volunteer, please contact **Jane Rodkey or Susie Lawrence**. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to come shop and support the ministry of Emmanuel (Baust)!

Homewood Living Plum Creek Auxiliary Raffle: Support the Homewood Living Plum Creek Auxiliary by purchasing raffle tickets for a chance to win one of **nine beautiful handmade and hand-quilted items** generously donated by residents Clara Kelley and Jackie Cissel. Tickets are **\$2 each, 3 for \$5, or 7 for \$10**, and each prize will have its own winner. **See Jan Coburn or call 223-388-0047** for tickets. **Ticket sales end July 12, and the drawing will be held July 15.**

Community Harvest: Join the Carroll County Council of Churches on **Friday, August 14, from 6:30–9:00 p.m.** at the **Carroll County Arts Center** for an evening benefiting **Carroll County Food Sunday**. Enjoy the documentary *Fresh*, a community discussion on food, and door prizes. Admission is **Pay What You Can** (minimum **\$5**), with all proceeds supporting CCFS. Everyone is welcome!

Consistory: There will not be a meeting in July, our next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 4, 2026 at 6:30 pm in the parsonage.

Newsletter Items: Newsletter items for August 2026 are due July 19, 2026 to Jane Rodkey.

Prayer 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.

First Sunday of the Month Lunch: Next Luncheon will be September 13, 2026. More detail will be coming as the date gets closer.

Accompanist, Michael Cruz

Looking Ahead to Worship: Sunday, July 19, 2026

Pastor: Rev. Wilmer

Scripture Readings:

Genesis 28:10-19a

Romans 8:12-25

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Serving in Worship:

Liturgist: Sandy Stonesifer

Media Tech: Jane Rodkey

Accompanist: Dorothy Ellen Dutterer

Prayer Concerns

Church Members

Nancy Edwards

Duane Rodkey

Jennifer S. Brown

Linda Dennis

Betty Gross

Skeeter Dull

Sue & Calvin Bloom

Dan & Betty Heltibridle

Carl Bloom

Will Wilt

Linda Goodwin

Bick & Lois Bickerton

Peggy Warner

Brent Grove

Bob Miller

Eddie Dutterer

Susan Hardinger

Friends

Mini DeLore

Wingerden Family

Libby Fuss

Randy Brodbeck

Lainey Hood

Tom Hennin

Sylvia Miller

Bob Peters

Sharon Herb

Shelley Simmont

Andrea Mathias Warren

Chris Johnson

Ken Morningstar

Sam Warner

Brandon Mollett

In God's Service

Pastor: Rev. Roger Wilmer

Secretary: Jane Rodkey

Accompanist: Jennifer Sullivan Brown

Choir & Music Director: Beth Brandenburg

Consistory President: Jim Stonesifer

Liturgist: Nancy Edwards

Media Tech: Connie Muscato