



Immanuel United Methodist Church

Sunday, September 3, 2023

14th Sunday after Pentecost

ENTER TO WORSHIP

Enter the Sanctuary quietly and reverently, respecting the meditation of others, and opening to the presence of God.

Prelude and Receiving the Light of Christ

(The entrance of the Light into worship represents the Light of Christ among us)

Greeting

Ministry Updates

Children's Missions Collection & Children's Time

(Children depart for Kingdom Kids)

WE PRAISE GOD

Call to Worship: We Are the Church

#558

*Hymn: Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

#402

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

#881

*Gloria Patri

#70

WE CONVERSE WITH GOD

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

WE GIVE TO GOD

God's Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

#95

Anthem: Break Thou the Bread of Life (Congregation)

#599

Scripture Reading: Matthew 16:21-28

pew bible pg. 998

Sermon: Breath of Faith

Holy Communion

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*Hymn: Let There Be Peace on Earth

#431

SENDING FORTH

*Benediction

(The Light of Christ goes out into the world)

POSTLUDE

DEPART TO SERVE

*denotes standing as you are able



MINISTRY UPDATES



WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY!

We hope that you receive a blessing from the service and that you will join us again soon. If you are visiting, please fill out a Visitor's Card and place it in the offering plate.



OUR RECORD OF STEWARDSHIP 8/27/2023:

Sunday School Attendance: 7

Worship Service Attendance: 23

Offering Last Sunday: \$350.00

*needed per week: \$1,314.33

"Freely you have received, freely give."

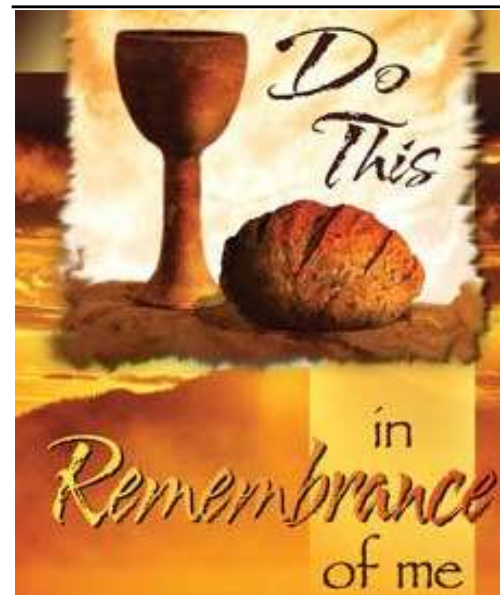
Matthew 10:8

Thank you for your continued support to your church!

(Family Life Center Building Fund to date: \$26,228.92)

WAM (Wellford Academy Ministries):

School is back in session so it's time again for Prayer Partners and Lunch Buddies! Can you help with notes of encouragement? Small gifts of love and kindness? WE HAVE SEVERAL MORE THIS YEAR THAN IN THE PAST! If you will help or have questions, please see Cathy Sizemore!



Charge Conference is scheduled for 6:30pm at Immanuel UMC on Monday, October 16th. Very early this year, so make sure to mark your calendars!



Take up your cross,
and follow me

MATTHEW 16:24

Visit us on the web at immanuelumc.com!

Immanuel UMC's mission statement:

"By God's GRACE and the

GUIDANCE of the Holy Spirit

we **PURSUE** Christ to become and make disciples for the transformation of the world."

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Pam & Rick Arries
Allison Bennett
Amanda Bevins
Tammey Bingham
Mae Bonnett
Marsha Bryant
Donna Chandler
Ann Compton
Gracie Craig
Judy Cramer
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Monty Ennis

Kelly Everett
Joyce Ann Ford
Linda Fuller
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Mike Keeling
Allen Lawson
Marsha Lawson

Mary Ann Lawson
Ron Lawson
David Parris
Lib Penland
Melvin Pittman
Richard Pittman
Melinda Rittenhouse
Will Sawyer
Staci Sizemore & Family
Corey Sullivan
Pastor Suzy Sullivan
Mrs. Sumerel
Ruby Ward
Liz Welsh
Sharon Wilborn
Nikki Witt

Lay Servant Classes will start in the Fall! Please see [Anna Reese](#) if you are interested in becoming a certified Lay Servant. *Also*, Anna would *love* to know if anyone is interested in being a guest speaker if ever Pastor Suzy is out!



It'll be here before you know it! There is a collection box in the narthex for items donated to fill Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes! We will fill the shoeboxes in November so start NOW by picking up an item or two when you're out and about or running errands so we're good and ready when time comes to pack and fill them! Please see Debra Watson if you have questions!



CAMP DAYS are once again planned every Sunday in August thru Labor Day w/e (Sept. 3)! It's an opportunity to revisit, re-charge, and recommit to the promises we make when joining the church (*presence, prayers, gifts, service, and witness*). Everyone is invited to dress comfy casual (*that South Carolina August heat can be a sizzler*)! Our sermon series is the *Church Body*, and every Camp Day Sunday you are invited to participate within worship. Please contact Pastor Suzy if you have any questions!

• Sept 3 – Witness: Personal Testimonies



Please continue to bring in your food items:

Canned vegetables and fruits, peanut butter and jelly, pancake mix and syrup, pasta noodles and sauces (*spaghetti sauce, etc*), canned meats, all types of beans.

ADDITIONAL NEEDS!

- Laundry detergent of any type (powder, liquid, pods)
- Cleaning products and supplies of any type
- Plastic grocery bags!



Sunday School 10:30am

Worship Service 11:30am

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*"By God's **GRACE** and the **GUIDANCE** of the Holy Spirit we **PURSUE** Christ to become and make disciples for the transformation of the world."*

The Invitation

Pastor: Christ our Lord invites to His table all who love Him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Confession and Pardon

People: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: Glory to God. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. *The pastor may lift hands and keep them raised.*

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty (almighty God), creator of heaven and earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pastor: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

Breaking The Bread

Giving The Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.