A Time of Worship & Praise

18th Sunday after Pentecost

September 22, 2024

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

*Gathering Music: They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love (vv. 1 & 3) FWS 2223

*Call to Worship

God of grace, so much changes, so much fails, so much confuses and confounds us.

But your love continuously unfolds, your grace works its mysterious power.

We are afraid for things that will not last.

But your mercy lasts forever; your tender love for us holds steadfast.

So we worship you in awe and gratitude.

We open our hearts to your grace, that your hope for the world will find a home in us.

***Opening Prayer**

God, you know our hearts, you know our innermost secrets.

You know we have faith and trust, until we don't.

Keep us in community even when our lives are filled with doubt.

You know we have hope and joy, until we don't.

Keep us near to you and one another even when our lives are filled with despair. Keep us on the journey with one another for we know you have created us to be in connection. We pray all of this with thanksgiving. Amen.

***Hymn of Praise:** Hymn of Promise

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Kids Minute

*Please stand as able.

WE LISTEN TO GOD

Scripture: Hebrews 10.23-25

This is the Word of the Lord! Thanks be to God!

Sermon: Provoked

Hymn of Response: Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Called to Pray

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer 895

Called to Give Back

*Doxology 95

*Prayer of Dedication

God of hope and promise, may our gifts today help create and sustain the kind of community that builds people up, brings people together, and sends them out to do good in your name. Amen.

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE

*Benediction

Hymn of Joy: Here I Am, Lord

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HOW CAN WE PRAY

Please share your prayer requests on the prayer card in your pew and place them in the plate or give them to Pastor Kolleen at prayer time. Note if these are public (in worship) or private (pastor only).

Pastor Kolleen Queener Shellee Wright, piano

ANNOUNCEMENTS



- ✓ Come early for coffee & conversation before church
- ✓ Follow our Facebook page for inspiration & news (EmmetsburgFUMC)
- ✓ Subscribe to weekly emails for regular updates (emmetsburg-first-umc@iaumc.net)

Do Unto Others - Kindness Campaign

How do you want to be treated? Jesus teaches the Golden Rule: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." He calls us to treat others with the same kindness we would want to receive in return. Yet during election season, division and polarity often take center stage. We can choose a better way. Join a Fall Growth Group to explore living with grace for others, even in this season. Starts October 6. Sign up today!

Outreach Mission Kits

We're making Ingathering Kits for Midwest Missions—pick up a shopping list or consider a cash donation by Oct 6. You can help make a difference for people in crisis!



Save the Date! October 13 Annual Soup Supper

Coming Up

- ♦ Mon, Sept 22: Card Club 12 pm; Horizons 1 pm
- ♦ Tues, Sept 23: Card Club 12 pm; Bible Study, 1:30 pm
- ♦ Thurs, Sept 25: Horizons, 1 pm; Just 4 Kix 4:15 pm; AA, 7:30 pm
- ♦ Sat, Sept 28: Just 4 Kix, 9 am

| Worship | | |
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| Stewards | Today | Next Week |
| Liturgist | Sarah Frederick | Randy Becker |
| AV | Anderson family | Duhn family |
| Livestream | Jodi Ward | Paxton Duhn |
| Counters/Ushers | Karen S/Steve H | Greg H/Shayne K |

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METHODIST CHURCH

September 22, 2024 - 10:00 am



Let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds

~ Hebrews 10.24



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