

Emmanuel Community United Methodist Church

Imitating Christ Together



January 25, 2026

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Third Sunday After Epiphany

8:30 AM

Liturgist: Anna Thompson

Ushers: Jon O'Connell, Deb Prickett, Jim Wanke, Morey Dambekaln

Acolytes: Peirson Sommers

Please sign the registration pad found at the end of your pew

**Please stand as you are able*

GATHERING

Announcements, Welcome, and Greetings

Prelude

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

arr. Schram

Greeting

Rev. Dr. Matt Hadley

*** Call to Worship**

We come as people longing to see—not just with our eyes, but with our hearts.

Open us to your light, O God.

Jesus says, “I am the light of the world.”

Shine into our shadows and our certainties.

Once we were blind, and now we begin to see.

Teach us to trust what you are revealing.

Let us worship the One who brings light where it is least expected.

We come to worship, ready to see anew.

***Hymn 451**

“Be Thou My Vision”

*** Opening Prayer:**

Light of the world, We come aware that we do not see everything clearly. Open our eyes to your presence, soften our hearts to your truth, and give us the courage to follow where your light leads. Amen.

***Gloria Patri 71**

“Glory Be to the Father”

Special Music

“Hymn of Promise”
Women’s Choir, Bill Follmann, Director

Sleeth

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading

John 9:1-41 (NIV)

Reader's Theater version

Response

The Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God!

Hymn 2086 2x

"Open Our Eyes"

(sung once by Abbey, then second time with congregation)

Sermon

"Open My Eyes, That I May See"

Rev. John Sumwalt

OFFERTORY

Offertory Music

"Now I See"

McClure, McClure, Taylor, Johnson, Cash

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*Doxology #94

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Prayer of Dedication

God of light and life, as you have opened our eyes to see your grace, receive these gifts as signs of our gratitude and trust. Use what we offer to bring healing, justice, and hope to a world still learning how to see. Amen.

*Hymn 263

"When Jesus the Healer Passed Through Galilee"

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

***Hymn 454**

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

SENDING FORTH

Benediction

Go into the world as people touched by light.

We go, seeing with new eyes

Trust what God is revealing, even when others doubt.

We will walk in faith, not fear.

Once you were blind, but now you see.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*The worship is over,
Let the service begin!*

Postlude

“You Are My All In All”

arr. Hayes

All are Welcome!

This is a Welcoming, Reconciling Congregation. Therefore, we embrace diversity and affirm the dignity and worth of every person because we are all created by a loving God. We seek to live Christ’s call for compassion, justice, healing, and wholeness. We welcome into our faith community persons of every race, age, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity and expression, nationality, ethnicity, marital status, mental and physical ability, economic and social position, political affiliation, level of education, and family structure.

We believe we can all love alike, even if we don’t think alike.

We invite all to share in the life, leadership, lay and ordained ministry, worship and sacraments, the covenant of committed love in holy matrimony, fellowship, blessings, and joys of our congregation as we seek to grow in faith and love.