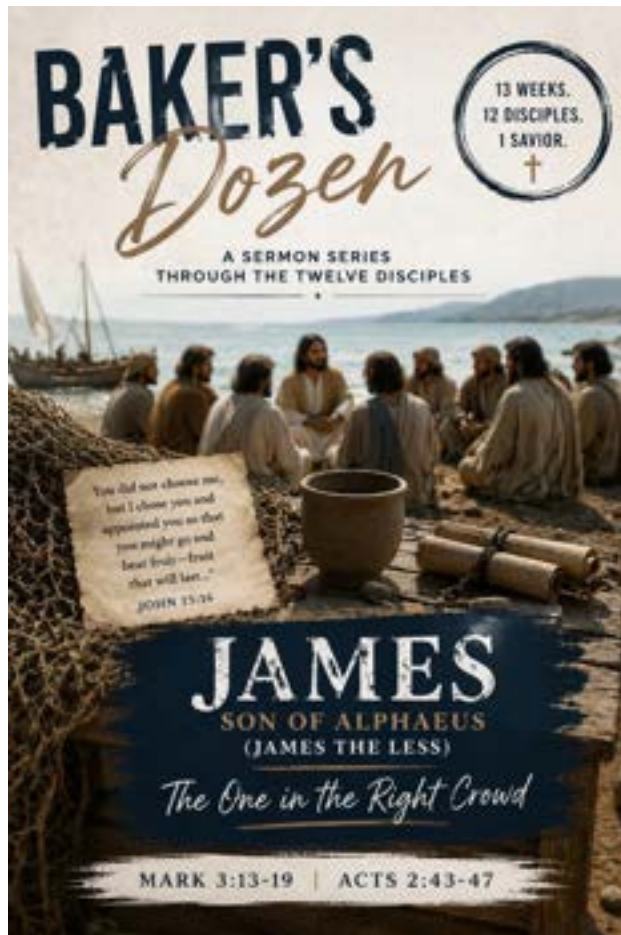


Emmanuel Community United Methodist Church

Imitating Christ Together



August 16, 2026

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Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 AM Sanctuary Service

Liturgist: Pam Laurion

Ushers: Jon O'Connell, Guy Vance, Morey Dambekaln, Sabrina Kahler

Acolytes:

Altar Flowers: Leonard and Dorothy Follmann – 70th Wedding Anniversary

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

**Please stand as you are able*

GATHERING

Announcements, Welcome, and Greetings

Prelude

“How Firm a Foundation”

Unknown arr. Purifoy

Greeting

Rev. Dr. Matt Hadley

Musical Moment

Bill Follmann

* Call to Worship

Jesus calls us to follow—not for recognition, but for faithfulness.

We choose to stand with Christ.

Jesus calls us to stand with those who seek mercy, justice, compassion, and peace.

We choose to stand where Christ stands.

We may never be famous, and the world may never know our names.

But we will be faithful in the places God has called us to be.

Come, let us worship the One who calls us by name.

Here we are, Lord. We will follow you.

*Hymn 514

“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”

Duffield, Jr./Webb

* Opening Prayer:

Let us pray together,

Gracious God, help us to follow where Jesus leads and to stand for what Jesus taught. Give us courage to choose faithfulness over popularity and service over recognition. May our lives point beyond ourselves and toward you. Amen.

Special Music

“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

Townend

Doug Walters

Scripture Readings		Mark 3:13-19 (NIV) Acts 2:43-47 (NIV)	*Hymn #701	"When We All Get to Heaven"	Hewitt/Wilson
Response The Word of God for the People of God Thanks be to God!					
Hymn (Insert)	"When the Saints Go Marching In" vs 1, 3, 1		Rickard/Landis		
Sermon	"Baker's Dozen: James, Son of Alphaeus (James the Less) "The One in the Right Crowd" Rev. Dr. Matt Hadley				
Offertory Song:	"When the Saints"		Groves		
ONLINE GIVING	Please support the ministry of ECUMC with an online gift by scanning this QR code				
*Doxology #94	"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Ken/Viera/Williams				
Offertory Prayer Generous God, receive these gifts and use them to feed, heal, welcome, and serve. May what we give reveal what we stand for and help us stand with those whom Jesus loves. Amen.					
Hymn #399	"Take My Life, and Let it Be"		Havergal/Herold		
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.					
SENDING FORTH *Benediction Go now and stand for what Jesus stood for. We will stand for love, grace, justice, and mercy. Go and stand with those Jesus stood beside. We will stand with the lonely, the hurting, the forgotten, and the overlooked. You do not need to stand out. You need only to stand faithfully. Wherever Christ leads, we will follow. Go in peace, and may your life point others toward Jesus. Amen. The worship is over, Let the service begin!					
Postlude	"Take Time to Be Holy"		Stebbins arr. Larson		
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. No matter where you are on your faith journey, we are glad you are here!					