

# Emmanuel Community United Methodist Church

*Imitating Christ Together*



## October 18, 2026

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**Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost**

**8:30 AM Sanctuary Service**

**Liturgist:** Angie Sardina

**Ushers:** Guy Vance, Greg Carlson, Jim Wanke, Sue Page

**Acolytes:** Nolan Zeitler

**Altar Flowers:** Anne Weiland in memory of Sonia Genett

Tim and Sherri Ciolkosz in memory of Matt on his 31<sup>st</sup> birthday

Abigail Grimm

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

*\*Please stand as you are able*

### **GATHERING**

#### **Announcements, Welcome, and Greetings**

**Prelude** "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" Hayes arr. Wagner

**Greeting** Rev. Dr. Matt Hadley

**Stewardship Moment** Joe and Karen Burzinski

#### **\* Call to Worship**

We gather to worship the God who has blessed us beyond measure.

**With grateful hearts, we come to give thanks.**

Jesus taught that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

**Through generosity, we discover the joy of sharing.**

When we loosen our grip on possessions, we discover freedom.

**When we give to others, we discover purpose and fulfillment.**

Come, let us worship the God who gives so generously to us!

**May our worship and our lives reflect God's generous love!**

**\*Hymn 2002** "I Will Call Upon the Lord" O'Shields

#### **\* Opening Prayer:**

Let us pray together,

**Generous God, you have blessed us in more ways than we can count. Open our hearts to experience the joy of giving, the freedom of sharing, and the fulfillment of serving others. Teach us to hold loosely to our possessions and tightly to your love. May our generosity reflect your grace in all that we do. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

**\*Hymn 70**                      “Glory Be to the Father”  
Meineke

## MINISTRY OF THE WORD

**Response**  
The Word of God for the People of God  
**Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon**                      “The Experience of Giving”                      **Rev. Dr. Matt Hadley**

## OFFERTORY

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**\*Offertory Prayer**  
 Gracious God, we give these gifts with thankful hearts, not out of obligation, but out of love. Use them to bless others, strengthen your church, and transform lives. As we give, fill us with joy, free us from selfishness, and help us find fulfillment in serving you. Amen.

**Prayers of the People**

**Rev. Dr. Matt Hadley**

**\*Closing Hymn 130**                      “God Will Take Care of You”                      Martin/Martin

## SENDING FORTH

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

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| <b>Postlude</b> | “How Firm A Foundation” | Hayes arr Wagner |
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