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Sunday Schedule:
Sunday School-9:45 am
Worship-11:00 am

The doors of this Church are open wide.

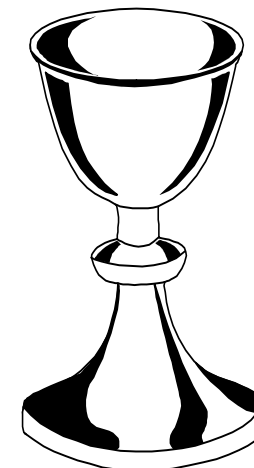
We welcome every man, woman, youth and child who is disturbed by a sense of need, who hungers for a nobler life, who seeks a better world and who aspires to faithfully follow Jesus.

We summon you:

To the beauty of the worship of God-
To the service of bewildered humanity-
To a friendly fellowship with others who seek the best-
To the dangerous adventure of building a new world.



Emmanuel United Church
516 Park Ave.,
Mechanicville, NY 12118



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Emmanuel United Church

Rev. Jerrie Shepard Matney, Interim Pastor

Ben McCormack, Organist

Mary Beth Fusco, Choir Director

October 5, 2008

World Communion Sunday

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Praise Song

"Thy Word" (Smith/Grant)

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
To give thanks to you....
Creator of heaven and earth.

From the earth you gave bread and drink,
You have formed all peoples and all nations
That live upon the face of the earth.

That is why, with angels and archangels
And all the company of heaven,
We praise your name and join their unending hymn.

*Hymn 68, *"All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name"*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Jesus prayed that we might be one. One in spirit, one in mission.
In union and communion with each other and with You.

Today, O God, we confess fumbings and failures in accomplishing unity,
As we set aside yet another day to remind ourselves of the task.
On this World Communion Sunday, give us eyes to recognize your
Reflection in the eyes of Christians everywhere.

Give us a mind to accept and celebrate our differences.
Give us a heart big enough to love your children everywhere.
We thank you for setting a table with space enough for us all! Amen
(Discipleship Resources, 2008)

Words of Assurance

SHARING OUR GIFTS AND TALENTS

Offering and Offertory Music

Offering

*Doxology (No. 623) and Prayer of Dedication

Anthem, *"Surely Goodness and Mercy"* (John W. Peterson/Alfred Smith)

Time with our Children

PRAYING AND GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Sharing of Joys, Concerns and Celebrations

Silent Prayer

Prayers of the People and the 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

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 137, *"In Christ There is No East or West"*

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Reading from the Word: Ephesians 4:1-6

Message: *"Bread...Wine...World"*

MEETING AT CHRIST'S TABLE

*Communion Hymn 265 *"Let Us Break Bread Together"*

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

*Hymn 138 *"Blest Be the Tie that Binds"*, vs. 1

*Benediction

*Postlude

*please stand if able

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome each of you to worship today, and hope you receive a blessing from the service. We especially welcome visitors, as we celebrate the Lord's Supper this morning. **Today is World Communion Sunday, as we celebrate sharing the Lord's Supper with other Christians around the world. The variety of bread and grapes on the communion table are symbolic of this.** All who are believers in the Lord Jesus Christ are welcome to the table. If you are visiting with us today, please sign our guest book located in the back and pick up a church brochure.



Thought for the week:

"To travel hopefully is a better thing than to arrive."

Robert Louis Stevenson



What's Happening at Emmanuel United Church

Today:	9:45-Sunday School 11:00-Worship, Communion
Wednesday:	7:00-Choir
Next Sunday:	9:45-Sunday School 11:00-Worship 4:00-Corn Maze, potluck supper to follow at the McCormack's

The ABC Biennial will be held at Keuka College, Penn Yan, October 12-14. See details in the September newsletter. Please contact the church office if you are interested in attending.

Be sure to pick up a copy of the **October newsletter** before you leave this morning. It is also on the website at: www.eucmech.org.

The trip to the Liberty Ridge Corn Maze is next **Sunday, October 12**. We will meet here at 4pm to carpool if needed, and then after we will return to the McCormack's ,(416 N 5thSt.) for a potluck supper

Pastor Jerrie will be in the office **Wednesday and Friday** in the mornings this week. Abby Bee is in the office Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10am-1pm.

Just a reminder that the **CHURCH COUNCIL** will meet after worship on Sunday, Oct. 26. The Council hasn't met in over a year, so it is important that everyone make an effort to be there.

FALL WORK DAY - The Trustees have scheduled Saturday, Oct. 18th for a work day at church. More details next week.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The **4th and 5th grade** Sunday School class are still collecting pictures for the bulletin board by the 4th St. entrance to the church. If you have any pictures of any EUC event from the last year, please bring them to Mrs. Bobear or email them to mabobear@wildblue.net



Be sure to check out the material for **children, grades 3-5** provided by the Board of Christian Ed. in the containers in front of the church. Please return items back to the boxes after the service.

A reminder: please help to keep the Sunday school rooms and common areas of the church building neat by throwing out all unfinished food and drinks after you use the room. This will also help to discourage any unwanted small creatures from visiting us!

YOUTH MINISTRY

The **ABY Convention** is scheduled for the weekend of **Nov. 7-9**, in Syracuse. This year's theme is "Ignition". The packet of information has arrived. Please see Vera Petronis for registration information

ONGOING MINISTRIES

Greeters: Would you like to be a greeter on Sunday Mornings? Please sign up on the sheet on the table in the back of the Sanctuary.

Altar flowers are a wonderful way to celebrate and honor a loved one. You may donate flowers by signing up on the flower chart on the back table. The cost is \$10 for both vases and you may send money to the church office or drop it in the collection plate.



Help EUC keep our goal of 100 food items donated each month to the Mechanicville Community Center Food Pantry. In these difficult and uncertain times, many families rely on the food pantry to help feed hungry children and families. If you have some time to donate to help sorting and packing food for transport to the Community Center, please see Bill Bobear. The total collected for the summer months came to 145 items!

