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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 other who seek the best-  
To the dangerous adventure of building a new world.

**EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH**

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October 7, 2007--11:00 A.M.

World Communion Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Christ Candle

Prelude

### GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Call to Worship (*unison*)

*Psalm 105:1-3*

O give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name,  
Make known his deeds among the peoples!  
Sing to him, sing praises to him,  
Tell of all his wonderful works!  
Glory in his holy name,  
Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

Hymn 66 "*When Morning Gilds the Skies*"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*Unison*)

We come to you this day, Lord, confessing that we do not always live as your family in Christ. We judge others who are not like us, as being less worthy of your love and grace. We find reasons to argue that are not that important, but that prevent us from living in common fellowship and doing mission in Christ's name. We forget that you see the big picture, and we walk only step by step. Remind us, Lord that you created all of us to be your children. As we prepare to break the bread and share the cup, renew our spirits to be in unity with all Christians who are gathering around the globe to celebrate this meal. We pray in the name of Christ, who was the Son, the host, the sacrifice. Amen.  
Words of assurance

### SHARING OUR GIFTS AND TALENTS

Offering and Offertory

\*Doxology (No. 623) and Prayer of Dedication

Anthem

Time with Our Children

*(Children through Second Grade may leave for Children's Church following the Children's Time.)*

### 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, 1Cor. 11:23-26

Message: "*The Bread Shared 'Round the World*"

### MEETING AT CHRIST'S TABLE

\*Communion Hymn 195, "*I Come with Joy*", v.1,2,5 (see insert)

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

\*Extinguishing the Christ Candle

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

\*Those able will please stand

## Continuing Ministries, cont.

**CAPITAL REGION THEOLOGICAL CENTER**- We have received a few extra Booklets from CRTTC, describing their current course offerings for both pastors and laity. They are on the back table if you want to pick one up. One course coming up on Nov. 3 is "**Foundations of Faith: Constructing a Children's Ministry**". Please take a class pamphlet on the back table if you are interested. The CRTTC has many interesting classes offered throughout the year. If you would like to be on their mailing list, you may call 462-2470 or visit their web-site at [www.capitalrtc.org](http://www.capitalrtc.org).

**Yankee Sampler Weekend**-October 26th-28th, at Hebron Center, Hebron, NY. There will be demonstrations and classes in many kinds of crafts, including scrapbooking, quilting, beading, jam and jewelry making, spinning, etc. You may come for a day or for the weekend. For more info, call Lynn Migliore at 518-273-4991. See the poster on the bulletin board.

Saratoga County Office for the Aging is has an immediate need for Home Delivered Meals Volunteers in the Mechanicville area. If you can donate an hour or two of your time once a month, please call Rita or Patrick at 884-4100. See the flyer on the bulletin board in the hallway.



**Flower sign-up** Would you like to donate flowers for a significant event in your life, or in honor or in memory of someone special? You may do so 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.

**Are you interested in becoming a member of Emmanuel United Church? Contact Pastor Jerrie at the church office (664-5204) or at home (664-3946).**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome each of you to worship this morning, and hope you receive a blessing from the service. If you are visiting with us today, please sign our Guest Book located in the back and pick up a church brochure. All who are believers in the Lord Jesus Christ are invited to the table.

### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

**" Jesus promised his disciples three things: that they would be completely fearless, absurdly happy and in constant trouble"**

**F.R. Maltby**

### **What's Happening at Emmanuel United Church**

**Today:** The Worship committee will meet right after worship. Today is the trip to Liberty Ridge Corn Maze and Potluck supper. We will meet at the church at 3:45 to set up carpools. The cost of the maze is \$9. After the maze we will meet back at the church at 6:30 for a potluck supper. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of the church.

**Friday-Sunday:** The American Baptist World Missions Conference in Canandaigua.

**Saturday:** Youth Church Work Day, at 8:30a.m. Dress to get dirty. Lunch will be provided.

**Next Sunday,** Oct. 14, Rev. Cass Shaw (Executive Presbyter), and Rev. Jane Lang, (ABC Field Minister) will be here to meet with the congregation. We will gather after worship for a time of discussion and sharing. Everyone is invited to attend and bring questions and concerns.

### **The Fall Mission campaign begins today!**

The theme of this year's campaign is:

**"Surprised by the Word: Receive. Give. Be Transformed."**

The board of Elders has set a goal this year to raise \$1200. The money raised during the mission campaign helps to support many projects, both locally and throughout the greater community and the world; including the Interfaith Shelter for the Homeless, the Camp Pathfinder, Habitat for Humanity, and the Baptist retirement Center.

**PASTOR JERRIE** is in the office Wednesday-Friday mornings; she is in the office all day Wednesday. She will be at a meeting Tuesday.



Church Office Hours

Please feel free to call her at home (664-3946) or on the cell phone at 331-0390 if you don't reach her in the office. Abby Bee is in the office Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10-1pm. You are most welcome to drop in for a visit.

If you did not receive an October newsletter yet, you may pick one up at the back of the church. (Sorry, we'll follow the plan for November!)

Recycling: You will find a red "milk carton" container beside the copy machine. This is to help us recycle all our (non-confidential) paper from the office; old bulletins, posters, Sunday school papers, etc. Thank you.

### **LOOKING AHEAD:**

National Christian College Fairs is holding an open house at The Cornerstone Christian Church, 183 Schoolhouse Rd., Albany, Monday, October 8 from 7-9.p.m.

The Fall Gathering of Presbyterian Women will be October 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-1pm at Bethany Presbyterian Church in Menands. The guest speaker is Susan Wright, the Regional Mission liaison in East and Central Africa. Registration is \$3 For more information, call Rosalie Hemmingway at 758-7886.

### **YOUTH MINISTRY**

We have eight youth and two adults attending the ABY Convention in Syracuse, Nov. 9-11. This is wonderful! Please be in prayer for those who are planning the convention, and all who will be attending from around the state.

NEEDED: The Youth Group is outgrowing the Youth Sunday School Room! We could use some donations: used couches and/or comfy chairs are needed, and we would also like a dorm-size refrigerator for the room. If you are willing to donate any of these items, please contact Vera Petronis at 372-2233 or VeraP@nycap.rr.com. Thank-you!

### **EDUCATION MINISTRIES**

Children through Second Grade can attend Children's Church after the Children's Moment.

The Board of Christian Education has provided Biblically based material for children in **grades 3-5**. Please put material back in the container and return to front pew after the service. Thank you

Pastor Jerrie would like to lead a Bible study and/or prayer group. Please let her know if you are interested in doing this - evening or daytime. We could study a book of the Bible or a contemporary book, a theme, or a combination of these. We could meet for Oct. - Nov., and then do a different study for Advent. Interested? Let Pastor Jerrie know so we can begin soon.

### **CONTINUING MINISTRIES**

Would you like to read Scripture in worship? Please sign up in the back of the church. Youth are included as well. Thank you!

We collect non-perishable food items for the Food Pantry, housed at the Mechanicville Area Community Services Center, Inc. **Each Communion Sunday**, you may leave items in the back of the church, and they will be delivered to the Food Pantry. If you, or anyone you know, are in need of food, the Pantry hours are Tuesdays 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and Thursdays 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.