

# Emmanuel Presbyterian Church Bedford, Texas Sunday, June 9, 2024 10:00am

Welcome to this service of worship. We are glad you are here whether it is in person or online. Children are welcome for all aspects of our worship service and church life. To aid parents and children attending in person, children's bulletins and activity bags are available from the ushers. A "Fidgety Friends" room is available upstairs behind the sanctuary if children become restless and parents would like a comfortable place to continue to participate in worship.

#### Mission Statement

- L- Loving
- I- Inclusive
- F- Family of Faith
- E- Empowering People in Christ
  - -seeking justice
  - -loving kindness
  - -walking humbly (Micah 6:8)

#### We are a certified PCUSA Earth Care Congregation:

- Our <u>worship</u> and <u>discipleship</u> will celebrate God's grace and glory in creation.
- Our <u>education</u> will encourage and support each other in keeping and healing creation.
- Our <u>facilities</u> will be managed, maintained, and upgraded to respect and cherish all of creation.
- Our <u>outreach</u> will encourage community involvement and public policy to protect and restore the earth.

# Celebration of Worship

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

10:00am June 9, 2024

## We Gather in Worship

#### Greeting and Announcements

[Please note your nearest exit. Silence your cell phones. Restrooms are available behind the sanctuary in the narthex. Remember to add your prayer requests on the sheets provided for inclusion in the Prayers of the People or online by scanning the QR code here.]



#### Centering Words

Never forget how generous God has been! God forgives all you do wrong, heals you when you are sick, lifts you up out of the pit, and crowns you with kindness. God fills you up with goodness all of your life, so that you stay young like the eagle in the sky. God's kindness is forever.

Prelude

Be Thou My Vision

Larry Sue

(Emmanuel Handbell Choir)

\*Call to Worship

Bless the Lord, our souls!

Everything in us, praise God's name!

Bless the Lord, you angels

who do God's word!

Bless the Lord, everything that God made, one and all, in every place.

Bless the Lord with our souls!

\*Hymn (GTG) No. 665

As Morning Dawns

**WAREHAM** 

#### We Are Renewed in Grace

Invitation to Confession

We are not perfect, and we never will be. But we can be better: kinder, more loving, more forgiving. God helps us do this by setting us free from the sin we do not need to carry, and calling us into a future with hope.

### Prayer of Confession

Compassionate God, we admit that we sometimes think we have it all together. We sometimes think we are the models of perfect faith. But it takes just one small inconvenience: irritating traffic, an impatient moment, an unexpected annoyance, and suddenly our anger flares and we realize that we have much still to learn. Teach us your forgiveness, your compassion, your patience, that we may move in this world with greater, deeper love in your name.

(Worshippers are invited to offer silent prayers of confession)

Sung Response (GTG) No. 578

O Lord, Have Mercy

ORÉ PORIAJÚ VEREKÓ

Assurance of Pardon

God does not deal with us according to our failings or treat us according to our weaknesses. God meets our sin with mercy, and our regret with grace. God recreates us into new people. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

#### We Receive God's Word

Children's Gathering Katie Phillips

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading 1 Samuel 8:4-20 (page 248, red Bible)

Anthem Peal con brio Karen Thompson

(Emmanuel Handbell Choir)

New Testament Reading Mark 3:20-35 (pages 912-913, red Bible)

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Title House Divided? Rev. Julie Adkins

\*Hymn (GTG) No. 361 O Christ, the Great Foundation AURELIA

### We Experience God's Grace

\*Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed, page 35 (GTG)

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.

Offering our Gifts to God

[Note: if you wish to contribute online, you may do so at <a href="manuelpc.org">emmanuelpc.org</a> or using the QR code in the bulletin insert.]

Offertory Interlude Mark Hayes

\*Doxology Glory to God Hymnal, page 607

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

Thank you, Generous God, for all of your good gifts. Accept all we offer this day and use all of these gifts for the work of your new life in our community, in this church, and in our world, amen.

#### We Leave to Serve

\*Hymn (GTG) No. 733 We All Are One in Mission ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

\*Invitation, Charge and Benediction

You are encouraged to remain and enjoy the postlude as a moment of prayer and worship before departing today.

\*Sign of Peace

\*Postlude The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

Marcello

\*please stand, if able

(GTG) – Glory to God Hymnal

Words in **bold print** are said in unison by the congregation.

Liturgy by: Carey Wallace (Psalms of Wonder - Psalm 103), Thom Shuman, Whitney Wilkinson Arreche.

## Worship Leaders

Rev. Julie Adkins, Guest Preacher Brittney Axton, Director of Music Dr. Tak Yan Yeung, Organist Emmanuel Handbell Choir



Assisting in Today's Service: Katie Phillips, Liturgist Katie Phillips, Children's Gathering