



Emmanuel Presbyterian Church

Empowering People in Christ

Emmanuel Presbyterian Church

Bedford, Texas

Sunday, June 30, 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 worship and discipleship will celebrate God's grace and glory in creation.
- Our education will encourage and support each other in keeping and healing creation.
- Our facilities will be managed, maintained, and upgraded to respect and cherish all of creation.
- Our outreach will encourage community involvement and public policy to protect and restore the earth.

Celebration of Worship

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00am

June 30, 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

We lift our eyes to the hills. Where does our help come from? Our help comes from God, who made earth and heaven. God won't let our feet slip. God won't fall asleep. God watches over us all night, even when the dark is deep. And by day God is the shade that shields us from the sun, and from the rays of the moon after day is done. God will keep us from every harm and guard our souls, when we go out and we come in, now and forevermore.

Prelude

Blessed Jesus, We Are Here

J.S.Bach

*Call to Worship

Come, Daughter:

You are God's own.

You are more than what you can do for others.

Come, Son:

You are God's own.

You are more than shows of strength.

Come, Child:

You are God's own.

This church family, and this world, is not the same without you.

Come to this holy place of belonging.

Come, meet with the God who names you beloved.

Come, reach out in trust, and find your healing.

Come worship God.

*Hymn (GTG) No. 177

I Will Come to You

YOU ARE MINE

We Are Renewed in Grace

Invitation to Confession

Confession is not a weighing down, but a lightening of our loads. We unburden ourselves before the God and the people we trust and move with greater ease into this day that is God's gift to us.

Prayer of Confession

We want to touch the hem of your garment, O God. Forgive us for being afraid to touch those who come to us for hope. We want to love the whole world: forgive us for ignoring our neighbor. We long for peace: forgive us for the pain we inflict on our families and friends. We want to share with those we love and like: forgive us for walking past those who need you most. Forgive us, Loving God. Give us grace: to touch those who frighten us; to carry the Bread of Life to the hungry; to offer the blessings of the belonging to everyone we meet, even as you have graced us in Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior.

(Worshippers are invited to offer silent prayers of confession)

Sung Response (GTG) No. 578

O Lord, Have Mercy

ORÉ PORIAJÚ VEREKÓ

Assurance of Pardon

Listen to the good news! Hope in God, for God's love has no ending.

God fills us with grace and hope, this day, and forever.

God hears our voice, and listens to our prayers, redeeming us from all our sins. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. Amen.

We Receive God's Word

Children's Gathering

Kristin Hartwell

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 (pages 272-273, red Bible)

Anthem

I Believe

Mark A. Miller

(Emmanuel Chancel Choir)

New Testament Reading

Mark 5:21-43 (page 915, red Bible)

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Title

A Tale of Two Daughters

Rev. Dr. Whitney Wilkinson Arreche

*Hymn (GTG) No. 796

We Come to You for Healing, Lord

LAND OF REST

We Experience God's Grace

*Affirmation of Faith *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in Jesus Christ,

fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor

and release to the captives,

teaching by word and deed

and blessing the children,

healing the sick

and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

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 emmanuelpc.org or using the QR code in the bulletin insert.]*

Offertory Grazioso Telemann

*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

**From our present abundance, we offer our gifts to you, Generous Heart, so that
the hungry might be fed, so that the broken might find healing, and so the
grieving might be comforted. Amen.**

We Leave to Serve

*Hymn (GTG) No. 340 This Is My Song FINLANDIA

*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 Tocatta in F Buxtehude

*please stand, if able

(GTG) – Glory to God Hymnal

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

Liturgy by: adapted from Carey Wallace (Psalms of Wonder - Psalm 121), Whitney Wilkinson Arreche, Thom Shuman.

Worship Leaders

Rev. Dr. Whitney Wilkinson Arreche, Pastor

Brittney Axton, Director of Music

Dr. Tak Yan Yeung, Organist

Emmanuel Chancel Choir



Assisting in Today's Service:

Jude Langsdorf, Liturgist

Kristin Hartwell, Children's Gathering