

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS



THE CARNATION ON THE ALTAR IS PRESENTED IN MEMORY OF

Lourdes Medina who went home to the Lord suddenly on September 2, 2024. Please keep her son SJ, brother Gene, family & friends in prayer.

ALTAR FLOWER SPONSORSHIP

Today's altar flowers are sponsored by Rev. Bob Everett
**IN MEMORY OF BARBARA EVERETT,
IN HONOR OF THEIR 66TH WEDDING
ANNIVERSARY ON SEPTEMBER 6TH**

SEPTEMBER 2024 OUTREACH NEWSLETTER IS NOW AVAILABLE



Use the QR code to the right to view the newsletter and all that is planned for this fall or pick up a paper copy in the Narthex.

SAVE THE DATE

TODAY—Fall Kick-off

September 11—Disciple class begins, 6:30pm
September 12—Cancer Support Group begins, 6pm
September 14—Day School Flea Market, 8am-1pm
September 27—Adult Fellowship Night, 6:30pm
October 7—Women's Crafting Circle, 7pm

**NEW CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
STARTING SEPTEMBER 9TH!**

**Monday, Thursday, & Friday: 9am-noon
Tuesday & Wednesday: noon-3pm**

Goodbye Blessing

If you would like to contribute to a goodbye blessing gift to our Director of Music and Worship, Ryan Fleming, you may place your gift in one of the pew envelopes, designate it "for Ryan," and place it in the offering plate. Please print your name on the envelope so we can write your name on a card from the congregation.

His last Sunday is September 8.

Any envelopes that come in after that will be forwarded to Ryan.

-Pam Tice (chairperson, SPRC)

**Take action items for this week are printed in RED.
Contact the church office if you have any questions.**



SECRET SISTER MINISTRY

October—November—December—January

This ministry is a way for our Sister's in Christ to support, encourage & lift each other up in a fun way. Participants are matched up and then asked to pray for, send notes and/ or small gifts to their sister anonymously for a period of 4 months. At the end of the 4 months you'll learn who your Secret Sister is during a reveal gathering. **Women interested in participating are asked to complete & submit a Personal Profile by Sunday, September 22nd.**

Personal Profiles can be found on the Secret Sister table in the hallway near the glass doors. Please note this is a 4 month commitment to be in prayer and connection with your Sisters in Christ.

Contact Cindy in the Church Office with questions or to join the next round.
office@emilieumc.com



TODAY'S FALL KICKOFF

SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

Backyard Picnic - 11:00 am

Bring your own chair or picnic blanket and join the church family for a picnic following worship. Food and drinks provided

*Gluten Free & Vegetarian options available

God Squad

6:00-7:30 pm TONIGHT!

God Squad - Open to 2nd, 3rd, 4th, & 5th graders
Build lasting friendships with other Christians and work together to make a community.

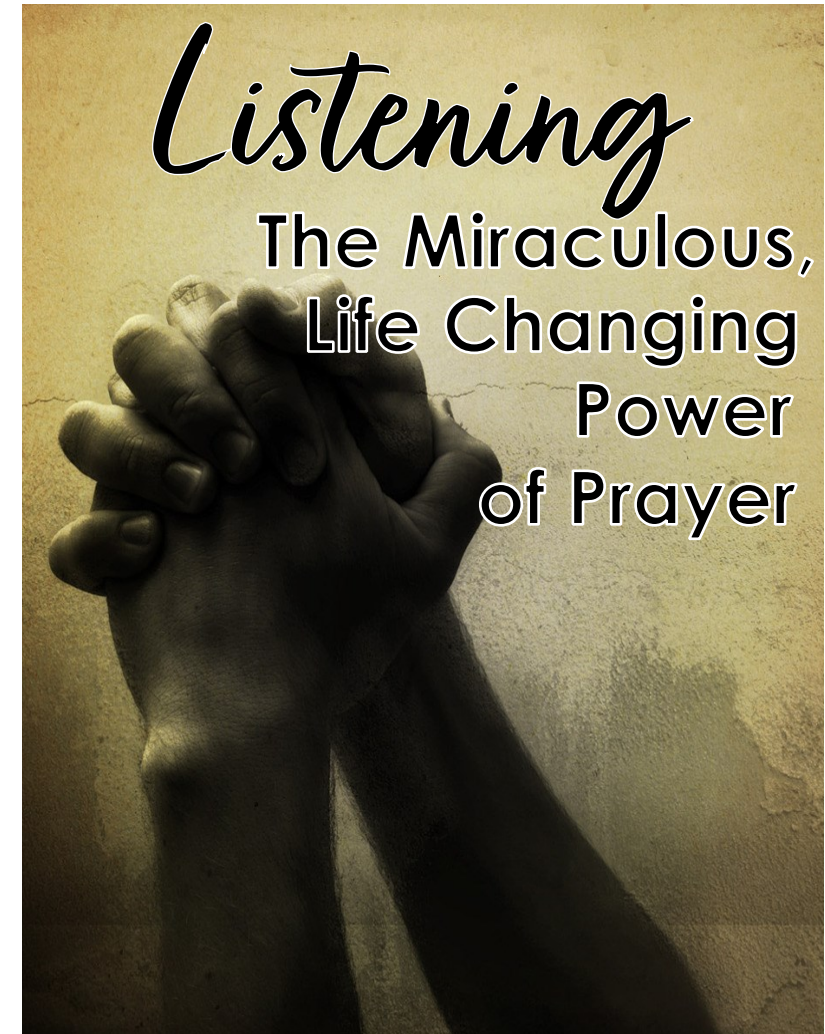
Chaos Youth Group

6:00-7:30 pm TONIGHT!

Chaos Youth Group - Open to 6th-12th graders
Grow and learn how to live Christlike in our chaotic world.

EMILIE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CELEBRATING 161 YEARS OF WORSHIP,
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September 8, 2024



BRINGING PEOPLE TO CHRIST,
GROWING PEOPLE IN CHRIST,
SERVING PEOPLE FOR CHRIST.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2024

16th Sunday After Pentecost

*You are invited to stand in body or spirit, as you are able.

Pre-Service Music & Video

Please take this time to write any prayer requests you may have on the prayer cards in the pews. They will be received during the offering and shared during prayers of the people.

Greeting The Lord be with you! **And also with you!**

***Call to Worship** (screen) Gary Tice, Liturgist

Leader: What if God longs for us?

People: For a conversation. A relationship.

Leader: What if God has been dreaming

People: Of a future with us. And for us.

Leader: What if God called to hear our voice?

People: To say I miss you. Would we be listening?

***Opening Hymn** Sweet Hour of Prayer UMH #496

*If you have brought gifts to place in the backpacks, please bring them forward to the communion rail during the opening hymn. Backpacks should remain at the chancel rail until the end of the service.

***Opening Prayer of Confession** (screen)

Holy One, sometimes we treat you like you are not there rather than our most intimate, life-long friend. Forgive us when we would rather summon and dismiss you according to our needs, instead of sitting down for a conversation with the Lord of All Heaven and Earth. Forgive us when we prefer offering our own answers over hearing your questions. We are sorry. And we are ready to listen.

Passing of the Peace

Community Connections

Children's Message & Bible Presentation to 3rd Graders

Receiving God's Tithes and Prayers

Offertory Music Sanctuary Choir

***Doxology** Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow #95

***Offertory Dedication and Prayer** (screen)

God of wisdom, we are amazed that you know everything and understand everyone. Long ago, you established your plans to redeem the world from our sin. Your prophets prepared the way for Jesus, who lived as a teacher and healer, embodying your righteousness and grace. Help us to grow in maturity as disciples who follow Christ with trusting hearts. We dedicate these tithes and offerings for your work in our community of faith, through Jesus' name. Amen.

(John 1:43-51)

Hymn of Reflection Near to the Heart of God UMH #472

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (screen)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading 1 Samuel 3:1-10 NRSV

Sermon LISTENING: Pastor Marcia
The Miraculous, Life Changing Power of Prayer

***Closing Hymn** Open My Eyes, That I May See UMH #454

***Mission Statement** (screen)

Leader: We are a community called to worship and glorify God by

**People: Bringing People to Christ,
Growing People in Christ,
And Serving People for Christ.**

Leader: This is our mission.

All: Thanks be to God!

***A Prayer of Blessing for Teachers and Students**

***Benediction and Sending Forth**

***Postlude**

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Pastor-On-Call: Please call 215-945-5503

The pastor-on-call is available outside of regular office hours for those experiencing true emergencies, such as a critical hospitalization or urgent physical, emotional or spiritual need.

To inquire about services that the church offers, such as joining the church, transferring membership, confirmation, baptism or any other questions or information, please call the church office during business hours.

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