

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

### ALTAR FLOWER SPONSORSHIP

Today's altar flowers are sponsored  
**IN HONOR & GLORY OF GOD**

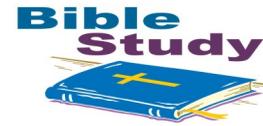
### PRAYER LIST

Donna & Randy S., Grover F., George, Beverly, Debbie, Brian, Dean, Scheree, Rich, Sabrina, Walt & Peg, Bob E., Bob H., Ron & Ella S., the Schultz family, Madison, Jaxson, Carly, Michael, Luciana, Gene, Heather, Sue, Steve, Brian & Teresa, Mama Roz, Carolyn, Martha, Tom & family, Colin & family, Francesca, Baptiste, Jeff S. & family, Dolly, Debbie, Gail, Debra, Terry B., Joan, Kathy, Helen, Chrisie, Linda, Melissa, Jeff, Kirk family, Joan Merritt, Jim & Sarah, Jon, Kukon family, John, Sofia, Aimee, Lila, Sue, Nicole, the Dare family, Toby, Pastor Christina Keller, Megan's Mother, Baby Isaiah, Smith Family, John, Darlene, Jeff, Nick Mengert, Audrey Serfass, Don Serfass, Della Meekins, Dawn Kerr, Bob Cusano, Jeannine VanBuren, Alice Kennedy. Those in recovery, the homeless and the food insecure.



### LENTEN LUNCHEON TODAY!

Following Worship  
Sponsored by the Wednesday Bible Study



### LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

"Why Did Jesus Have to Die?" by Adam Hamilton  
Tuesdays at 2 - 3:30 p.m. and  
concluding on Tuesday, April 7th, 2026.  
Location: Front Conference Room.

### THIS WEEK AT EMILIE

**Sunday**—God Squad, 6-7:30 p.m.  
Chaos Youth Group, 6:00-7:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday**—Lenten Bible Study, 2 p.m.  
Scouts Troop, 7 p.m.  
**Wednesday**—Prayer Team, 10:30 -11 a.m.  
Thrift Store, 6-7 p.m.  
EUMC Disciple 2 Class, 6:30-8 p.m.  
**Thursday**—Girl Scout Troop, 6 p.m.  
Bell Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m.  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.  
**Saturday**—Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8 a.m.  
Thrift Store, 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

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### SAVE THE DATE

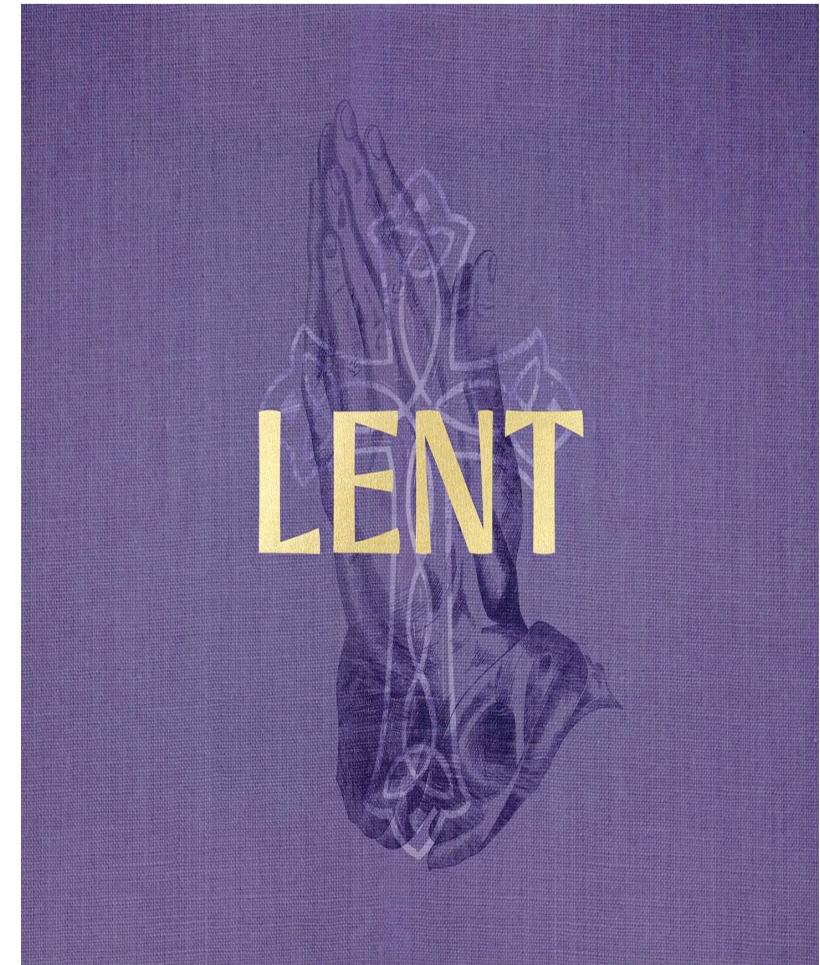
Palm Sunday—**March 29th**  
Maundy Communion Service—**April 2nd**  
Good Friday Easter Cantata—**April 3rd**  
Easter Sunday—**April 5th**

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**Church Office Hours** - Tues. thru Thurs. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

## EMILIE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CELEBRATING 162 YEARS OF WORSHIP,  
PRAYER, & SERVICE  
1863 - 2026



**March 22nd, 2026**  
**10 a.m.**



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

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 22nd, 2026

The Rev. Stacey Jones Anderson

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

**Pre-Service Music**    *How Beautiful*    arr. John Carter  
(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**

Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord,  
That he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.

**\*Call to Worship**    Liturgist, Jeff Pearson  
Liturgist: Come, all who are weary.

**People: Here, we wait for the Lord.**

Liturgist: Come, all who have turned away from God.

**People: Here, we find forgiveness and healing.**

Liturgist: Come, all who look for hope.

**People: Here, we embrace God's steadfast love.**

Liturgist: Come, and fill your hearts with praise and thanksgiving.

**All: Let us praise God! AMEN.**

**\*Opening Hymn**    *O For a thousand Tongues*    UMH#57

**\*Unison Opening Prayer**    Liturgist, Jeff Pearson

**Great God of comfort and healing, we come today with many questions: "How will we survive the challenges of this day? Can we get through our moments of loss and grief? Will we be comforted when our tears flow like mighty streams?" In the midst of our questions, we hear voices of assurance and comfort. "I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live. With the Lord there is steadfast love. The Spirit of God dwells in you. You will see the glory of God." May these voices remind us of your abiding presence, and your steadfast love. Thank you for walking with us throughout our days. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.**

**Passing of the Peace**    Liturgist, Jeff Pearson

### **Community Connections**

### **Children's Message**

### **Receiving God's Offerings and Gifts**

**Offertory Music**    *Before the Throne of God Above*  
arr. Lloyd Larson

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

**\*Unison Offertory Dedication and Prayer**  
Liturgist, Jeff Pearson

**Abundant God, thank you for the gifts we bring to you. May these gifts bring new life to those who are in need in our community and in the world. In your beloved name, we pray. Amen.**

**Hymn of Reflection**    *Were You There*  
arranged by Raney/Sherman

### **Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer**

**Scripture Reading**    Romans 8: 1-11  
Liturgist, Jeff Pearson

**Sermonic Hymn**    *O Come and Dwell in Me*    UMH# 388

**Sermon**    *What Dwells in You?*    Pastor Stacey

**\*The Social Creed**    **(See Insert or Screen)**

**\*Closing Hymn**    *Healer of Our Every Ill*    TFWS#2213

**\*Mission Statement** (screen)    Liturgist, Jeff Pearson

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!**

**\*Benediction and Sending Forth**

**\*Postlude**    *These Forty Days*    Robert J. Powell

## **EMILIE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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### **Ministers**

The members and friends of Emilie UMC

### **Pastor**

The Reverend Stacey Jones Anderson

### **Minister of Visitation**

Sally Basdeo (northminsterch@aol.com)

### **Director of Music**

Hyosang Park

### **Director of the Handbell Choir**

Cynthia Regan

### **Office Manager**

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### **Director of Emilie Christian Day School**

Jennifer Thompson (dayschool@emilieumc.com)

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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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## My Sermon Notes

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Speaker: \_\_\_\_\_

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Key Scriptures:

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### THE SOCIAL CREED

“We believe in God, Creator of the world; and in Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of creation. We believe in the Holy Spirit, through whom we acknowledge God’s gifts, and we repent of our sin in misusing these gifts in idolatrous ends. We affirm the natural world as God’s handiwork and dedicate ourselves to its preservation, enhancement, and faithful use by humankind. We joyfully receive for ourselves and others the blessings of community, sexuality, marriage, and the family. We commit ourselves to the rights of men, women, children, youth, young adults, the aging, and people with disabilities; to improvement of life; and to the rights and dignity of all persons. We believe in the right and duty of persons to work for the glory of God and the good of themselves and others and in the protection of their welfare in so doing; in the rights to property as a trust from God, collective bargaining, and responsible consumption; and in the elimination of economic and social distress. We dedicate ourselves to peace throughout the world, to the rule of justice and law among nations, and to individual freedom for all people of the world. We believe in the present and final triumph of God’s Word in human affairs and gladly accept our commission to manifest the life of the gospel in the world. Amen.”



### WOMEN’S CRAFTING CIRCLE

**First Monday each month at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Common Ground**

You are invited to join this group of women (high school – adult) to share a time of devotion, crafting, & fellowship. No previous craft skill needed, crafts selected are for crafters of all skill/ability and instructions and guidance is provided. A donation of \$3-5 is suggested to help cover the cost of supplies.

### NEEDED!



**Communion Stewards**—Contact Sharon Bordak,  
267-236-4792

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**Grass Cutters**—Contact Jim Schultz, 267-312-1358



### EASTER SHARE-A-MEAL

Share-a-Meal donations give the opportunity to dedicate the special gift in honor or memory of a designated person(s). The donations collected are used to help to provide financial gifts to members of our church community this Easter.

**Deadline is April 5th; Suggested donation \$10.**



### DONATIONS NEEDED

If you would like to help provide items to be distributed through the Blessing Box please see the list below.

Individually packaged oatmeal, granola bars, fruit bars, canned meat (with pull tabs), canned ravioli & pasta (with pull tabs), Pop tarts, small boxes of dry cereal, easy Mac, cup of soup and hotel toiletries.

\*Items can be left in the box marked "Blessing Box" in the Narthex.



### DONATIONS NEEDED

Slightly used adult and children winter clothes, coats, & shoes.



### COMMUNION SERVICE

April 2nd

7 p.m.

## GOOD FRIDAY

### TENEBRAE SERVICE

EMILIE UMC

APRIL 3, 2026 | 7PM



### EASTER SUNDAY

April 5th

Join us for worship!

Sunrise Service

6 a.m.

In the Cemetery

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Easter Service

10 a.m.



### TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Romans 8:1-11

New International Version

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup>because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you<sup>[a]</sup> free from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup>For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh,<sup>[b]</sup> God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering.<sup>[c]</sup> And so he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup>in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

<sup>5</sup>Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. <sup>6</sup>The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup>The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. <sup>8</sup>Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup>You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. <sup>10</sup>But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life<sup>[d]</sup> because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup>And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of<sup>[e]</sup> his Spirit who lives in you.