

Order of Worship

Laitly Sunday Theme

TOGETHER BY GRACE - Be Grounded in Love (Eph. 3:17)

October 18th, 2026

The Rev. Stacey Jones-Anderson

Children's Message

Receiving God's Tithes and Prayers

Offertory Music Abide with Me arr. by Susan Geschke
Handbell Choir

*Doxology Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow #95

*Unison Offertory Dedication and Prayer Al Sylvester
Gracious God, you choose ordinary people and weave them
into a community that shines with your love. We thank you for the
gift of belonging—for the call to live our faith in ways that ripple
outward into the lives of others. Receive these gifts as signs of our
gratitude and our willingness to be witnesses to your grace. Use
what we offer to encourage the weary, welcome the searching,
and strengthen your church as a living example of hope. May
our shared life together always point to Christ, whose love calls
and sends us. Amen.

Hymn of Reflection Blessed Assurance (v. 1+3) UMH #369

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Reading Ephesians 3: 16-19 Al Sylvester

Second Scripture Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Al Sylvester

Sermonic Hymn

Sermon You're Grounded! Lay Leader, Todd Ermer

*The Apostle's Creed UMH page 881

*Closing Hymn Victory in Jesus UMH #370

*Mission Statement (screen) Al Sylvester

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 Todd Ermer, Lay Leader
May God bless you with the assurance that you are chosen
children of God, empowered and equipped by the Spirit to live
as the Family of God in a world in desperate need of the good
news. Amen.

*Postlude Praeludium by Gordon Young

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church, transferring membership, confirmation, baptism or any
other questions or information, please call the church office
during business hours.

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

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

Pre-Service Music The Old Rugged Cross arr. J. Bert Carlson
(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 Liturgist, Al Sylvester

Liturgist: We are chosen children of God, bound together by
the Holy Spirit.

People: Grounded in love, we belong to God, and through God,
we belong to one another.

Liturgist: The Spirit empowers us to live as imitators of Christ in
love of God, neighbor, self, and all creation.

People: Grounded in love, we belong to God, and through God,
we learn to love one another.

Liturgist: The Spirit inspires us to receive God's Word with joy in a
world that rejects the good news.

People: Grounded in love, we belong to God, and through God,
we live in joy with one another.

Liturgist: Come, let us worship in the assurance of God's love
that chooses us, empowers us, and inspires us to live as the
family of Christ.

ALL: We come to worship God in the assurance that we belong
to God, and through God, we belong to one another. Amen.

*Opening Hymn Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones UMH #90

Unison Opening Prayer Al Sylvester

Loving, living God, be among us now. Show us your ways.

Guide our steps. Live in us, that we may be people of steadfast
hope and powerful giving. Help us hear your words,
challenging us to give you all the things that are yours. Help us
remember that all we are and all we have are gifts from you,
gifts to be shared in service and love. Holy One among us, help
us be a holy people who receive your word with joy and live
your message with love. Amen.

Passing of the Peace Al Sylvester

Community Connections

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**Today's altar flowers are sponsored
in Honor & Glory of God**

PRAYER LIST

Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi, Debra, Bill, Family and friends of Steven Skoda, Stacey and Sequoia, the Everett family, James, Colleen, Genevieve, Jamez, Donna & Randy S., Grover F., George, Beverly, Debbie, Brian, Dean, Scheree, Rich, Sabrina, Bob H., the Schultz family, Madison, Jaxson, Carly, Michael, Luciana, Gene, Heather, Sue, Brian & Teresa, Mama Roz, Carolyn, Martha, Tom & family, Colin & family, Dolly, Debbie, Gail, Debra, Terry B., Joan, Kathy, Helen, Chrisie, Linda, Melissa, Jeff, Kirk family, Jim & Sarah, Jon, Kukon family, John, Sofia, Aimee, Lila, Sue, Nicole, the Dare family, Toby, Megan's Mother, Baby Isaiah, Smith Family, John, Darlene, Jeff, Audrey Serfass, Don Serfass, Dawn Kerr, Alice Kennedy, Dave, Bruce, Miss Juina, Mark Brooks, Tracey Kimmey, Liz Bennis, Wendy, Nathan J. Those in recovery, the homeless and the food insecure.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

NOW THROUGH NOVEMBER 15TH

We are excited to partner with Operation Christmas Child again at Emilie UMC! This is an outreach opportunity to bless boys and girls around the globe, and uplift them with the Word of God! If you would like to pick up an empty shoebox to fill, please grab a box on the table in the Narthex or stop by the church office during office hours. Any questions about filling your shoebox or Operation Christmas Child can be directed to the Gina Sylvester or Ann Ermer.

Please note: boxes may not contain liquids, glass, war or military themed items, candy or edible items.

**Boxes can be dropped off during office hours or on Sunday morning.
Drop off deadline: November 15th.**

**Boscov's – Friends Helping Friends
Wednesday, Oct. 21st, 2026 – Shop 8 a.m. - 11 p.m.
(Instore and Online)**

Donate \$5 and enjoy: 25% Off discount Shopping Pass; register to win a \$100 Boscov's Gift Card.

100% of your donation goes to Emilie UMC
Contact Jean Trakowski for Shopping Pass at 267-496-9544 or Church Office 215-945-5502

Charge Conference

Monday, October 26th, 6:30 p.m.

SPRC Meeting will be at **5:30 p.m.**

All forms are to be completed in **Brick River by October 9th.**

2026 Men's Retreat

Nov. 6th, 7th, 8th

“Christian Living inspired by Jazz”

Contact Ed Hartmann for registration and more info. at
215-894-3399 or email at: edhart3399@gmail.com

All Saints Sunday

November 1st.

As we prepare to observe **All Saints Sunday**, we invite you to submit the names of loved ones who have passed away and whom you would like remembered during worship. Please submit names to the church office by **Monday, October 26.** Email: office@emilieumc.com.

The 53rd Annual Celebration of EPA United Women in Faith

October 24th, 9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Scottsville UMC in Langhorne

2400 Brownsville Rd., Langhorne, PA 19053

Lunch will be included!

Questions? Email Rhonda Rea at: jrpiz@aol.com.

This Week at Emilie

Sunday—God Squad, 6-7:30 p.m.

Chaos Youth Group, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Monday—Girl Scout Troop, 6 p.m.

Tuesday—Thrift Store, 6-7:30 p.m.

Scouts Troop, 7 p.m.

Wednesday—Thrift Store, 6-7:30 p.m.

EUMC Disciple 3 Fasttrack, 6:30-8 p.m.

Thursday - Bell Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.

Saturday—Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8 a.m.

SAVE THE DATE



Oct. 26th, 6:30 p.m. - Charge Conference

Nov. 13th, 6:30 p.m. - Soup & Salad, Adult Fellowship

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**OCTOBER 18TH , 2026
10 A.M.**



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