Order of Worship

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 15th, 2026

The Rev. Stacey Jones-Anderson

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

Pre-Service Music *Abundance* by Anne Marie David

(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, Gwen Breault

Liturgist: Come! Share the joy of the Lord!

People: Delight in God's goodness!

Liturgist: Praise God who gives each person a special gift to be nurtured and shared.

People: Lord, we thank you for these gifts!

Liturgist: Come, let us worship God who entrusts us with so much.

All: Lord, make us worthy of your love and trust in us. AMEN.

***Opening Hymn** Let Us with a Joyful Mind (vs. 1, 3, 5, &6) TFWS #2012

*__Unison Opening Prayer__ Gwen Breault

O Lord, we gratefully acknowledge the gifts you have given to each of us for service in your world. Gifts of teaching, healing, inspiring, challenging and creating are all among the myriad of things you have placed in our lives. Direct our lives to use these gifts as we reach out to our neighborhood and nation, witnessing to your love and your healing mercy. We pray this in Jesus' name. AMEN.

Passing of the Peace Gwen Breault

Community Connections

Children's Message

Receiving God's Tithes and Prayers

Offertory Music *It is Well with My Soul* arr. John Purifoy
Sanctuary Choir

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

*__Unison Offertory Dedication and Prayer__ Gwen Breault

Generous Christ, every good gift comes from your hand, and you entrust us with resources, abilities, and opportunities to serve your kingdom. Keep us from measuring our worth by what we produce or possess. Instead, teach us to invest our lives in love, mercy, and the building of community. Receive these offerings and use them to lift burdens, create hope, and strengthen your people. May we find joy not in accumulation, but in faithful relationship with you and our neighbors. May all that we offer today become a witness to your abundant grace. Amen.

Hymn of Reflection *God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale* (vs. 3 & 6) UMH #122

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading Matthew 25:14-30 Gwen Breault

Sermonic Hymn *I'm Pressing on the Upward Way* **See Insert**

Sermon *Entering into Joy* Pastor Stacey

***The Apostle's Creed** UMH page 881

***Closing Hymn** *Since Jesus Came into My Heart* TFWS #2140 (vs. 1 - 3 & 5)

*__Mission Statement (screen)__ Gwen Breault

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** *Praise to the Lord, The Almighty* arr. John Carter

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

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

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

PRAYER LIST

Marybeth Williams, 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 NOVEMBER15TH

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 is today!

CHRISTMAS CANTATA



10 a.m. - December 13th
Performed by The Emilie Sanctuary Choir
&
The Handbell Choir

Please join us as we celebrate the coming of our Lord & Savior!

POINSETTIAS



Please help beautify our Sanctuary for Christmas Eve by purchasing poinsettia plants in honor or memory of loved ones. The names of donors and loved ones will be printed in an insert included in the Christmas Eve worship bulletin. Order forms are on the table in the Narthex.
Cost is $8 each and the deadline for orders is Nov. 23rd.

SHARE-A-CHRISTMAS

Share-a-Christmas donations give the opportunity to dedicate a 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 Christmas. Order forms are in the Narthex. Donation deadline: December 7th.

THE BLESSING BOX

Please donate non-perishable food items to the Blessing Box. Items can be left in the box marked "Blessing Box." in the Narthex.

This Week at Emilie

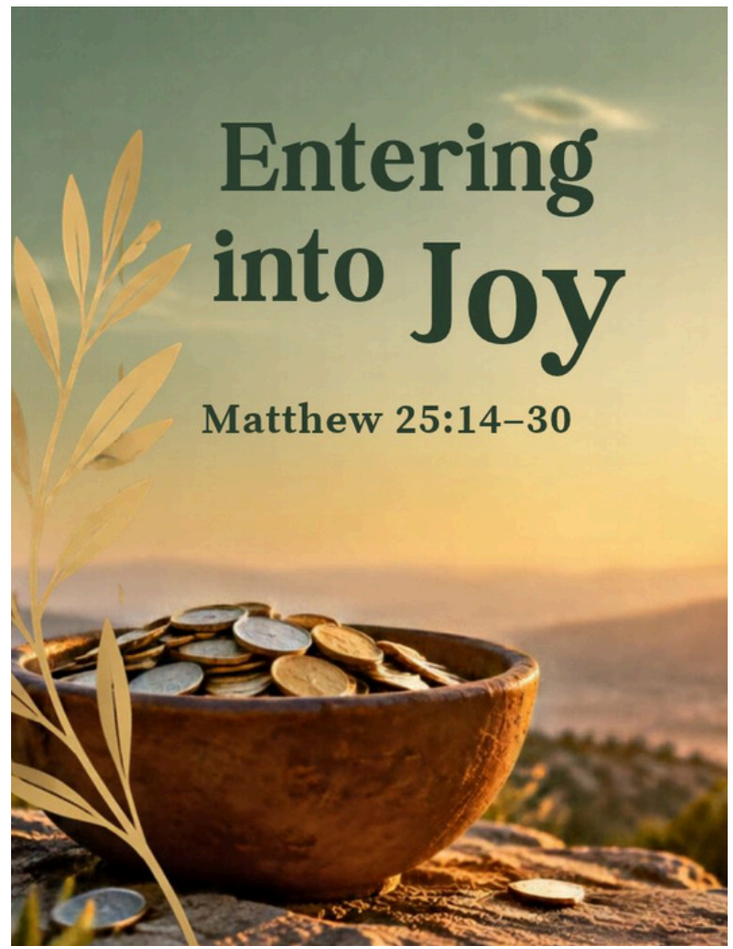
Sunday—God Squad, 6-7:30 p.m.
Chaos Youth Group, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Monday—Girl Scout Troop, 6 p.m.
Tuesday—Thrift Store, 6-7:30 p.m.
Scouts Troop, 7 p.m.
Wednesday—Thrift Store, 6-7:30 p.m.
EUMC Disciple 3 Fasttrack, 6:30-8 p.m.
Thursday - Bell Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.
Saturday—Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8 a.m.
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SAVE THE DATE

Dec. 13th - Christmas Cantata, 10 a.m.
Dec. 13th - Philadelphia Bronze Concert, 4:30 p.m.

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10 A.M.

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