

# EVANGELICAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday  
9am - 12pm & 1pm - 4pm

## Open Table

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost with Communion  
September 1, 2019      Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



**Leading Our Service:** Betty Thaller      **Head Usher:** Kurt Grathwohl  
**Liturgist:** Ken Hirlinger      **Organist/Choir Director:** Greg Wieberg

## GATHERING TOGETHER AND SEEKING GOD'S PRESENCE

*Bringing in the light, Prelude, Welcome, Passing of the Peace*

### † CALL TO WORSHIP OUR PRAYER OF INVOCATION

L: We come to this place of prayer,

P: **for here we can bring our hopes and dreams, our hidden fears and the doubts we dare to wear on our sleeves.**

L: We come to this place of grace,

P: **for here we learn compassion and joy, and discover how deeply we are loved.**

L: We come with these people called church,

P: **to be blessed by the variety of gifts, to live as one for our God.**

† **Opening Hymn:**

*"Be Thou My Vision"*

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### HEARING GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading:

Psalm 112

New Testament Reading:

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16



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**Message:**

*"Open Table"*

Betty Thaller

### PRESENTATION OF OUR PRAYERS AND PETITIONS

**Joys and Concerns of our Worshiping Family**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer** (*debts and debtors*)



**UCC Affirmation of Faith:**

*"Apostle's Creed"*

Back of Red Hymnal

**Sung Prayer Response:**

*"Glory Be to the Father"*

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**ALL: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and every shall be, world without end. Amen.**

### SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

**Offertory Invitation**

**Offertory Music**

† **DOXOLOGY**

**ALL: Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all Creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## † PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Living God, accept all we offer you this day, and grant that we may find the presence of your Son in the church, in each other, and in the poor and wounded victims of the world, for whom he gave his life, Jesus Christ you Son, our Lord. Amen.

## SEEKING GOD'S FORGIVENESS

### CALL TO CONFESSION

We confess that often we have failed to be obedient. We have not always done your will, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors. Forgive us we pray. Free us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## † PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Anyone in Christ becomes a new person altogether; the past is finished and gone, everything has become fresh and new. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

### **Time of Silent reflection before God.**

### **Assurance of God's Grace**

## GOD SHARES WITH US

### **Invitation**

**HOLY COMMUNION** (*Inner circle is grape juice, outer circle is wine.*)

### **Sharing of the Elements**



## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Most gracious God, source of all blessing, we give you thanks for inviting us to share this meal as your family. Guide us by your light, O God. As we have been nourished with spiritual food, may we be inspired to live your commandment to love others as you have loved us. Amen.

## RESPONDING IN SERVICE

### **† Closing Hymn**

*"How Firm A Foundation"*

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### **† Benediction**

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**† Dismissal: Go now in peace, Never be afraid,  
Go now in peace, In faith and in love.**

### **Postlude**

Please Stand As Able P=People L=Liturgist JS = Joyful Sounds Songbook



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW CHURCH SERVICE TIME begins next Sunday, Sept. 8th. Worship starts at 10:00 a.m. year-round.

**Just a  
Reminder...**

BLANKET SUNDAY special offering will be next Sunday, September 8th. The money will be given to Festival of Sharing to buy blankets for people in need in the U.S. as well as abroad after a weather disaster. This is a very worthy cause, please prayerfully consider donating. Make checks payable to EUCC with memo BLANKET SUNDAY. Thank you for your help.

FOOD PANTRY collection will be next Sunday, Sept. 8th. Please bring non-perishable food items or monetary donations to support Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food Pantry.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS begins September 15th at 9:00 AM. Please bring your Bible and more importantly your ideas on what you would like this year's class to cover. We are always open to new spiritual discussions and would love to have some new faces in our group! If you have any questions at all, please reach out to Russ Bradshaw at his home phone 660-882-5718 and leave a msg.

**CHOIR IS BACK!** FALL back into choir with the new sights and sounds of the season! Choir practice will resume on **Wednesday, September 4th** in the choir room at **5:30 p.m.** Our first Sunday to sing will be **September 15th.**

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTERS are available on the table in the back of the Sanctuary.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Carolyn Koerner, Kale West, Patty Gerke Oerly, Sawyer Quinlan, Bonnie Baugh, Stacey Trimble, Kristen Grathwohl, Dorothy Chrisman, Sue Roweton, Vince Moehle, George Chamberlain, Cole Wisner, Kathi Reed, Jo Haller, Jim Niederjohn, Clark Greis, Glenna McVeigh, and family of Lois Johnson. **Call Shirley Schneider to start the Prayer Circle at 882-2846.**

### BIRTHDAYS

**3:** Julie Eller, Joey Kanakaraj, & Larry Brownfield  
**6:** Wayne Scott, Danielle Reynolds, & Kaylee Reynolds  
**7:** Nancy Callan & Audrianna (Drechse) Ruffell

### ANNIVERSARIES

**1:** James & Karin Russell

**FOR THE RECORD: Aug. 25:** \$575 Attn. - 40

### LOOKING AHEAD

*Mon. Sept. 2* - Labor Day

*Wed. Sept. 4* - Choir Practice 5:15 p.m.

*Sun. Sept. 8* - 10:00 a.m. Worship

Service resumes

- Blanket Sunday
- Food Pantry Collection

*Wed. Sept. 11* - Choir Practice  
5:15 p.m.

*Sun. Sept 15* - Adult Sunday School  
resumes 9:00 a.m.

- Choir Sings