



# Emmanuel United Church of Christ

A Congregation of the United Church of Christ

We Welcome You on this

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Service of the Word - November 14, 2021

9:30 AM

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## The Gathering

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Ringing of the Church Tower Bell

Our Life Together

The Solemn Declaration

Prelude

\*Choral Introit "How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place"

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord, my God!

How lovely is your dwelling place, is your dwelling place, O God!

(Piano will play once, Soloist will sing once, Congregation will sing once)

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Come into this time of worship by a new and living way in Christ Jesus.

**All: We come with true hearts in full assurance of our faith.**

Leader: Come with joyful expectation.

**All: We gather in full confidence of the gospel's promise.**

Leader: Let us praise God together and open ourselves to the power of the Holy Spirit

**All: That we may encourage and support each other to love our neighbors as ourselves and to be God's instruments of grace.**

\*Hymn "When Morning Gilds the Skies" #86 (NCH)

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Faith, thank you that you know our every needs. When we fail, you forgive us. When we stumble, you show us mercy. When we are hurting, you are compassionate. When we drift, you pursue us. When we are unfaithful to you, you remain faithful to us. Your word says that our faith will never be put to shame when we trust in you. Let us trust wholeheartedly in you and live a life that is free from shame. In you, we can find everything we need.

*(Silence is kept for personal reflection and prayer)*

Choral Response "Breathe On Me, Breath of God" #292 (NCH)  
Breathe on me, Breath of God, stir in me one desire; that every earthly part of me may glow with holy fire.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Come, dear friends and receive God's grace; see all that God is doing for you; follow Jesus, as He leads you closer to God

**All: We will sing of God's love for us; We will sing a new song of hope and wonder. Thanks be to God! We are forgiven! Amen.**

\*Choral Response (*sung*) "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" #293 (NCH)

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord: there are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love; And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise. Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

\*Affirmation of Faith "A New Creed"

Leader: We are not alone. We live in God's world.

**All: We believe in God: who has created and is creating. Who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil. To proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.**

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## Listening for the Word

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A Time with the Children

Choral Response "Breathe On Me, Breath of God" #292 (NCH)  
Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a-new that I may love the way you love and do what you would do.

### The Scripture Reading

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 16  
New Testament Lesson Hebrews 10:11-25  
The Gospel Lesson Mark 13:1-8

Sermon "Would You Go To Church For a Haircut?" Pastor Jan

Hymn of Faith "Just As I Am" #207 (NCH)

