


Sunday, July 27, 2025

Emmanuel Presbyterian Church
Rev. Dr. Jennifer Blake



*Blessed are the
merciful, for they
will receive mercy.*

Matt 5:7

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Welcome to worship at Emmanuel Presbyterian Church. It is our hope you will be blessed through our worship together this morning.

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Please observe a time of silence and reflection as we prepare our hearts for worship.

Holy God, you are deserving of the very best we have to offer — the devotion of our hearts, the place of honor in our priorities and the first fruits of our labors. We enter this place and space of worship, asking you to be in our midst, to speak your message of love and mercy, conviction and challenge to us. We welcome your Spirit, knowing that in so doing, we abandon control and open ourselves in faith and trust to your purposes and plan, rather than our own. Come, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, we pray and may our worship be acceptable in your sight. Amen.

Prelude

Traditional arr by Carlos Staszkeski

“Just a Closer Walk With Thee”

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We are people of God’s amazing love.

People: **We are here to love others as we are loved and to celebrate God’s love for all the world.**

Leader: We are people of God’s justice and mercy.

People: **We are here to forgive others as we have been forgiven.**

Leader: We are people of God’s incredible joy.

People: **We are here to sing and dance and give God glory and praise.**

Leader: Let us give God thanks and praise.

People: **Praise the Lord.**

***Singing to Gather**

#220 Blue

“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

Being Honest with God in Confession (*unison*)

God of all the saints, God of all the sinners, hear our prayer. We pray to be saint-like — holy, good, patient, loving. Instead we end up feeling more like sinners — full of failures of morality, selfish, mean. Perhaps you see us simply as human — as beloved, and flawed, and trying, and failing and succeeding. In all of this, forgive the wrong that we have done, and bless the good we have accomplished. Keep on loving us, and helping us, and molding us more and more into the image of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

(Moment of Silent Prayer)

Receiving God’s Love and Sharing Christ’s Peace

Celebrating God’s Grace lyrics on screens
“Blest Are They” (vs.3)

Special Music Abigail Jenney, Soloist
“Build My Life”

Children’s Moment

Scripture Reading Matthew 18:21-35

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

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Giving Our Gifts

Offertory James Walch arr by Roger House
“O Zion, Haste”

*Singing Our Thanks #625 Red
“Doxology”

*Dedicating Our Gifts (*unison*)
Holy One, whose heart abounds with gifts, receive this offering as sign of
our intention to live surrounded by your mercy, inspired by your Spirit,
open to the joy of your presence, hospitable to one another, and
generous toward your world. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

*Singing as we Depart #201 Red
“Grace Greater Than Our Sin”

*Being Sent

*Sending Response #535 Blue
“Go With Us, Lord”

*Music as we Conclude H.L. Gilmour
“He Rolled the Sea Away”

*Please stand if you are able