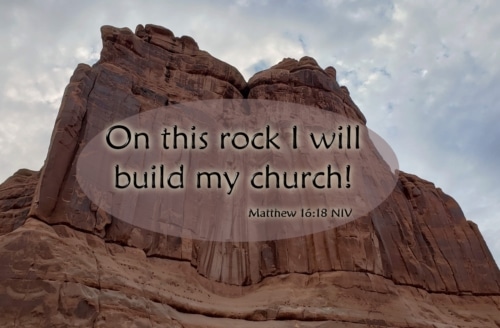
**IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**September 14, 2025**



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**Our Vision? *“To grow a vibrant church by sharing Christ with the community . . .”***

**Our Mission? *“To invite, inspire, involve, increase . . .”***

**Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

September 14, 2025

**RINGING OF THE BELL** Keith Deig

**WELCOME AND WORDS OF GREETING** Bobbie Hoebeke

**PRELUDE**

**\*PRAISE HYMN - #2272 *“Holy Ground”*** (2 times)

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** Bobbie Hoebeke

Lay Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

**People: I will glory in the Lord; let the humble hear and rejoice.**

Lay Leader: Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; let us exalt his Name together.

**People: Glory be the God, our Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!**

**\*OPENING HYMN – #107 *“Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound”***

(All: verses 1,4,5/ Women: vs 2 / Men: vs 3)

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)** Bobbie Hoebeke

**Good and gracious God, we are creatures of dust and miss the mark, at times. We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us. Forgive us and lead us to new and everlasting life. We pray this in our Savior’s name, Amen.**

**\*WORDS OF ASSURANCE** Bobbie Hoebeke

This is the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;**

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,**

**world without end. Amen.**

**CHILDREN’S MOMENTS** Ashton Wagner

**PASTORAL PRAYER – THE LORD’S PRAYER** Adam McCloud

**SERVICE OF GIVING**

Lay Leader: Blessings to you, servants of God.

**People: We lift up our hands and bless the Lord!**

**Offertory**

\***Response No. 382**

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;***

***Praise Him, all creatures here below;***

***Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;***

***Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

**\*Prayer of Dedication (In Unison)** Bobbie Hoebeke

**Gracious God, we give you thanks for showing us the meaning of love through Jesus Christ, who gave His life for us. Show us how to share Christ’s love by giving our lives for one another; to the glory of your Holy Name. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE – Matthew 16:15-18** Bobbie Hoebeke

**15**“But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”

**16**Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

**17**Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. **18**And I tell you that you are Peter,[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%2016:15-18&version=NIV#fen-NIV-23691a)] and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%2016:15-18&version=NIV#fen-NIV-23691b)] will not overcome it

**HYMN – #98 *“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”***

**SERMON “What Are You Building On”** Adam McCloud

**\*CLOSING HYMN** – **#677 *“They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love”***

**\*BENEDICTION** Adam McCloud

**\*BENEDICTION SONG**

**Lord, of life, Lord of Love, Walk forever beside us.**

**Day by Day, Show the Way, With your Vision to guide us,**

**Striving to Follow Your Will and Way, Nothing can divide us,**

**Lord of Life, Lord of Love, Walk forever beside us.**

**POSTLUDE**

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**Today** **September 21**

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| Lay Leader  Ushers/Greeters:  Pianist/Organist:  Children’s Moments: | Bobbie Hoebeke  OPEN  Beth Folz  Ashton Wagner | Jennifer Willett  Bret & Traci Baldwin  Gail Angel  Adam McCloud |

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| **ATTENDANCE** | LAST WEEK: 49 LAST YEAR: 53 |



**OUR IMMANUEL UCC PRAYER LIST**

***\*Charles Behrick*** ***\*David Behrick******\*Cherry Chase******\*Janice Jones***

***Ken Willett******David Frye Kenny Meinschein Justin Russell***

***Teresa Topper*** *(Friend of Chris Moers)* ***Tom Howard*** *(Brother of Angela Clark)*

***Kiersten Ferguson-Cremin*** *(Niece of Paula Boarman)*



***Welcome***

***to our church***

**VISITORS: We invite you to sign our Guest Book, located in the Narthex., as well as the attendance book in the pews.**



**TODAY WE WELCOME** Adam McCloud.

Lay Leader will be Bobbie Hoebeke.

**NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st**

We welcome Dr. Tom Hickey.

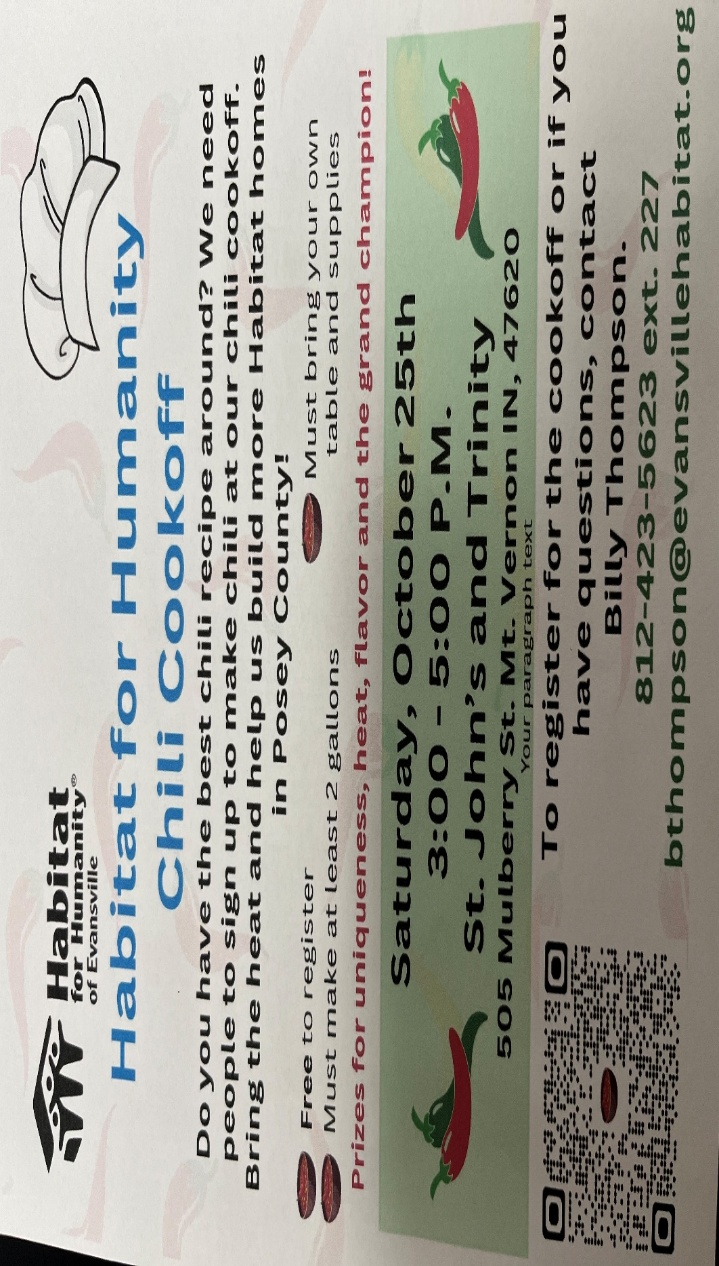
Lay Leader will be Jennifer Willett.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Bell Choir will begin practice after worship today. If anyone is interested in joining, please talk to Beth Folz or Debbie Wells.



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| **Dorcas Women’s Fellowship Meeting**  Thursday, September 18 at 1 pm in the Church Parlor  Pam Robinson will be leading the program and discussion.  This is our first meeting of the year and we will be planning future meetings and activities.  All women are invited to attend. |
| church council clipart - Clip Art Library - Clip Art Library  Thursday, September 18  Council Meeting  5:30 p.m. in the Parlor |
| trail clean up - Protecting the New Jersey Pinelands and Pine Barrens ...  **TRAIL CLEAN UP WORK DAY**  September 20th at 8:00 a.m.  Sign up sheet in the Narthex  Coffee & Donuts will be provided |





**SUNDAY** **14th** **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. AA Meeting

**MONDAY 15th**

**TUESDAY** **16th**

**WEDNESDAY** **17th**

**THURSDAY** **18th** 9:30 a.m. Gentle Exercise Class

5:30 p.m. Council Meeting

**FRIDAY** **19th**

**SATURDAY** **20th** 8:00 a.m. Trail Clean-Up Day

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*September 14 – Paul Williams September 21 – Kevin & Paula Boarman*

**Gentle Exercise Class . . . designed for 40+**

Every **Thursday morning at 9:30** **am** in the Fellowship Hall

Breath & Movement 45 mins~

Discussion on creating a positive mindset 15 min~

Led by De Brown, certified Yoga Instructor and Immanuel UCC member!

\*Suggested donation: $5-