

# *Emmanuel Friedens Church*

*The Second Sunday after Epiphany  
Sunday, January 18, 2026*

*Rev. Dr. Katy Stenta, Pastor*

*A Welcoming, Open and Affirming Congregation  
American Baptist and United Church of Christ Congregation*



# Welcome to Emmanuel Friedens Church

Our worship service will be held in the Sanctuary at 10 am.  
Online Worship will also be available at 10 AM live on Facebook and Zoom  
(see below)

## **Facebook Live from the Emmanuel Friedens Church Facebook page**

Log in to Facebook, and go to the Emmanuel Friedens page on Sunday morning.

If you have difficulty locating it, the link is: <https://www.facebook.com/Emmanuel-Friedens-Church-122934277889274/>

If you have a Facebook account and want to be notified about Emmanuel Friedens events, log into Facebook, go the Emmanuel Friedens Church Page and click “Like”.

The service will “go live” at 9:55 am to allow time to find it on Facebook before the service begins at 10 am.

OR

## **Join Zoom gathering**

### ***Zoom by internet:***

<https://zoom.us/j/7050534826?pwd=eWdMNmJBT0FpK1ZHeE1jS0ZyNUVZQT09>

Meeting ID: 705 053 4826    Password: 063310

***Please note: To connect to Zoom, please hold down  
the “control key-CTRL” and hit the link.***

***This should connect to Zoom.***

***Then enter the meeting ID and password***

***Dial by any phone*** (voice and sound only)

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### **A recorded video version of this service**

will be available after 11 AM on Sunday mornings. At a time of your choice, go to the church’s website, <http://emmanuelfriedens.org/> and click on the link located on the Home page for the video of that day.

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Prelude

**“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

Words by Robert Robinson,  
Music from the Sacred Harp  
Minister of Music: Dianna Parisi



Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Katy Stenta



Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. Katy Stenta

God you preach in miracles  
**Feeding us, showing slaves your power first**  
Following the commands of women  
**Your sermons are manifest at parties**  
Come bless us with Joy  
**Come bless us with miracles**



+Opening Hymn

**“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”**

Red Hymnal #37



+The Peace of Christ

Pastor: The Peace of Jesus Christ be with you all  
**People: And also with you.**



The Prayers of the People (Celebrations and Concerns)

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**



## The Children's Message

Rev. Dr. Katy Stenta



+Hymn

**"For the Fruit of All Creation"**

Black Hymnal #425

Prayer of Confession: **God we confess that we are ready for your ministry. We long for your work to spill out into our lives, abundantly. We long for you to get the party started. We love the sermons of love that are give without words. Teach us how to live into ministry, abundance and love, we pray. Amen (Silent Confession) Amen.**



**Assurance of Pardon:** Hear the good news, God's Kin(g)dom is like a party, all are welcome and there is plenty, therefore we can rejoice in the good news: **(All) In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.**

Scripture Reading

Psalm 104:14-16, John 2:1-11



Sermon

**"Meaningful Ministry; Wedding at Cana"**

Rev. Dr. Katy Stenta



Call for the Offertory

**"The Ash Grove ( Let All Things Now Living)"**

Traditional Welsh Air

Offering:



Doxology

**We give you but your own,  
What-e'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is yours alone,  
We give it gratefully.**



+Offertory Prayer **God, guide us into your ministry, so that we might see it as a place of action and joy, we pray. Amen.**



+Closing Hymn

**"All Things Bright and Beautiful"**  
(Verses 1-3)

Red Hymnal #53

+Blessing and Dismissal





## Postlude

## **“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”**

Words by Joachim Neander  
Music by Erneueren Gesangbuch

+ *Please stand, if you are able*

As a Welcoming and Affirming/Open and Affirming Church, Emmanuel Friedens Church welcomes and affirms all persons without regard to gender, marital status, age, race, sexual orientation, or abilities, inviting all into membership, mission and leadership.

**The Babyfold** is open during worship but there is no scheduled supervision.

**Hearing assists** are available at the back of the sanctuary.

**Fellowship Time:** Following the worship service, please join us in the Gathering Room for refreshments-birthday cake- and good conversation.

**Visitors Invitation:** All visitors are invited to sign into the red book at the entryway of the sanctuary.

## **Announcements for the Week of January 18, 2026**

### **Meeting/Events**

#### **Call To Meeting**

Sunday, January 25, 2026

following worship in the Board Room or Fellowship Hall; we urge you to attend this meeting (in-person or via Zoom) as we vote for the 2026 church budget, and elect officers and committee members.

Please send reports, which should be included into the Annual Meeting booklet, to the church office by Tuesday, January 20, 2026 (no later than January 22. Thank you

- **EFC Federated Council Meeting** will be held on Monday, January 19 at 6:30 pm in the Board Room.

- **Every Sunday:** Choir: The choir meets for rehearsal at 9 am in the choir/music room. Every one of all levels are invited to join the choir to make a joyful noise to God! The choir will sing once a month in worship and for special occasions.

**Monthly Birthday Celebrations:** Don't forget to record your birthdate on the calendar located on the table at the back of the sanctuary. We will celebrate the January birthdays this Sunday (1/18). Happy birthday!

**Poinsettia Plants in Sanctuary:** If you would like to take a plant, please do.

**The Church Office will be closed this Monday, January 19  
in observance of the federal holiday-Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

## Emmanuel Friedens Church



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### Staff

Pastor		Rev. Dr. Kathryn Stenta
Music Director		Dianna Parisi
Office Administrator		Maria Puccio
Custodian		Dave Snyder

### Church Hours

Pastor's Hours: Pastor Katy will be available for appointments Monday-Thursday. She will have open door office hours (no appointment necessary) every Tuesday from 9:30-11:30 am. Friday is her Sabbath Day. Telephone number and email: 518-380-6922., [katyandtheword@gmail.com](mailto:katyandtheword@gmail.com).

For emergency pastoral care, please contact Pastor Katy directly (see above) or through the church office.

Church Office: Monday-Friday, 9:30 am –3:30 pm

Custodian: M-W, 3:30-8:00 pm; Th., 3:30 - 9:30 pm; F, 3:30 - 7:30 pm