

Emmanuel Friedens Church

All Saints Sunday

*(The Twenty-third Sunday
after Pentecost)*

November 1, 2026 10:00 AM

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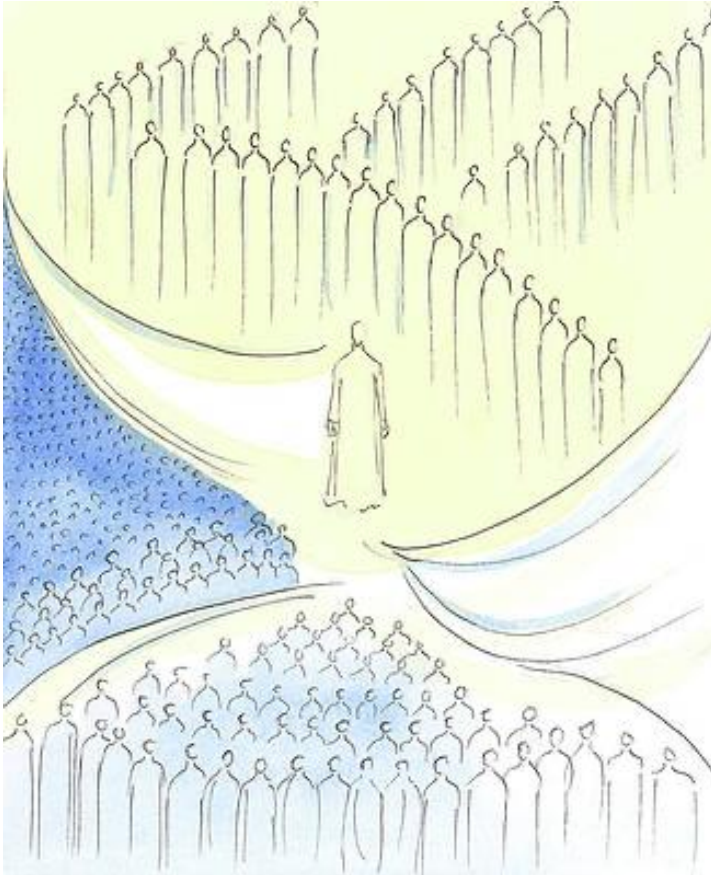
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*A Welcoming, Open and Affirming
Congregation*

*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)

In Sanctuary and Chapel Only

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

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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.

The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
Order of Worship, November 1, 2026



Prelude

“Angels Among Us”

Written by Don Goodman and Becky Hobbs
Music Director: Dianna Parisi



Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Kathryn “Katy” Stenta



Call to Worship (based on Psalm 107 Translated by Dr. Wilda Gafney)-Responsive reading)

We give thanks to the Womb of Life, and remember the Saints

We give thanks for the wonderful works for the woman-born

They cried to the Mother of All in their trouble, and she delivers them from their distress

She satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry souls She fills with goodness

She has redeemed them

Come, let us raise our voice with all the Saints, to She who Saves



+Opening Hymn

“I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”

New Century Hymnal
(Black) # 295



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 Children’s Message

Rev. Dr. Katy Stenta



+Hymn

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

New Century Hymnal
(Black) # 28

Prayer of Confession (in unison): **God, during this day we remember all those who come before and after us in faith. We confess that sometimes it is hard to envision those coming both before and after us. How are saints made? We confess that the work of the church is hard and long, and we are tired. Help us when we feel overwhelmed, give us hope we need, we pray. (Silent Confession) Amen.**



Assurance of Pardon: Hear the Good news, Jesus says, come to me all you who are weary, and heavy burdened I will give you rest, Let us proclaim the Good news to one another **(All) In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.**



Scripture Readings Psalm 107:1-9, 19-22, Ruth 4:9-17 Jocelyn McKinney
(Readings taken from *A Women's Lectionary for the Whole Church (Year W)*, Dr. Wilda C. Gafney, 2021)

Sermon

“Ruth: Foremother of Faith”

Rev. Dr. Katy Stenta

Celebration of Communion



Invitation

The Lord be with you
And also with you
Lift up your hearts
We lift our hearts to the Lord
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise (prayer continues...) as your son taught us to pray:

The Lord's Prayer (traditional version)

**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.**



Offering



Call for the Offertory

“Bridge Over Troubled Water”

Written by Paul Simon



+Doxology

“Santo, Santo, Santo”

New Century Hymnal
(Black) # 793



+Offertory Prayer **God send us into the world, celebrating with all the saints who have gone before us and all those who will follow us, knowing our gifts are enough. Amen.**



+Closing Hymn

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Hymns for the Living Church
(Red) # 43



+Blessing and Dismissal



Postlude

“For All the Saints”

Music by Ralph Vaughan Williams

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.

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.

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

Announcements for the Week of November 1, 2026

*****Remember:** Sunday worship is suspended for **only** next Sunday, November 8 due to the annual Schenectady Stockade-athon race which results in morning street closures getting to the church. We are excited to return for worship on November 15 and to welcome Rev. Jonathan Vanderbeck as guest minister and church retreat facilitator.

Pastor's Katy Upcoming Schedule: Pastor Katy will be attending a conference and will be out of town from November 2-9. Emergency pastoral care will be provided by Rev. Sara Baron, Pastor of United Methodist Church in Schenectady. If emergency pastoral care is needed, please call the office and we will contact Pastor Sara.

Upcoming Church Retreat for All to Attend: There will be a church retreat sponsored by the Council on **Sunday, November 15 following worship**. The Council invites all those to attend who can contribute ideas for the church. Emmanuel Friedens participated in an Appreciative Inquiry on March 14, 2010 and we will use this as a basis of our starting point, and then explore the ideas of Sabbath and Creative Worship as we look at where to go from here. Rev. Jonathan Vanderbeck of Gilead Counseling and Consulting, LLC will lead the retreat. Copies of the March 14, 2010 **Appreciative Inquiry report are available at the back of the sanctuary. If you plan on attending the retreat –please take a copy.**

So, mark your calendar for the following:

- introductory zoom session for the retreat attendees on Monday, November 9 at 7:30 pm- the Zoom connection will be provided as the time draws near (this is not mandatory)
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 - Rev. Vanderbeck will be our guest minister on Sunday, November 15
 - the retreat will be held in the Boardroom following worship. A lunch will be served
- Please RSVP to the church office if you plan to attend the retreat. The retreat is expected to end at 2 pm.**

On-line Prayer Group: (via Zoom).

When: Mondays, November 2 at 7 pm (**no on-line prayer group on November 9**)

Join The Zoom Meeting via internet
Katy Stenta is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82365732331?pwd=GxrQ4pUGM4K6M0XMobclHYx7oNbxd7.1>

Meeting ID: 823 6573 2331
Passcode: 541422

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Dial by phone (voice and sound only) follow the prompted instructions

for participants

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EFC's Choirs

The **Sanctuary choir will resume rehearsal on November 15 at 9 am.** Anyone who wants to join in is welcome to sing or hum along to make a joyful noise to God. The choir will sing in worship once a month, and rehearse every Sunday.

**** Our new children and youth choir, Joyful Noise, begins rehearsal this Sunday, November 1. Time is from 11:30 am-12:30 pm – and will continue to rehearse the first Sunday of each month.** All school age children are welcome to join us! If your child doesn't like to sing, but loves music, they are encouraged to join us as well. Besides singing, there will be hand-clapping, foot stomping, and instrument playing. Please join us!

Ongoing Meeting/Events:

Tuesday, November 10: The **Church Council** will meet at 6:30 pm in the Boardroom.

Thursday, November 19: **Oh! Holy Hops** will gather at 5:30 pm at the home of Mary Lou Chotkowski.

There will be no Fellowship Meal this month. The next meal will be December 13.

Stewardship: Dear Congregation Members and Friends: Emmanuel Friedens' Stewardship campaign will begin soon. You will be receiving your pledge card this coming week. Remember, stewardship is not simply a collection of monetary pledges; it's your vote of support for the church's faithful future.

Fellowship Time After Worship: Time to sign-up again to volunteer to provide refreshments during our fellowship time following the worship service. Donate cookies, breads, cake, fruit, crackers and dip or whatever you choose to have with your coffee, tea or hot chocolate. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the sanctuary on the table.

Monthly Birthday Celebrations: Don't forget to record your birthdate on the calendar located on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Our next birthday celebration will be for November birthdays on November 15.

November Newsletter, The Envoy: Still looking for articles, photographs, etc to be included in the November Envoy. Please send to the office **by November 3.** Thank you.

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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

For emergency pastoral care, please contact Pastor Katy directly 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