

Hospitality

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–noun, plural -ties.

1. the friendly reception and treatment of guests or strangers.

2. the quality or disposition of receiving and treating guests and strangers in a warm, friendly, generous way.

Origin:

1325–75; ME hospitalite (see hospital)

Synonyms:

2. warmth, cordiality, geniality, friendliness.



8:00 am – Worship and Communion
in the Chapel
9:00 am – Worship in the Sanctuary
11:15 am – Emergent Worship in the
Education Conference
Center
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To Live, Love and Serve as Jesus Teaches
An inclusive church where all are welcome!

September 6, 2009

11:15 am

Today at Emergent Worship

Gather:

Prelude

Welcome, Opening Hymns

Centering

Encounter God's Word:

Word: James 2:1-10

Message: “. . . Through Hospitality”

Sharing our Joys, Concerns, Offerings and Prayers

ReEntering:

Song of Sending

Blessing, Closing Music

Welcome to Emergent Worship

Emergent worship comes from within the community. The origin of the word liturgy is λειτουργία (leitourgia in ancient Greek), “work of the people.” Emergent worship is liturgy. Members of our community provide the ideas for this service.

Each service has several elements that do not change from week to week. We take time to center ourselves and we take time to reenter the world. Other parts of the service change each week, especially how we connect to God’s words.

Upcoming Changes Beginning on September 13, the 11:15 worship service will change to 11:00. It will continue to be a shorter service, getting out at 11:45. Sunday School will begin at 10:10 and run until 10:55. September 13 is Gathering Sunday. You are encouraged to come early (if the emergent service will be your worship for the day) in order to learn more about opportunities for the fall, and sign up for some new ministry possibilities.

People Who Make a Difference In September we’ll be thinking about people who make a difference. The Church Band, Voices in Praise, and other members of the congregation will be a part of our worship time. Each week, a member of our community will be sharing their witness as to how they are making a difference.

Children are invited to sit in the front (near the action!). We do have nursery care for children through age three. However, we encourage children to worship with us. When they cry, or giggle, or shout “ba!” they remind us to praise God in all things. Quiet toys are

available outside the sanctuary in worship bags. Coloring supplies are in the “loft.” Our Children have created a behavior covenant that they live into together.

Centering Breath One of the Hebrew words for Spirit is ru’ah, which is also translated as breath. Our centering breath ritual enhances our participation, sets our intention, and focuses our thoughts. This helps us to be fully present for anything, including worship.

Music for this service today is offered by Ric Owen. Please contact Pastor Amanda to share your musical gifts with our community.

Offering We take an offering in gratitude to God for what God is doing in our lives. This occurs during the joys and concerns because it is a joy to have gifts to share.

Encountering the Word of God is the central portion of this service. We encounter God’s words in many ways and in many places throughout the week. It is at this point in worship we are especially attentive to listening to God’s words for us.

ReEntering We take time at the end of the service to ReEnter the world of our daily lives. On a good day we leave as changed people. We share a blessing with one another to transition into a time of Christian fellowship.

If you are interested in being a part of the planning team (no meetings required!) or have comments about this service, please contact Pastor Amanda at amanda@cumethodist.com, or 289.4019 x 111.