

## Evangelical United Church of Christ

33 South Ellis Street  
Cape Girardeau, Missouri  
November 4, 2007

(\*Those who are able are invited to stand)

### PRELUDE CHORAL INTROIT

*"Praise the Name of Jesus"* —Choir

### \*GREETINGS

LEADER: In the name of the triune God: the Creator, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit.  
**ALL: Amen.**

### \*SENTENCE OF ADORATION

LEADER: God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.

### \*HYMN OF ADORATION #534 *"Learning to Lean"*

### CONFESSION OF SIN

LEADER: We are called to examine our faithfulness to God's covenant to us. God, in whose presence we gather, promises us grace and pardon when we acknowledge our weakness and shame. Let us confess our sin to almighty God.

**PEOPLE: *Eternal God whose Word is a lamp for our feet and a light for our path, we recognize and confess that we have failed to respond fully to your gracious presence in our lives. Through Jesus Christ, you have offered us new life, fulfillment, and the freedom to serve you. We confess that we are captive to sin, that our sin binds us with false pride, and that the wrong we do is made worse by the good we leave undone. Reconcile us to you and to all people. God of mercy, forgive all our sin and strengthen us anew for life as you intent it; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.***

## Prayer List

November 4, 2007

In case of hospitalization or surgery please notify our church office. When being admitted to a hospital be sure to tell them that you are affiliated with this congregation. \* indicates a new request.

**Please note:** after six months names will be removed from the prayer list, unless an update is made to the church office.

Sahara Aldridge; 09-07	*Helen Owens; 11-07	
Leo Amelunke; 09-07	Tonya Pobst; 09-07	<b>Ratliff Nursing Home</b>
Loyd Bollinger; 07-07	Paul Propst; 08-07	Polly Wilmsmeyer
Tom Boston; 07-07	Walter Ruengert; 10-07	Bonnie Wilcox
S.G. Coy	Kaylyn Sneathen; 08-07	<b>Fountainbleau Lodge</b>
James Dickison; 10-07	Mark Spinks; 10-07	Alta Proffer
Michael "Benji" Doerhoff	Susan Spinks; 10-07	Connie Gibson
[In Iraq]; 08-07	Harold Stahlman	<b>Lutheran Home</b>
Ruby Doughty; 10-07	Karen Stephens; 05-07	Dorothy Cole
Joan Hope; 10-07	Anna Gracie Stricker,	Lillian Kies
*Frankie Hutson; 11-07	(3 years old) 10-07	Frank Maevers, Sr.
Ernest & Ida Mae Jordan	Marjorie Thompson; 05-07	Leonard Moore
Robert Juergens; 08-07	*Andrea Truitt; 11-07	Andora Peetz
Frank Maevers; 07-07	LaDonna Wells; 09-07	<b>House Bound</b>
Kenny Mehrle		Ruby Doughty
Betty Metcalfe; 07-07	<b>Please Remember</b>	Esther Nussbaum
Esther Nussbaum; 10-07	<b>Our Shut-Ins</b>	

Financial Report	General Fund	Memorial General Fund	Memorial Fund	Misc.
10-7-07	\$2,180.00	---	\$10.00	\$150.00
10-14-07	\$1,090.19	\$10.00	---	\$66.75
10-21-07	\$403.00	\$20.00	---	\$20.00
10-28-07	\$969.86	\$20.00	---	\$74.00
Worship	Attendance		Total	Offering
10-7-07	84		10-7-07	\$2,340.00
10-14-07	59		10-14-07	\$1,166.94
10-21-07	59		10-21-07	\$443.00
10-28-07	88		10-28-07	\$1,063.86

**Welcome first time guests!** We're glad that you are here! We invite everyone to complete a Communication card (located on the Information Table) and place it in the offering plate. You are important to us and we want to know that you are here.

**Evangelical United Church of Christ**

**Email Address**

**Web Site**

**Pastor**

**Pastor Emeritus**

**Organist**

**Sound System**

**Hospitality & Diaconate Visitor**

**Greeters**

**Reader**

**Ushers:** Carolyn Best, Rhonda Bolton, Louis Geldmacher, Maxine Hale, Kaye Lee, Gary Metje, Helen Owens, Tammy Popp, Beverly Reece, Calvin & Verla Sailer, Rebecca, Tom & Linda Schild, Brian Stahlman, J.D. & Joyce Treadwell, & Bonnie Wilkening

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Rev. Ernest Jordan

Beverly Reece

Terry & Mindy Best

Tammy Popp

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**Lost & Found**

Someone picked up the wrong red jacket on dumpling rolling night. Please contact Bonnie Wilkening to trade for the correct jacket. Thanks so very much for checking.

**Friendship Circle**

Everyone is invited to join us on Tuesday, November 13th at 6:30 pm for our annual Auction. Friendship Circle members are asked to bring snacks to share with the group. The officers will be the hostesses for the evening.

**On the Calendar**

- Nov 4 Fall Picnic @ Pastor Dan's house  
Right after the Church Service  
*R. Bolton-multipurpose room*
- Nov 5 Board of Christian Ed, 7:00 PM
- Nov 7 Open Gym, 6:30 PM  
Bible Study, 6:30 PM
- Nov 8 Choir Practice, 7:00 PM
- Nov 9 Shannondale Work & Spiritual  
Retreat Weekend
- Nov 10 MO-Mentoring, 10 AM—1 PM
- Nov 11 Greg Heinsman, Guest Pastor
- Nov 12 Council, 7:30 PM
- Nov 13 Friendship Circle, 6:30 PM
- Nov 18 Jamaican MM Meeting, 3:00 PM
- Nov 20 *B. Stahlman-kitchen & kitchenett  
4:30-? 4-H baking pies for Salva-  
tion Army Thanksgiving Meal*
- Nov 22 Happy Thanksgiving  
*R. Lindsay-basement & kitchen*

**SILENCE**

**PRAYER FOR MERCY**

LEADER: Holy God, Holy and mighty, Holy Immortal One,

**ALL: *Have mercy upon us.***

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

LEADER: God hears the confession of our hearts and lips. Through Jesus Christ, we are forgiven all our sins, and by the Holy Spirit, we are empowered for new life.

**ALL: *We believe the good news of Jesus Christ. Amen.***

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

LEADER: This is a house of God. A place of peace. A place where we befriend one another. Let us greet another as a sign of God's peace. The Peace of God be with you.

**ALL: *And also with you.***

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMN #705**

*"It Is Well with My Soul"*

**\*ACT OF PRAISE**

LEADER: Let us sing praise to God.

ALL: We will continually praise God's holy name.

**ALL SING: *Glory to God the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.***

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

LEADER: The Lord be with you.

**PEOPLE: *And also with you.***

LEADER: Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**PEOPLE: *Amen.***

**READING of SCRIPTURE**

**Old Testament Lesson**

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

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**Epistle Lesson**

II Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

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**SERMON**

“Seeing the Forest *and* the Trees” —Pastor Dan Johnson

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

*ALL: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

**ANTHEM** —Choir  
“Room at the Cross”

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

**OFFERTORY**

**OFFERING INVITATION** —Pastor Dan Johnson

LEADER: We know ourselves to be blessed in so many ways. Out of our abundance, let us offer our gifts and ourselves as a blessing to others.

**\*PRAISE RESPONSE #815**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

*ALL: Merciful God, you have graced our lives with so many gifts, the greatest of these being Jesus, your Son, our Lord. He showed us how to live truly blessed and saintly lives that are in harmony with yours. We offer these gifts with the hope and prayer that they are used to bless others, and we dedicate ourselves to follow Jesus as faithfully as the saints of every age have done. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.*

**COMMUNION**—Please see insert.

**\*HYMN OF PARTING #349**  
“O How He Loves You and Me”

**\*SONG OF SIMEON**

*ALL SING: Holy One, now let your servant go in peace; your word has been fulfilled: my own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of every people: a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel.*

**\*COMMISSIONING**

LEADER: Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**\*BENEDICTION**

LEADER: The blessing of God Almighty: the Creator, the Redeemer, and the Sanctifier, be with you all.

**PEOPLE: Amen.**

**CHORAL EXTROIT**

“Bless the Lord, O My Soul”

**POSTLUDE**

**BREAKING of BREAD and POURING WINE**

LEADER: The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ. The cup of blessing which we bless is the communion of the blood of Christ.

**LAMB OF GOD**

*All: Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.*

**CALL TO SUPPER**

LEADER: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and was raised for you.

**SHARING THE ELEMENTS**

LEADER: The body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

**PEOPLE: Amen!**

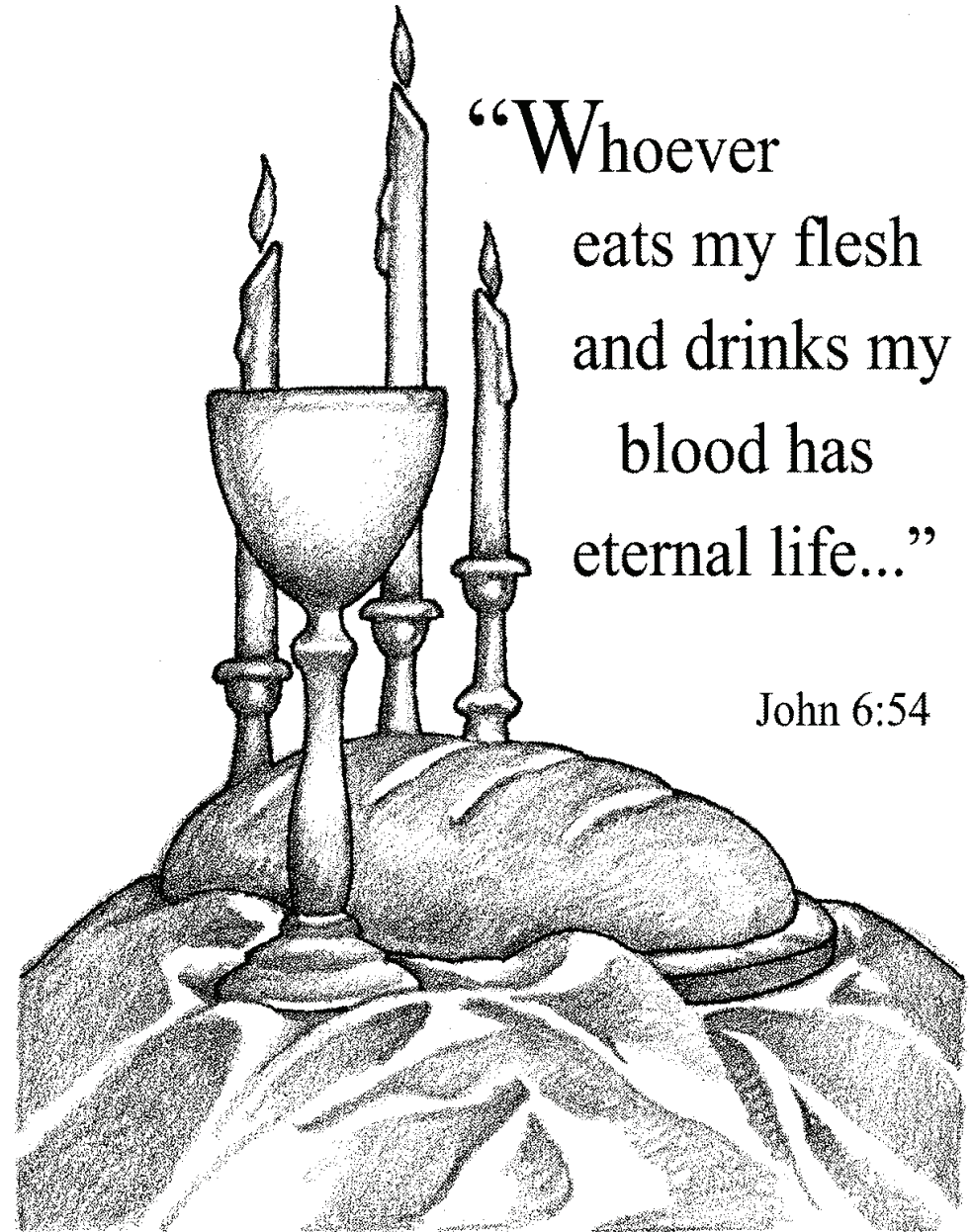
LEADER: The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

**PEOPLE: Amen!**

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

LEADER: Let us pray.

*ALL: Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world with courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*



“Whoever  
eats my flesh  
and drinks my  
blood has  
eternal life...”

John 6:54

**HOLY COMMUNION**  
for  
**Evangelical United Church of Christ**  
**33 S. Ellis**  
**Cape Girardeau, MO 63701**  
**November 4, 2007**

**\*INVITATION**

LEADER: Beloved in Christ, the Gospel tells us that on the first day of the week Jesus Christ was raised from death, appeared to Mary Magdalene, on that same day sat at the table with two disciples, and was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

**ALL: This is the joyful feast of the people of God. Men and women, youth and children, come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and gather about Christ's table.**

LEADER: This table is for all Christians who wish to know the presence of Christ and to share in the community of God's people.

**\*COMMUNION PRAYER**

PASTOR: God be with you.

**PEOPLE: And also with you.**

PASTOR: Lift up your hearts.

**PEOPLE: We lift them to God.**

PASTOR: Let us give thanks to God Most High.

**PEOPLE: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

LEADER: We give thanks, Holy One, almighty and eternal God, always and everywhere, through Jesus Christ, the only one begotten by you before all time, by whom you made the world and all things. We bless you for your continual love and care for every creature. We praise you for forming us in your image and for calling us to be your people. Although we rebelled against your love, you did not abandon us in our sin, but sent us prophets and teachers to lead us into the way of salvation. Above all, we give you thanks for the gift of Jesus, our only Savior, who is the way, the truth, and the life. In the fullness of time, you came to us and received our nature in the person of Jesus, who in obedience to you, by suffering on the cross, and being raised from the dead, delivered us from the way of sin and death. We praise you that Jesus now reigns with you in glory and ever lives to pray for us. We thank you for the Holy Spirit who leads us into truth, defends us in adversity, and gathers us

from every people to unite us in one holy church. Therefore, with the entire company of saints in heaven and earth, we worship and glorify you, God Most Holy.

**ALL: Holy, holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God Most High. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God! Hosanna in the highest!**

LEADER: For in the night of betrayal, Jesus took the bread, and after giving thanks to you, broke the bread, and gave it to the disciples, and said: "Take, eat: This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, also after supper, Jesus took the cup, and after giving you thanks, gave it to them and said: "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you and many, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**ALL: Christ's death, O God, we proclaim. Christ's resurrection we declare. Christ's coming we await. Glory be to you, O God.**

LEADER: Holy One, show forth among us the presence of your life-giving Word and Holy Spirit, to sanctify us and your entire church through these holy mysteries. Grant that all who share the communion of the body and blood of our risen Savior may be one in Jesus Christ. May we remain faithful in love and hope, until the perfect feast with our exalted Savior in the external joy of your heavenly realm.

**ALL: Gracious God, accept with favor this our sacrifice of praise, which we now present with these holy gifts. We offer to you ourselves, giving you thanks for the perfect offering of the only one begotten by you, Jesus Christ our Savior: By whom and with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you eternal God, now and forever. Amen.**

**PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR**

LEADER: Let us pray as Christ our Savior has taught us:

**ALL: "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."**