

EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The PEW **Parish Events Weekly**

June 27–July 3, 2014

This Sunday at Emmanuel

June 29, 2014—The Third Sunday after Pentecost

8:00—*Holy Eucharist, Rite I* *Lector:* David Taverner

10:30—*Holy Eucharist, Rite II*

Lector: Bob Hardee *Intercessor:* The Rev. Preston Mitchell

Eucharistic Ministers: The Rev. Preston Mitchell and Tom Rogers

Ushers: Sandra and Allen Rushing

From the Rector

Moving is no fun! There seem to be a thousand details needing attention. For this move I made a list of things that needed to happen and thought it wasn't too bad. Soon I realized that I had forgotten a number of things and that Murphy's Law still holds. In the midst of everything else, the dog got sick and I found out that the utility company doesn't take debit cards (and, of course, I was out of checks and the bank I use isn't in Tennessee). Through all this, you all have been very supportive, patient and caring. Kathy will be home from Sewanee this week and our furniture arrives on Tuesday. We will settle in and start to find our routines.

I am reminded about how much of the Biblical narrative is stories of people moving. My favorite story in the scriptures is the account of Noah moving his family in a huge floating box, a flat bottomed ship with no rudder! Noah found hope when the dove he had released returned to the ark with an olive branch. That meant the waters were receding and their journey would soon be over.

Abraham and Sarah moved from their home in Ur without knowing for sure where their new home would be. The Israelites moved through the wilderness for a generation. Jonah reluctantly traveled to Nineveh. Amos left his home to answer God's call to be his prophet. Paul traveled throughout the known world of the Mediterranean with the message of the Resurrection. And, of course, our Lord was an itinerant rabbi whose travels carried him from the stable where he was born in Bethlehem and his home in Nazareth to Jerusalem.

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The point of any journey, any pilgrimage, is to return home. For Christians home is the font and the table. We have Sunday dinner with our family every week, telling the family stories. So whether you have been at Emmanuel all your life or, like us, are new to the community, welcome home.

See you Sunday if not before.

Outreach

Thank you to everyone who was involved with our outreach project at Grace House last weekend. It was a day full of God's abundant blessings.

This Saturday, June 28 the churches in the Abingdon Convocation will be at Boys Home in Covington for a day of landscape work, lunch, and games with the boys at the home. If you're interested in volunteering please contact Deacon Preston (276-870-1521).

Friends of the Society of Saint John the Evangelist (SSJE)

Emmanuel parishioner, Br. Jim Woodrum will make his Initial Vows in SSJE this Sunday, June 29, in the context of the 9:00 am celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Please remember Br. Jim in prayer for this important and very moving transition in his life and the SSJE community.

Family Promise of Bristol Needs Van Drivers ASAP

Sharon Hicks, director of Family Promise of Bristol, is searching for volunteer van drivers to transport the guest families. A longtime driver is on leave for the summer, following surgery. Another driver retired with little notice two months ago. Since then, several volunteers from host churches have been filling in, and still

are. The program has a nice 15-passenger van. Gasoline is covered. There are two shifts per day: weekday mornings at 7 am, and evenings at 5 pm. Saturday morning pick-up is 9 am. Each shift usually takes about an hour or less to complete.

The shifts needing volunteer drivers are listed below:

- Mondays, 5 pm shift
- Wednesdays, 7 am shift (starting June 26)
- Wednesdays, 5 pm shift (starting June 26)
- Thursdays, 7 am shift (starting June 26)
- Thursdays, 5 pm shift (starting June 26)
- Fridays, 5 pm shift
- Saturdays, 9 am shift
- Saturdays, 5 pm shift
- Sundays, 7 am shift
- Sundays, 5 pm shift

If you are interested or know someone who might be interested in driving a shift (or more), please contact Sharon Hicks at her office (276) 494-0388, or her cell (423) 383-4011.

Bible Study Update

This Thursday at 10:00, we will continue our study of The Revelation. In every age, people have felt certain that the book of Revelation described events in their time. As nations arm themselves for war, we think of Armageddon. As evil rulers grow in power, we look for the antichrist. As the powers of darkness threaten to overwhelm us, we cry "Come, Lord Jesus!" Amid the uncertainties of our age, Revelation assures us of the ultimate triumph of God. We have begun a study of the book of Revelation, 14 studies. Please join us on Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. in the conference room.

Miscellaneous Notices

Prayer Requests

For our parish and families: Louise Medley, Winifred Campbell, Barbara Bunn, Carla Vaughn, Mike Blair, Gayle Mallin, Emily Hubbard, Joyce Rodgers, Deirdre Grogan, Lamont Tidwell, Jill Mendiljian, Brennan Hodges, and Robert Rodgers

For friends of our parish: Ann Holler, Tracy Stark, Kathy Frey, Emma, Sharon Hatcher, Thomas Jones, Nikki Guest Thomas, and families in the Family Promise program

For the deceased: Betty Kuhnert

Birthdays

June 29 Lawrence Jones
June 30 Audrey Zaidi, Lisa Martin,
Julia Rainero
July 3 Beth Rogers
July 5 Brad Adams

Wedding Anniversaries

June 26 Marj and Prent Hallenbeck
July 3 Charlie and Ann Christ

NOTES OF INTEREST

Parish Office

You may contact the Parish Office by calling (276) 669-9488 or emailing emmanuelbristol@gmail.com. Office hours are Monday-Friday from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

Emmanuel Nursery

The Emmanuel Nursery will be open 9:00 am to noon each Sunday. We ask that there be no new checks-ins after 10:45 am. If no children are checked in prior to 10:45 am, the nursery will close.

Rector's Discretionary Fund

All loose plate offerings collected on the Second Sunday of each month will be designated to the Rector's Discretionary Fund. If you would like to support this fund at another time during the month, please write a check with a notation in the memo field, "Rector's Discretionary Fund".

Altar Flowers

Do you need a way to recognize a birthday, or anniversary? Would you like to give a memorial, recognize a special occasion, or give thanks to God for His blessings? Why not do so by sponsoring altar flowers? The cost is \$50 per Sunday and after Sunday services you may share the flowers with a friend, a sick or shut-in parishioner, or enjoy them in your home. The sign-up sheet is in the Parish Hall on the red information station. For more information, contact Ann Martin-Thomas (423) 878-5522.

Pastoral Support

If you are in need of pastoral support, please contact the rector directly or by calling the Parish Office.

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels is in need of several substitute drivers the first Wednesday of each month. If you are willing to assist, please contact the Parish Office.

Attention Kroger Shoppers

Remember to keep using your Kroger cards. Emmanuel gets 5% of all sales back and it assists the Ladies of the Evening to continue furnishing and decorating the Parish Hall. See Jan Bruce, Tina Hitt, Linda Riley, or any other member of LOE if you want a card and more detailed information.

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Bishop

The Rev. Joe K. Dunagan, D. Min.
Rector

Stephanie Yoder
Organist
Choir Director

SUNDAY SERVICES

8:00 am
10:30 am

FAITH FORMATION
(Resumes in the Fall)
9:15 am Catechesis

WEDNESDAY SERVICE

12:15 pm
Holy Eucharist
Bledsoe Chapel

CHOIR REHEARSAL
(Resumes in the Fall)
Wednesdays
7:30 pm Adult choir

BIBLE STUDY
Thursdays 10:00 am
2nd Floor Conference Room

VESTRY

2012-2014
Brad Adams, *Secretary*
Tina Hitt
Julia Rainero
Allen Rushing, Jr. *Warden*

2013-2015
Mike Blair
Frank Goodpasture, III
Denise Rowe
David Taverner,
Sr. Warden

2014-2016
Fred Knickerbocker
Doug Mitchell
Zane Myers
Debbie Tidwell

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, July 4.....Parish Office will be closed
Wednesday, July 9, 5:00 pm Finance Committee
Monday, July 21, 5:15 pm Vestry

The PEW is emailed each Friday to all parishioners with a valid email address in the Parish Office. If you have any items you would like included in the update, please submit them to emmanuelbristol@gmail.com before noon each Monday.