

EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The PEW Parish Events Weekly

March 11–March 18

This Sunday at Emmanuel–March 13, 2016 The Fifth Sunday in Lent

8:00 am–*LEM*: David Taverner

10:30 am–*Lector*: Daniel Shew

Intercessor: Fred Knickerbocker *Eucharistic Minister*: Walt Bressler

Acolytes: Jack, Josie, Lola, Judson, Lilley, and Milly

From the Rector

Bishop Bourlakas will be at Emmanuel for a pastoral visit on the Feast of Pentecost, May 15th. In our tradition only bishops may confirm those who are prepared to make a mature affirmation of their faith.

Adults who have not been confirmed or who would like to be a part of a group seeking a more meaningful sacramental life, I will be offering an Adult Catechism Group during the Sunday School hour starting April 3rd. We are calling this an Adult Catechism Group rather than confirmation class or inquirers' class because the goal is not only to learn something about the faith or the Anglican tradition but to seek with others a closer walk of faith. Catechesis includes an educational element but it is much more. You should participate in this group if you have not been baptized or if you have not been confirmed. It is also for adults who seek a deeper spiritual and sacramental life.

The Episcopal Church recognizes that some come to us who have been confirmed, who have made a mature affirmation of the Trinitarian faith, and subsequently found their spiritual home at Emmanuel. Those persons may be *received* by the bishop. Either way, he will lay hands on you and the congregation gathered will join you in renewing the baptismal covenant.

In addition to Confirmation and Reception, the Prayer Book provides for those who want to rededicate themselves to a deeper sacramental life to participate in the Confirmation liturgy and rededicate themselves to prayer and service in Christ's Church.

Please speak with me about participating in the group or simply plan to be with us starting April 3rd in the Conference Room.

See you Sunday if not before.

Upcoming Events

Soup Kitchen

March is Soup Kitchen Month for Emmanuel and we are still in need of assistance. The Soup Kitchen recommends there be two volunteers per day. Work lasts less than 90 minutes starting at 9:15 a.m. weekdays. A sign-up sheet is available on the red information station in the Parish Hall, or you may call the Parish Office to sign up.

Lenten Soup Supper

Preston Mitchell will be with us for the final Lenten supper **Wednesday, March 16 at 6:00 p.m.** All during Lent we have focused on connecting our ministry or mission with sacramental spirituality. We will hear about convocational opportunities for ministry with prisoners and their families, with refugee families, at Grace House, and by participating in Haiti Cooperative ministry.

Supper Club

Spring is on its way as we kick off Supper Club for 2016! On **Sunday, March 20 at 6:00 p.m.** Audrey and Sarfraz Zaidi have generously offered to host the first gathering of the year at their home. Please join us for an evening that will be filled with great food and fellowship. Remember we look forward to those wonderful side dishes, salads, or desserts that are contributed to the evening's repast but most of all we look forward to sharing the evening with you. It is not mandatory to bring anything just contact Audrey and let her know if you plan to attend (423-967-3741).

Direction's to the Zaidi's: 1808 King College Road

If you are coming from downtown, take State St to end, turn left onto King College Road. Proceed until you see the Village Mart (gas and store) on left. Turn right into driveway directly across from Village Mart (3 mailboxes, 1 green, do NOT go as far as townhouses). Proceed until you see brick house on left, pass it and turn left downhill. Keep going until you arrive at house at top of hill.

You can support Social Club!

If you can't join us for Social Club, you can support the event by donating a prize to be awarded during the after-dinner bingo game. Volunteers to help serve are welcome as are parishioners who would like to enjoy dinner with this group. Prizes can be dropped off at the church office. For more information Doug Mitchell [423-483-1172](tel:423-483-1172) or dmitchell8257@gmail.com

Youth Confirmation Preparation

In the Episcopal Church one of the sacramental duties of a bishop is the confirmation of mature Christians. Bishop Bourlakis is scheduled to be at Emmanuel on the Feast of Pentecost, **May 15**, when he will confirm those who are "ready and have been duly prepared to make a mature public affirmation of their faith."

Young people who should consider confirmation preparation include those who believe they ready to affirm the baptismal covenant and vows made on their behalf as babies or desire to be baptized and confirmed. Our Formation Minister is planning confirmation preparation for youth that will be fun, conversational, experiential, and liturgical. Participants will commit to making this a priority for their spring schedules. Holy Week begins on March 20 and will factor heavily into the process. Young people who are interested in intentional preparation for this sacrament should contact John Simpson (emmanuelforma@gmail.com).

Adults who have not been baptized or who were baptized but have never been confirmed or received as Episcopalians should speak with Father Joe about their preparation for confirmation (or reception into the Episcopal Church). Adults who desire a deeper spiritual life should also speak with Father Joe about preparation for renewal of the Baptismal Covenant.

Miscellaneous Notices

Brass Polish

A shipment of Wenol brass polish has arrived. If anyone is interested in purchasing, please contact Tina Hitt at 276-669-3014 (home), 276-791-0112 (cell), or email thehitts@bvu.net. The 4 oz tubes are \$7.50 each and the 39 oz cans are \$30.00 each. This wholesale price includes shipping.

Prayer Requests

Jim Barber, Ruby Barber, Richard Barnes, Carol Biegler, Sue Brickley, Barbara Bunn, Teresa Burkholder, Winifred Campbell, Pat Conroy, Sharon Cross, Ivy Daniels, Mark Dollar, Alva, Emma, Danny Freeman, Ann Gillenwater, Annette, Sharon Hatcher, James Heath, Tom Hurt, Michael Johnston, Bill Keith, Joe Kurre, Chris Mallin, Gayle Mallin, Ann Martin-Thomas, Jim McGlothlin, Jill Mendiljian, Claire Miller, Helen Moore, Dan Morgan, Mark Morgan, Rachael Morgan, Ron Morgan, Jim Rodgers, Joyce Rodgers, Robert Rodgers, Denise Rowe, Ben Sage, Madison Sage, Randy Sage, Norma Shew, Sharon Slaughter, Anna Stuart, Julian Van Winkle, Sarah Vaughn, Charlotte Vaughn, Reilly Vaughn, Donnie Wheatley, Josh Yoder, the families in Family Promise, Healing Hands patients and staff, and all those serving in the military

Birthdays

14 Jamie Heath
16 Mike Riley
19 Shauna Nefos-Webb

Notes of Interest

Parish Office

If you need to reach the rector whenever the office is closed, call him directly on his cell phone. You may contact the Parish Office by calling (276) 669-9488 or emailing emmanuelbristol@gmail.com. Office hours are Monday–Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Nursery

The Emmanuel Nursery will be open 9:30 a.m. to noon each Sunday. We ask that there be no new checks-ins after 10:45 a.m. If no children are checked in prior to 10:45 a.m., the nursery will close.

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. Please note that flowers are NOT available during Lent.

Needlepoint Kneelers

Please be aware of the potential damage caused to our beautiful kneelers when used as foot rests. If you would like to have one of the kneelers designated in memory or honor of a loved one, please contact Ann Fleming (423-652-7674) as soon as possible as we only have seven available. A donation of \$150 per kneeler is appreciated.

Pastoral Support

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

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Bishop

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John Simpson
Dir. of Formation Ministries

Kristie Faylor
Parish Administrator

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY SERVICES

8:00 a.m. Rite I
10:30 a.m. Rite II

SUNDAY MORNING FAITH FORMATION

9:15 a.m.
Catechesis (Atrium)
Youth (Conference Room)
Young Adult (Parish Hall)
Adult (Library)

WEDNESDAY SERVICE

12:15 p.m.—Bledsoe Chapel
Holy Eucharist with
Prayers for Healing

WEDNESDAY EVENING

6:00 p.m. Lenten Program
7:15 p.m. Choir

BIBLE STUDY

10:00 a.m., Thursday
2nd Floor Conference Room

VESTRY

2014–2016

Fred Knickerbocker
Doug Mitchell
Tom Rogers
Debbie Tidwell

2015–2017

Barbara Sue Kurre,
Jeremy McLaughlin, Jr. *Warden*
Greg Oakley, *Treasurer*
Barbara Walling

2016–2018

Maggie Green, *Secretary*
Sharon Kyser, Sr. *Warden*
Michael Webb
Audrey Zaidi

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, March 16, 5:00 p.m. Finance Committee
Wednesday, March 16, 6:00 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper
Sunday, March 20, 6:00 p.m. Supper Club at the Zaidi's
Monday, March 21, 5:15 p.m. Vestry
Thursday, March 24, 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service
Friday, March 25, 12:00 p.m. Good Friday Service
Friday, March 25, 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 26, 7:30 p.m. The Great Vigil of Easter
Sunday, May 15 during the 10:30 a.m. Eucharist Confirmation
Saturday, May 21 Grace House workday with Boys' Home

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.