



## Advent & Christmas at Emmanuel



### Where the Spirit is Moving:

### A Forum on Christian Organizations in our Community

In forums sponsored by Emmanuel Cares, throughout the year we will highlight organizations who are taking missional initiative to be the hands and feet of Christ.

January: Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup>—YWCA in the Parish Hall at 9:15 am

February: Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup>—Serving Orphans Worldwide

When there is no forum on Christian organizations there will be adult faith formation in the Parish Library.

## ***Feast of the Epiphany—Saturday, January 6 with the Highlands Youth Ensemble***

Saturday, January 6 marks the end to the Twelve Days of Christmas with the Feast of the Epiphany: the Manifestation of Christ to the world. (That's us!) There will be a festive Eucharist that evening at 5:00 pm. We are pleased to have the Highlands Youth Ensemble join us, singing an anthem at the offertory and at Communion. The Highlands Youth Ensemble is an auditioned honors choir featuring high school singers from all over the region, directed by Jane Morison, and accompanied by Christopher Yoder.



# Parish Life: Activities, Events, News

## January 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Staff meetings are every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.	<b>Parish Office Closed for New Year's Day</b>		Meals on Wheels <b>12:15 p.m.</b> Holy Eucharist <b>4 p.m.</b> Oakmont <b>6 p.m.</b> Young Adults <b>7 p.m.</b> Choir			<b>5 p.m.</b> The Feast of the Epiphany (Church)  <b>10:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.</b> Youth-Snow Tubing
<b>8 &amp; 10:30 a.m.</b> Holy Eucharist <b>9:15 a.m.</b> Forum on Christian Organizations (YWCA)			Meals on Wheels <b>12:15 p.m.</b> Holy Eucharist  <b>6 p.m.</b> Young Adults <b>7 p.m.</b> Choir	<b>10 a.m.</b> Lectionary Study		<b>5 p.m.</b> Holy Eucharist
<b>8 &amp; 10:30 a.m.</b> Holy Eucharist <b>9:15 a.m.</b> Faith Formation, <b>2 p.m.</b> Brookdale			<b>12:15 p.m.</b> Holy Eucharist <b>4 p.m.</b> Oakmont <b>6 p.m.</b> Young Adults <b>7 p.m.</b> Choir	<b>10 a.m.</b> Lectionary Study <b>5:30 p.m.</b> Vestry		<b>5 p.m.</b> Holy Eucharist
<b>8 &amp; 10:30 a.m.</b> Holy Eucharist <b>9:15 a.m.</b> Faith Formation			<b>12:15 p.m.</b> Holy Eucharist <b>6 p.m.</b> Young Adults <b>7 p.m.</b> Choir	<b>10 am</b> Lectionary Study		<b>5 p.m.</b> Holy Eucharist
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## Lay Minister Schedule & Propers

### Sunday, January 7–The Baptism of our Lord

Genesis 1:1-5; Acts 19:1-7; Mark 1:4-11; Psalm 29  
 8:00 a.m. Lector.....Frank Goodpasture III  
 10:30 a.m. Lector ..... Paul Pratt  
 Intercessor.....Walt Bressler  
 Lay Eucharistic Ministers.....Walt Bressler and Tom Rogers  
 Ushers.....Shauna Nefos-Webb and Michael Webb  
 Acolytes.....Hagan, Harper, Blaine, Graham

### Sunday, January 14–The Second Sunday after Epiphany:

1 Samuel 3:1-20; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51;  
 Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17  
 8:00 a.m. Lector .....Scott Lamie  
 10:30 a.m. Lector.....Sharon Eisenhart  
 Intercessor.....Walt Bressler  
 Lay Eucharistic Ministers .....Jeremy McLaughlin and Tom Hairston  
 Ushers ..... Cher and Bryan Young  
 Acolytes..... Tucker, Ford, Josie, Lola

### Sunday, January 21–The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Jonah 3:1-5, 10; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20; Psalm 62:6-14  
 8:00 a.m. Lector..... Dave Zochowski  
 10:30 a.m. Lector .....Mary Beth Rainero  
 Intercessor..... Harriett Harty  
 Lay Eucharistic Ministers..... Harriett Harty and Chris Yoder  
 Ushers..... Barbara Walling and TBD  
 Acolytes.....Jack, Julie, Sosie, Lana

### Sunday, January 28–The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Deuteronomy 18:15-20; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28; Psalm 111  
 8:00 a.m. Lector ..... TBD  
 10:30 a.m. Lector..... Mark Morgan  
 Intercessor..... Fred Knickerbocker  
 Lay Eucharistic Ministers ..... Walt Bressler and Fred Knickerbocker  
 Ushers ..... Brian and Shawna Knickerbocker  
 Acolytes ..... Kira, Judson, Mayne, Millie

### Sunday, February 4–The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 40:21-31; 1 Corinthians 9:16-23; Mark 1:29-39;  
 Psalm 147:1-12, 21  
 8:00 a.m. Lector ..... Frank Goodpasture III  
 10:30 a.m. Lector .....Janet Jayne  
 Intercessor ..... Chris Yoder  
 Lay Eucharistic Ministers ..... Jeremy McLaughlin and Tom Rogers  
 Ushers .....Jade and Justin Carson  
 Acolytes ..... Mayne, Amelia, Harper

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## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Tom Hairston
- 5 Dan Bieger
- 6 Susan Knickerbocker
- 11 Rowan Sullivan
- 12 Morgan Armstrong  
Tommy Curtin
- 14 John Ed Fuller
- 16 Adrienne Hess  
Emmaline Jones
- 17 Shawna Knickerbocker  
Matt Lavinder
- 19 Chris Yoder
- 20 Maggie Green
- 21 George Miller, Lisa Tickle
- 23 Moseley Snyder
- 24 Joe Dunagan, Donna  
Tomblin
- 27 Olivia Harris
- 28 Ron Hurst, Samantha  
Zarek
- 29 John Harty, Lee Wampler



## Emmanuel's Youth Group is Going Snow Tubing at Winter Place!

Saturday, January 6th  
10:30am-8pm  
Drop off and pick up at Emmanuel

\$34 for tubing  
\$25-\$35 for food  
Friends welcome!

RSVP [annoakley@btes.tv](mailto:annoakley@btes.tv) or 423.484.6144

## JANUARY WEDDING

### ANNIVERSARIES

- 6 Linda and Mike Riley
- 8 Audra and Blair Jones
- 12 Doris and Bill Hagey

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Paull Anderson, Missy Balote, Ruby Barber, Diane Bedwell, Shelby, Doug, Carol Biegler, Henry Brewer, Sue Brickey, Eda Brink, Barbara Bunn, Cindy, Charlie Callahan, Winifred Campbell, Ben Crenshaw, Horace Crenshaw, Willie Crumley, Ivy Daniels, Alva, Bertha Holloman, Devin Williams Hancock, Hilary Hurst, Tom Hurt, Michael Johnston, Joe Kurre, Donald McCathy, Amber McLeroy, Kristi Malone, Ann Martin-Thomas, Jill Mendiljian, Claire Miller, George Miller, Dan Morgan, Mark Morgan, Nona Morgan, Rachel Morgan, Maggie Nefos, Laura Pearson, Jud Powers, Jack Presnell, Jan Ransom, Sharon Reed, Rick Rimer, Joyce Rodgers, Robert Rodgers, Denise Rowe, Norma Shew, Sharon Slaughter, Kathy Story, Mary Jo Thomas, Audrey Zaidi, Jeanne.

The November 20, 2017 Vestry meeting of Emmanuel Episcopal Church was called to order at 5:32, beginning with prayer.

Members present: Jade Carson, Maggie Green, Tom Hairston, Barbara Sue Kurre, Jeremy McLaughlin, Greg Oakley, Tom Rogers, Barbara Walling, Michael Webb

Members absent: Sharon Kyser, Richard Wolfe, Audrey Zaidi

Guests: Lark Adams, Charlie Christ, Shawna Knickerbocker, Loretta Trayer

The minutes of the October 23, 2017 Vestry meeting were unanimously approved.

#### Rector's Report

●October 2018 attendance: Sunday - 89; Wednesday - 12; Brookdale - 8; Oakmont - 8.

●Motion made by Greg Oakley to continue the rector's housing allowance in 2018 at \$28,000. Second by Maggie Green. Motion unanimously approved.

●Fr. Joe will be out of the parish November 21 through November 25 and November 27 through December 1.

●Mark Morgan, Michael Webb and Sharon Kyser have expressed interest to be delegates to diocesan council in 2019.

●Advent Four is December 24. The usual liturgical schedule will be followed Saturday evening and

Sunday morning. Christmas Eve services will be 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. with Children's Time with Father Joe at 4:30.

●Our vendor for the Christmas tree is currently deployed in Kuwait. Fr. Joe asked if anyone on the vestry knew of a vendor who could supply a suitable tree, with delivery and set up. There were no immediate solutions so he asked that if anyone finds someone, to notify him or Kristie.

●2018 pledge update: as of the afternoon of November 20, we currently have 22 pledges totaling just under \$100,000.

●Dr. Shannon Vance has met with Fr. Joe and the Director of Formation Ministries Advisory Group. Motion made by Jade Carson to fund the position of Director of Formation Ministries with compensation package for the position of \$35,000 annual salary as well as medical benefits and social security. Second by Tom Hairston. Motion unanimously approved.

Wardens' Reports/Remarks  
Senior Warden Report: None  
Junior Warden Report: None

#### Treasurer's Report

●Diocesan Voluntary Proportionate Giving (VPG) is due to the diocese by December 15. The finance committee recommends paying the entire amount of \$38,128 for 2018. Motion from Barbara Walling to maintain \$35,187 as Emmanuel's 2018 VPG. Motion

tabled and will be taken to the finance committee for discussion.

#### Old Business

●Loretta Trayer presented information regarding repair of the wainscoting in the church. Loretta suggested that stage three be completed first for \$31,000. See attachment. Motion made by Jeremy McLaughlin to enter into a contract with Hal Cross to begin stage three of the repairs on the wainscoting (altar steps back towards the altar). Second by Jade Carson. Motion unanimously approved.

●Loretta requested the vestry consider moving forward with the stained glass window project so we will be able to get on John Renault's calendar in 2018.

#### New Business

●The vestry orientation and planning meeting will be Saturday, December 2 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the church.

●The Finance Committee moved that the staff be given Christmas gifts: Parish Administrator and Music Director, \$500 each; sextons (Sharon and Jim) \$500 total. Actual amounts will be enough to compensate for withholdings.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

## Vestry Minutes



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**MESSENGER**

*The deadline to submit information for the February 2018 Messenger is January 18. Please be prompt.*

Weekly Schedule

**SUNDAY SERVICES**

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

**SUNDAY FAITH FORMATION**  
9:15 a.m. Catechesis  
of the Good Shepherd

Youth Formation  
9:30 a.m.  
Adult Formation

**WEDNESDAY**  
12:15 p.m.  
Holy Eucharist &  
Prayers for Healing  
Bledsoe Chapel

6:00 p.m.  
Young Adult Formation

Choir  
7:00 p.m.

**BIBLE STUDY**  
10 a.m.  
Thursday

**SATURDAY SERVICE**  
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist

## The Feast of Epiphany January 6

We are part of a rich tradition that recognizes Christmas is much more than one day. Advent season prepares our hearts for the coming of the Christ child, the fulfillment of promises from God. The Christmas season continues after the birth of Jesus. For twelve days following the arrival of the baby for whom there was no room, we continue to celebrate. January 6 is the twelfth day of Christmas. With the Feast of Epiphany we rejoice and give thanks much like the Magi who traveled far looking for the child. When they arrived, these Gentile men recognized that Jesus is the Christ, God's anointed. Epiphany also celebrates times that Christ's divine nature was manifested - when John baptized him and the Holy Spirit descended, and at the wedding in Canaan when he turned the water into wine, his first miracle. How fortunate were the Magi to be able to recognize the great treasure in that helpless, fragile child! Jesus quenches our deep thirst and provides peace for our tired souls. Please come worship with us at 5:00 pm on Saturday, January 6, as we observe the Feast of Epiphany, when Christ's true nature was revealed.

## Emmanuel Transportation Team

Be a force for good - join a team to help those without transportation who want to worship at Emmanuel. Please contact Heather Eisenhart or Shannon Vance at [emmanuelforma@gmail.com](mailto:emmanuelforma@gmail.com) if you are interested in helping or if you know of someone who needs a ride to attend services.