

# EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH



## *The PEW* Parish Events Weekly

June 20–June 27 2014

**This Sunday at Emmanuel**

June 22, 2014—The Second Sunday after Pentecost

*8:00—Holy Eucharist, Rite I*

*Lector: John Harty*

*10:30—Holy Eucharist, Rite II*

*Lector: Jerry Medley                      Intercessor: Zane Myers*

*Eucharistic Ministers: Jerry Medley and David Taverner*

### **From the Rector**

Thank you for every word of welcome, every expression of support, and, especially, every prayer offered as I begin my tenure as your priest and the rector of Emmanuel. Pentecost was a grand celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit. The congregation photograph turned out great!

I have a priest friend who often says, “It’s all good!” That sentiment reflects her personality but it may also be her paraphrase of a famous quote from Julian of Norwich: “...All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well.” Julian was very ill, she was believed to be on her deathbed, when she had a series of vision of Jesus. She recovered and became a prolific writer. The reason she is remembered and her words have meaning six hundred years after her death is because she experienced and wrote about hope.

Paul famously wrote to the Corinthian church that “faith, hope and love abide, these three, but the greatest of these is love.” Augustine thought of the Holy Spirit as the love between the Father and the Son. Since we are invited to enter that blessed fellowship of God through faith, we have hope. Because of the gift of the Holy Spirit, nothing can separate us from the love of God. Nothing!

So it is that I am filled with hope as we begin our ministry together at Emmanuel. God has given us the scriptures, the common prayers of the Church and the great commission. With those great gifts, how can we not be hopeful?

See you Sunday if not before.

## **Outreach**

Sunday afternoon, June 22, Emmanuel will provide a meal at Grace House for a work group that is coming in from St. John's in Roanoke. St. Elizabeth's Guild has agreed to spearhead the meal, but hopefully many more of us will make the hour long trek to Sandy Ridge for dinner at 6:00 pm and worship to follow.

Next 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).

## **Lectionary Lunch**

Lectionary Lunch is an opportunity to gather early in the week to pray the Noon Office and to hear and discuss next Sunday's lessons. We will meet this week on Tuesday at noon in the Conference Room. Feel free to bring a bag lunch and something to drink. We gather at noon and finish by one o'clock.

## **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 (June 26)  
Wednesdays, 5 pm shift (June 26)  
Thursdays, 7 am shift (June 26)  
Thursdays, 5 pm shift (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.

## 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, Betty Kuhnert, 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

## Birthdays

June 22 Jack Tickle

June 28 Tom Griffin

## Wedding Anniversaries

June 26 Marj & Prent Hallenbeck

## NOTES OF INTEREST

### Parish Office

You may contact the Parish Office by calling (276) 669-9488 or emailing [emmanuelbristol@gmail.com](mailto: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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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  
2<sup>nd</sup> 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

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## 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.