

EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The PEW Parish Events Weekly

August 1–August 8, 2014

This Sunday at Emmanuel

July 27, 2014—The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00—*Holy Eucharist, Rite I* Lector: Dave Zochowski

10:30—*Holy Eucharist, Rite II*

Lector: Walt Bressler

Intercessor: Chris Yoder

Eucharistic Ministers: Walt Bressler and Chris Yoder

Ushers: Denise Rowe and Greg Roberts

From the Rector

This week's lesson from the Gospel of Matthew is often referred to as *The Feeding of the Five Thousand*. Actually that was the sort of reporting priests do when asked how many were at church. So when Matthew said there were five thousand there he added, "and that's not even counting the women and children." I think it is fair to say, it was a big crowd of people who followed Jesus to the remote spot he turned into a miraculous picnic. The entire crowd was fed with five loaves of bread and two fish. Not only that but after everyone had eaten he had the disciples circulate among the people with baskets to take up the leftovers so nothing would be wasted and they came back with twelve baskets of food after everyone was satisfied!

There are many lessons to be learned from this story. One important lesson is that when Jesus is present we have plenty. There is more than enough grace to go around. As a matter of fact, once we have been completely satisfied, that is to say that after we have availed ourselves of all the grace necessary for our own happiness, we should not waste the grace that is left over!

Because of Emmanuel, that is to say because *God is with us*, scarcity is not in our vocabulary. Like the crowd at the unexpected feast by the lake that day when Jesus took the food that was there and blessed it, broke it and gave it to the people, in the Church, we have enough. More than that, we have enough to share. We have enough to share generously.

See you Sunday if not before.

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels is in desperate need of drivers. The first Wednesday of each month Emmanuel provides lunch as part of the Meals on Wheels program. Meals are picked up at church between 10:30 and 11:00 am and delivered in the Bristol area. Delivery typically takes less than one hour. Please contact the Parish Office to volunteer.

Fall Programs

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and Adult Faith Formation will resume on Sunday, August 17. Watch the *PEW* and the *Messenger* for more information.

Supper Club

Join hosts Beth and Tom Rogers for Supper Club on Sunday, August 17 at 6:00 pm at their home 1720 Holston Dr., Bristol, TN. Please call Beth and Tom to coordinate your dish, 423-652-7429. Everyone is invited!

Supper Club is sponsored by parishioners at their home or the Parish Hall of Emmanuel and is typically the third Sunday of the month. Hosts provide the main dish and attendees bring sides and desserts. If you would like more information, or would like to host, please contact Zane Myers, 916-752-0035.

Family Promise Host Week

August 17-24

Emmanuel's next host week for the Family Promise program is August 17-24. It takes many volunteers to make the week a success, so please

consider volunteering. There is a sign-up sheet on the wall in the Parish Hall, so feel free to add your name in any of the blank spaces! Or, if you prefer, you may call committee members about specific tasks. For instance, if you want to spend the night, call Elaine Griffin at 276-466-4436. If you would like to organize a recreational activity, contact Nell Bieger at 423-989-3679. If you would like to bring dinner or serve as an evening host, call Linda Riley at 276-669-3267. If you would like to help set-up or take-down, call Bob Hardee at (276) 628-9097. Let's make Emmanuel's August host week a welcoming and comfortable experience for the guest families.

Parking Fundraiser

We need your help!

Emmanuel's Family Promise committee will be holding a parking fundraiser Thursday, August 21, from 10 am to 6 or 7 pm for Food City Family Race Night, the big event downtown during Bristol's fall NASCAR race week. We need your help! We need a few people to work in 2-hour shifts—two people per shift. A canopy tent, water, and snacks will be provided for your comfort. Just bring your chair. It is a fun day—you meet people from all over! If interested, please contact Elaine Griffin at (276) 466-4436 or email her at tdg3@bvuu.net.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

Altar Guild Wants and Needs You!

WHY? To serve God and His Church

WHERE? At the altar

WHEN? Saturday and Sunday mornings and special holy days of observance

If you're interested in a rewarding avenue of service in the church, Altar Guild is for you!

If you want additional fellowship with your church family, Altar Guild is for you!

If you're willing to serve on Saturday and Sunday mornings approximately six-to-seven times a year, Altar Guild is for you!

If you are out of town for extended periods of time or your work schedule is such that you haven't wanted to commit, Altar Guild is **STILL** for you!

You may choose to work in the months that you are in Bristol or in those when your work schedule is lighter.

There are four Altar Guild (AG) groups; each serves one month every trimester. The terms of service are January/May/September (JMS); February/June/October (FJO); March/July/November (MJN); and April/August/December (AAD). The group chairmen are Beth Rogers, Harriett Harty, Sandra Rushing, and Barbara Sue Kurre, respectively. Monthly schedules are prepared by each group chairman after consulting with its members. The sacristy, the "headquarters" of the Guild, is located between the kitchen and nave.

Altar Guild tasks include readying the altar for and taking down after each service and caring for the Communion vessels and linens. The silver vessels are washed and dried after each service and polished only as needed. However, since the brass altar rail and alms basins are handled so much during each service, thus becoming covered with fingerprints, they are polished every week. Winifred Campbell, using her expert skill in needlework which she learned in her native England, mends the linens when necessary. In doing so, she has given a longer life to purificators, corporals, lavabo towels, and fair linens.

Additionally, the Altar Guild is responsible for decorating the church during the two major church seasons: Easter and Christmas. Quite often other parishioners help in these tasks. The dossals are changed by the Dossaliers, a term coined by the General Chairman; Ed Hitt and John Harty serve in that capacity. The changing is always done before the beginning of the season for which that particular dossal hangs and prior to the Altar Guild members setting up for the following holy day.

There is an altar guild manual, compiled in 1993 by the current general chairman during the tenure of the Rev. George S. Bunn III; it was revised in 2000. Copies of both manuals were given to the members at those times. The later one is available in the sacristy. Hopefully, when funds allow, the manual can be updated, if needed, and

reprinted, thus giving each new member her/his own manual. The AG does NOT discriminate on the basis of gender!

If you're interested in joining the Altar Guild, you may contact one of the group chairmen: Beth Rogers, 423-652-7429; Harriett Harty, 423-764-2248 (F/J/O); Sandra Rushing, 423-764-0012 (M/J/N); Barbara Sue Kurre, 423-968-5540 (A,A,D).

In all that is done to enhance the reverence, beauty, and traditional correctness of the worship of the Creator and His Son, let it not be forgotten that God never forgets a labor of love and always forgives a mistake!

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**Part-Time Position -
Receptionist/Ofc. Asst.
St. Anne Catholic Church/
Bristol, VA**
Receptionist/clerical duties,
computer work, other office duties.
Approx. 19 hours per week. If
interested, call or email St. Anne's
for a job description & application:
276-669-8200 ext. 0 or
stannes@stannes-bristol.org.

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, Robert Rodgers, and Margaret Roberts

For friends of our parish: Ann Holler, Tracy Stark, Kathy Frey, Emma, Sharon Hatcher, Thomas Jones, Nikki Guest Thomas, Chris Mallin, Sharon Slaughter, David Short, Michael Johnston, Ann Gillenwater, Chuck Serafim, John T. Kelly, and families in the Family Promise program

Birthdays

6 Jan Bruce
7 Bill Hagey, Tariq Zaidi,
Tucker Couch
9 Jack Taylor

Wedding Anniversaries

5 Jan and Leno Rainero
9 Alethia and David Haynes

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 check-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.

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

The Rev. Preston Mitchell
Deacon

Stephanie Yoder
Organist & Choir Director

Kristie Faylor
Parish Administrator

Dale Stark
Sexton

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 am until 5:00 pm.

SUNDAY SERVICES
8:00 am Rite I
10:30 am Rite II

**SUNDAY MORNING
FAITH FORMATION**
(Resumes 8/17/14)
9:15 am Catechesis
9:30 am Adult Study

WEDNESDAY SERVICE
12:15 pm—Bledsoe Chapel
Holy Eucharist with
Prayers for Healing

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

BIBLE STUDY
10:00 am, Thursdays
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

Wednesday, August 6, 5:00 pm Finance Committee
Sunday, August 17 Catechesis and Adult Faith Formation resume
Sunday, August 17—Sunday, August 24 Family Promise Host Week
Sunday, August 17, 6:00 pm Supper Club (Beth and Tom Rogers)
Monday, August 18, 5:15 pm Vestry
Thursday, August 21 Food City Family Race Night
Sunday, September 14 Rally Day
Thursday, September 19—Sunday, September 21 Bristol Rhythm & Roots
Saturday, September 27 King/Snyder Wedding

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.