



The PEW

Parish Events Weekly

March 14-March 21, 2014

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 Thursday. Copies of the *PEW* are available at all three red "information stations" throughout the church.

This Sunday at Emmanuel

March 16, 2014

The First Sunday in Lent

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Craig R. Wylie

8:00 am

Lector: Harriett Harty

10:30 am

Lector: Jerry Medley

Intercessor: Frank Goodpasture III

Eucharistic Ministers: Jerry Medley
and The Rev. Preston Mitchell

Ushers: Melissa and David Taverner

Upcoming Events

Catechesis Schedule Change

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd will NOT meet Sunday, March 16 or Sunday 23. They will resume their regular schedule on Sunday, March 30.

Lent at Emmanuel

During this holy season of Lent, we will have many weekly opportunities to worship. Along with our weekly Sunday services at 8 am and 10:30 am, and Wednesday's at 12:15 pm, we will also gather on Sunday mornings in the Parish Library at 9:15 am for Adult Faith Formation led by Fred Knickerbocker. Our topic will be *Embracing a Life of Meaning* with Kathleen Norris. Evening Prayer will be celebrated every Wednesday at

5:30 pm followed by a potluck supper in the Parish Hall at 6:00 pm, and Adult Faith Formation with Fr. Craig at 6:40 pm featuring *Embracing Emergence Christianity* with Phyllis Tickle. If you have a need for child care, please contact the Parish Office by Noon on Wednesday.

Soup Kitchen

March is Soup Kitchen Month for Emmanuel. We help package the meals that are distributed to residents of Bristol, VA. The meals are prepared and packaged at the old Sullins College (United Company) building on Glenway Avenue. The Soup Kitchen has had an increase in the number of lunches served; therefore they recommend there be three volunteers per day. Work lasts less than 90 minutes starting at 8:30 am weekdays. We still need people for March 21, 24, 27, 28, and 31. If you are able to assist on one of these days, please call the Parish Office to sign up. For general information about this program, please speak with Melissa Taverner. Emmanuel's next Soup Kitchen month will be in October.

Miscellaneous Notices

Prayer Requests

The Ministry of Intercessory Prayer at Emmanuel Church is carried out daily by a number of parishioners. Requests for intercessory prayers are made either directly to Fr. Craig, Preston or through the Parish Administrator, Kristie Faylor. If a prayer request is to be remembered in public worship, the Christian (first) name is used. The specifics of the prayer request are never made public.

This Week in Church History Saint Joseph

In the face of circumstances that distressed even a man of such tenderness and obedience to God as Joseph, he accepted the vocation of protecting Mary and being a father to Jesus. He is honored in Christian tradition for the nurturing care and protection he provided for the infant Jesus and his mother in taking them to Egypt to escape Herod's slaughter of the innocents, and in rearing him as a faithful Jew at Nazareth. The Gospel according to Matthew pictures Joseph as a man of deep devotion, open to mystical experiences, and as a man of compassion, who accepted his God-given responsibility with gentleness and humility.

Joseph was a pious Jew, a descendant of David, and a carpenter by trade. As Joseph the Carpenter, he is considered the patron saint of the working man, one who not only worked with his hands, but taught his trade to Jesus. The little that is told of him is a testimony to the trust in God which values simple everyday duties, and gives an example of a loving husband and father.

Prayer Requests

For our parish and families: Margaret, Audrey, Barbara, Carla, Mike, Robert, Mike, Gayle, Emily, Joyce, Deirdre Grogan, Betty, Lamont, Carol, Jill, Brennan Hodges, and Families in the Family Promise program

For friends of our parish: Steve, Tammy, Ann, Janet, Sharon Hatcher, and Families in the Family Promise program

Birthdays

March 16: Mike Riley
March 20: Peggy Horner
March 22: Larry Jane, Eloise Kirkpatrick

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 11:15 am. If no children are checked in prior to 11:15 am, 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. For more information, contact Ann Martin-Thomas (423) 878-5522.

Pastoral Support

If you are in need of pastoral support, please contact the Rev. Dr. Craig R. Wylie 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. Dr. Craig R. Wylie
Priest in Residence

Stephanie Yoder
Organist
Choir Director

SUNDAY SERVICES

8:00 am
10:30 am

FAITH FORMATION

9:15 am Catechesis
9:15 am J2A
Adult Forums

WEDNESDAY SERVICE

12:15 pm
Holy Eucharist
Christ the King Chapel

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Wednesdays

6:30 pm *Viva Voce!* Youth choir
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

RECTOR DISCERNMENT COMMITTEE

Mike Blair
Ed Hitt, *Chairman*
Janet Jayne

Matt Lavinder
Greg Oakley
Julia Rainero

Beth Rogers
Melissa Taverner
Loretta Trayer

Prayer for the Rector Discernment Committee

Look graciously upon this your congregation, helping us in our discernment process for the calling of a Rector for Emmanuel Parish. We pray that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for your people.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, March 17, 5:15 pm Vestry
Wednesday, March 19, 5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Bledsoe Chapel)
Wednesday, March 19, 6:00 pm Lenten Potluck Supper
Wednesday, March 19, 6:40 pm Lenten Study for Adults II (Parish Library)
Sunday, March 23, 5:00 pm Evensong
Sunday, March 23, 6:00 pm Supper Club (Parish Hall)
Wednesday, March 26, 5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Bledsoe Chapel)
Wednesday, March 26, 6:00 pm Lenten Potluck Supper
Wednesday, March 26, 6:40 pm Lenten Study for Adults II (Parish Library)
Wednesday, April 2, 5:30 pm Evening Prayer (Bledsoe Chapel)
Wednesday, April 2, 6:00 pm Lenten Potluck Supper
Wednesday, April 2, 6:40 pm Lenten Study for Adults II (Parish Library)