

EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The PEW **Parish Events Weekly**

July 11–July 18, 2014

This Sunday at Emmanuel

July 13, 2014—The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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

10:30—*Holy Eucharist, Rite II*

Lector: Ashley McLaughlin Intercessor: Jeremy McLaughlin

Eucharistic Ministers: Walt Bressler and Sue Prill

Ushers: Harriett and John Harty

From the Rector

I concluded last Sunday's sermon with a question: What does Emmanuel have that no other congregation in Bristol has? The answer is Emmanuel has you.

Sometimes we hear talk of an individual's *gifts and graces*. I think it should be *gifts and grace* because, while each of us has gifts for ministry and resources we can offer, grace is God's gift to us. Grace is infinite and surrounds us. We are cloaked in God's grace, wrapped and comforted in it. God's grace is sufficient.

While I was unpacking I came across a little marble paper weight with a replica of a sail boat on it. I remember well the people who gave it to me and that makes the words inscribed on it more meaningful: *The will of God will never lead you where the grace of God cannot keep you.*

Imagine what we can accomplish for the sake of God's kingdom when we offer ourselves and our gifts with the assurance of the sufficiency of God's grace! Just imagine.

See you Sunday if not before.

Supper Club

Join hosts Margaret and Greg Roberts for Supper Club on Sunday, July 20 at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Please call Margaret and Greg to coordinate your dish, 423-968-4748. 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 attendee's 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.

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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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, 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, Chris Mallin, Sharon Slaughter, David Short, and families in the Family Promise program

Birthdays

July 13: Idanna Bowman,
Brian Sullivan

July 14: Janet Jayne,
Jordan Armstrong

July 15: Candace Hicks,
Jon Slagle,

Laura Lavinder

July 17: Lila Thurmond,
Audrey Moore

Wedding Anniversaries

July 13: Audrey & Matt Moore

July 17: Peggy & Richard Horner

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 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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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 in the Fall)
9:15 am Catechesis

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

Monday, July 21, 5:15 pm Vestry
Wednesday, August 6, 5:00 pm Finance Committee
Sunday, August 17—Sunday, August 24 Family Promise Host Week
Monday, August 18, 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.