

EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The PEW **Parish Events Weekly**

January 2–January 9, 2015

This Sunday at Emmanuel

January 4, 2015—The Second Sunday after Christmas

8:00—*Holy Eucharist, Rite I*—Lector: Frank Goodpasture III

10:30—*Holy Eucharist, Rite II*—Lector: Bob Hardee

Intercessor: Barbara Bunn Ushers: Susan and Fred Knickerbocker

Acolytes: TBD

From the Rector

Happy New Year

Almighty God, to whose glory this house of prayer, Emmanuel, was dedicated as a constant reminder that you are with us: We give you thanks for the fellowship of those who have worshiped in this place, and we pray that all who seek you here in the new year may find you, and be filled with your joy and peace in 2015 and beyond; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Stewardship 2015

As of Friday, January 2 we have received 72 pledges in the amount of \$262,900 or approximately 78% of our \$335,000 goal. If you have not yet pledged, please prayerfully consider your pledge to Emmanuel in support our parish. We are requesting pledges be returned as soon as possible to allow Vestry time to start planning early for 2015. Thank you!

Upcoming Events

Epiphany

Please join us for Epiphany Lessons and Prayers at Six O'clock, Tuesday, January 6th, in the Nave. Afterward we will take down the Christmas greens and have supper together. Soup will be provided. You may bring sandwiches or bread to share.

96th Annual Council

The Episcopal Diocese of Southwestern Virginia will convene the 96th Annual Council January 23–25, 2015 at Hotel Roanoke, Roanoke, VA. Early bird online discount registration for clergy and lay delegates, alternates, and visitors attending all of Council is \$145 until midnight on January 15. All who register after January 15 must register on-site and the cost is \$170. If you do not wish to attend all of Council, but wish to participate in Mission Workshops on Saturday, please register online. There is no charge, but pre-registration ensures your space and materials. To register, please visit <http://www.dioswva.org/governance/annual-council.html>.

The Diocese has a block of rooms reserved until January 5, or until they are full. Rooms may be reserved online at hotelroanoke.com or by calling 540-985-5900. Use convention code EPD for the discounted rate.

Youth at Council (Y@C)

Y@C check-in is at Hotel Roanoke and begins at 5:00 pm at the Hokie Wall. Adults at Council, Y@C, and Children at Council will have a buffet dinner at 6:30 pm at Hotel Roanoke (hot dogs, hamburgers, BBQ).

After dinner (approximately 7:30 pm) Y@C will be bused to St John's to begin our weekend of fun, singing, group talks, worship, etc. (and of course very little sleep, LOL).

Registration is now open for Y@C. Please visit <http://youth.dioswva.org/Youth%20Events/youth-at-council.html>. The cost is \$100 per participant.

Family Promise Host Week —January 25-February 1

Emmanuel's next host week for the Family Promise program is January 25-February 1, 2015. It takes many people 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 or have general questions, call Elaine Griffin (276 466-4436). If you would like to organize a recreational activity, contact Nell Bieger (423- 989-3679). If you would like to bring dinner or serve as an evening host, call Linda Riley (276 669-3267). If you would like to help set-up or take-down, call Bob Hardee (276 628-9097). Let's make Emmanuel's next host week a welcoming and comfortable experience for the guest families.

Miscellaneous Notices

T-Shirts Available

Emmanuel t-shirts are available for \$10 each in the Parish Hall or by coming by the office during the week. If you are interested in an Emmanuel sweatshirt for the colder months, please contact the Parish Office.

Prayer Requests

Alva, Mike Blair, Thelma Blair, Barbara Bunn, Winifred Campbell, Robert Dickert, Emma, Kathy Frey, Ann Gillenwater, Annette, Deirdre Grogan, Sharon Hatcher, Emily Hubbard, Annie Jackson, Michael Johnston, John T. Kelly, Chris Mallin, Gayle Mallin, Louise Medley, Jill Mendiljian, Claire Miller, Mildred Murphy, Elaine Parker, Joyce Rodgers, Robert Rodgers, Katy Sikorski, Sharon Slaughter, Anna Stuart, Nikki Guest Thomas, Lamont Tidwell, Carla Vaughn, Frank Winston, and the families in Family Promise.

January Birthdays

4 Tom Hairston

5 Dan Bieger

6 Susan Knickerbocker

January Wedding Anniversaries

6 Linda and Mike Riley

8 Audra and Blair Jones

NOTES OF INTEREST

Parish Office

If you need to reach the rector whenever the office is closed, call him directly on his cell phone. 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.

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.

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.

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Deacon

Stephanie Yoder
Organist & Choir Director

Kristie Faylor
Parish Administrator

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

9:15 am Catechesis
9:15 am Adult Study

WEDNESDAY SERVICE

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

CHOIR

Wednesday
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

BIBLE STUDY

10:00 am, Thursday
2nd Floor Conference Room

VESTRY

2013-2015
Mike Blair
Frank Goodpasture III
Denise Rowe
David Taverner

2014-2016
Fred Knickerbocker
Doug Mitchell
Zane Myers
Debbie Tidwell

2015-2017
Barbara Sue Kurre
Jeremy McLaughlin
Greg Oakley
Barbara Walling

Bob Bruce, *Treasurer*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, January 11, 2:30 pm Abingdon Convocation
Tuesday, January 6, 6:00 pm Epiphany Lessons & Prayers
Friday, January 23–Sunday, January 25 96th Annual Council (Hotel Roanoke)

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.