

EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The PEW **Parish Events Weekly**

March 6–March 13, 2015

This Sunday at Emmanuel

March 8, 2015—The Second Sunday in Lent

8:00—*Holy Eucharist, Rite I*—Lector: Fred Knickerbocker

10:30—*Holy Eucharist, Rite II*—Lector: Janet Jayne

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Tom Hairston

Ushers: Brad Adams and Jon Harden *Acolytes:* Kira Adams and Jack Tickle

From the Rector

Remember Simon and Garfunkel's *Sound of Silence*? Remember Simon and Garfunkel? The lyrics are captivating, inviting us to consider the sounds competing for our attention. *A vision that was planted in my brain still remains within the sound of silence.* Paradox is common within the language of our faith so this song resonates poetic truth. How can very verbal people listen for the Word of God made flesh, Emmanuel? How can the Holy Spirit speak to us if we don't stop talking?

There is a quote attributed to St. Francis, "Preach the gospel at all times. Use words if necessary." Franciscan scholars do not believe this is an actual quote but that it is certainly consistent with his ministry. He likely did not say these words verbatim but he lived their truth.

We Episcopalians love the prayers found in the Book of Common Prayer and are formed by those prayers. But I invite you to look through the prayer book and notice how many times there are rubrics (the *italicized* instructions found within the texts) instructing us to be silent! For example, in the liturgy used for the ordination of a priest, the rubric instructs the congregation, presbyters and bishop to stand while the ordinand kneels for the Prayer of Consecration. However before the prayer, the hymn *Veni Sancte Spiritus* (Come Holy Spirit) is sung and then the prayer book calls for a time of silence.

The point of silence in prayer is to listen. Sometimes what we hear is not words at all but visions of redemption, a better world populated by disciples who speak through ministry more than slogans.

The words of the prophet are written... in the sound of silence.

See you Sunday if not before.

From the Canon Missioner

Friends, I recommend this internet ministry (<http://www.lentmadness.org>) for your use during this holy season of Lent. Just go to this web site daily or you can choose to sign up for a daily email, Facebook or twitter reminder. Lent Madness is an offering of Forward Movement, widely known as the publishers of Forward Day by Day and other resources to support spiritual growth and vitality. It is fun and informative with a daily vote (just for fun) for one of two saints of the day. The winner goes on to vie for the Golden Halo awarded during Holy Week. Each day you can read a brief history of each saint and make your vote. The writing by "celebrity bloggers" is witty and wise. There are also many other resources on the Lent Madness web site for further learning and spiritual formation. So print out a bracket poster, order a mug or just tune in. It's O.K. to have some fun during Lent! And may the best saint win!

- Canon Kathy

Upcoming Events

Supper Club

March Supper Club will be hosted by Audrey and Sarfraz Zaidi on Sunday, March 15 at 6:00 pm at their home, 1808 King College Road. Please call 423-967-3741 to coordinate. Everyone is welcome!

Direction's to the Zaidi's:

If you are coming from downtown, take State St to end, turn left onto King College Road. Proceed until you see the Village Mart (gas and store) on left. Turn right into driveway directly across from Village Mart (3 mailboxes, 1 green, do NOT go as far as townhouses). Proceed until you see brick house on left, pass it and turn left downhill. Keep going until you arrive at house at top of hill.

Adult Sunday School

A study of the great cathedrals is a lesson in architecture, church history and Western Spirituality. The Adult Sunday School meets in the library for an informative lecture and discussion. The video starts promptly **at 9:30 a.m.** to allow time for discussion afterward so get your coffee and donuts and join us.

Wednesday Evening Lenten Potluck

During the season of Lent, please join us on **Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall for a potluck dinner and discussion of *Personal Devotion and Common Prayer*. Please bring simple Lenten appropriate dish to share. Drinks will be provided. Our last dinner will be March 25.

Spaghetti Dinner

Join us **Thursday, April 9 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall for a spaghetti dinner complete with salad, bread, tiramisu, brownies, and adult and kid beverages. Please RSVP to the Parish Office to let us know if you will attend. We look forward to seeing everyone there! Donations received will help fund the 2015 trip to the National Acolyte Festival in October.

Miscellaneous Notices

AED (automated external defibrillator)

Emmanuel was gifted an AED for our congregation and it is mounted on the wall in the chair lift alcove (2nd floor, just outside the Nave). Our Vestry members and staff have viewed the training video and are aware of proper use should an emergency arise. If you would like to view the training video, please contact the parish office.

T-Shirts Available

Emmanuel t-shirts are available for \$10 each in the Parish Office during the week. If you are interested in an Emmanuel sweatshirt for the colder months, please contact the Parish Office. If we have enough interest in sweatshirts, we'll place an order.

Prayer Requests

Alva, Jerry Allen, Stan Anderson, 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, Kitty Pitini, Joyce Rodgers, Robert Rodgers, Rosemary, Katy Sikorski, Sharon Slaughter, Anna Stuart, Nikki Guest Thomas, Lamont Tidwell, Carla Vaughn, Frank Winston, and the families in Family Promise.

March Birthdays

8 Judy Mitchell, Matt Moore
9 Josie Tickle
11 Austin Carr
13 Adilyn Jones, Carla Vaughn
14 Jamie Heath

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 a.m. to 5:00 p.m..

Nursery

The Emmanuel Nursery will be open 9:00 a.m. to noon each Sunday. We ask that there be no new checks-ins after 10:45 a.m.. If no children are checked in prior to 10:45 a.m., the nursery will close.

Supper Club

Supper Club is the 3rd Sunday of each month (except November and December) with locations and cuisine varying. If you are interested in hosting Supper Club, please contact Denise Rowe (423-652-2324) or ny.citigirl@yahoo.com. Please consider joining us for Supper Club. The more the merrier!

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. Please note that flowers are NOT available during Lent. For more information, contact Ann Martin-Thomas (423-878-5522).

Needlepoint Kneelers

Needlepoint kneelers are available for memorials. If you would like to have one of the kneelers designated in memory or honor of a loved one, please contact Ann Fleming (423-652-7674) and she will show you the kneelers that are available. A donation of \$150 per kneeler is appreciated.

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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Rector

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The Rev. Preston Mitchell
Deacon

Stephanie Yoder
Organist & Choir Director

Kristie Faylor
Parish Administrator

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m..

SUNDAY SERVICES

8:00 a.m. Rite I
10:30 a.m. Rite II

SUNDAY MORNING FAITH FORMATION

9:15 a.m. Catechesis
9:15 a.m. Adult Study

WEDNESDAY SERVICE

12:15 p.m.—Bledsoe Chapel
Holy Eucharist with
Prayers for Healing

CHOIR

Wednesday
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

BIBLE STUDY

10:00 a.m., Thursday
2nd Floor Conference Room

VESTRY

2013-2015

Dan Bieger

Frank Goodpasture, III
Denise Rowe, Sr. *Warden*
David Taverner

2014-2016

Fred Knickerbocker

Doug Mitchell
Zane Myers
Debbie Tidwell

2015-2017

Barbara Sue Kurre, *Secretary*
Jeremy McLaughlin,
Jr. Warden

Greg Oakley
Barbara Walling

Bob Bruce, *Treasurer*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, March 11, 5:00 p.m. Finance Committee
Wednesday, March 11, 6:00 p.m. Lenten Series and Potluck Dinner
Monday, March 16, 5:00 p.m. Vestry
Wednesday, March 18, 6:00 p.m. Lenten Series and Potluck Dinner
Wednesday, March 25, 6:00 p.m. Lenten Series and Potluck Dinner
Sunday, March 29 Palm Sunday
Wednesday, April 1 Meals on Wheels
Thursday, April 2, TBA Maundy Thursday Service
Friday, April 3, 12:00 p.m. Good Friday Service
Friday, April 3, TBA Good Friday Service
Friday, April 3 Parish Office Closed for Good Friday
Saturday, April 4 Time TBA The Great Vigil of Easter

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.