

EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The PEW **Parish Events Weekly**

July 24–July 31, 2015

This Sunday at Emmanuel—July 26, 2015 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 am—*Lector: Dave Zochowski*

10:30 am—*Lector: Mary Beth Rainero Intercessor: Sue Prill*

Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Hairston and Sue Prill

Ushers: Jane Bachman and Lee Wampler

From the Rector

Whenever we baptize a new Christian or renew the baptismal covenant, the celebrant asks these questions: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

We answer these and the other questions saying, “I will, with God’s help.”

There are at least a couple of lessons to be learned here. First, the baptismal covenant is not about vows we keep so much as relationships we trust. When we say that we will lead a Christian life, we are careful to be clear that we will do so with God’s help and we enter this covenant with our spiritual sisters and brothers. We are not alone in our devotion on either the horizontal human plane or the vertical divine plane.

Second, discipleship is not theoretical. We practice our religion. One of the results of the Reformation period has been divisions within the one true Church based on doctrinal disagreements. Doctrine is important, to be sure, and the current climate of disseminating anything-goes theology in a desperate attempt at institutional survival requires leaders who understand the importance of Trinitarian language when speaking of God. What keeps that from being an academic exercise is compassion and humility, both of which must be practiced, not merely discussed!

What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? (Micah 6: 8) There is nothing theoretical in that!

See you Sunday if not before!

Upcoming Events

Happy Birthday

Be sure to stay for birthday cake and conversation **following the ten thirty Eucharist today**, as we celebrate Margaret Kearfoot's birthday!

Vestry

Vestry will meet **Monday, July 27**, at **5:15 p.m.** in the conference room.

Supper Club

Our next Supper Club will be **Sunday, August 16, 6:00 p.m.** and will be hosted by The Harty's at their home. Contact Harriett or John to coordinate your dish, 423-764-2248. Everyone is welcome!

Thursday Morning Lectionary Study

Join us on **Thursday mornings** at **10:00 a.m.** for Bible study in the Conference Room.

Sunday Afternoon Service

Join us at Brookdale Assisted Living (formerly Grand Court) for Holy Eucharist **Sunday afternoon July 26**, at **two o'clock**.

Day in the Park

Come and celebrate with Bristolians at the 30th annual *Day in the Park* on **Saturday August 1** from **12-6:00 p.m.** at Breedlove Park behind the old Douglass School. Volunteers are needed to help with games and refreshments at the Park. This is part of Emmanuel's missional activity for the year. If you are interested in helping with the event one hour, two hours, or all afternoon please see the deacon, Preston Mitchell. The event's organizer, Harry Anderson needs a list of volunteers by Monday July 27.

Organizers collect backpacks and fill the packs with school supplies for any child that comes to the event. The rector's discretionary fund and the deacon's discretionary fund for July (the second and third Sundays) will be used to purchase the backpacks. If you would like to purchase supplies yourself please leave them in the Parish Office.

Miscellaneous Notices

Large Print Copies of the BCP

Large print copies of the Book of Common Prayer are available in the back of the church. Ask the usher's for assistance.

AED (automated external defibrillator)

In the event of a cardiac emergency an AED is mounted on the wall in the chair lift alcove (2nd floor, just outside the Nave).

Prayer Requests

Jerry Allen, Jim Barber, Ruby Barber, Sue Brickey, Barbara Bunn, Winifred Campbell, Ivy Daniels, Alva, Emma, Kathy Frey, Ann Gillenwater, Annette, Anina Haqq, Sharon Hatcher, Emily Hubbard, Tom Hurt, Annie Jackson, Michael Johnston, Chris Mallin, Gayle Mallin, Tineke Marburg, Louise Medley, Jill Mendiljian, Claire Miller, Dan Morgan, Rachael Morgan, Mildred Murphy, Kitty Pitini, Joyce Rodgers, Robert Rodgers, Denise Rowe, Rosemary, Katy Sikorski, Sharon Slaughter, Cody Snyder, Anna Stuart, Jody Talbert, Nikki Guest Thomas, Lamont Tidwell, Sarah Young, Carla Vaughn, Charlotte Vaughn, Reilly Vaughn, Vicki Ward, and the families in Family Promise

July Birthdays

27 Tom Rogers
30 Marj Hallenbeck, Elliott Moore
31 Callie Knickerbocker

August Birthdays

1 Jonathan Harden

July Wedding Anniversaries

28 Mary Beth and Charlie Joe
Rainero

August Wedding Anniversaries

1 Rick and Cathy Armstrong

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 am. 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 Senior Warden, 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

Please be aware of the potential damage caused to our beautiful kneelers when used as foot rests. 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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The Rev. Craig R. Wylie, D. Min.
Assisting Priest

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

Catechesis resumes in Sept.
9:15 a.m. Adult Study

WEDNESDAY SERVICE

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

CHOIR

Wednesday
Choir (resumes in Sept.)

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
Debbie Tidwell

2015-2017
Barbara Sue Kurre, *Secretary*
Jeremy McLaughlin,
Jr. Warden
Greg Oakley
Barbara Walling

Bob Bruce, *Treasurer*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 16, 6:00 p.m...... Supper Club (The Harty's, Host)
Sunday, August 30..... Rally Day
Friday, September 18–Sunday, September 20 Bristol Rhythm and Roots
Reunion Weekend
Sunday, October 18 after 10:30 a.m. service..... Sandwiches and Sundaes
Sunday, November 1.....All Saints “Feast on the Feast” Brunch
Sunday, November 8, 9:45 a.m. Annual Meeting
Sunday, December 20, 9:45 a.m......Christmas Pageant Brunch
Sunday, December 20 during 10:30 a.m. service.....Christmas Pageant

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.