

EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The PEW **Parish Events Weekly**

September 25–October 2, 2015

This Sunday at Emmanuel—September 27, 2015

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m.—*LEM*: John Harty

10:30 a.m.—*Lector*: Greg Oakley *Intercessor*: Fred Knickerbocker

Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Hairston and Fred Knickerbocker

Ushers: Lisa and Doug Mitchell

From the Rector

Does it matter? Does it matter that we are about to have a new Presiding Bishop? Does it matter that the Archbishop of Canterbury has announced a new organizational structure for the Anglican Communion? Does it matter that Anglicans are the third largest body of Christians in the world after Roman Catholic and Orthodox?

Bishop Michael Curry of the Diocese of North Carolina will be installed as the Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul in Washington (The National Cathedral) on the Feast of All Saints, November 1st.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev'd Justin Welby, has proposed dissolving the Worldwide Anglican Communion and having instead an organization of Churches, including the Episcopal Church, that are linked to Canterbury but not to each other.

Bishop Curry will be a dynamic presence on what we could call the world Christian stage. He is gregarious and animated. Archbishop Welby studied law and was an executive in the oil industry before entering theology school and being ordained. His academic focus has been in ethics. He and his wife know great personal grief. Their daughter was killed in a car crash. Both bring much to their ministries in challenging and changing times.

Our Lord prayed that we would all be one as he and the Father are One. Yet divisions have continued, especially since the European reformations of the sixteenth century and American denominationalism. We find ourselves now caught up in what feels like a tug-of-war between those who want to preserve the unity of the one holy, catholic, and apostolic Church (including those who are spiritual descendants of English Christians formed by the Authorized Version of the Bible and the Book of Common Prayer) and those who value individual rights more than cohesion. People much smarter than I have tried to sort this out!

I think it does matter. Our witness is blurred by dissension and God's mission of reconciliation does not depend on sectarian winners and losers. So let us pray from Bishop Curry and Archbishop Welby. Then let us at Emmanuel model a way forward in which people of God listen to each other and faithfully seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

I know that matters.

See you Sunday if not before.

Upcoming Events

Soup Kitchen

October 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 only needs workers from **October 1-16** and recommends there be two volunteers per day. Work lasts less than 90 minutes starting at 8:30 a.m. weekdays. A sign-up sheet is available on the red information station in the Parish Hall, or you may call the Parish Office to sign up. October 1 is **THIS** Thursday and we still need volunteers. Please consider giving of your time to help the less fortunate in our community.

Social Club

Social Club has been moved to first Tuesday of the month, making our next gathering, **Tuesday, October 6**. If you would like to assist coordinating Social Club please come to a planning meet after church service this **Sunday, September 27**. If you cannot be at church and wish to help, you can e-mail the Deacon (pwm2q@uvawise.edu) with any suggestions and how you wish to participate.

We are also in need of prizes for bingo. If you have items you would

like to donate, you can drop them by the parish office. Again thank you to everyone who has helped with Social Club. We look forward to October 6.

St Francis Day

On Saturday, **October 3 at 11:00 a.m.** there will be a blessing of the animals at the Knickerbocker Farm, 11201 Oak Grove Rd. Bristol, VA. Later that day at **7:00 p.m.** in the **Sanctuary** there will be a St. Francis Concert with all donations benefiting the Holly Help Fund. Musical selections vary from classical to pop and feature an array of local musicians. We hope to see you, and your pets, for our St. Francis Day celebration!

Family Promise Host Week

Emmanuel will host Family Promise from **Sunday, October 4–Sunday October 11**. We are in need of meals and overnight hosts (8:30 p.m.–7:00 a.m.). A sign-up sheet is available in the Parish Hall. For more information please call the Parish Office 276-669-9488.

Thursday Morning Lectionary Study

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

Thursday Eucharist and Young Adult Formation

Everyone is welcome to join us on **Thursday evenings at 6:00 p.m.** for Holy Eucharist in the Bledsoe Chapel.

Young Adult Formation will meet in the Parish Hall after Eucharist.

Supper Club

Join hosts Elliott and Carl Moore for Supper Club on **Sunday, October 18 at 6:00 p.m.** at their home 485 Gentry Lane, Bristol, TN. Please call Elliott and Carl to arrange your dish. 423-968-2791.

Sunday Afternoon Service

Join us at Brookdale Assisted Living (formerly Grand Court) for Holy Eucharist **Sunday September 27 at two o'clock.**

Miscellaneous Notices

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).

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.

Prayer Requests

Jim Barber, Ruby Barber, Sue Brickey, Barbara Bunn, Teresa Burkholder, Winifred Campbell, Ivy Daniels, Helyn Dougherty, Alva, Emma, Ann Gillenwater, Annette, Anina Haqq, Sharon Hatcher, James Heath, Tom Hurt, Tonia Johnson, James Johnson, Michael Johnston, Elder Jones, Bill Keith, Chris Mallin, Gayle Mallin, Jill Mendiljian, Claire Miller, Preston Mitchell, Dan Morgan, Rachael Morgan, Debbie Ring, Joyce Rodgers, Robert Rodgers, Denise Rowe, Sharon Slaughter, Anna Stuart, Nikki Guest Thomas, Carla Vaughn, Charlotte Vaughn, Reilly Vaughn, and the families in Family Promise

Prayers for the Deceased

Thomas Basil Harter and Emily Whitney Atkins Hubbard

September Birthdays

27 Jenny Lawson

30 Lou Phetteplace III

October Birthdays

2 Anita Makres

September Wedding Anniversaries

27 Moseley and Cody Snyder

28 Fran and Peter Combs,
Doug and Tracey Harmon,
Susan and Nick McLean

30 Karen and Dean Tillison

October Wedding Anniversaries

2 Lisa and Doug Mitchell

3 Mary and Tommy Curtin

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 check-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.

Loretta Trayer has begun a project for new needlepoint kneelers for the choir. If you would like to assist with the project, please contact Loretta (423-646-5554).

Pastoral Support

If you are in need of pastoral support, please contact the rector directly or by calling the Parish Office.

St. Francis Day

Saturday, October 3

11:00 am

Blessing of the Animals

Knickerbocker Farm

11201 Oak Grove Rd. Bristol, VA



Please join us as we celebrate the beauty of God's earth at a special fundraiser performance for our animal friends

St. Francis Concert



Saturday, October 3 at 7:00 p.m.

All donations raised go toward the **Holly Help Fund**

☞ Musical selections from classical to pop ☛

Jud & Carolyn Barry

Robert Campbelle

Rebecca Catalano

Martha Painter

Ryan Gray

Robert Greene

Jeremy & Ashley McLaughlin

Martin Robinette

Christopher & Stephanie Yoder

Adult Sunday School Schedule

† September 27—Adult Sunday School will begin Dairmaid MacCulloch's *A History of Christianity*. Professor MacCulloch is a British historian with a gift for teaching and writing about history as narrative. We will view the series in thirty minute increments starting in the Parish Library at 9:30 a.m. with time for discussion afterward.

YAF

EMMANUEL

YOUNG ADULT FORMATION

Starting this week, we will offer a mid-week Eucharist each Thursday at six o'clock followed by a time for younger adult formation.

SOCIAL CLUB

Now the first **TUESDAY** monthly at 6:00 p.m.

October 6, November 3, December 1

Join us for an evening of great food, bingo and prizes, and fellowship.



EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

700 Cumberland St., Bristol VA 24201 PO Box 1376, Bristol VA 24203
Phone: 276-669-9488 Fax: 276-669-3817
emmanuelbristol@gmail.com emmanuelbristol.org

The Rt. Rev. Mark A. Bourlakas, D. Min.
Bishop

The Rev. Joe K. Dunagan, D. Min.
Rector

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

7:00 p.m.
Wednesday

BIBLE STUDY

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

THURSDAY EUCHARIST

6:00 p.m. Bledsoe Chapel
YAF

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

Saturday, October 3, 11:00 a.m. St. Francis Day Pet Blessing
(Knickerbocker Farm)
Saturday, October 3, 7:00 p.m. St. Francis Day Concert (Sanctuary)
Sunday, October 4–Sunday October, 11 Family Promise Host Week
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
Wednesday, November 25–Friday, November 27 Parish Office Closed
for Thanksgiving
Saturday, December 12 Decorating of the Chrismon Tree
Sunday, December 20, 9:45 a.m. Christmas Pageant Brunch
Sunday, December 20 during the 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.