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Epiphany Reflections

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The first winter I spent as a hospital chaplain was full of “firsts” for me – it was my first time to care for strangers as they received bad news, and my first time to witness the strange mystery of a human being taking her last breath. It was my first time to play with young children who had been rushed with their mother to labor with a surprisingly early baby brother. Many of these firsts were dramatic; many were scary, and I often felt sad. I had an Advent and Christmas season like none other before. How different to sit with the sick in an emergency room rather than around a tree and fire with my children and spouse. How strange to trade the sound of children singing carols for the *beep, beep, beep* of a monitor keeping the rhythm of a young man’s heart.

When January of that first year rolled around, perhaps it’s no surprise I had the urge to celebrate. Among colleagues one morning when we all returned from Christmas, I volunteered what to me was the most logical idea of all—to bring the Epiphany Cake. “The *what?*” they all asked. “You know, the King Cake,” I said, blushing. And to my great embarrassment, none of them knew what it was. So I told the story of my family’s yearly Epiphany tradition, one that my sister and I have carried on into our own families. And I did bake it and bring it to my colleagues, who were Catholic, Evangelical Presbyterian, Baptist, and Episcopalian. And we crowned a King with a silly ceremony, and videotaped our hilarity. My quirky little Anglophilic family tradition then became a source of joy for us weary chaplains. Plus, they continued to be thoroughly amused that I thought *everyone* had a King Cake every year.

It was one of those opportunities—and there have been many—to realize not everyone has the same normal that I do. A sacred tradition for one of us can be a strange and alienating ritual to another. As Episcopalians, we have some quirky rituals in common. We eat bread and wine and call it “body” and “blood.” We “wash” our baptismal initiates to seal them as one of us and one with God. Some of us may take these traditions for granted, the same way I thought everyone had a cake with an acorn in it on January 6th. But most of us find these eating and washing rituals to be salvific, grounding us as children of God and beloved of one another.

But each of us also has our own quirky traditions that mark the time. Our own families, in more obvious or subtle ways, passed down to us ways of beginning and ending the seasons, the school year, the day. One way to draw these out for ourselves can be to say, “It isn’t Spring until _____.” One of the most life-giving things I think we can do as individuals and families is to find traditions for ourselves that bring comfort in times of stress and strangeness. If we don’t like what was passed down to us, we can make new ones.

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One family I know took a walk together two Thanksgivings in a row and thereby dubbed it, “the Annual Family Thanksgiving Walk.” One friend of mine lights a fire every New Year, and lets the past year’s trouble “burn away” as notes written on little pieces of paper.

For me, the Epiphany cake brought some delightful familiarity in a time of strangeness and vulnerability, and luckily my friends let it spread to them. What brings you that feeling? As the Light of Christ spreads into the world this season, I invite you to resurrect a tradition that has lit up your life. Whatever has brought warmth and comfort to you may in fact be just the thing to cheer someone else, and connect you to one another in the cold and dreary drag of the months to come.

Christ the Son be manifest to you, that your lives may be a light to the world, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, *Amen*.

Sarah



STEWARDSHIP

The Permanent Stewardship Committee was formed this year with the idea that its task would be to increase the parish’s awareness of how our financial and spiritual lives interact. One of the ideas the Committee developed was to have regular articles in *The Angelus* that reflect the many, many ways in which our dollars go to work here at Emmanuel—to show, in essence, the many ways in which God’s work gets done. This month’s article focuses on the Altar Guild.

The Altar Guild members prepare the altar and church for every Sunday, weekday and special service, including Christmas Eve, Christmas, Holy Week and Easter. Altar Guild members are a constant, joyful presence in the church, and they make it possible for everyone to enter into our beautifully and carefully prepared sacred space to celebrate. Altar Guild members are dedicated, hard working parishioners who take pride in the care and preparation of the church for worship, and have a wonderful time doing it.

There are about 35 people who serve with the Altar Guild. Each month 5 or 6 members from the committee take responsibility for that month’s services – liturgies, weddings, funerals, etc. Each member serves twice a year on a monthly committee, which includes Saturday preparatory work, assisting at a service on Sunday and help with any special services. Their normal weekly work includes silver polishing, wine and candle purchasing, linen laundry, banner displays, altar, credence tables, narthex and vestment preparation, marking the readings, as well as work after each service. For special services such as Christmas, they are responsible for decorating the inside and outside of the church and Memorial Garden with poinsettias, wreaths and bows. At Easter, the church is filled with white lilies.

In their own words, they have described their work as a wonderful way to meet and get to know others; a way of putting into action their love of God, worship and the community; and a holy, concrete way to be a laborer in the work of the Lord. While the work is “behind the scenes,” it is also work that is visible during liturgical celebrations with the community. The work can provide spiritual growth, add to a person’s knowledge and understanding of liturgy and traditions, and foster lasting friendships.

TAIZE SERVICE NEW YEAR’S EVE AT CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

What better way to head into 2013 than to attend New Year Eve’s service in the style of Taize at Christ Church Cathedral. This quiet, contemplative service of prayer, scripture, silence and chant invites us to enter the depths of our inner self where we may be still and know that God is God.

Join us on Monday, December 31 from 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. and enrich your spiritual journey through this quiet and reflective worship experience.

Free off-street, lighted parking lot is on the south side of the cathedral and is patrolled by security. We will conclude with a toast to the New Year! All are welcome!

REJOICE!**THE CHRIST CHILD IS BORN.**

What a better way to close out our Christmas season than with your church family. We had four weeks of Advent leading to Christmas.

Then we celebrated Christmas night when Jesus came to be born in the lowly stable to be made man. Angels sang and shepherds gazed into the sky and came to see what the great ruckus was all about. The news was so great that even kings came to see what the celebration was about. So we can travel with the great kings to come and see and adore him at an Epiphany dinner. It is much easier to do now than it was back then. All you have to do is sign up and let us know who all is coming to enjoy that evening. All we ask is that you bring your monetary donations with you and place them at the cradle of Jesus or in the baskets on your table.

What will the money be used for? It is to help feed the homeless in the city of St. Louis with City Streets and AmeriCorps. We have been doing this for the past three years. It takes about \$500 on each of the two weekends a month that Emmanuel does this. So come as you are. Enjoy a dinner and program as we close the Christmas season on Sunday, January 6, at 6:00 p.m. right here in Emmanuel's dining room.

Even if you can't make the dinner you can always write a check to Emmanuel. Put City Streets in the memo line and place in the Sunday offering basket.

What can you do for mankind? Remember that Jesus gave his all for us, and do what you can.

**HOME FROM LUI**

The adjustment to life back in the states was eased a little by our stop in Kampala. At the guest house we all marveled at the running water and hot showers, flush toilets, and even fans in each room! The food was lovely, and most memorable was the harrowing car rides through the tangled streets, fighting for every inch of pavement with the other cars, motorbikes, and bicycles with not one traffic light or stop sign.

Although a day and a half have passed, I am still waking and walking in a dream. The experience in Lui was so powerful and spiritual that the memories color my every moment. I find tears appearing as I share with my loved ones. The beautiful people of Lui are etched in my mind forever: their faith, love, and humbleness. We are now friends for life, and I feel so blessed to have experienced the trip.

My reflections have to include music. At our nightly Compline service our team sang hymns ranging from "Amazing Grace" to "Bless the Lord" suggested by Maria, becoming our "theme" song. The music of the Lui people amazed me with their beautiful singing (with a unique tone quality) on pitch and in their high register from all ages and the intricate drumming and percussion. The songs we heard were exclusively faith-based, sung while working at tasks, in school, as well as church. My wind recorder was of great interest, and I gave it to Bishop Stephen's wife Lillian before departure. Lillian had an electric keyboard, and I had fun playing it and giving lessons to a very motivated young Lui man until the electricity went out!

I rejoice that I was blessed to meet the loving people of Lui and that God paved our way to achieve His plan for our Missouri Diocese team and Bishop Stephen's goals.

Cynthia Rapp

December 15, 2012

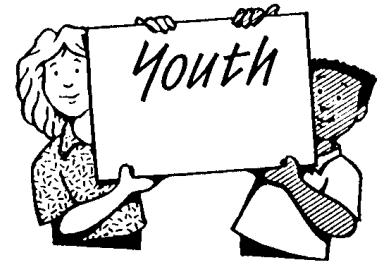
SENIOR HIGH PREPS FOR REUNION, YOUTH SUNDAY

Planning is underway for Youth Sunday to be celebrated on February 3rd at the 9:00 a.m. service. Last February members of the Youth Groups—Senior and Junior—conducted much of the service, including preparing and delivering the sermons, delivering the readings, and acting as chalice bearers.

Youth Minister Kevin Williams said that he expects much the same in 2013. “We have a number of volunteers for the key spots. The youth take this very seriously and they know that we expect very hard work in preparation. They understand the significance of the day and the service.”

Plans are also in place for the annual “alumni reunion,” schedule for December 30th at 3:00 p.m. at the church. This event annually attracts a number of people who were in the groups recently— many of them on Christmas break from college. “This year is particularly significant” said Ian MacBryde, one of the youth leaders. “We hope that some of the veterans of recent Guatemala trips will come back to tell the current members what to expect. We value their experiences.”

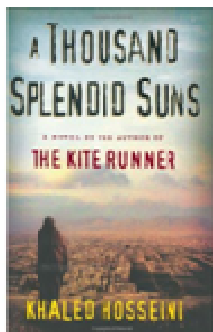
Meanwhile, J2A--Journey to Adulthood—will re-convene Sunday, January 6, to continue to explore faith and service in the contemporary world.



WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

There is no Book Club meeting in December. The regular monthly schedule will resume on Monday night, January 30, 2013, at 7:00 in the Tree House Room to discuss Khaled Hosseini's popular novel *A Thousand Splendid Suns*. Following his award-winning *The Kite Runner*, this second story covers the tumultuous existence of two Afghani women, whose lives crossed each other over the forty years leading up to the fall of the Taliban in 2003.

Time magazine's Lev Grossman placed it at number three in the Top 10 Fiction Books of 2007, praising it as a "dense, rich, pressure-packed guide to enduring the unendurable;" and the *Washington Post's* Jonathan Yardley wrote in *Book World*: "Just in case you're wondering whether Khaled Hosseini's *A Thousand Splendid Suns* is as good as *The Kite Runner*, here's the answer: No. It's better."



There are ten copies of the book available in the Book Club Kit checked out from the Webster Groves Library....it will be due back in 6 weeks, a few days after the January meeting. If you would like a copy, please let Ann McReynolds know at ARMcR@arm-mra.com.

Active Book Club members will soon be selecting four books for our spring discussions, and the list will be published in the next *Angelus*....if you would like to receive the list through email, please let Ann know ASAP. Also, if you have never attended a Book Club meeting before, make it a New Year's Resolution to do so!



DONATIONS STILL NEEDED!!

Save the date - Saturday, February 9, 2013 Auction & Dinner

Tickets for a full course meal & drinks on sale now! Just \$25!

Donate to the auction through January 12.

1) We need help! Donations are low in the category of tickets to events e.g. Rams, dance shows, Fox theatre. Check the Sunday paper, see what shows are coming up and buy a couple of tickets to donate. What is your favorite venue? Can you buy a couple of extra tickets to gift to the cause?

2) Wine bottles – We are now collecting wine. Can you donate a good bottle of wine valued between \$15 and \$25 for use in our “Wine & Dine” auction item? Please deliver bottles to the ticket sales table at church or to Margaret DeYoung’s back door at 532 Baker Avenue.

We are also still accepting items in the other categories: Gift certificates to restaurants, parties, vacation home usage, parishioner created art or craft or services offered.

Please consider your talent and treasure and sharing that with others. For questions, contact Margaret DeYoung 962-8846 or Phyllis Newcomb 961-7859. There are other ways to support the cause including donations, either individual or corporate, and selling and/or buying raffle tickets. See www.emmanueliscopal.org/guatemala for further information! Thank you.

AUCTION SET FOR FEBRUARY 9

“It’s a fun evening that you don’t want to miss!” said Margaret DeYoung, chair of the auction scheduled to raise the funds needed for the Senior High Youth Group mission to Guatemala this next summer. Any number of parishioners who attended a similar event four years ago would probably agree. “The fellowship was terrific, the meal was great, and a lot of us ended up with things that we really wanted,” said Ian MacBryde. “We bought something that turned out to be one of the best vacations we ever had.”

The Auction is set for Saturday, February 9, from 6 - 10:30 p.m. at the Shrewsbury City Center. Tickets are just \$25 which includes a full-course meal and drinks. All proceeds support the mission trip in June.

There are a number of vacation home stays among the items to be offered, including three in various parts of Florida. If your tastes run to the mountains, Colorado is on the list, as are a couple of spots in Missouri and a home in Oregon!

There are also items which involve the talents of Emmanuelites including paintings, photographs, quilts, and special tutoring for the ACT and in specific subjects. Phyllis Newcomb, who is in charge of gathering the gifts to be auctioned, points out that the list is not yet complete. “I think there will be a couple more big surprises,” she said. Parishioners have been very generous and we are so grateful to them for sharing their talents on behalf of the Youth Group.

Tickets for the auction and also raffle tickets (the drawing will be at the auction) are available at most events where Emmanuelites gather. For information talk with Senior High Youth leaders.

VESTRY VITALS

The vestry met on November 19th and December 17th for its regularly scheduled meetings. The financial news from both of these meetings has been positive. The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Missouri has agreed to reduce the interest rate on the Kelton White Loan to 2.8% retroactive to January 1, 2012. We anticipate not having to make additional interest payments on our loan for the building renovation since we have continued to make payments on the loan at the higher interest rate while the Standing Committee was considering Emmanuel's request for an interest rate reduction.

Parish Treasurer, Diana Knapp, reported that the year continued to be strong from an income and expenses perspective. Pledges received through November are ahead of the figure budgeted and expenses are under budget. This is due primarily to the fact that much of money budgeted for an assistant priest in 2012 was not paid out because of the departure of Pamela Dolan in 2011 to be the Rector at Church of the Good Shepherd. Collection of prior year pledges also continues to exceed amounts budgeted.

At the December meeting, Richard Keyes reported that the results to date of the 2013 Every Member Canvas are very encouraging and on target to meet the financial goals set by the Vestry for the coming calendar year. As of December 17th, Emmanuel has received 183 pledges, 38 of which are new, and we are hopeful that additional pledges will be received. If you have not sent in your pledge card, it's not too late to drop it in the collection plate on Sunday or mail it to the office.

The Rector advised of his letter to the Parish announcing the call of The Rev. Sarah Sweeney and The Rev. Martie Metzler, who will serve as our two new Assistant Priests. As most of you probably know, Sarah has already begun her duties at Emmanuel and Martie will arrive on Ash Wednesday. To assist Martie in moving to St. Louis from New Jersey, motions were approved to provide her with moving expenses and a low interest loan to assist her in buying a home here.

Kathy Lorino and Gary Tappana reported on the activities of the AIR Committee. The Newcomers Brunch on November 4th was a success with four new families, each with two children, and two single newcomers attending.

Richard Keyes reported that the Nominating Committee met on November 18th and nominated the following

people to serve on the vestry: Suzie Florent, John Liss, Mark DeYoung and Ann Marie Ruhlin. Mary Kay Horton and Cynthia Rapp have been nominated as delegates; Pam Penrose and Janet Dobbs have been nominated to serve as alternate delegates.

The Annual Meeting, which will be held on January 27, 2013, and the beginning of the new calendar year are almost upon us. There will be two Lenten series offered. The focus of one of these will be same gender blessings. Bishop Smith, following approval from the 2012 General Convention, has asked each parish in the Diocese to enter into discussions to determine if parish clergy will be authorized to perform same gender blessings. Dan urged us to keep in mind that even if Emmanuel decides to offer same gender blessings, this is only a blessing and not a sacrament because the State of Missouri does not recognize same sex marriage. The other Lenten series available will be a Trinity Institute ministry program on the topic of Radical Christian Life – equipping ourselves for social change.

A special thanks was expressed by Jodie Allen and all of the members of the Vestry for the ministry of Ann Marie Ruhlin and her tireless efforts in leading the Cherub and Junior Choirs.

Both meetings were concluded with prayers for those in need followed by the recitation of the Lord's Prayer.

Lee Nelsen

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

December 30

Team Captain - Jackson Hotaling
1st Crucifer - Tom Florent
Acolytes - Thomas Hotaling, Jameson Howard, Kendra Howard, Rachel Fisher, Emma Sabbath

January 6 Feast of the Epiphany

Team Captain - Creighton DeYoung
1st Crucifer - Jackson Hotaling
Acolytes - Charles DeYoung, Isabella Crang, Julianna Crang, Thomas Hotaling, Lily Partridge

January 13 - The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Team Captain - Tom Florent
1st Crucifer - Julian Appleyard
Acolytes - Isabelle Appleyard, Maia Langdon, Clio Langdon, Clayton Moss, Ella Moss



BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES

December 28
Sarah-Jane Bullock
Margaret DeYoung

December 29
Mary Dolores Baca
John Collins
Sara Vitsky

December 31
Macey Fischer
Sally Haywood
Matthew Woolbright

January 1
Janet Csolak

January 2
Thomas Davis

January 3
Abraham Ryan

January 4
Anna Killion
Adam Lange

January 5
Fran Martin
Tracy Moore
Hilary Perkins
Rhonda Schaper

January 6
Charlie
Brueggemann
Josie Bureggemann
Robert Royer

January 9
Jonah Moore

January 10
Cate Williamson
Teddy Williamson

January 12
Elliot Belloli
Jerry Ernsky
Robbie Love
Chuck McClary
Frank McGuigan

January 13
Chris Howard
Ellie Howard
Kerry Thacker

January 14
Diana Beckman
Michael Martines

January 15
Maryjane Hotaling
Michael Jente
Andrew Keyes
Ken Killion
Will Ludwig

January 16
Ethan Allman
Kim Simon

January 17
Ann Marie Ruhlin



December 28
Jim & Rene Howard
Ed & Delena Moredock
Karl & Bunny Reif

December 29
Ed & Betsy Lindner

January 1
Dick & Chris Clark
Jim & Joan McGivney
Eric & Karen Young

January 2
Matthew & Stephanie Varnon-Hughes

January 3
Warren & Candy Druschky

January 4
Bob & Katherine Ziegler

January 7
Steven & Melissa Crang

January 13
Dan & Elizabeth Appleyard
Nathan & Jenn Thornton

January 15
Adam & Katie Kopff

January 16
Jim & Joyce Devlin

WINTER FELLOWSHIP DINNERS

Winter Fellowship Dinners will begin on Wednesday, January 9 at 5:30 p.m. in the dining room. The Fall Fellowship dinners were a great success and so the tradition continues each Wednesday until Lent.

Dinners are \$3 per person with a family maximum of \$10. The food and company are terrific and the cost is amazing. Please join fellow parishioners on Wednesday evening when you can.

POINSETTIA DELIVERY

Poinsettia delivery to those who are home bound or have had a significant event over this past year this year will be done anytime after the 10:00 service on **Sunday December 30, 2012**. If you are able to help in delivering these lovely flowers it would be appreciated. If you can't make it on Sunday, the church will be open for poinsettia pickup on Monday December 31, 2012 from 10:00 to NOON and then January 2 and beyond during regular church hours. These flowers mean a tremendous amount to those who receive them, so please come to the dining room, pick up a card with an address and a poinsettia or two, sign the sheet and take the flower out to someone who will love to receive it.

2013 CHURCH ENVELOPES

If you indicated on your pledge card that you would like envelopes for 2013, they are now available in the back of the dining room.

If you would like a set and do not see one with your name on it, please call the office. We will be glad to provide a set for you.

BAPTISMAL DATES FOR 2013

Below are the scheduled dates for Baptism and Baptismal Preparation Session. At least one parent must attend a preparation session before their child may be baptized at Emmanuel. You need not have set a baptismal date to come to one of these sessions. If you are pregnant or still deciding about baptizing your child here, please come. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about baptism. Call Susie in the church office at 961-2393 to make a reservation.

Upcoming Baptism Dates

January 13 – 9:00 a.m.

January 20 – 10:30 a.m.



Upcoming Baptismal Instruction Class

January 29, 2013

SCHNUCKS SCRIP PROGRAM

For the first 11 months of 2012 Emmanuel has averaged \$100 per month from the Schnucks Scrips Program.

Parishioners shop at Schnucks and a percentage comes to Emmanuel. It is probably the easiest form of fundraising for the church.

If you are not already using a Schnucks Scrip card and you shop at Schnucks, you are invited and encouraged to sign up. There is no easier way to add a few dollars to the church coffers each month.

WE ARE GRATEFUL ...

For gifts given to City Streets in honor of the **John Sandman Family**.

For gifts given to the Food Center in memory of **Mickey Forry**, and in thanksgiving for the **MOE Brown Bag lunch makers, Susie Feldmann and Mary Kay Horton**.

For gifts given to the Senior High Mission Trip to Guatemala in honor of **Eric Dunn**.



MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY

The Emmanuel community is invited to join in the annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Celebration. This celebration is for the five communities that comprise the Webster Groves School District.

It will be held on Sunday, January 20, 2013 at

**Steger Sixth Grade Center
701 North Rock Hill Road**

**The march will begin
at 4:30 p.m.
from Webster Groves City
Hall
(Lockwood and Elm)
to Douglass Manor
(546 North Elm)
and will conclude at Steger
at 5:00 p.m.**



**We will gather for a reception dinner to be followed
by a service of celebration.**

MAMMOGRAPHY VAN

St Luke's will bring a mobile mammography van to Emmanuel on Wednesday, Feb 6 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. If you need a mammogram plan to take advantage of this opportunity.

A routine screening mammogram should only take a half hour of your time, and the results will be reported to your doctor. You may need to check with your insurance company to verify coverage for your screening, and to find out if you need an order from your primary care doctor.



NURSES FOR NEWBORNS

In a note from Nurses for Newborns they say that "they want to share with all of the generous folks at Emmanuel how much they appreciate their wonderful donations of baby things. Our families need so much and their kindness will go a long way toward meeting those needs. Thank you for thinking of the little ones who cannot help themselves."

CLERGY & STAFF

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 Susie Feldmann, *Staff Assistant (ext 209)*
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 Keith Ennis, *Part-time Sexton*
 Kelly Lakies, *Part-time Sexton*
 Glenn Dunn, *Information Technology (ext 240)*
 Angela MacBryde, *Preschool Director (ext 123)*

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 Peg Cooper, *Caring Ministries*
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Environmental Stewardship
 David Pluhar & John Liss, *Facilities Management*
 Diana Beckman, Tricia Copeland
 & Angie MacBryde, *FaithQuest*
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ABOUT THE PARISH FAMILY

The sympathy of the parish is extended to **Kerry Thacker** and her family on the December 9 death of her stepmother, Dorothy Hallahan and also to **Ceil Renaud, Kyle, Elliot, Haley, and Ian Rhodes** on the December 15 death of Ceil's father. *May light perpetual shine upon them.*

On December 9 we celebrated with **Nick and Sarah Kraftor** as their son, **Julian** was baptized. *Welcome to Christ's flock!*

MOE FLEECE SALES!

MOE is selling golf shirts, hats and fleece jackets and vests in the dining room on Sundays. They make wonderful gifts for those you love or for YOU! Find their table in the corner and let them "fleece" you!

MEN OF EMMANUEL RETREAT

The annual retreat will be held on Friday night, February 1 and on Saturday, February 2. Friday night will include a social and on Saturday The Reverend Robert Ard will present "The Spirituality of Service: Understanding the Connection Between Prayer and Action." He will help us examine how Anglican Spirituality calls us into the world to be of service for those in need while also calling us into the heart of God through prayer. The cost is \$60 per person, which includes lodging, breakfast and lunch.



Mark Your Calendar!

Todd Hall needs a count for the retreat by mid-January. Make your plans to attend and let MOE know. There will be a table in the dining room for sign ups.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Please plan to attend annual parish meeting that will be held on Sunday, January 27th following the combined 9:00 service. A light breakfast will be served.

Reports that are part of the Annual Report need to be submitted to Kathy Wright by Tuesday, January 15, 2013.

(New parish directories will also be available at the meeting. Please make any changes you want to your directory listing by **Tuesday, January 15.**)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PARISH ARE REQUESTED FOR:

PLEASE keep the office updated on the progress of those you have placed on this list so our list remains timely.

ARMED FORCES

Parishioners: Ethan Allman, Aaron Faust,

Nathaniel Baker, Adam Erickson

Brian Maginn, Christie Maginn's son

David Benning, Dorothy Saunders' nephew

Jason Martens, Jen Dunn's brother

Stephen Carson, Nan Rimbach's nephew

Ron Asher, Sara Loyet's nephew

David Nierenberg, son of Ann McReynolds' friends

IN HOSPITAL/MED TESTS or TREATMENT

Parishioners: Angela Gallegos, Fran Sherrill, Rudy Walz, Ben Jones

Linda Murer, Nancy McClary's cousin

Maisie Jane and her family, niece of Emily Spragens

Neal Westermeyer, friend of Audrey Claxton

Waynetta Rodgers, Charlie Walch's friend

Donna Maginn, friend of Dee Margos

Linda Park, Laura McCord's cousin

Sally McMillan, MJ Kuhn's cousin

Angeleen Gamache, Angie Breeher's mother

Fran Gebhart, Gary & Doris Ferguson's daughter

Fritz Luckner, Anne Crown's father

Jodie Johnson, Lissa Johnson's mother

Lisa Leonard, Emmanuel Lion's wife

Lisa Sherrill, Fran Sherrill's daughter

Mark A. Baxley, Ruth's son

Steve Thomas, Lynne Shields' cousin

Bud Benning, Dorothy Saunders brother-in-law

LONG TERM MEDICAL NEEDS

Parishioners: Caroline Birdsall, Sandra Nelson, Roberta Gehbauer, Fran Martin, Nan Rimbach, Jean Little, Laura Ullman, Barbara & Don Rose, Grace Koerner

Rissa Woodley, Ann McReynolds' aunt

Margaret Clark, Dick's aunt

Edna Tappana, Gary's mother

Kathleen Finnegan Schuler, Janet Fulford's friend

Ben Schneider, MacBryde's grandson

Ann Neukomm, Mart Mitchell's aunt

Coline Martines, Michael's mother

Annie Mae Fielder, Roberta's mother

Gabrielle Nelson, Sandra Nelson's granddaughter

Wylma Teczar, Steve's mother

Teddy Jayne, young man in Webster

RECUPERATING

Parishioners: Betty Walker, Martha LaFata, Glenda Mansker, Jerry Cooper, Gary Ferguson,

Lisa Teczar, Phyllis Newcomb

Ann Neukomm, Mart Mitchell's aunt

David Benson, former Emmanuel priest

Dick & Joanne Vinyard, Jennie Werremeyer's friend

Helen Ruger, Prah's granddaughter

Laura Williams, Betsy's mother

Steve Wilson, Lynne Shields' friend

Sammie Curtis, Laura McCord's aunt

SERIOUS ILLNESS

Alvin Stouffe, Bill Florent's brother-in-law

Andrew Allen, Gloria Kimmel's great-nephew

Ann Geisert, Margaret DeYoung's friend

Barbara Hulett, Maryellen Bell's friend

Bill Brown, Janet Brown's father

Bobbye Krehbiel, Ann McReynolds' friend

Carole Smith, friend of Nancy McClary

Cathy Ammons, Allison Williams' friend

Charlie Nahlik, Maryellen Bell's friend

Dan Scherer, friend of Kuhns

David Drichta, Audrey Claxton's former son-in-law

Dickie Priest, Betsy Mackey's friend

Douglas Darlington, Hazel's son

Ed Aaron, friend of Donna Erickson

Ed Heigl, friend of Ann McReynolds

Heather McFadden, Margaret DeYoung's friend

Jan Burgard, friend of Tom & Karen James

Janet Killian, Tracy Crews' mother

Janet Klumpp, Rod & Pat Wiltse's friend

Jocelyn Welk, Catherine & Kevin McGrane's niece

John Kohler, Sue & Lou Clauss' friend

John Musgrave, Diocesan Priest

Karen Becker, Laura McCord's friend

Katie Murphy, friend of Jodie Kuhn

Leigh Tyler, Mark McReynolds' friend

Linda Ott, Sandy Baker's friend

Marty Schmitt, Margaret Rowe's friend

Mike Karandief, Chris Knox's family friend

Paula Coulton, Don & Stella Spalts' friend

Stephanie Duensing, Lissa Johnson's sister

Tammy Stutz & family, Tracy Crews' friend

SPECIAL NEEDS

Parishioners: Sarah Ernsky, Mary Ellen McCarthy, Jean Weingaertner, Warren Druschky

Andy Wiltse, Rod & Pat Wiltse's son

Doug Moody, Mary Jane Kuhn's Godson

Jeffrey, Sue Smith's grandson

JoAnne Hansen, Eleanor Fletcher's sister-in-law

Kathleen McGrane, Kevin McGrane's daughter

Peggy Thacker McCaslin, Kerry Thacker's daughter

Pixie & family, Allison Williams' friends

Sue Kohler, Sue & Lou Clauss' friend

Carter Hawkins, Kathi Dunn's great-nephew

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

For a complete listing of events, please consult our online calendar at www.emmanuelepiscopal.org

Morning Prayer

Tuesday, January 8 & 15 at 9:00 a.m.

Bible Study

Tuesday, January 8 & 15 at 9:30 a.m.

Eucharist at Noon

Wednesday, January 2, 9 & 16

Men's Bible Study at Stratton's Restaurant

Thursday, January 3, 10 & 17 at 7:00 a.m.

Poinsettia Deliver

Sunday, December 30 after 10 am service

Monday, December 31 from 10 a.m. to noon

Wednesday - Friday, January 2, 3 & 4

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thursday, January 3 & 17 at 7:00 p.m.

Winter Fellowship Dinner

Wednesday, January 9 & 16 at 5:30 p.m.

Choir Practice in Rehkopf Hall

Wednesday, January 9 & 16

Cherub Choir at 6:00 p.m.

Junior Choir at 6:30 p.m.

Emmanuel Choir at 7:30 p.m.

AIR Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 3 at 6:00 p.m.

Senior High Leader Meeting

Thursday, January 3 at 7:00 p.m.

Guatemala Auction Chair Meeting

Sunday, January 6 at 11:15 a.m.

Junior High Pizza & Laser Tag

Sunday, January 6 at 1:00 p.m.

City Streets Epiphany Dinner

Sunday, January 6 at 6:00 p.m.

City Streets Clothing Drive

January 7 through January 27

Executive Committee Meeting

Monday, January 7 at 5:45 p.m.

Junior High Leader Meeting

Monday, January 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Contemplative Prayer

Tuesday, January 8 at 5:30 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 9 at 6:30 p.m.

Food Center Shopping at Aldi's

Wednesday, January 9 at 5:45 p.m.



Noon Day Brown Bag

Thursday, January 10

Men's Breakfast at Stratton's Restaurant

Friday, January 11 at 7:00 a.m.

Senior High SASH

Sunday, January 13 at 1:00 p.m.

Newcomers' Brunch

Sunday, January 13 at 10:15 a.m.

City Streets Cooking

Sunday, January 13 at 11:30 a.m.

Environmental Stewardship Meeting

Sunday, January 13 at 11:30 a.m.

Vestry Meeting

Monday, January 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Caring Ministry Meeting

Monday, January 14 at 7:30 p.m.

Emmanuel at Laclede

Wednesday, January 16 at 2:00 p.m.

MOE Social

Friday, January 18 at 5:00 p.m.

MOE Operation Brown Bag

Thursday, January 24 at 5:00 p.m.

Baptismal Instruction Class

Tuesday, January 29 at 6:00 p.m.

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The next newsletter deadline is January 8 for the issue to be published on January 15, 2013. All articles and information should be submitted to Kathy Wright (parishadmin@emmanuelepiscopal.org) in the parish office (by email, if possible). Thank You.

Sunday Worship Schedule and Propers

Child care is available in the nursery (near the Big Bend entrance) from 8:45 a.m. until after the 10:30 a.m. service.

Regular Schedule: 8:00, 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

December 30 Schedule: 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Propers for December 30

The First Sunday after Christmas

Isaiah 61:10-62:3
Galatians 3:23-25;4:4-7
John 1:1-18
Psalm 147 or 147:13-21

Propers for January 13

The First Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 43:1-7
Psalm 29
Acts 8:14-17
Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Propers for January 6

The Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ

Isaiah 60:1-6
Ephesians 3:1-12
Matthew 2:1-12
Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

Propers for January 20

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 62:1-5
Psalm 36:5-10
1 Corinthians 12:1-11
John 2:1-11