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Epiphany Reflections

Dear friends,

In the first three weeks of January, we celebrate the Season of Epiphany in a particular way. For the first three Sundays of the season, three events mark the season: the visit of the Magi, the baptism of Jesus by John in the Jordon and the first miracle by Jesus at a wedding in Cana of Galilee. These stories from Scripture all contain themes of ministry - themes of God's grace and love being made manifest in our world.

In two weeks, we will also be focusing on ministry in a particular way. We will be holding our Annual Meeting (Jan. 27) and deciding on the "ways and means" by which our parish will move into the future to minister in the world. Thus, Emmanuel will be drawn into the "epiphany" itself. For in the midst of our elections, our support of the Vestry's vision and budget, we will be deciding how God will be "made manifest" (the Greek translation of the word - Epiphany) in us as ministers of the Gospel and in the larger community where we are engaged in Mission. And each of Epiphany's stories can challenge us as we gather that day as a parish family.

In the first Epiphany story, the three Magi come to Bethlehem and the child to proclaim God's presence in the world. As they follow the star, they chose to bypass Jerusalem which represents the center of the life of the people of Israel, where most expected something important to happen. Instead, they go nine miles further to Bethlehem to this "least" and "little" town. They chose to follow a sign to an unexpected place. Which begs the question: How will we choose where we are going as a parish? Will it be to the expected or the unexpected place?

In the second story, John the Baptizer baptizes Jesus, as a sign of God's reconciling love for the people. Instead of remaining the "leader" of a new movement of the people of God, the Baptist becomes "less" in order to serve Jesus and his new message of God's love. He chooses to diminish his own desires and goals in order to support the rise of Jesus and his ministry. John invites us to likewise ask: How will each of us at Emmanuel choose that path of "becoming less" - of diminishing the need to fulfill our own desires – so that we might become servants of Jesus, so that God's compassion and love for the world might flourish in a new way?

And, finally, at the miracle at Cana, Jesus ensures the success of a joyous wedding reception by providing the necessary wine for his host's party. When he is told that the wine is "tapped out", he looks to the abundance of God and shows those gathered new stone jars of wine. Jesus points to a way of life that suggests that we can trust in God. He reveals that all that we can dream of and (continued on page 2)

hope for -"abundance" - is available to us, if we can but search it out. Jesus challenges us and asks each of us: How can we be awakened to the workings of God in our midst? How can we, as "stewards of the feast," awaken the encounter to the abundance that God offers to all of humanity and that permeates all of creation?

In the midst of our annual meeting, I hope we can all keep sight of how we are called to make "God manifest" in our community. I hope that the stories of Epiphany can even shape who we are and who we are becoming! For they point to a call for us to see new and wonderful things in unexpected places at Emmanuel. They can reveal that as our personal desires ebb, like John's, the waters of Christ's healing and reconciliation can flow. And, these stories can remind us that if we are faithful stewards, we can help to awaken the world to seeing the abundance that God offers to everyone, with the joy and even laughter that one finds at the greatest of feasts.

I look forward to coming together with you at our annual meeting on January 27th, and to our sharing the ministry of making God manifest to the world in the year to come.

Peace,

COME - CELEBRATE KATHY WRIGHT'S MINISTRY AMONG US!

Dear Friends,

On January 27th, during our Annual Meeting, we will celebrate Kathy Wright's ministry as Parish Administrator at Emmanuel. This will be her last day with us, and it will be a wonderful time to express our gratitude to Kathy before she moves to Loretto, KY and begins her new ministry as Treasurer of the Sisters of Loretto.

For two and a half years she has served the people of our parish with wit and energy. She and Dan reconfigured the job description and expanded its reach in overseeing the smooth running of the parish which now includes hospitality, office/secretarial, facilities oversight and administrative components.

I invite you to show your appreciation of Kathy's ministry among us by making a donation to a purse which will express our thanks for her presence among us. Kathy decided on an appropriate charity as the recipient of our generosity – Fonkoze, a microfinance organization in Haiti. During the Annual Meeting, we will take time to offer our appreciation to her.

Peace,



JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH NEWS! JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2013 Sunday, 1/20/13 Rite 13 10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. (Faith) Operation Brown Bag 11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. (Service)

<u>Sunday, 1/27/13</u> Youth Sunday Preparation (10:15 a.m.) (Faith & Service)

<u>Sunday, 2/3/13</u> Youth Sunday at 9:00 Service Rite 13 10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. (Faith) Vol. 47, No. 9– January 15, 2013

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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. (SEE BULLETIN INSERT)

FEBRUARY ABSALOM JONES EVENT

Christ Church Cathedral

Saturday, Feb. 9, 2013 9:00 a.m. Noon

This year's annual event honoring the ministry of Absalom Jones and Richard Allen in the Diocese of Missouri planned by the Dismantling Racism Commission is a deeper exploration of the new toolkit for parishes, the program *Seeking our Past, Creating our Future*.

The workshop will feature **Debbie Nelson-Linck** on the power of stories, and will connect with the images from her exhibit which will be on display in the cathedral. The assembled will participate in storytelling activities and sharing, and come away with a better understanding of the importance of our stories, how to tell them, how they can change our present and future, and the connection between personal stories and general experience with racism.

EMMANUEL PLAY READERS

Emmanuel Play Readers are gearing up for their next production. Mark your calendars for Friday, January 25th. Doors open at 6:30; show starts at 7:00 p.m. Come join us and find out what happens when some of the world's greatest writers get together. The Raven Society is holding its annual meeting (not to be confused with Emmanuel's annual meeting) to select the winner of The Best Mystery Book of the Year award. The meeting is held in a secluded location under great secrecy and as they deliberate, their meeting is disrupted by murder. Don't miss this exciting, suspenseful and sometimes comical insight on the human side of great writers as you watch "*Murder by the Book*".

THE CASE OF THE MISSING TABLECLOTHS

The Guatemala Dinner & Auction is planning to use the white tablecloths from Emmanuel. We are missing 15 of our 30 white round tablecloths. If you were kind enough to take one or more home after an event to launder them, would you please get them back to the church as soon as possible. We'd be grateful and it will help keep costs down if we don't have to rent them.

Thank you.



LET FREEDOM RING JANUARY 21 AT CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

In honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, Christ Church Cathedral is hosting the fourth annual "Let Freedom Ring," a daylong reading of Kings writing and speeches on Monday, January 21, 2013.

The Nave of the Cathedral will be open from 9 am through 5 pm for the reading, which will be accompanied by pictures of the civil rights leader. The public is invited both to come and listen and also to read. There is no admission charge. Leaders sign up for half-hour reading shifts (you can sign up online), but anyone in attendance is invited to be part of the reading as well by coming to the lectern and indicating they wish to take over for a time. Whenever they wish to stop, someone will be ready to take their place.

This is the fourth year the cathedral is offering this observance. This year, John Burroughs School is incorporating the event into its annual MLK Day of Service. Students will listen and read, then gather to reflect upon their hands-on service and the words of Dr. King.

DEACONESS ANNE HOUSE

Building and Strengthening Community # Forming Compassionate Leaders Treating the Needs of Others as Holy # Working for Social Justice and Positive Change

Friends of Deaconess Anne House,

Thank you for all your prayers and support for the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri's Deaconess Anne House in Old North St. Louis. 2013 promises to be an exciting and crucial year for DAH as we invite our first round of interns for a year of service and spiritual formation. We are a member of the Episcopal Service Corps dedicated to providing passionate, skilled, and hard working individuals to serve as interns. Interns accepted into our program live in intentional community together, attend classes structured to broaden awareness of social issues, work for 32 hours a week for local not-for-profit organizations, and undergo a program of spiritual formation and leadership development. Through our curriculum, members develop a spiritual base that brings forth a life of compassion and service. They learn the skills that equip them to bring life-giving changes to individuals, communities, churches, and businesses.

I hope you will take a few moments to get caught up on the news from DAH. If you haven't been to our site yet, visit <u>www.deaconessannehouse.org</u>. Here you will find all sorts of information on the ministry in Old North and how you can get involved. Please pay particular attention to our new online store.

Again, thank you for being a part of this ministry.

In Christ,

Jon Stratton, Program Director





ATTEND THE AUCTION AND DINNER!!

Saturday, February 9, 2013

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

"We have come a long way, but we still have a lot of work to do," said Clark Hotaling, cochair of the effort to raise \$55,000 to send the Senior High Youth Group to Guatemala this summer. We have sold a lot of raffle tickets, and we think the auction is going to be a huge success.

"The Guatemala experience is different from the other mission trips which this parish supports so well. It is more expensive, but the experience can be life-changing, both for those who go and for those we help in Guatemala. But we don't measure success with a balance sheet. We look at the changes in people. That's why we do it," he said.

The committee, which Hotaling leads along with Margaret DeYoung, has set a goal of 500 raffle tickets to be sold at \$100 each. The prizes are \$10,000 and two each for \$2,500, and Hotaling has said that winners will not be allowed to contribute the winnings back to the group. "They should be real winnings, he said.

The raffle drawing will be at the auction Feb. 9. Among the items which will be sold at the event are time in vacation homes in Florida, Oregon, Colorado, and Missouri, a number of items of art and items which the youth are contributing, such as baby-sitting services, yard work, and tutoring. Auction tickets are \$25 which provides a full-course meal with drinks and Emmanuel fellowship.

RAFFLE TICKETS

It all started with a \$100 donation from a man the Emmanuel Senior High Youth Group met during the mission trip to Michigan one summer a few years ago. Lissa Johnson, at the time a leader of the Senior High Youth Group, was working with a group of the senior high youth on building a Habitat house in Bay City, and the youth were talking about the possibility of doing an international mission trip. It was not a totally new idea, but it seemed to catch fire in Michigan.

As Lissa tells the story, as the group was leaving at the end of the week, a man from Habitat with whom the Emmanuel group had been working gave Lissa an envelope to be opened later. When it was opened the envelope contained a check for \$100 and a note which read "here's the first \$100 toward your international mission trip."

"That man made us believers," says Lissa. According to Lissa, the reaction of the youth was "We have to do this! We have to honor his belief in us."

And so a dream began the long journey to reality. "It wasn't just a wouldn't it be great if'. We started thinking seriously about *how* to make it happen," said Lissa. On a non-related trip to Guatemala just a few months later, Lissa discovered the "how" through the God's Child Project (so aptly named!) and the work which that group was doing there. It was not a coincidence. It was truly God's project.

With the youth and the leaders on the same page, the group turned to the people of Emmanuel for support. "We wanted to go forward," said Lissa, "and the parish stood right behind us. They had questions, of course, but we found the answers, and they rallied with an amazing effort to help us get there, and not just once!"

The first trip to Guatemala by the Emmanuel Senior High Youth Group took place in 2005. A second group went in 2009, and in 2011, a small group, who had already made one trip, went again to work with God's Child.

There is underway a drive to raise funds for another trip this summer. Part of the drive includes the sale of raffle tickets which cost \$100. "At first," said Lissa, "I thought they had chosen the amount because of that first wonderful contribution. It's amazing what \$100 can do. Thanks be to God."

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VESTRY CANDIDATES SELECTED

Mark DeYoung

Mark and his wife Margaret have been members of Emmanuel since 1990. Both of their children were baptized at Emmanuel – Creighton (now 18) and Charlie (now 15). Mark works as an engineer for Stone Technologies, Inc.



Mark was previously an Emmanuel vestry member from 2001 – 2003, and served as Junior Warden in 2003.

He is currently serving on the Facilities Management committee (since 1995) and was Chairman from 2006 – 2010. Mark has served on multiple Emmanuel subcommittees including the Building Use Committee, Interim Planning Committee, Facility Visioning Committee, and the Behold committee.

Mark and Margaret were All-Parish Conference cochairs in 1995. Mark served on the Emmanuel Nursery School Board from 1998 - 2002.

His favorite "committees" are the Emmanuel softball teams – he has played 20 years on the Griffins co-ed team and 15 years on the Mavericks men's team.

Suzie Florent

Hi, I'm Suzie Florent. I was born and raised in Wood River, Illinois and brought up in a UCC church there. I graduated from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale with a degree in Speech



Communications. I worked in advertising for a few years, both at an agency and in-house at Ralston Purina, before opting to stay home as a full-time mom.

My husband, Bill, and I have three children: Casey, 24, Meg, 21 and Tom, 16. All were baptized at Grace Episcopal Church in Kirkwood where we belonged for about 14 years. At Grace I taught Sunday school and served on their preschool board.

We joined Emmanuel about nine years ago and since then I have been active on the Altar Guild and spent the last four years as co-chair. I have volunteered a lot of time at my kids' schools, organizing and running book fairs for both their elementary and middle schools.

For the last several years I have been a co-manager for Kirkwood High School's Pioneer Pride Store and would be happy to supply you with red and white spirit-wear of the 2012 Missouri State Football Champions. Now that my children don't need me at home I should probably find a job, but I find that I'm too busy walking my dog, working on my tennis game and reading lot of books.

John Liss

John Liss was born and raised in Warson Woods and attended Kirkwood schools. After high school, he completed his apprenticeship with the Carpenters' Union and has worked in our community as a commercial carpenter in and around the St. Louis area for 28 years.



He and his wife Lisa have been married for 17 years and moved to Webster Groves in 1998. They have two wonderful children, Gabriel, who is 13, and is enjoying his time in the Junior High Youth Group and Adeline, who is 11, and loves all things Emmanuel. This year, she especially loved the Junior Choir.

John and his family began attending Emmanuel in 2004 and have felt at home since day one. John has attended many Emmanuel retreats and events and always looks forward to helping in any way he can. He has served on the Executive Board of the Men of Emmanuel and is Co-Chair of the Facilities Management Committee. He looks forward to the opportunity to serve Emmanuel as a member of the Vestry and his family looks forward to years of service at Emmanuel Episcopal Church.

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Ann Marie Ruhlin

Ann Marie Ruhlin has been a member of Emmanuel since 1982. She and her late husband, Andy, were married here in 1983 and their two children, Dan and Jessica, were baptized here. Ann Marie was the director of the Junior and Youth Choirs from 1986 through



2000, and resumed directing the Junior and Cherub Choirs in 2010. She has directed all 12 of the Emmanuel summer musicals, from "Oliver" in 1995 through "Carousel" in 2007 and looks forward to directing more in the future. She's part of both the Emmanuel Play Readers and Adult Forum leadership teams, sings tenor in the Emmanuel Choir, and has participated in every Mardi Gras but one.

Ann Marie is the Administrative Coordinator to the Board of Trustees of Washington University and is a voice-over actress for AT&T. She previously served on the vestry from the beginning of the "Behold" building campaign through the call of Dan Appleyard and is honored to be asked to serve again. In her free time, she enjoys reading, piano, puzzles and cooking.

DELEGATE CANDIDATES

Mary Kay Horton

Mary Kay has been a member of Emmanuel for 34 years. She is Fellowship / Credentialing Coordinator in the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Washington University School of Medicine.



Over the years Mary Kay has been involved as an Altar Guild member and Director, a member of the Visitor's Program, Convention Delegate, Metro III President, Vestry member, Search Committee member, Lay Chalice Bearer, Extended Altar Rail minister and has spent countless hours cooking in the kitchen.

At the Diocesan level, Mary Kay has served on Cathedral Chapter and Nigerian Task Force. Currently, she serves as Clerk for the Vestry. Mary Kay has participated in other activities outside the Parish cooking for Food Outreach, weatherizing homes for Grace Hill and helping with City and County Detention Centers birthday parties.

Cynthia Yost Rapp

Cynthia Jost Rapp was born as a 5th generation member of Emmanuel Episcopal. She was active in church activities as a young girl even singing in the adult choir in high school. Cynthia married Carl at Emmanuel and



lived out-of-state for many years participating in local Episcopalian churches, teaching Sunday school, singing in choirs, directing children choirs, playing in bell choirs, and attending to their family. The Rapps have a son, Bill, and a daughter, Heather, and two granddaughters, Lacey and Calli. Cynthia and her family returned to the area to live and transferred their membership from Grace to Emmanuel eleven years ago.

Cynthia pursued a career in music, earning her Masters in Music Education from Webster University. Cynthia taught music in public and private schools as well as private lessons, and she has accompanied many choirs and soloists in the area. Cynthia enjoyed directing Emmanuel's Cherub and Youth Choirs for years and accompanying when needed. Cynthia has sung in and accompanied the Webster University Choir, and currently sings in the Emmanuel Choir. Cynthia served on the Music Committee and Search Committee. Cynthia and Carl recently returned from a Mission Trip with the Diocese of Missouri to South Sudan.

ALTERNATE DELEGATE CANDIDATES

Janet Dobbs

Janet Dobbs and her family came to Emmanuel in 1994 from Saint Michael and St. George. Janet and her daughters, Jessica, Sara and Rebecca, soon became members of *The Emmanuel Players*,



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each of them performing in numerous musicals over the years.

Janet, retired from public school education, as both a teacher and a school counselor, now works part time in her private counseling practice. When she is not working she is spending time with her granddaughters, Ella and Willa.

In addition to performing in plays at Emmanuel, Janet is also a Chalice Bearer, lay reader and Eucharistic Minister. In the past she has been a Children's Liturgist, flower deliverer and choir member, both at the 9 o'clock service and the 10:30 service. She also served as a Delegate and was secretary of Metro III for several years. She has a special place in her heart for feeding the hungry and is now participating in City Streets by cooking and baking.

Janet says that she honored to be chosen to represent Emmanuel at Metro III meetings and that she will serve with honor and humility.

PAM PENROSE

Pam Penrose has been a member of Emmanuel since 1988. During these 24 years, five of her six children (Meagan, Nathan, Molly, Sean and Danny) were baptized here and her oldest daughter, Mandi, served as an acolyte and was active in the youth program.



Pam is a retired teacher, after serving 31 years in the Northwest R-1 School District as both a special education and world history instructor at the middle school level. She presently provides daycare for her youngest grandson, Stephen.

Throughout her time at Emmanuel she has served as a church school teacher, Vacation Bible School instructor/director, an usher, Altar Guild member, Food Center shopper, City Streets and Fall Fellowship Dinner cook, All Parish Conference co-chair, and altar flower deliverer.

Much of this volunteerism has been alongside her husband, Dale.

LEADING THEOLOGICALLY: CHURCH LEADERSHIP FOR OUR TIME

One-day Workshop on Saturday, February 16, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Emmanuel Episcopal Church

Registration due by Friday, Feb 8 (week before). Lutheran School of Theology, Episcopal School for Ministry and the Giddings-Lovejoy Presbytery will cosponsor a conference "Living Theologically: Leadership for our times." This conference will serve as the Annual Leadership Conference for the Diocese of Missouri. The conference is designed to help Vestries, Bishop's Committees, Sessions and Councils to think theologically about the business of the Church.

The morning sessions will focus on two "test cases" most congregations deal with—the stewardship drive and youth ministry. Three panelists, one from each denomination, will discuss the case studies from the perspective of the theological resources of each tradition, and how those resources might be brought to bear in the life of a congregation. The conference will also provide opportunity for sharing of ideas and resources among participants.

After lunch, each denomination will have its own break-out session. For Episcopalians, Episcopal School for Ministry and Bishop Smith will lead a conversation about structuring the life of the diocese and of congregations around the five marks of mission being used by The Episcopal Church to name its priorities. We will also have an opportunity to discuss the upcoming restructuring of the national church around those priorities and how congregations might do the same. Panelists are: the Rev. Dr. Daniel Anderson-Little, most recently pastor of Trinity Presbyterian Church in University City for 14 years; the Rev. Dr. Daniel Handschy, rector of Advent Episcopal Church in Crestwood and Dean of the Episcopal School for Ministry; and the Rev. Karen Scherer, pastor of Unity Lutheran Church in Bel-Nor.

Tuition is \$15 (includes lunch) and Registration is through the Lutheran School of Theology: LST 6325 Clayton Rd. St. Louis, MO 63117 Or register online: <u>lststl.org</u> (pay online using Paypal)

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January 17 Ann Marie Ruhlin	January 23 Barb Buck	January 29 John Hogg	Pat & Cindy Murray	
January 18 Owen Pluhar Lachlan Wilson	January 24 Paul Begemann Jonathan Knapp Olivia Knock	Courtney McAllister Liz Wagnon	January 28 John & LaVerna Meyer	
January 19 Judy McKittrick Garrett Verstraete	Ian MacBryde January 25	January 30 Harris Gerhard Sophia Willhoft	2013 CHURCH ENVELOPES	
January 20 Frank Cirimele Chris Gregston Alexandra Gunn	Brody Oliver Lucy Oliver Julia Patt January 26 Florence Freeman Collin Gunn Rosemary Vorih	Tim Williamson Noah Wiltse January 31 Andrew Duke	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.	
Nickolas Moore January 21 Sarah Skinner		Gloria Krimmel Sarah Nelsen	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	
Isabella Smerek Maureen Walsh	January 27 Mary Kay Horton Melissa Micka		you.	
January 22 Anna Martin	Lisanne Schraer		ACOLYTE SCHEDULE	

SPEAKING OF BIRTHDAYS...

For Lauren Knapp' s 7th birthday party she asked that her friends bring cans of food for Emmanuel's food pantry instead of presents. Seventy-four cans/non perishable food items were collected.

WINTER FELLOWSHIP DINNERS

Winter Fellowship Dinners will held on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the dining room. Dinners are \$3 per person with a family maximum of \$10. Please join fellow parishioners on Wednesday evening when you can.

GODLY PLAY

This Spring we have several openings for people who would like to try

their hand at Godly Play. Some of our teachers have /or will have new additions and we'd love some help to cover our classrooms.

Please contact Angie MacBryde, Diana Beckman, or Tricia Copeland if you are interested. Godir Play <u>January 20</u>

Team Captain - Sabrina Walch 1st **Crucifer** - Matt Walch **Acolytes** - Claire Hooker, Chloe Hooker, Rachel Fisher, Anne Buck, Sawyer Buck

January 27

Team Captain - Elizabeth Wagnon 1st **Crucifer** - Elizabeth Remming **Acolytes** - Jameson Howard, Kendra Howard, Hannah Meyers, Elijah Meyers, Emma Sabath

February 3

Team Captain - Margaret Brennan 1st Crucifer - Thomas Florent Acolytes - Charles DeYoung, Isabella Crang, Julianna Crang, Jack Love, Lily Partridge



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 20 at 10:30 a.m., February 3 at 10:30 a.m., and March 30 at the Easter Vigil

Upcoming Baptismal Instruction Class January 29 and March 5, 2013

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Did you know that earlier this month Congress passed legislation extending the IRA charitable rollover? The law includes many ways for you to use your IRA to make gifts to charity this year.

There are three primary ways you can use your IRA to support your Episcopal faith community in 2013

• **Continuation**: The new law continues the IRA rollover for 2012 and 2013. If you are 70 1/2 or older, you can make a gift to Emmanuel from your IRA in 2013.

• **Catch-Up**: The new law has a provision that allows you to make catch-up gifts for 2012 from your IRA to Emmanuel if made during **January 2013**.

• **Conversion**: The new law also allows you to convert a taxable 2012 required minimum distribution (RMD) from your IRA to a non-taxable distribution if you transfer those funds to a charity in **January 2013**.

The deadline to take advantage of some of these opportunities in January 31, 2013.

If you would like to learn more, please contact Jim Murphy at Episcopal Church Foundation (800-697-2858). You can also visit the ECF planned giving website. Please seek your own legal, tax, and financial advice before you finalize any planned gift.

Episcopal Church Foundation is pleased to help you make planned gifts to support the future ministries of Emmanuel Episcopal Church.

THANK YOU!

As we head into this new year, much thanks and praise to all of those who contributed to the success of the 2013 Fall Pledge Campaign. Thanks to the 47 of you who so kindly offered to open your homes to host a cottage meeting for your wonderful hospitality, to the 27 individuals that served so splendidly facilitating the cottage meetings, to those who wrote marvelous articles of enlightenment and encouragement for the Angelus and the pledge packets, and to the office staff for steadfast administrative support.

And best of all, thanks to all of you that did pledge for helping us to attain our stated goal this year. The entire congregation, the community, and the world will benefit from your generosity. Thank you all for answering God's call.

Faithfully, Jen Dunn and Bob Shillito 2013 Every Member Canvass Chairs

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.





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ABOUT THE PARISH FAMILY

The sympathy of the parish is extended to **Pam, Ethan, and Elliot Belloli** on the December 27 sudden death in Florida of Pam's brother **James Alexander (Lex) Ellis**. We also extend our sympathy to **Tracy, Joel, Laura Belle, Charley and Wylie Crews** on the January 7 death in St. Louis of Tracy's mother, **Janet Killian**. *May light perpetual shine upon them*.

Congratulations to **Jim and Mary Ann Lemonds** on the December 25 birth in Spain of second grandchild, **Violeta Minaya**. Proud parents **Emily and Miguel** are thrilled with their very special Christmas gift this year! Congratulations are also extended to **Hondo, Angela, and Teo Gallegos** on the January 2 birth of **Austin Joseph**.

Congratulations to Margaret "Peg" Cooper who has been appointed to the National United Thank Offering Board for Province V, and also to **Dale Collier** who will be inducted into the Kirkwood Athletic High School Hall of Fame on April 13. Dale served as football coach (1980-1993) and athletic director (1980-1995) for KHS. Congratulations to Ann Begemann for receiving a Webster Groves Award of Excellence as the architect and designer for a residence addition in Webster Park. The awards identify projects that exemplify excellent design and acknowledge the owners, designers and builders for their achievements and contribution to the community in the areas of architecture, historic preservation, landscape architecture and craftsmanship. We're proud of all of vou!



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.

Child care for children ages 0-12 will be offered during the Annual Meeting so that adults can fully participate in the meeting while knowing that their children are well taken care of and having fun! Angie MacBryde, Diana Beckman and Tara Crews will be available immediately following the 9 a.m. service.

New parish directories will also be available at the meeting.

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: Austin Joseph Gallegos, Fran Sherrill, Joan Amerman

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 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 Jim Miller, Maryjane Hotaling's father

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: Val Walch, Glenda Mansker, Jerry

Cooper, Gary Ferguson, Lisa Teczar, Sarah Herstand Myers

David Benson, former Emmanuel priest Dick & Joanne Vinyard, Jennie Werremeyer's friend Laura Williams, Betsy's mother Steve Wilson, Lynne Shields' friend Sammie Curtis, Laura McCord's aunt Dan, friend of Mary Jane Kuhn

SERIOUS ILLNESS

Cathy Ammons, Allison Williams's friend Bobbye Krehbiel, Ann McReynolds' friend David Drichta, Audrey Claxton's former son-in-law Denny Douglass, Beth Dodd's cousin Dickie Priest, Betsy Macksy's friend Alvin Stouffe, Bill Florent's brother-in-law Mike Karandief, Chris Knox's family friend John Musgrave, Diocesan priest Paula Coulton, Don & Stella Spalts's friend Ed Heigl, friend of Ann McReynolds Ed Aaron, friend of Donna Erickson Katie Murphy, friend of Jodie Kuhn Dan Scherer, friend of Kuhns Carole Smith, friend of Nancy McClary Jan Burgard, friend of Tom & Karen James Bill Brown, Janet Brown's father Georgeann Hanson, Kathy Wright's friend Stephanie Duensing, Lissa Johnson's sister Ann Geisert, Margaret DeYoung's friend Heather McFadden, Margaret DeYoung's friend Marty Schmitt, Margaret DeYoung's friend Leigh Tyler, Mark McReynolds' friend Barbara Hulett, Maryellen Bell's friend Charlie Nahlik, Maryellen Bell's friend Jocelyn Welk, McGrane's niece Janet Klumpp, Rod & Pat Wiltse's friend Linda Ott, Sandy Baker's friend John Kohler, Sue & Lou Clauss' friend Tammy Stutz & family, Tracy Crews's 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 Iffat Peter, Sister of Loretto, Kathy Wright's friend 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 Vol. 47, No. 9– January 15, 2013

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Morning Prayer Tuesday, January 15, 22 & 29 at 9:00 a.m.

Bible Study Tuesday, January 15, 22 & 29 at 9:30 a.m.

Eucharist at Noon Wednesday, January 16, 23 & 30

Men's Bible Study at Stratton's Restaurant Thursday, January 17, 24 & 31 at 7:00 a.m.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Thursday, January 17 & 31 at 7:00 p.m.

Winter Fellowship Dinner Wednesday, January 16, 23 & 30 at 5:30 p.m.

Choir Practice in Rehkopf Hall Wednesday, January 16, 23 & 30 Cherub Choir at 6:00 p.m. Junior Choir at 6:30 p.m. Emmanuel Choir at 7:30 p.m.

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

City Streets Clothing Drive January 7 through January 27

Senior High Youth Group Worship & Youth Sunday Prep Sunday, January 20 at 9:00 a.m.

EMMANUEL OFFICES CLOSED MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY MONDAY, JANUARY 21

MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY CELEBRATION IN WEBSTER GROVES

Sunday, January 20 at 4:30 p.m.

Contemplative Prayer Tuesday, January 22 at 5:30 p.m.

MOE Operation Brown Bag Thursday, January 24 at 5:00 p.m Men's Breakfast at Stratton's Restaurant Friday, January 25 at 7:00 a.m

Play Readers in the Dining Room Friday, January 25 at 5:00 p.m.

Facilities Management Committee Meeting Saturday, January 26 at 8:30 a.m.

Dinner Group Saturday, January 26

Women's Book Club Monday, January 28 at 7:00 p.m.

Baptismal Instruction Class Tuesday, January 29 at 6:00 p.m.

City Streets Cooking Monday, January 31 at 6:30 p.m.

MOE Retreat Friday, February 1

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<u>Women's Book Club</u> will resume on Monday, January 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the Tree House Room to discuss Khaled Hosseini's novel *A Thousand Splendid Suns.*

EMMANUEL PARISH

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, January 27

at 10:15 a.m.

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City Streets Clothing Drive for the Homeless

Continues through the end of January. New and used coats, hats, gloves or scarves in good condition will be collected for distribution to the homeless. Large sizes in men's clothing is especially helpful.

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The next newsletter deadline is <u>January 22</u> for the issue to be published on <u>January 29, 2013</u> 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.**

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

Propers for February 3 The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany Jeremiah 1: 4-10 Psalm 71: 1-6 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13 Luke 4: 21-30 Propers for January 27 The Third Sunday after the Epiphany Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Luke 4:14-21

Propers for February 10 The Last Sunday after the Epiphany Exodus 34: 29-35 Psalm 99 2 Corinthians 3: 12-4:13 Luke 9: 28-36