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Dear Friends,

Over this past Thanksgiving, I was thinking about a holiday scene you may be familiar with. I experienced it again this Thanksgiving, as I will again at Christmas. I have sat in various positions in the picture. Now, I am beginning to experience it in a new way. It says something about our lives and our family gatherings. I believe it also, reveals something about Thanksgivings and Advents!

Before the Thanksgiving meal begins, there is always a tally of the present and the absent. On this day nearly every family considers for a moment the way it has expanded and dispersed, in directions no one could have predicted. They also remember when it was still a knot of children around a table. The very idea that they could have grown up and struck out into the world on their own seems exotic. Some children or siblings have cast themselves to the wind and are living half a globe away. Others live around the corner. Some have died. Wholeness and emptiness come to the table.

The phone rings — the call is from one of the missing. The phone is handed from person to person, or perhaps everyone takes a turn in the one room of the house where you can hear yourself think. Some hang back, because there has always been a little coolness with the person on the other end of the line; others would talk all afternoon if the turkey weren't coming to the table so soon. The last person to talk does a quick check to make sure everyone has had a chance to say hello and then hangs up, feeling almost guilty, as if what was merely absence had somehow turned into exile. The holiday is not complete until all the calls have come in, until everyone who could not be there knows just how the day is being kept.

And for the person on the other end? The day is being kept there, too, and perhaps in a way as sustaining, as filling, as it is at home. A group of holiday orphans — unable to get away for Thanksgiving — will band together and make a meal that is far more sophisticated than the one

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their parents are serving, or perhaps not nearly as good. Some will try to recreate exactly what they ate for Thanksgiving year after year while they were growing up. For some, a glass of cranberry juice and a turkey club sandwich while watching the Detroit Lions is all the homage they can stand to pay, food wise. But sooner or later, no matter how you celebrate Thanksgiving, the time comes to make the call.

You speak a few words here, a few words there, and hear the repeated phrase “I’m passing you on” to whoever comes next. Each time the phone is handed along, there is a pause, and in that pause you can hear just faintly the background clatter of chairs and dishes, the sound of someone saying “Who’s on the phone?” before another voice speaks directly into your ear. In some voices there is distraction and in others an almost unbearable welcome. When the last voice has spoken, you try to hang up before the line

goes dead on the other end, before you can sense how far away from home you really are.

Thanksgiving is past. Advent is here. And, although, this may seem odd to share this image in these early days of Advent, I think not! In fact, as we enter into the season of Advent, we enter into a season filled with deep longing. Longing for what might be: deep loving relationship; a place at the table; the reconciliation of broken bonds! Advent is the time in the Church’s calendar that expresses humanity’s longing for a home that will be filled with that “unbearable welcome,” and life that is restored to wholeness. Advent anticipates our place at the feasting table that will endure, not for a day, or the length of a phone call, but for much, much longer. A blessed Advent to you!

Peace,



Daniel

‘Thank You!’

In the spirit of this year’s “rich in love” stewardship activity, we write a note of thanks to all those who participated – over 100 people signed up to write notes to more than 300 families! This was a new activity for Emmanuel and we are grateful for the guidance from our Rector and the members of the Stewardship Committee, and the support of the parish administrative team. We hope it was a good experience for the parish family in building some new connections and deepening relationships.

As we have now transitioned to the ingathering process, we also thank those who have contributed to the 2014 Fall Pledge Campaign. The response so far has been tremendous, and we are still anticipating several more pledge cards to come in before the end of the year. We have much love and abundant gifts to share in serving as the “hands and feet of Christ.” The entire congregation, the community, and the world will benefit from your generosity. Thank you all for answering God’s call.

Faithfully,
Lissa Johnson and Mark DeYoung
2014 Every Member Canvass Chairs



2013 Christmas Service Times

Christmas Eve

Tuesday, December 24

3:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

11:00 p.m.

Christmas Day

Wednesday, December 25

10:00 a.m.

Emmanuel’s Vestry has approved the Rosebud Mission as the recipient of our **2013 Christmas offering**; funds which will be used to support GLORY (God Loves Our Rosebud Youth) and the Clergy Emergency fund. (See page 6)

THE 174th CONVENTION of the EPISCOPAL DIOCESE of MISSOURI



The convention was swept in on a blast of cold weather at the DoubleTree Hotel in Chesterfield on November 22-23, 2013. This was my first convention as a delegate, and I thoroughly enjoyed the two days of

activities while making new friends, being reunited with my S. Sudan team members, and even doing some Christmas shopping at the wonderful vendor booths. Attending the convention from Emmanuel were **Daniel Appleyard, Warren Crews, Martie Metzler, Rod Wiltse, Rudy Walz, Margaret Rowe, Katherine Ziegler, Janet Dobbs, Pam Penrose, Jerry Birdsong, Timothy Chiboti, and I.**

The convention was opened Friday morning with a beautiful Eucharist presided by **The Right Reverend**

George Wayne Smith. The business of the convention was spread over the two days and concerned various appointments, introductions, recognitions, reports, presentations, and resolutions. Interspersed with business, there were plenty of opportunities to meet new people in table discussions, and "Sabbath" activities encouraged reflection, rest, and prayer. Elections were held with our Emmanuel members assuming the responsibility of several positions: Rudy Walz, Cathedral Chapter Member; Margaret Rowe, Diocesan Council Member; and Daniel Appleyard, General Convention First Alternate. Of special interest was the passing of the Resolution, the Merger of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Warsons Woods and Grace Episcopal Church in Kirkwood. A productive and enjoyable time was had by all.

Faithfully submitted by Cynthia Rapp

Jr. High News

On December 1 – the first Sunday of Advent – after it was confirmed that all the children knew what Advent was and certainly were aware of the story of Jesus' birth, we discussed "just why do we love Jesus so much?" Didn't he do a lot of good things? Wasn't he always helping others? Weren't some of those things important even if they seemed small? They were then given 24 squares of colored paper on which they were to write a deed they could do for others, such as bring the trash cans up from the curb; play with my little sister (brother); call Grandma; clean my room without being told, etc. They then placed the papers in small containers which they had decorated – some lavishly, some just kinda covered – and were instructed to take one of the papers out each day of Advent and perform the act of kindness written on it.

This Advent activity came to our attention through an article written several years ago by **Elizabeth**

Appleyard for Stewardship Magazine. Elizabeth wrote, "These projects are helping us all to think about how much we already enjoy in our lives, how many gifts we have and the gifts we sometimes forget that we have. Advent projects enable us to go beyond just living in the fevered expectation of what we want receive on Christmas Day."

In the evening of that same day, many of the Junior High youth showed up to help with the set up, serving and cleanup of the Advent Soup Supper.

Next Sunday, after Rite 13, they will meet to shop for the families they have adopted for the Webster Rock Hill Ministries Christmas program. After shopping and wrapping the gifts they have bought, they will relax at the Junior High Christmas Party – plenty of food and a lot's of fun and a small-gift exchange.

Great job kids.

VESTRY VIBES by Karl Reif

“Where it began ... I can’t begin to knowing ... but then I know its going strong” sounds like the beginning of a Neil Diamond song, doesn’t it? But actually it is a good start to the story of my journey to Emmanuel. You might say that I came in the back door.

Some of you ole timers may recall some former members of Emmanuel, Don Calvin and Mike Leonard. The three of us were responsible for starting a softball team in the then Webster Groves Church Softball Association League. Hence, the creation of the Emmanuel Lions men’s softball team (circa 1974). Don Calvin was already a member of Emmanuel (that got us in the league) and as a result of his affiliation with the softball team, Mike Leonard joined Emmanuel soon after. I, however, was playing for the team long before I actually knew the location of the church, let alone the spelling of Episcopalian. After being on the team for a few decades, I found myself going through the front door of Emmanuel and attending an actual church service (circa 1990). Having previously been to a pig roast, I had discovered the church’s location. The point is, were it not for the strong fellowship of the softball team I would never have come to Emmanuel (softball has been very good to me). So I think it is proper to say I actually arrived at the back door.

Other Lion softball players have had similar experiences; for example, Tyler Smith and his wife, Angie, have become members of Emmanuel and their son, Jackson, was baptized here. (By the way, we are grooming Jackson to play short stop and bat 4th in the lineup.)

As a founding member of the “back door” brigade, I am asking each of you to invite friends, family members or neighbors to attend the many “back door” opportunities Emmanuel has to offer. Who knows, after experiencing our fellowship and what we have to offer, perhaps they will then come through the front door. Just like our communion table, all doors of Emmanuel are always open - see you at the back door and the front door.

By the way in case you are wondering, the Neil Diamond song is called “Sweet Caroline.”

P.S. In a few short months my time as a vestry member will conclude as my three year commitment to serve in this capacity will be over. I would like to thank all those on the nominating committee who put forth my name for consideration to be elected as a vestry member.

Also I would like to thank all the members of the vestry for their cooperation and support during my term. Special thanks to the Senior Wardens, Jerry Cooper and Mimi Shipp and Junior Wardens, Richard Keyes and Martha Lafata who held those positions during my tenure. Being a member of the vestry is both a honor and a duty. I strongly urge all parishioners to become involved in the nominating process and also the vestry. For more information on how to do this, just ask any vestry member. Thank you for allowing me to serve you as a vestry member.

Change in the Office

With mixed feelings, we want to announce that **Susie Feldmann**, our long-time staff assistant has decided to retire following the Annual Meeting on January 26. She has graciously agreed to continue one day a week in the office until a full-time replacement can be found.

Susie has worked in the Emmanuel office since 1997, but has been an active volunteer since 1985.

We are happy for Susie; she will have a lot more time to spend with her grandkids. But we will very much miss her skills and knowledge, kindness, generous spirit and contagious laugh.

Food Center News

A very big thank you from the Food Center to the many parishioners, guests and our friends from Christ Lutheran Church who worshiped with us on Thanksgiving.

We received **465 cans or boxes** of food at the altar. We also received a number of checks which will help many people who live in the Webster Groves and Rock Hill area.

The kids at The College School donated over **7000 cans** during their Wagon Train donation event. Amazing!

Sometimes our clients share a story of how they came to need food from us but all of them are grateful and say thank you.



Fellowship Dinners Return!

After a break for the Holidays, the Wednesday Fellowship Dinners will start again on **January 15, 2014**.

We begin serving at 5:30 pm and continue until 7 pm. This is a casual, fun evening to share a meal with your extended family – our Emmanuel Family!

EVERYONE is welcome!

We would love to feature a guest chef, or a special family recipe. Let Mary Jane Kuhn know if you are interested in helping. We also could use help with clean-up. Being in on clean-up often leads to taking home leftovers!

We will have a sign up poster in the dining room.

See you in January.

Christmas Play News!

This year's play should probably be called an **Advent Play**, because we won't be visiting Bethlehem. The Play, "Miracle" has a Native American theme and the stable we'll visit is in the Great Plains. The three Emmanuel Choirs will provide the foundation of the music in the play, but all are welcome to participate.

The play will be performed during the **10 am service on Dec. 15**. There will be a full rehearsal on **Saturday, Dec. 14, from 10 am – Noon**. Please see the rehearsal times below:

- Adults (Grade 7 and older) – If you read or learn music quickly, you may attend only the Saturday morning rehearsal. You are also welcome to attend the Emmanuel Choir rehearsals on Wednesdays, December 4 and 11, 7:30-9:00 pm; the music for the play will be rehearsed at the end.
- Grade School aged children (2nd grade – 6th grade) – Join the Junior Choir rehearsals on Wednesdays, December 4 and 11, 6:30 – 7:15 pm, and attend the Saturday morning rehearsal.
- "Cherub", (age 4 – 1st grade) – Join the Cherub Choir rehearsals on Wednesdays, December 4 and 11, 6:00-6:25 pm and attend the Saturday morning rehearsal **from 11:15 am – Noon only**.

Junior Choir and Cherub Choir aged children who can't attend on Wednesdays are welcome to be in the play, but are not likely to learn enough of the music on Saturday morning to fully participate. They are welcome to be there on Sunday morning, stand with the chorus and participate as they are able.

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the dining room or please contact **Ann Marie Ruhlin** at amruhl@sbcglobal.net.



2013 Christmas Offering - Rosebud Mission

Glory...

Those of you who were able to join us this past weekend for either the 8 or 9am service, or for Adult Forum, know it's a new Youth initiative on the Rosebud reservation, led by priest in charge, **Reverend Lauren Stanley**.

During her visit, Lauren spoke passionately about endemic poverty on the reservation; poverty which is spiritual and emotional as well as financial. She spoke of the despair which manifests as substance abuse, depression, unemployment, domestic violence and suicide.

But amidst those realities, she also spoke of her call to the reservation as being a call to hope; a ministry of presence in which she tells, and retells, the Good News that the Lakota are not alone, they are beloved children in the 'tribe' of God, just as we are at Emmanuel.

In this new program, by giving Rosebud youth a safe haven within the church in which to be fed, to be nurtured, to explore, play and to learn, Lauren believes there will be a 'trickle up' effect with those messages of hope extending to older youths, parents and the adult caregivers of the

children (frequently the grandmothers).

Emmanuel has a long and proud tradition of service on the Rosebud, starting with the first Senior High Mission Trip in 1995. Following their lead, our Adult Missioners have been going since 2000.

While the number of participants and the nature of the work we do may vary from year to year, the constants have been our commitment to the very ministries of presence and servant hood which Lauren embodies and from which she operates on a daily basis. As we work, play, eat and worship with our Lakota brothers and sisters, we also actively work to bring about a community in which ALL are loved and ALL are valued.

The Missions Committee is grateful to our Clergy and Vestry for expanding Emmanuel's support to the Episcopal clergy on Rosebud at this time.

We hope you will be generous as you consider your offerings during Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services.

Until then, you can also support GLORY by purchasing Alternative Giving Cards, offered before and after Adult Forum on Sundays (with the program as the designated recipient).

Wopila – which is Lakota for "Thanks from the heart."

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ALTERNATIVE GIVING CARDS

The Mission Committee has prepared a new special card for **Alternative Giving** for Christmas. For a donation (\$5.00 minimum) you will receive a card which can be sent to a friend or family member indicating your donation. You designate the organization that will receive the contribution selected from the following ministries:

Donations can be made to:

City Streets

Emmanuel Cares

Emmanuel's Food Center

Episcopal City Mission

Episcopal Relief and Development Fund

God's Child Project

Habitat for Humanity

St. Louis

Rosebud Reservation

Lydia's House

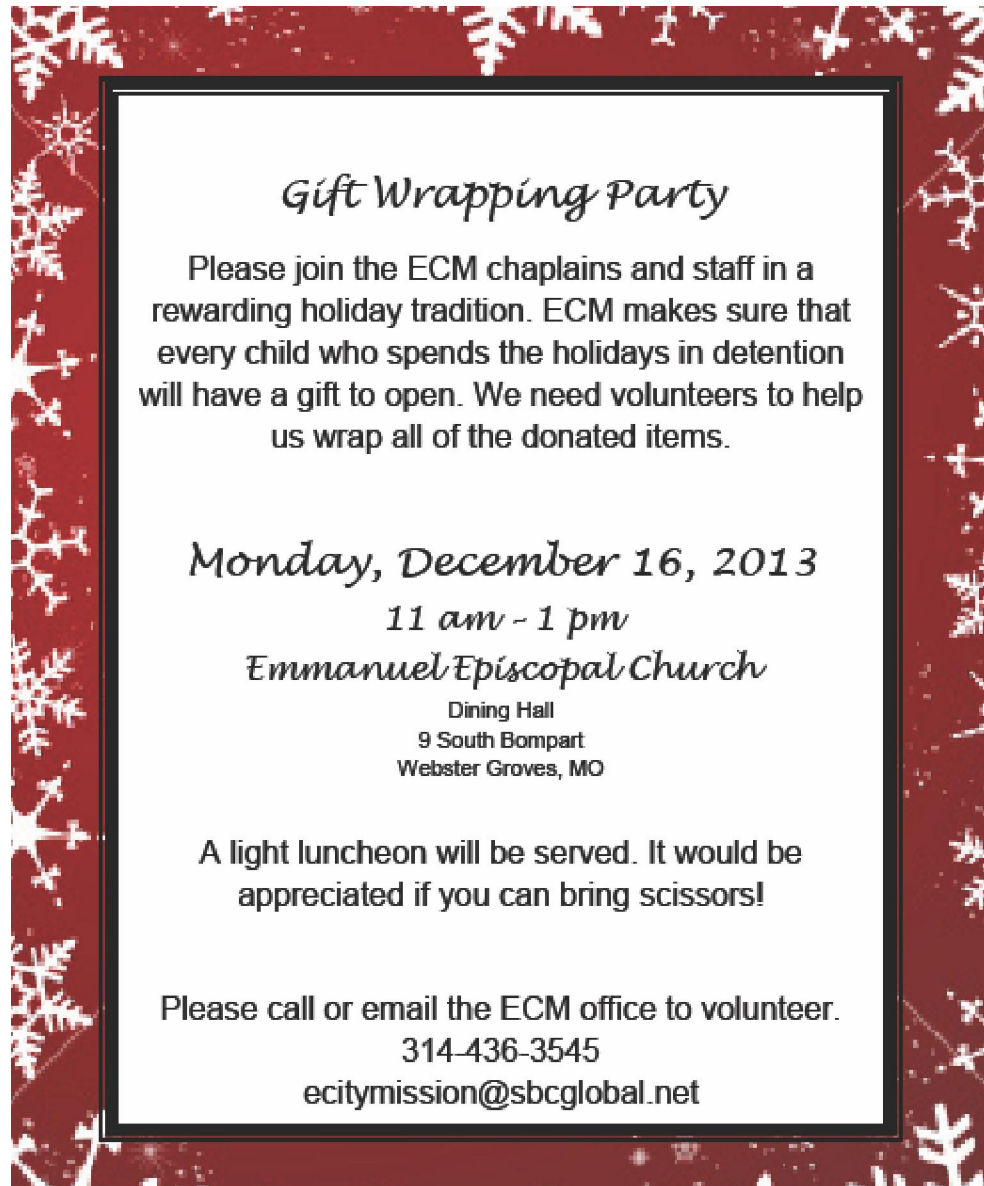
Webster-Rockhill Ministries

Mission Committee work

Cards will be available on Sundays during Advent before and between services **starting** the first Sunday of Advent **December 1, 2013**.

This is an easy way to do your shopping while helping those who need help at the same time!

Give the Gift that Keeps on Giving!!!



Gift Wrapping Party

Please join the ECM chaplains and staff in a rewarding holiday tradition. ECM makes sure that every child who spends the holidays in detention will have a gift to open. We need volunteers to help us wrap all of the donated items.

Monday, December 16, 2013
11 am - 1 pm
Emmanuel Episcopal Church
 Dining Hall
 9 South Bompert
 Webster Groves, MO

A light luncheon will be served. It would be appreciated if you can bring scissors!

Please call or email the ECM office to volunteer.
 314-436-3545
ecitymission@sbcglobal.net

4th Annual Ms. Carol's Brunch for the Homeless, Dec. 22nd.

Carol Bledsoe was one of a kind.

She was the friendly face at church on Sunday that always made you feel welcome. She believed the best in people, and this was evident in her work.

Carol was a parish administrator at the Episcopal Cathedral in Downtown St. Louis. Through her work, Carol constantly saw the many needs of the homeless that sought shelter and help at the cathedral. Whether it was buying gloves, finding a resource, or just listening to their stories, she would do her best to meet their needs. Eventually, Carol convinced a local doughnut shop to donate their day old product and a daily breakfast club for the homeless was created. It was called "Club Cathedral." She soon became "Miss Carol," a trusted friend of the homeless.

On December 19th, 2002, Carol was tragically killed outside of her office by a homeless man she had once helped.

The next year, "Ms. Carol's Christmas Brunch for the Homeless" was created. Originally, this brunch was served at the Cathedral for the homeless that Carol cared so deeply for. It was a way to remember Carol and continue her important mission. For 6 years, the

youth group of Emmanuel and members of Christ Church helped to serve the homeless in honor of Carol. 11 years later, we continue to honor Carol by having our own brunch to raise money for the homeless programs of the Cathedral and also Emmanuel's own City Streets Mission.

The 4th annual Miss Carol's Brunch for the Homeless will be held Sunday, December 22nd. A family style meal will be served after the 10am service. While it is a free meal, donations of any amount are requested in honor of Carol to support our programs. The meal consists of casseroles, fruit, and sweets and is meant to represent the meal that was traditionally served at the brunches for the homeless at the Cathedral. If you cannot make it to the breakfast, but would still like to donate, you can send a check to the church office made out to Emmanuel Episcopal with "Ms. Carol's" in the memo line.

This brunch is a great reminder of what is truly important around Christmas time. It brings together the Emmanuel family and truly makes a difference to the St. Louis community.

For more information or to volunteer to help, contact Kelsey Mitchell at kelseyelizabethmitchell@gmail.com or 314-807-1818.

PEACE MEAL!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21!

Celebrate the Christmas season with our friends! December 21 is our next round for the Peace Meal.

We meet at St. John's in Tower Grove at 2:00 PM to cook, serve, and eat with any and all our guests from the neighborhood. We are finished by 6:00 PM.

Come as you are; everything (even skills!) will be provided. For additional details, call Rudy Walz at 314-477-8256

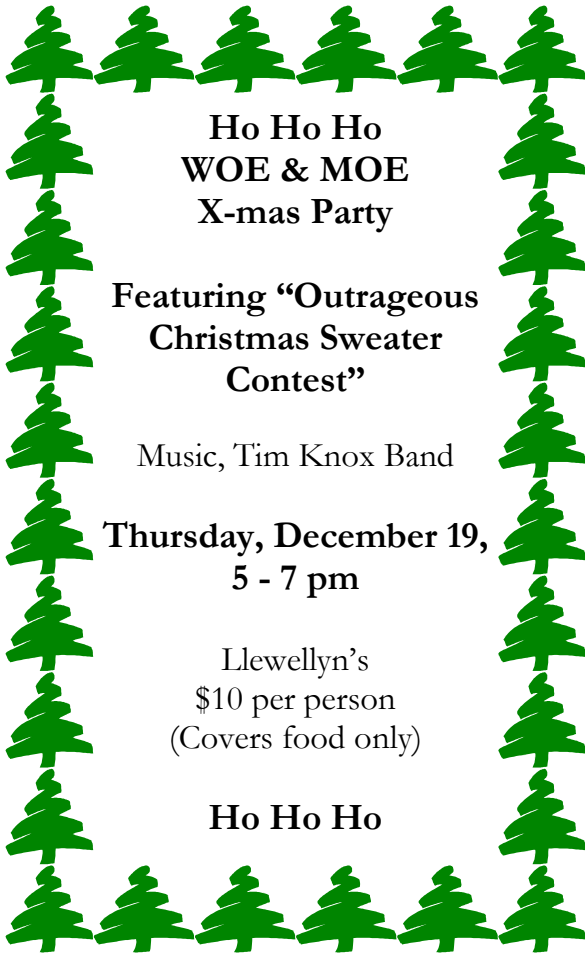


FESTIVAL FLOWER AND MUSIC OFFERING

At Christmas, a special opportunity is made available for us at Emmanuel to offer memorial gifts and gifts of Thanksgiving.

These gifts enable the Altar Guild to adorn the church with poinsettias for the Christmas services and are used to underwrite the cost of the special music.

An envelope for the offering is available in the pew racks on Sundays. **On the envelope, please print clearly in whose memory or for whom the thanksgiving offering is made (please use given names).** A supplement to the worship bulletin listing the names of those memorialized and honored will be distributed at each of our Christmas services. **Because of printing deadlines, your envelope must be returned to the parish office by noon on Monday, December 16.**



Ho Ho Ho
WOE & MOE
X-mas Party

Featuring “**Outrageous**
Christmas Sweater
Contest”

Music, Tim Knox Band

Thursday, December 19,
5 - 7 pm

Llewellyn’s
 \$10 per person
 (Covers food only)

Ho Ho Ho

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 a 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. A light supper is served.

Baptism Dates Preparation Class

Jan. 5 at 10:30 a.m. Jan. 7 at 6:00 p.m.
 Jan. 12 at 9:00 a.m.

**Emmanuel Parish Administrator
 Recognized as
 2013 Citizen of the Year**

The City of Creve Coeur recognized **Susan Baseley** as Citizen of the Year 2013 for her dedication and service to the community at the annual Holiday Appreciation Event on Tuesday, December 3 at the Government Center.

Mayor Barry Glantz and Council Member Charlotte D’Alfonso presented the award to Baseley at the event honoring all members of the city’s 14 boards, commissions and committees. Of the numerous volunteers in attendance, Mayor Glantz said, “Our community is fortunate to have volunteers like Sue who continually give their time and talents to make Creve Coeur such a wonderful place to live and work.”



CLERGY & STAFF

Dan Appleyard, *Rector (ext 212)*
 Martie Metzler, *Assistant Priest (ext 218)*
 Warren E. Crews, *Priest Associate*
 Roderic D. Wiltse, *Priest Associate*
 Trent Patterson, *Choir Director*
 Chuck Peery, *Organist*
 Kevin Williams, *Christian Youth Formation (ext 213)*
 Susan Baseley, *Parish Administrator (ext 249)*
 Susie Feldmann, *Staff Assistant (ext 209)*
 Bill Simokaitis, *Staff Accountant (ext 210)*
 Keith Ennis, *Sexton*
 Kelly Lakies & Dianna Kopopka, *Part-time Sextons*
 Glenn Dunn, *Information Technology (ext 240)*
 Angela MacBryde, *Preschool Director (ext 123)*

MINISTRY CHAIRS:

Mary Lee (Mimi) Shipp, *Senior Warden*
 Martha LaFata, *Junior Warden*
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 Mark Jordan, *Finance Committee*
 Tammy Free & Linda Schuchman, *Altar Guild*
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 Peg Cooper, *Caring Ministries*
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Environmental Stewardship
 David Pluhar & John Liss, *Facilities Management*
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 & Angie MacBryde, *FaithQuest*
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About the Parish Family

Congratulations to **Adam Erickson and Kathy Schmaeng** on their November 16 wedding following a nine year engagement! Adam looked dashing in his dress uniform and Kathy was beautiful in her traditional wedding gown. Adam's mother, **Donna Erickson**, expressed her pleasure by saying "it's about time!"

On December 8 we joined with **Ben and Kristin Fecko** in celebrating the baptism of **Charles Benjamin Fecko and Molly and Terry Nicol** in celebrating the baptism of **Nora Catherine Nicol**. Nora's beaming grandmother is **Kerry Thacker**.
Welcome to Christ's flock!

The sympathy of the parish is extended to **Meghan Birdsong** and **Nancy Birkenmeier** on the recent death of their grandmother, **Hazel Anderson** in Lawrence, Kansas.

City Streets Epiphany Eve Chili Supper & Silent Auction

On Sunday, **January 5, 2014**, 6:00 PM, City Streets is having a Chili Supper/Fund Raiser. Please mark your calendar to include this very important event.

Additional details will follow.



Sunday Service Times:



8:00 a.m.
 9:00 a.m.
 10:30 a.m.
 5:30 p.m.

December 15, 22 & 29:

8:00 a.m.
 10:00 a.m.
 5:30 p.m.

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
Frank Randazzo, friend of the Kuhns

IN HOSPITAL/MED TESTS or TREATMENT

Parishioners: Linda James, Joyce Devlin, Jen Dunn, Mary Tobermann, Katie Lawless, Sally Davidson

Allison Reed, Cindy's daughter
Aaron Crowell, friend of Angie MacBryde
Linda Murer, Nancy McClary's cousin
Donna Maginn, friend of Dee Margos
Fritz Luckner, Anne Crown's father
Anna, friend of Betsy Lindner
Kenny Borino, Janet Dobbs' brother
Jodie Johnson, Lissa Johnson's mother
Pam Furrer, Sandy Baker's friend
Rev. Robert & Pat Klein, friends of Groetschs
Monte Morgan, former parishioner
Karol English Trudy Appel's daughter
Fran Gebhart, Doris Ferguson's daughter
Kari Owens, MJ Kuhn's cousin
Vicki Conerly, Maryjane Hotaling's friend

LONG TERM MEDICAL NEEDS

Parishioners: Caroline Birdsall, Sandra Nelson, Don Rose, Roberta Gehbauer, Laura Ullman, Grace Koerner, Nan Rimbach, Mary Ellen McCarthy, Sophie Owen

Rissa Woodley, Ann McReynolds' aunt
Margaret Clark, Dick's aunt
Ben Schneider, MacBryde's grandson
Ann Neukomm, Mart Mitchell's aunt
Coline Martines, Michael's mother
Annie Mae Fielder, Roberta's mother
Gabrielle Nelson, Sandy Nelson's granddaughter
Wylma Teczar, Steve's mother

RECUPERATING

Parishioners: Joan Amerman, Rosemary Vorih, Burnell Esbenshade, Tom James, Eleanor Fletcher Sally Davidson, Henrietta Kaiser

Laura Williams, Betsy's mother
Steve Wilson, Lynne Shields' friend
George Benson, Hilary Perkins step-father

McKenna, Riley, MJ Kuhn's cousin
Carl Smith, Sue's husband
Debbie Carter, former parishioner & organist
Erwin & Adeline Branahl, Sandy Cooper's parents
Jim Kaiser John & Henrietta's son
Emily Mason, Debbie's daughter

SERIOUS ILLNESS

Parishioners: Mary Dolores Baca

Cathy Ammons, Allison Williams' friend
Denny Douglass, Beth Dodd's cousin
Dickie Priest, Betsy Mackey's friend
Rachael, Bill & Victoria Hudson's niece
Alvin Stouffe, Bill Florent's brother-in-law
Mike Karandief, Chris Knox's family friend
Paula Coulton, Don & Stella Spalts' friend
Lois Johnson, family friend of Lisanne Schraer
Ed Heigl, friend of Ann McReynolds
Sharon Geraghty, friend of Lisanne Schraer
Carole Smith, friend of Nancy McClary
Stephanie Duensing, Lissa Johnson's sister
Heather McFadden, Margaret DeYoung's friend
Marty Schmitt, Margaret DeYoung's friend
Barbara Hulett, Maryellen Bell's friend
Cathy Sheldon, Katie McGuigan's daughter
Janet Klumpp, Rod & Pat Wiltse's friend
John Kohler, Sue & Lou Clauss' friend
Tammy Stutz & family, Tracy Crews' friend
JoAnne Bryant, Becki Jacoby's aunt
Paula/Jim Spangler, John Mitchell's sister/brother-in-law
Shirley Beckman, Diana Beckman's mother
Tim Daugherty, Debby Long's son
Debra Dean-Ciriani, Lisa Teczar's friend
Jean Pettid, Lisa (Sparks) Pettid's mother-in-law
Jessica Butler, Molly Clark's friend
Patricia McGregor, Stella Spalt's cousin
Vicki Barmann, Jen Marcus' mother

SPECIAL NEEDS

Parishioners: Jean Weingaertner, Warren Druschky

Ieshia Charging Hawk, friend of adult mission trip group
JoAnne Hansen, Eleanor Fletcher's sister-in-law
Peggy Thacker McCaslin, Kerry Thacker's daughter
Kathleen McGrane, McGrane's daughter
Mark A. Baxley, Ruth's son
Sue Kohler, Sue & Lou Clauss' friend
Jeffrey, Sue Smith's grandson
Doug Moody, Mary Jane Kuhn's Godson
Andrew Jones, Steve & Lisa Teczar's nephew
Charlotte Roberts, Tina Kennedy's mother
Robert & Kathleen Bowlin, Brett Newcomb's aunt & uncle
Ellen Hogan, former parishioner
Nikki Lawhorn rider, friend of Kuhns
Jennifer Franklin & family, friends of Charlie Walch



CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTSFor a complete listing of events, please consult our online calendar at www.emmanuelepiscopal.org**WINTER SCHEDULE****Sunday Holy Eucharist:**

December 15, 22 and 29:
8:00, 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

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

SUNDAYS**Christmas Play**

Sunday, Dec. 15 at 10:00 a.m.

City Streets Cooking

Sunday, Dec. 15, January 5, 19 at
11:30 a.m.

**Voice Recital of Kristine Gage
and Deanna Hudson**

Sunday, Dec. 15 at 3:00 p.m.

Miss Carol's Brunch

Sunday, Dec. 22 at 11:30 a.m.

Blue Christmas

Sunday, Dec. 22 at 5:30 p.m.

Blood Pressure Screening

Sunday, January 5 following the
10:30 a.m. Service

**Epiphany Eve Dinner/ Chili
Dinner & Silent Auction**

Sunday, Jan. 5 at 6:00 p.m.

Newcomer Brunch

Sunday, Jan. 12 at 10:30 a.m.

MONDAYS**ECM Gift Wrap Party**

Monday, Dec. 16 at 11:00 a.m.

Vestry Meeting

Monday, Dec. 16 at 7:00 p.m.

Executive Committee Meets

Monday, Jan. 6 at 5:30 p.m.

Stewardship Committee

Monday, January 6 at 7:00 p.m.

Caring Ministries Meeting

Monday, Jan. 13 at 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAYS**Bible Study with Rod**

Tuesday, Jan. 7 at 9:30 a.m. fol-
lowing a 9:00 service in the
Chapel

Baptismal Instruction Class

Tuesday, Jan. 7 at 6:00 p.m.

Finance Committee

Tuesday, Jan. 7 at 6:30 p.m.

**Contemplative Prayer in the
Chapel**

Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 5:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS**Eucharist at Noon**

Wednesday, Dec. 11, 18 at 12
noon

**Food Center Shopping at
Aldi's**

Wednesday, Dec. 11, Jan. 8 at
5:45 p.m.

Fellowship Dinner

Wednesday, Jan. 15, 22, 29 at
5:30 p.m.

THURSDAYS**Men's Bible Study at Stratton's
Restaurant**

Thursday, Dec. 12, 19, 26 at 7:00
a.m.

**Noon Day Operation Brown
Bag**

Thursday, Dec. 12, Jan. 9 at noon

MOE/ WOE Christmas Party

Thursday, Dec. 19 at 5:00 p.m.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thursday, Dec. 19 at 7:00 p.m.

MOE Operation Brown Bag

Thursday, Dec. 27, Jan 23 at 4:45
p.m.

Sr. High Group Leaders**Meeting**

Thursday, Jan. 2 at 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAYS**Christmas Play Rehearsal**

Saturday, Dec. 14 at 10:00 a.m.

**Peace Meal at St. John's in
Tower Grove**

Saturday, Dec. 21 at 2:00 p.m.

**Facilities Management
Meeting**

Saturday, Jan. 25 at 8:30 a.m.

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The next newsletter deadline is **December 31** for the issue to be published on January 7, 2014. All articles and information should be submitted to Sue Baseley (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.

Advent Service Schedule: 8:00, 9:00, 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. (December 1 - 8)

8:00, 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. (December 15 - 29)

Propers for December 15
The Third Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 35:1-10
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11
Psalm 146:4-9

Propers for December 22
The Fourth Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 7:10-16
Romans 1:1-7
Matthew 1:18-25
Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

Propers for December 29
The First Sunday after
Christmas
Isaiah 61:10-62
3 Galatians 3:23-25, 4:4-7
John 1:1-18
Psalm 147:13-21

Propers for January 5
The Second Sunday after Christmas
Jeremiah 31:7-14
Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a
Matthew 2:1-12
Psalm 84:1-8

Propers for January 12
The First Sunday after the
Epiphany
Isaiah 42:1-9
Acts 10:34-43
Matthew 3:13-17
Psalm 29