

Welcome to Emmanuel !

Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 17, 2021

“It is wonderful to worship with you today!”

Today is a Praise Emmanuel Sunday!

All are welcome here at Emmanuel regardless of your faith affiliation.

All parts of today’s worship service are printed in this bulletin, including words for the songs.

With the recent surge in Covid-19 cases, worship services will be online only. We will not be able to worship together at the church, except for the Pastor, a few musicians, worship assistants and technicians.

This worship service will be broadcast and live streamed through our Facebook page, and on our website while containment measures are in place. Even if you are not able to watch live, the services will be recorded. You can find us at:

<https://www.facebook.com/EmmanuelSouderton/>

and on our website at:

<http://emmanuelchurch.net>

You can also check the Facebook page or website for ongoing updates, for daily devotion videos with Pastor John, and for information regarding Emmanuel’s E-Meal program, including what to donate, how to volunteer and the number of meals being served during the crisis.

Lastly, please remember that the expenses of the church go on, even during this time of containment. The best way for you to keep your contributions current is to do so through our online giving program, which is found on our website, and can be accessed using the following link:

[Online Giving to Emmanuel](#)

**Important Information
about the Covid-19 Vaccine –
See pages 13 and 14**

Introduction to the Day

God is on the move. Come and See!

God is on the move – as all the baptized have a calling in God’s world. God calls not just pastors and deacons but the oldest among us, like Elie and also the youngest of children - children like Samuel

God is on the move – in unusual and unexpected ways. Nathanael initially dismisses Jesus because he comes from Nazareth. But where we come from isn’t important; it’s where - or rather whom - we come to.

God is on the move – Philip invited Nathanael to come and see – extending Christ’s invitation to us to come and see – and participate in God’s movement.

*“For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared
in the presence of all people.”*

(Luke 2:30-31)

THE SERVICE

PRELUDES - *(please sing along)*

Day by Day - S. Schwartz

**Day by day. Day by day.
Oh Dear Lord, three things I pray
To see thee more clearly
Love thee more dearly
Follow thee more nearly
Day by day**

Repeat 2x

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Shine On Us - D. Smith/M. Smith

**1 Lord let Your light
Light of Your face shine on us
Lord let Your light
Light of Your face shine on us
That we may be saved
That we may have life
To find our way in the darkest night
Let Your light shine on us**

**2 Lord let Your grace
Grace from Your hand fall on us
Lord let Your grace
Grace from Your hand fall on us
That we may be saved
That we may have life
To find our way in the darkest night
Let Your grace fall on us**

**3 Lord let Your love
Love with no end come over us
Lord let Your love
Love with no end come over us
That we may be saved
That we may have life
To find our way in the darkest night
Let Your love come over us
Let Your light shine on us**

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**We give you thanks, O God, for in the
beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.**

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah
and his family.

Through the sea you led your people Israel from
slavery into freedom.

At the river your Son was baptized by John and
anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By water and your Word you claim us as daughters
and sons, making us heirs of your promise and
servants of all.

**We praise you for the gift of water that
sustains life, and above all we praise you
for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.**

**Shower us with your Spirit,
and renew our lives
with your forgiveness, grace, and love.**

To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen

**RESPONSE TO
THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me (860)

**1 I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
I'm so glad Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.**

**2 Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me.
Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me.
Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.**

**3 When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me.
When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me.
When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.**

**4 I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
I'm so glad Jesus lifted me.
I'm so glad Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you
all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful
redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits
you give. May we know you more clearly, love you
more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day
praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

A reading from 1 Samuel.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD
under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those
days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow
dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his
room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and
Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD,
where the ark of God was.

Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he
said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I
am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call;
lie down again." So he went and lay down.

The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up
and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called
me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down
again." Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and
the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to
him.

The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he
got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you
called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was
calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go,
lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak,
LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel
went and lay down in his place.

Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as
before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said,
"Speak, for your servant is listening."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

Read Responsively

LORD, you have searched me out;
O LORD, you have known me.

**You know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.**

You trace my journeys and my resting-places
and are acquainted with all my ways.

**Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.**

You encompass me, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.

**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**

For you yourself created my inmost parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

**I will thank you
because I am marvelously made;
your works are wonderful,
and I know it well.**

My body was not hidden from you,
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.

**Your eyes beheld my limbs,
yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book;
my days were fashioned
before they came to be.**

How deep I find your thoughts, O God!
How great is the sum of them!

**If I were to count them,
they would be more in number than the sand;
to count them all,
my life span would need to be like yours.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Thy Word - A. Grant/M. Smith

Chorus

**Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path**

**1 When I feel afraid
And I think I've lost my way
Still You're there right beside me
Nothing will I fear
As long as You are near
Please be near me to the end**

Chorus

GOSPEL: John 1:43-51

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?"

Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!"

Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these."

And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL RESPONSE

Thy Word - A. Grant/M. Smith

Chorus

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

1 When I feel afraid
And I think I've lost my way
Still You're there right beside me
Nothing will I fear
As long as You are near
Please be near me to the end

Chorus

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Please be seated

SERMON

The Rev. John T. Heidgerd

*At the conclusion of the sermon, please stand as you
are able for the Hymn of the Day*

HYMN OF THE DAY

Here I Am, Lord (574)

1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?"

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?"

Refrain

3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?"

Refrain

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

At the end of each petition, the minister will say

"Let us pray."

The congregation responds:

"Have mercy, O God."

SHARING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also, with you.

Let us now share a sign of God's peace with each other.

OFFERING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offerings will not be collected. Please place your offering in the plate on the table at the entrance to the gathering space. Offerings may be submitted electronically using the link on Emmanuel's website, by US Mail, or by delivery to the office during E-Meal distribution

OFFERING SONG

Take My Life, That I May Be (583)

Refrain

**Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**1 Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee. *Refrain***

**2 Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect and use
ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose. *Refrain***

**3 Take my voice and let me sing
always, only for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee. *Refrain***

**4 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne. *Refrain***

OFFERING PRAYER

Together, let us pray.

Gracious God,

**receive these gifts as you receive us:
like a mother receives her child,
with arms open wide.**

**Nourish us anew in your tender care,
and empower us in faithful service
to tend to others with this same love,
through Jesus Christ, our saving grace.**

Amen.

ANIMA CHRISTI (THE SOUL OF CHRIST)

(Please close your eyes in meditation as we invite a spiritual communion with Jesus.)

Jesus, may all that is in you flow into me.
May your body and blood be my food and drink.
May your passion and death be my strength and life.
Jesus, with you by my side enough has been given.
May the shelter I seek be the shadow of your cross.
Let me not run from the love which you offer.
But hold me safe from the forces of evil.
On each of my dyings shed your light and your love.
Keep calling to me until that day comes.
When with our saints, I may praise you forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.**

COMMUNION SONG

I Give You My Heart - R. Morgan

This is my desire
To honor You
Lord with all my heart
I worship You
All I have within me
I give You praise
All that I adore is in You

Chorus

Lord I give You my heart
I give You my soul
I live for You alone
Ev'ry breath that I take
Ev'ry moment I'm awake
Lord have Your way in me

Repeat

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Please stand as you are able.

BLESSING

God the creator strengthen you;
Jesus the beloved fill you;
and the Holy Spirit the comforter
+ keep you in peace.

Amen.

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SENDING SONG (verses 1-2)

Go Light Your World - C. Rice

There is a candle in ev'ry soul
Some brightly burning some dark and cold
There is a Spirit who brings a fire
Ignites a candle and makes His home

So carry your candle run to the darkness
Seek out the hopeless confused and torn
Hold out your candle for all to see it
Take your candle and go light your world
Take your candle and go light your world

Frustrated brother see how he's tried to
Light his own candle some other way
See now your sister she's been robbed and lied to
Still holds a candle without a flame

So carry your candle run to the darkness
Seek out the lonely the tired and worn
Hold out your candle for all to see it
Take your candle and go light your world
Take your candle and go light your world

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

SENDING SONG (verse 3)

We are a fam'ly whose hearts are blazing
So let's raise our candles and light up the sky
Praying to our Father in the name of Jesus
Make us a beacon in darkest times

So carry your candle run to the darkness
Seek out the helpless deceived and poor
Hold out your candle for all to see it
Take your candle and go light your world

Carry your candle run to the darkness
Seek out the hopeless confused and torn
Hold out your candle for all to see it
Take your candle and go light your world
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Emmanuel Worships

A Reflection on “The Summons” By Pastor Emeritus Richard Miller

There is probably not one person among us who has not had the experience of accepting a task, then discovering that there was more – *much* more – involved than we realized. You went to a meeting and left assigned to a committee. You volunteered for a project and ended up being put in charge. Or – let’s really get personal here – you once said “I do” to that adorable spouse and quickly learned that behind all that “adorability” there was a less- than-adorable person – like yourself. Or you lovingly held your new-born son or daughter in your arms, totally unaware of the days ahead when they would make you want to tear out your hair!

It’s the age-old situation of agreeing to something before we really know what we are getting into. Like Jesus’ disciples. Today, in the opening chapter of John’s gospel, we read an account which tells us of how two men came to be part of our Lord’s inner circle. First, there’s Philip. Something about Jesus must have appealed to him because he appears to have needed no convincing to become a follower. Not so, Nathanael. His reply to Philip’s invitation to meet this Nazarene was, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” John notes in passing that Philip came from Bethsaida, “the city of Andrew and Peter.”

So here we have four men who answered Jesus’ invitation to become his disciples. Next week we’ll meet a few more on the pages of Mark’s gospel. But for now, we have four men – Philip, Nathanael (also known as Bartholomew), Andrew and Peter. I wonder – *did those men have any idea what they were getting into?*

Scripture does not tell us much about the Twelve after they received the Great Commission and following Pentecost. But here is what legend and tradition say. Philip, we are told, spread the good news in North Africa and Asia Minor; his feet were impaled on hooks and he was hung upside down until he died. Nathanael covered a wide territory: India, Armenia, Ethiopia, Southern Arabia. He was flayed to death, torn to shreds. And Andrew? He ended up in Turkey and parts of Russia, and crucified on an X-shaped cross. Peter, tradition tells us, died during the persecutions of Nero in 66 CE – crucified upside down at his own request because thought himself unworthy to die as his Lord died.

“Follow me.” That was Jesus’ simple invitation. And none of the men who did seem to have asked, “what am I getting into?” I wonder how many of us asked that question on the day of our Confirmation, or whenever we became a member of the Church and a follower of its Lord? I know I didn’t. What fourteen-year-old kid ever thinks such thoughts? But somewhere and sometime in our lives we do need to ask the question: What have I said “yes” to? Today’s hymn spells out some of the expectations of our personal discipleship. And in so doing, offers encouragement should we hesitate.

The hymn was written by John Bell. Born in 1949, he is a minister of the Church of Scotland. His hymn which is before us seems to reflect that concern as it spells out some of the expectations that accompany earnest discipleship. This is not one of those “rah-rah” hymns which allows the organ to go full tilt and invites fancy descants from the choir. This is a kind of face-to-face hymn, with the sort of text which should make us want to look inward and ask serious questions of ourselves and our personal response to the gospel call. For the questions that it poses are asked in the first person: *will you?* And the answers involve no one but the individual self.

In stanza one you are asked if you are willing to go into situations where you have not been before, and if you will allow Christ’s love, there, to be “known.” That is, not simply talked about, but *experienced* – because you are a part of it. Stanza two reminds you that, admittedly, there is a price to be paid when you follow Jesus. It asks, “Will you leave yourself behind?” Will you care about both “the cruel and the kind?” Are you willing to “risk the hostile stare” when your unexpected response of love raises eyebrows?

Stanza three leads us back to the ministry of Jesus himself as it asks if you will “help the blinded see” (“blindness” existing, as it does, both physically and otherwise). “Will you set the prisoner free . . . will you kiss the leper clean . . . and be willing thus to get mixed up in the less pleasant moments of life without any bravado? Notice how each of these references to ministry is an echo of Jesus’ ministry – healing, freeing, humility.

If you are like me, you sometimes shy away from the more challenging aspects of your Christian calling because you don’t trust your own abilities. Stanza four acknowledges this: “will you *love* the you, you hide . . . will you *quell* the fear inside . . . will you *use* the faith you’ve found to reshape the world around?” These words are a reminder that the original disciples did nothing that they were called to do on their own, but only with the powerful presence of Christ’s spirit within them. So we, too, trust that in all circumstances he is with us also.

The last stanza of John Bell’s hymn – let’s hear it just as he first put it on paper:

*Lord, your summons echoes true when you but all my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I’ll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus, I’ll move and live and grow in you and you in me.*

Although I’ve never been big on new year’s resolutions, one which might be good for each of us is, as the poet suggests, that of moving and living and growing ever more into the image of Christ. Put another way, in 2021 you and I might work on fostering an alertness to those around us who need to know, to *feel* Christ’s love. And then, to make our response that of a truly faithful disciple. For, it is ultimately the Son of God himself who has invited us and who asks us the question, “*will you follow me?*”

+ Pastor Miller +



Emmanuel Nurtures !

Here is the tentative schedule of dates and topics we have planned for our series: “God is On the Move”.



Sermon and Study Series for Epiphany and Lent

Where is “God on the Move”
in the world today?

The seasons of Epiphany and Lent witness to us the God who is on the move through the life of God’s son, Jesus Christ. Epiphany begins the journey of Christ from leaving the manger and revealing through many “epiphanies” who he is and what his mission will be. During Lent that journey continues as God is on the move from manger – to cross –to the empty tomb.

Join Pastor John, this Epiphany and Lent as we follow these movements together in a weekly sermon and study series. Each week Sunday’s themed sermon will be paired with a bible study scheduled for Wednesday Evening and held online via Zoom.

Each sermon and study unit will be self-contained, meaning you don’t need to commit to the entire series in order to participate. You may find that you will get more out of it, especially as you share in conversations with others, by attending most or all of the sessions, but there will be plenty of good information and discussion for those who may want to attend one or a few.

Who knows – if the pandemic restrictions lift over these weeks, we may be able to do some in-person worship and bible study.

Sunday Sermon	“God is on the Move” Topic	Wed. Study
1/17/21	Inviting all to “Come and See”	1/20/21
1/24/21	Calling the Disciples	1/27/21
1/31/21	Chasing the Demons	2/3/21
2/7/21	Healing the Sick	2/10/21
2/14/21	Transfiguring Love	2/17/21
2/21/21	Resisting Evil	2/24/21
2/28/21	Leading us to the Cross	3/3/21
3/7/21	Making Foolish the Wise	3/10/21
3/14/21	Promising Eternal Life	3/17/21
3/21/21	Drawing All to God	3/24/21
3/28/21	Through His Passion	3/31/21

I will send out reminders each week with the information on accessing the online bible studies via Zoom. However here are the coordinates to access each week’s study using the Zoom application and link:

<https://zoom.us/j/3679496334?pwd=UWdGdzlS VjRjc0VTWjdaWlFvNjJSZz09>

God is indeed “On the Move”.

**I look forward to our time together
to find out more!**



**2021 Offering Envelopes
are available in the gathering space.**

Please note that envelopes have been renumbered for 2021. There is also a new monthly envelope in the box to support our “E-Meal and Hunger Ministries”.

**2020 Offering Statements will be available
in the coming week**



Emmanuel Nurtures !



Happy New Year!, Sunday's KIDS

Knitters and Crocheters !



“Come and gather to make shawls for those in need of comfort.”

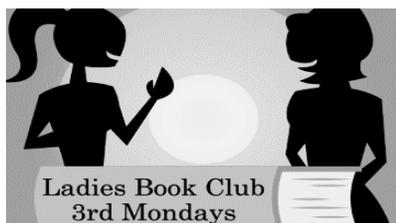
**Next Meeting:
February 7th – 1PM**

And every first Sunday of the month.

In Emmanuel’s Parlor – safe social distancing

Please wear your mask !

Instruction available for all who are interested.



**Next Meeting
January 18 @ 7PM
Book: “TBD”**

Join the ladies of Emmanuel for fun conversation and fellowship – and always a good read!

For information, e-mail Mary Anne Morral
morral@verizon.net

Hi Friends!

Would you like to know what Jesus was like when he was a kid?

Yes – that’s right. Jesus was a baby, but he grew up year by year – just like you. He had birthdays. He learned how to do things by himself. He did what his parents told him to do. He went to school. He played with his friends. And Jesus loved God!

I wish we had more stories of Jesus when he was a kid, but at least we have one story that we will talk about this week in Sunday’s KIDS.

I won’t give the whole story away, but you are going to find out that Jesus was a really good student. He did all his schoolwork and homework.

He learned so much in school that he ended up being the teacher at church, and he was only 12 years old!

We are going to learn a lot about Jesus in the weeks to come, because Jesus teaches us a lot about who he is in our bibles.

Watch us online every Sunday at 9:30 AM, or the recorded video any time during the week. All on Facebook!

Ms. Ann Marie, Ms. Debbie, Ms. Taylor



On Facebook
Mon-Sat 8AM
“Stay Connected to God’s Word”



Emmanuel Nurtures !



God of love, source of mercy and compassion, weave your dream for the world into the fabric of our lives.

Remove the scales from our eyes and lift the indifference from our hearts, so that we may see your vision – a new reign of justice and compassion that will renew the earth.

Transform our lives, so that we may accomplish your purpose. Anoint us with your spirit of love that we might bring good news to the oppressed, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim release to the captive.

Give us a new urgency and a new commitment to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, and visit those who live in isolation.

Help us reach out to those whom no one will touch, to accept the unacceptable, to embrace the enemy.

Surround us with your love, fill us with your grace, and strengthen us for your service.

Empower us to respond to the call of Jesus – to deny ourselves, to take up our crosses, and to follow.

Make us your disciples. Amen

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Special Prayer Concerns

- + For our Bishop, Rev. Patricia Davenport and her staff.
- + For our nation to overcome its divisions and work together so all may have life and life in abundance.
- + For hurricane victims in Honduras and other Central American countries.
- + For President-elect Joe Biden and his incoming administration.
- + For our homeless neighbors who are suffering in the winter cold.

For our Homebound Members

Doris Alderfer	Betty Frese
Jacqui Bond	Rita Fritz
Dominick De Salvo	Louella Gehringer
William De Turk	Kathryn Stover
Helen De Turk	Faye Wetzel
Norma Detweiler	Dorothy Wohlgemuth

For Health and Healing

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Roy Becker	Pat Harpel
Anthony Campolei	Faye Landis
Elaine Cash	Bob Renner
Bob Cole	Rhys Shelmire
Pat Conard	Harry Thompson
Marily Detwiler	Shirley Treichler
Craig Freed	Floyd & Ruth Yothers

For Friends of Emmanuel

- Karen Bauer (friend of Deb & Pat McElwee)
- Cathy Busser (friend of Pastor John)
- Donna Clemens (friend of Janel and Barry Gibson)
- Dennis Beer (friend of the Kulps)
- Jim Clark (friend of Caren and Doug Landis)
- Luca Condo (friend of Ruth Miller)
- Helen Freed (Craig Freed's Mom)
- Sharon and John Garner (Jen Casta's Parents)
- Sabrina Haap (Ruth Miller's Niece)
- Donald Heller (Shirley's Brother-in-law)
- Hildegard Lamparter (Wife of former Pastor Robert Lamparter)
- Dixie Kephart (Darlene's Mother)
- Marvin Krupp (Friend of Roy Becker)
- Family of Colleen Mc Keever
- Ed Natali (David's Brother)
- Neal Maiers (Friend of Deb & Patrick McElwee)
- Alicia Ranberg (Friend of the Crouthamels)
- Stewart Schrauger (Julie Freed's Brother)
- Michael Smith (friend of Cheryl Starke)
- Eric Sykes (Anita & Joe's Son)
- Pam Valenti (Lou Gehringer's Sister)
- Alexander & Sylvia Wagwicz (Friends of DeSalvos)
- Suzanne Willauer (Ed Cash's Sister)
- Chase Ziegler (Christman's Great-Grandson)

For Those Away at School

Samantha Plinke

In order to keep our Prayer List up to date, names will remain for four weeks unless otherwise notified



Emmanuel Serves !



67,000 Meals Handed Up

Thanks Be To God!

There just doesn't seem to be an end in sight. As the Covid-19 pandemic rolls along, jobs remain hard to come by, and businesses are struggling to stay open, helping local families with food remains a critical need and one that is going to be with us for a while. We are consistently meeting and serving people who are visiting us for the first time.

Emmanuel remains ready to serve our community and its neighbors in need with our E-Meal program, now 10 months old and having handed up 67,000 meals. That is an average of over 1,500 meals per week. And we are a unique food service in our region – offering meals 6 days per week, and at least double on Saturday. A true daily feeding program.

Thanks be to God!

Last week, we reached another milestone – exceeding \$50,000 in donations since the ministry was launched just last March. That includes significant contributions from generous people and organizations in our area that are not members of Emmanuel – but represent the generosity that makes this such a great place to live.

The abundant generosity of the community will allow us to continue a robust food supply and open doors to other ways of serving the needs our community. Where practical, we are looking to make our meals healthier and more nutritious, and to offer food to families who are not yet aware of what we can offer. Thanks be to God for your support and your prayers.

If you are a member of Emmanuel, your 2021 offering envelopes are available for pick up. You will notice that we have added a new envelope for 2021 – a monthly envelope asking for support of our E-Meal and other hunger support ministries. It's one more way to help bolster the funding of the E-Meal ministry. Even if you are not a member of Emmanuel, you can give electronically using our safe and secure online offering page: You can find it by clicking here, and designating your offering to E-Meal Emergency Food Relief Program

[Online Giving to Emmanuel](https://rb.gy/47vkgh)
(bit.ly/3iRyXn2)

There are also many ways to volunteer for a program that is open six days per week. And sign-up is easy at our sign-up genius page:

Just click here and pick a slot and join the corps of super-volunteers who have made E-Meal one of the largest food relief organizations in the region:

<https://rb.gy/47vkgh>

As always, please be an ambassador for the E-Meal ministry. If you know someone in need, pass on this information. If you know someone who would be a good volunteer, let them know about the opportunity. And may God's love guide us through the challenging days ahead.

+ Pastor John +



Emmanuel Reaches Out !

What to Know about the Covid-19 Vaccine

Get the Facts about COVID-19 Vaccines

Knowing the facts about the COVID-19 vaccine is important. Getting vaccinated can make a positive impact not only on you and your family, but your entire community.

FACT: COVID-19 vaccines will not give you COVID-19.

The COVID-19 vaccines currently in development in the United States do not use the live virus that causes COVID-19.

FACT: COVID-19 vaccines will not cause you to test positive on COVID-19 viral tests.

The COVID-19 vaccine won't cause you to test positive. The COVID-19 test is used to see if you have a current infection.

FACT: People who have gotten sick with COVID-19 may still benefit from getting vaccinated.

At this time, experts do not know how long someone is protected from getting sick again after recovering from COVID-19. The immunity someone gains from having an infection (natural immunity) varies from person to person. Some early evidence suggests natural immunity may not last very long.

FACT: Getting vaccinated can help prevent getting sick with COVID-19.

COVID-19 vaccination helps protect you by creating an antibody response without having to experience sickness.

FACT: Receiving an mRNA vaccine will not alter your DNA.

mRNA (messenger ribonucleic acid) can most easily be described as instructions for how to make a protein or even a piece of a protein. mRNA is not able to alter or modify a person's genetic makeup (DNA).

All about COVID-19 Vaccines

Now that there are authorized and recommended vaccines to prevent COVID-19 in the U.S., here are 9 things you need to know. **By getting a vaccine, you are protecting yourself, your family, and your community.**



Vaccines won't end the pandemic; other protections will continue.



The U.S. vaccine safety system ensures safety of vaccines.



Vaccines will first go to health care workers and long term care residents.



Two vaccines have been approved for emergency use.



The available vaccine is two shots, given 3-4 weeks apart.



Four other vaccines are being developed for use in U.S.



No vaccine is 100% effective, but this will give the best COVID-19 protection.



COVID-19 vaccines will be free.



Supplies are limited, but will increase over time.



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COVID-19 VACCINATION PHASES IN PENNSYLVANIA



Phase 1A

- Long-term care facility residents
- Health care personnel including, but not limited to:
 - Emergency medical service personnel
 - Nurses
 - Nursing assistants
 - Physicians
 - Dentists
 - Dental hygienists
 - Chiropractors
 - Therapists
 - Phlebotomists
 - Pharmacists
 - Technicians
 - Pharmacy technicians
 - Health professions students and trainees
 - Direct support professionals
 - Clinical personnel in school settings or correctional facilities
 - Contractual HCP not directly employed by the health care facility
 - Persons not directly involved in patient care but potentially exposed to infectious material that can transmit disease among or from health care personnel and patients

Phase 1B

- People ages 75 and older
- People in congregate settings not otherwise specified as LTCF and persons receiving home and community-based services
- First responders
- Correctional officers and other workers serving people in congregate care settings not included in Phase 1A
- Food and agricultural workers
- U.S. Postal Service workers
- Manufacturing workers
- Grocery store workers
- Education workers
- Clergy and other essential support for houses of worship
- Public transit workers
- Individuals caring for children or adults in early childhood and adult day programs

Phase 1C

- People ages 65-74
- People aged 16-64 with high risk conditions causing increased risk for severe disease
- Essential workers in these sectors:
 - Transportation and logistics
 - Water and wastewater
 - Food service
 - Housing construction
 - Finance, including bank tellers
 - Information technology
 - Communications
 - Energy, including nuclear reactors
 - Legal services
 - Federal, state, county and local government workers, including county election workers, elected officials and members of the judiciary and their staff
 - Media
 - Public safety
 - Public health workers

Phase 2

- All individuals not previously covered who are 16 and older and do not have a contraindication to the vaccine (note that at this time, only the Pfizer-BioNTech product is approved for those age 16 and 17)



Pennsylvania’s plan for distributing COVID-19 vaccines prioritizes “clergy and other essential support for houses of worship.”

Essential church workers are slated to receive the vaccine in Phase 1B, along with persons over age 75, first responders, education workers, and other essential groups.

Pennsylvania is currently in Phase 1A, which includes vaccinating residents of long-term care facilities and most healthcare workers.

Pre-Register for the Coronavirus Vaccine:

While the vaccine is currently being given to frontline healthcare workers and long-term care residents and staff, eventually it will be distributed to other groups.

You can pre-register DIRECTLY here: <https://pfc.covidreadi.com/>

Young Jesus Teaching at the Temple





Emmanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

Sunday Schedule

Online Sunday's KIDS – 9:30 AM

Online Worship – 10:00 AM

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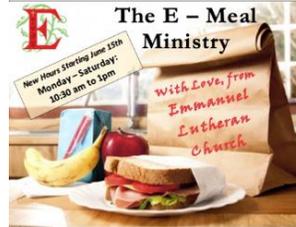
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**E-Meal
Volunteers –
Please sign up
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**What's
Happening
@ Emmanuel**

1/10/2020-1/17/2020

*Mark your calendars:
Sunday, January 31, 2021
2021 Annual Congregational
Meeting*

Online via Zoom

- **2021 Budget**
- **Election of Church Council Members**

Sun 01/17	9:30 AM 10:00 AM	2nd Sunday after Epiphany Sunday's KIDS (Online) Worship service (Online)
Mon 01/18	8:00 AM 10:30 AM – 1PM 5:30 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM	Morning GodCast E-Meal Distribution Bushi Karate Women's Book Study AA Meeting
Tue 01/19	8:00 AM 10:30 AM – 1PM 5:30 PM	Morning GodCast E-Meal Distribution Bushi Karate
Wed 01/20	8:00 AM 10:30 AM – 1PM 5:30 PM 7:00 PM	Morning GodCast E-Meal Distribution Bushi Karate God is on the Move Bible Study (via Zoom)
Thu 01/21	8:00 AM 10:30 AM – 1PM 5:30 PM	Morning GodCast E-Meal Distribution Bushi Karate
Fri 01/22	8:00 AM 10:30 AM – 1PM	Morning GodCast E-Meal Distribution
Sat 01/23	8:00 AM 10::30AM – 1PM	Morning GodCast E-Meal Distribution
Sun 01/24	9:30 AM 10:00 AM	3rd Sunday after Epiphany Sunday's KIDS (Online) Worship service (Online only)