

Emmanuel Lutheran News

June, 2017

2016-17 Theme

Surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us run the race, fixing our eyes on Jesus. Hebrews 12:1-2

Emmanuel is

*One Family, Many Peoples
Growing as Disciples of Jesus and
Children of God...*

through

WORSHIP

(Team Leader: Joni Mercer and Ruth Heilman)

Our WORSHIP goals are: that people would *understand* worship, *participate* in worship, and *enjoy* worship.

Sunday Morning Schedule—ONE SERVICE @10

9am Faith Formation/Sunday School
Begins sharply and lasts until 9:50.
10 Worship Service with Holy Communion.

June/Summer Worship Highlights

Pentecost—June 4
Trinity Sunday & Wallace/Lentsch Retirement—
June 11
Summer Sundays (June 18 and following) - the
focus will be on the book of Romans

Volunteer Youth Summer Interns

Victoria Amah and Seth Schultheis are going to be working at Emmanuel for a portion of the summer to create new music for worship. Victoria will use her gift for poetry in creating the words of a choir anthem and Seth will be composing the music for the anthem and writing music for a new liturgy. We are thankful for the service of these youth!

Webcasts

Can't join us in person? Connect with us on the web each Sunday at www.emmanuelbaltimore.org. Mobile device? Download the "Sunday Streams" app and log in with: emmanuelbaltimore.org.

Urdu Language @ 6:30pm Bible Study and 7:30pm Worship

(led by Pr. Robson)
Feel free to consider supporting this ministry financially using the DONATE button at

emmanuelbaltimore.org. and designating your gift to "Evangelistic Outreach Minister".

through the

FELLOWSHIP OF BELIEVERS

(Team Leader: Vacant)

Our FELLOWSHIP goals are: that people would *know and care* for one another, "generationally" *pass on* the faith, and *support* the greater church.

Read through the Story in 33 Weeks

Pray and meditate on these passages each week:

Week 23 (begin June 4): Luke 7-8, 17, John 6, Matthew 14-15

Week 24 (begin June 11): Matt 17-19, Luke 19

Week 25 (begin June 18): Luke 10, 12, 15, 18

Week 26 (begin June 25): Matt 21, 25, Mark 14, John 12

9am Faith Formation Hour

During the summer, Bible Study will continue to meet in the sanctuary on the readings for the previous week—all are welcome!

Wallace/Lentsch Retirement—June 11

Join us for a celebratory worship service (10am) and bring a dish to share for a potluck luncheon as we celebrate the years of service of Kathy Lentsch (1st grade) and Linda Wallace (2nd grade) on their retirement from ELS.

Neighborhood Sunday

We had a great Neighborhood Sunday in April where people were able to fellowship at stations around the sanctuary with others from Emmanuel who live in their neighborhoods. Our next Neighborhood Sunday is scheduled for July 30.

Mark Your Calendar

Picnic Sunday will be September 10 with an outdoor worship service and potluck.

Prayer Prayer Prayer

Prayer and Mercy Ministry Team Do you have a

prayer request for our Prayer and Mercy Ministry Team? Email Carol Harmon: harmon@umbc.edu.

through
WITNESS

(team leader: Stefan and Marlena Gabriel)

Our WITNESS goals are: that people would *bless* non-believers, *minister* to their neighborhoods, and *work* for the good of society.

Emmanuel Lutheran School—News

Thank you for sharing the word about Emmanuel Lutheran School with your friends and allowing us to provide an excellent Christ-centered education to an ever increasing number of students. Call (410-744-0015) for a personal tour to learn more about a school with a strong history, that continues to get stronger still.

ALSO—8th grade Graduation is June 4!

ALSO—We will miss Mrs. Kathy Lentsch and Mrs. Linda Wallace, who are retiring this month and Mr. Brad Royuk who has accepted a Call to teach in Hawaii!

Concordia Preparatory School

CPS offers a high-quality, Lutheran Christian education to young men and women in grades 6-12 and is located in the Towson area. For info go to www.concordiaprepschool.org. Enrich the mind. Empower the spirit. Embrace the opportunity!

Vacation Bible School—July 24-28

Imagine a world where curious kids become hands on inventors who discover they're lovingly created by God. Join us for Maker Fun Factory VBS each day from 9am-noon! Register your kids now or sign up to volunteer as a leader/helper: vbspro.events/p/EmmanuelVbs. Or call Kris Barnabae at 443-315-7481.

Comfort Dog Ministry

We continue to move closer to the possibility of starting the application process to begin a comfort dog ministry at Emmanuel. In partnership with Lutheran Church Charities in Illinois, churches around the country are given the opportunity to own, care for, and use a highly trained golden retriever for ministry purposes—both for support within the congregation

as well as in reaching out into the community. Pictured here is Sasha, the comfort dog at Island Lutheran in Hilton Head, SC. To learn more about this potential ministry, speak with Ric Durham and check out www.lutheranchurchcharities.org.



Sandtown Mission is getting a real name!

West Baltimore Faith and Work Enterprises, Inc, is being formed as the nonprofit which will provide personal and workforce development for the men of the Sandtown area and the social enterprise chocolate factory (which will be named, "Pennsylvania Avenue Chocolates") In addition, the leadership team made a recent trip to Concordia College, NY as we work out a partnership with their Center for Contextual Leadership program and this ministry.

Feel free to join us for our next meeting on June 6 on location at 1824 Pennsylvania Ave at 11am, as Lutherans throughout the area work with Emmanuel in starting this ministry and, eventual church plant.

New Digital Sign

We are getting closer to having our new digital sign installed. Work is being done on it presently, and it could be up and running by the end of June! Thank you to all who have been involved in this process!!

Voters' Meeting—June 25

Stay after worship on June 25 as our Voters' Assembly meets and takes action on our budget and Church Council elections, as well as other ministry items, such as a new church website. (No potluck lunch this time because we are having a potluck for the retirement celebrations on June 11.)

Good Stewardship Article

Check out the article on the back of the calendar page and be attentive to how the Lord is leading you (and us) to be ever better stewards of our lives and faith.



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Bringing Jesus to people and people to Jesus throughout Baltimore and beyond.

June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>9:00 am Faith Formation 10: 00 am Worship (1:pm Oromo Lutheran Worship) 7:30 Urdu/Hindi Worship</i></p>				1	2	3 8:00pm N.A
<p>4 Day of Pentecost</p>	<p>5 7:30pm N.A.</p> <p>B-Day: Christopher</p>	<p>6</p> <p>11am Sandtown Meeting</p>	<p>7 8:00pm A.A.</p> <p>B-Day: Shana Carroll</p>	8	<p>9</p> <p>B-Day: Brenda Engebrecht, Joseph McSorley Jr., Kayla</p>	<p>10 8:00pm N.A</p> <p>B-Day: Elizabeth Hardingham, Laura Donnelly, James Co-</p>
<p>11 Holy Trinity Sunday</p> <p>Lentsch/Wallace Retirement Celebration & Potluck dinner</p>	<p>12 7:30pm N.A.</p> <p>B-Day: Patricia May</p>	<p>13</p> <p>B-Day: Lois Brettschneider, Jon Heilman, Jennifer</p>	<p>14 8:00pm A.A.</p> <p>B-Day Kevin West,</p>	15	<p>16</p> <p>B-Day: Donya Shover, Ikeazo Okwumbua</p>	<p>17 8:00pm N.A</p> <p>B-Day Herbert Brettschneider, Joan Mercer, Nathan Tetteh</p>
<p>18 Second Sunday after Pentecost</p> <p>B-Day: Judith Keane, James Corey, Mark Schultheis</p>	<p>19 7:30pm N.A.</p>	<p>20</p> <p>B-Day Richard</p>	<p>21 8:00pm A.A.</p>	<p>22 7pm Council meeting</p>	23	<p>24 8:00pm N.A</p>
<p>25 Third Sunday after Pentecost</p> <p>11:15 Voters' Meeting B-Day: Callie Steirer</p>	<p>26 7:30pm N.A.</p> <p>B-Day: Audrey Tetteh, Riley Lynott</p>	27	<p>28</p> <p>B-day: Nora Lee Colby, Trena Williams'</p>	29	<p>30</p> <p>B-Day: Samuel Stahly</p>	

Memorials:

Emmanuel Lutheran General fund in memory of Mary Hazel Afrootkteh

By: Jessie Stewart
Ruth Pfanner

Emmanuel Lutheran General fund in memory of Claudine Turner Harrison

By: William Crampton

Emmanuel Lutheran General Fund in memory of Lillian Crampton

Good Stewardship Article

from The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

Stewardship Ministry

June 2017 Newsletter Article

One of the best known and beloved psalms is Psalm 23, the Shepherd Psalm. There we learn that the Lord is our shepherd. And since He is our shepherd, we will not want. We will not suffer want because the Lord, our shepherd, will lead us to green pastures and beside still waters. In other words, the Lord, our shepherd, will provide for all that we need in both body and soul.

Yet, we live as though this is not the case. We live as though we actually suffer from want, that the Lord, our shepherd, will not provide for all that we need. And thus, we live as though the Lord is not our shepherd. And that means that we live as though we are not the Lord's sheep.

How do we do this? We do it when we put anything else before Him and His provision for us. When we think that going to work is more important than receiving the gifts that He won for us on the cross, a violation of the First and Third Commandments. We do it when we fail to give generously of the first fruits of what the Lord has provided for us because we think we don't know what the future will bring, even though He has promised that He will lead us to green pastures and still waters. We do it when we think that the Lord is only in the business of helping those who will help themselves, we do this because we have a mind set on earthly, temporal things and not on heavenly, eternal things. We do this because we have stopped hearing the call of our shepherd, which comes through His Word.

The Word of God is how our shepherd calls us to himself. Through that Word, the Holy Spirit gathers and enlightens us with His gifts. Through that Word, we are kept holy and nourished in the one true faith, the faith that follows our Shepherd wherever He leads us. He promises to lead you to your true home, to the land flowing with milk and honey, to a better country, not of this world, but a heavenly one.

And so, here's the good news: The Lord is your shepherd still, even, and especially, for wayward sheep. For Jesus seeks and saves those who are lost. He finds the lost sheep and carries them back to the fold. He is the shepherd that lays down his life for His sheep. The Lord is your shepherd. Let us live then as His sheep.