

# The Lamplighter

Emmanuel United Methodist Church

October 2017

*A Vibrant Multi-Cultural Church*

*Our Mission: To share the light of Christ with all people*



Hallelujah! I greet you in the name of Jesus Christ!

These days, we can feel the change of season. Summer is dwindling and fall is approaching us. I ask you to take care of your health during the transition. The body is always vulnerable to the change of season.

In September, we witnessed many people suffering from natural disasters. When we watched them, we felt helpless. As an expression of our concern and to help the victims, we collected two special offerings for people in Texas, Florida, and Sierra Leone. Church members were generous. Emmanuel forwarded the special offerings to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) to be used for these people in need. I ask you to continue to pray for these people, who have lost their homes, family members, friends, and belongings.

I believe that the prayers and special offerings were the most meaningful church ministry during September.

Emmanuel has many activities and events scheduled during October. World Communion Sunday will be October 1<sup>st</sup>. Emmanuel traditionally invites people to read the Bible in different languages on this day. On October 15<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate Laity Sunday. The annual Blessing of the Animals also will be on October 15<sup>th</sup>, at 2 pm at the church. Emmanuel's Church Conference will be October 25<sup>th</sup>. On October 21<sup>st</sup>, Emmanuel will host a memorial service for Maxine Norris. We will observe Reformation Sunday on October 29<sup>th</sup>. All Saints Sunday will be November 5<sup>th</sup>. Please support and pray for these worship services and church activities.

A couple of weeks ago, I preached on the Ten Commandments. I would like to share an illustration I used in that sermon for those who did not hear it.

In the June 2011 issue of National Geographic, there was an interesting article about religion, entitled "The Birth of Religion." Here's a summary of the main points in that article.

At Gobekli Tepe in southern Turkey, archaeologists have found the oldest known temple, built around 11,600 years ago. The temple is nine miles from the place where the prophet Abraham is supposed to have been born. Perhaps Abraham went to the temple, or passed by it.

Archaeologists believe that there was a change in the environment around that time. The Ice Age ended, bringing a gradual warming. People began to cultivate plants and domesticate animals. As a result, agriculture developed. Civilization blossomed suddenly, as well. People began to change their way of life, transitioning from hunters to farmers, and from nomads to settlers.

People began settling in villages. As the population living in villages grew, conflicts, tensions, and competition among people inevitably occurred. Society needed social norms or rules which everyone in society ought to keep to maintain social harmony. Therefore, religion arose to promote social cooperation. Religion provided people with individual and social ethical guidelines.

This information helps us understand the story of the Ten Commandments better. There were around two million Israelites living in the wilderness after the Exodus. Because they had been enslaved for generations, they had no specific rules, laws, written norms, policies or regulations to guide their behavior. It is likely that conflicts, tensions, and/or competition arose among them. The Israelites needed rules to control their big community.

God became aware of their need. Three months after the exodus began, God inscribed guidelines on two stone tablets and gave the tablets to Moses on Mount Sinai. Moses conveyed the guidelines to Israel. These now are known as the Ten Commandments.

This month, please read the Biblical account of the Ten Commandments, including why they were given to the Israelites and their meaning.

Again, please take care of yourself during the transition of season and continue to participate, support and pray for various ministries of the church.

~ ~ Pastor Jacob

## Health and Welfare Request

by Ilene Forsbacka

**Emmanuel's first aid kits need your help!** We have five first aid kits that need to be refurbished by replacing a few supplies and out-of-date antibiotic ointments. If you have extra supplies that you would be willing to donate, it would help reduce the expense of this project. I would gladly accept money donations to purchase needed items, also. A collection container for items will be available in narthex for the next month or so.



### First Aid Items That Are Needed

Absorbent dressings – 5” x 9”  
 Band aids - Assorted sizes and shapes  
 1” Adhesive tape  
 Scissors - tiny or child size  
 Antibiotic & Hydrocortisone ointment - new individual packs or small tubes  
 Antiseptic (alcohol) wipes  
 Aspirin - new individual wrap pack  
 One-way valve breathing barriers  
 Instant cold compress  
 3” & 4” gauze roller bandage  
 3” x 3” and 4” x 4” sterile gauze pads  
 Triangle bandages – cotton  
 Tweezers  
 Thermometers - oral non-glass/non-mercury  
 Covers for thermometers - sold separately

It also would be advisable to have a small lap blanket like airlines give out for the van. Pocket-size first aid books would be nice, too. Should someone have an extra first aid plastic box, it would be appreciated, even if it needs supplies.

I would suggest that if you haven't taken a First Aid or CPR course, you should do so. Time is important in life-or-death situations, and you may find yourself in a situation where EMS cannot respond quickly enough. They are offered at hospitals and other locations. Check with the American Heart Association and Red Cross for classes near you. Be Prepared! Thank you for your support!

## MISSIONARY NEWS

by Lorna Marselas



One of the missionaries that Emmanuel's United Methodist Women supports is Nan McCurdy. Nan and her husband, Miguel Mairena, had a month-long itineration in Utah, Idaho, and Oregon. They started their three-state tour with an Easter Sunday service at Shepherd of the Hills in St. George, Utah.

Their next stop was at First UMC Marriott/Slatersville in Utah. They found that this church has an amazing bee ministry whose products fund mission projects. In Idaho, Miguel preached at Wilder UMC. This church has a small but dedicated Latino congregation.

Nan and Miguel will continue in their current missionary assignment as Mission Advocates for the Western Jurisdiction until January 31, 2018. While they don't yet know what God and Global Ministries has in store for them, their hope is to continue to work in, and speak about, issues related to immigration.

## WOMEN OF THE BIBLE

by Lorna Marselas



Who was Jerusha (or Jerushah), and what does her name mean?

Jerusha was the daughter of Zadok, who was a priest during David's reign. She became the wife of King Uzziah, who died a leper. She bore a son, Jotham, who became king of Israel at the age of 25 and reigned in Jerusalem for 16 years. The household must have been a godly one, because the Bible says that Jotham "did that which was right in the sight of the Lord" and that he "became mighty, because he prepared his ways before the Lord."

'Jerusha/Jerushah' means 'possession.'

References: *2 Kings 15:33*, *2 Chronicles 27:1-6*.



## UMW Happenings - Mark Your Calendar

**November 4: APPLE FESTIVAL**, 10 AM — 2 PM. Volunteers are needed:  
 on November 1 at 9 AM to make apple pies in the church kitchen;  
 on November 2 at 9 AM to set up items for sale in the Education Bldg;  
 on November 3 at 9 AM to price sale items in the Education Bldg; and  
 on November 4 from 10 AM to 2 PM to sell items and for cleanup.

To volunteer, call Ernie Kilbourne at 301-787-8787 or email her at [Geoern@gmail.com](mailto:Geoern@gmail.com).

**December 9: UMW GENERAL MEETING**, 12 Noon in the Fellowship Hall, potluck. Pledge meeting led by Alice White. Sisters in Spirit will host. Christmas party to follow general meeting.

## Youth Group and Sunday School Sponsor Children's Halloween Party!



The Youth Group will be sponsoring a Halloween Party for children Pre-K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade on Sunday, October 29, 4 — 6 PM.

There will be games, prizes, food, a costume contest and fun, fun, fun!!! Bring the family for an evening of entertainment for everyone!!! See Rick Bergmann, Alice White or Cheryl Grays with any questions.

## Sunday School & Bible Study Begins

We've had a great opening to the fall Sunday School and Bible Study semester! Our teachers are teaching wonderful lessons, and the kids and adults are learning a lot. We also have a very popular adult class led by Jane Grays, as well as basic Sign Language being taught by Roy White.

If you have a school-age student, please remember to fill out a Sunday School Registration form. You can get a copy of the form from your child's Sunday School teacher .

## College Angels are Back!

The College Angel Program is back! College Angels is a program where members of Emmanuel's congregation "adopt" our college students for the school year. Throughout the school year, College Angels send "their" students small gifts, notes, and cards to remind them that they are still a part of our church family, even though they are away at college.

If you would like to enroll your college student in this program, please fill out the form on page 4 and place it in the offering basket, give it to Rick Bergmann, or turn it in to the church office.



## College Students Wanting to Participate in the College Program

Name of College Student: \_\_\_\_\_

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address while in School: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_



**Return this Form to the Emmanuel UMC Office by October 29<sup>th</sup>.**

## Trunk or Treat Returns!



This year's annual trunk-or-treat will be held on Monday, October 31, from 6:30–7:30 pm. During this time, children in the community and their guardians are invited to go trick-or-treating among cars parked safely in the parking lot behind the church. Community members are encouraged to decorate their cars and pass out candy.

Trunk-or-treat started in 2001 after the sniper attacks began around DC. During that terrifying time, children were not allowed to go out during recess, and many parents kept their children inside once they got home. The worshipers at Emmanuel felt that they could provide a safe place for all children to trick-or-treat by using the parking lot behind the church. Every year since then, Emmanuel has hosted trunk or treat, and each year, more children and their families come to participate. The church community loves seeing the children in their costumes.

If you would like to hand out candy, please park your car between 5:45 and 6:15 PM. The children will visit each car from 6:30 until 7:30 PM. **The church asks that you don't move your car until 7:30**, to ensure the safety of the trunk-or-treaters. We hope to see you and your family this Halloween!

## **ANNUAL CHARGE CONFERENCE IS NOW THE ANNUAL CHURCH CONFERENCE**

Great news! The Baltimore - Washington Conference has “changed the rules” for our annual conference. It used to be called a “charge” conference, and only “voting members” of the congregation’s Church Council were allowed to attend. The Conference has decided to broaden the “guest list” for these annual “state of the church” meetings, and now everyone who worships at Emmanuel is invited to attend! Please take advantage of this opportunity to meet our district superintendent and weigh in on the “health” of Emmanuel! This year, our Church Conference will be:

**Wednesday, October 25th**  
**7 PM — 8 PM**  
**Queen’s Chapel United Methodist Church**  
**7410 Old Muirkirk Road**  
**Beltsville**

Your church leaders hope to see you there!

## The Blessing of Our Pets Is Back!

by Pastor Jacob

On Sunday, October 15, at 2 pm, Emmanuel will host a Blessing of the Animals service again for 2017. It will take place in the front yard of the church. If it rains, it will be held inside the church building. Everyone who loves animals is welcome! If you have a pet, please bring the animal and have him/her blessed at the service. Just make sure that dogs are leashed, and that cats and smaller animals are caged or otherwise restrained.

Animal blessing is a special ceremony conducted in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all creatures. St. Francis considered animals to be his brothers and sisters, saying, "All praise to you, Oh Lord, for all these brother and sister creatures." For many persons, their pet is like a member of their family. Animals experience emotions such as happiness, love, fear, or loneliness just like people do. They also build close emotional bonds with human beings.

In addition to the influence of St. Francis of Assisi, one can find a good example of animal blessing in the Bible. When the earth was about to be flooded, God asked Noah to build the ark and put pairs of animals in it. The animals and Noah's family were able to start a new world together. This shows us that human beings are intended to coexist with the companionship of animals. God created the world in a way that allows human beings to live together with animals. In this sense, animal blessing is justifiable biblically and theologically.

At the Blessing of the Animals service, it will be great to see the animals and the people who love them. Through this event, I hope that the love for animals will be amplified throughout the community. I'm looking forward to it.

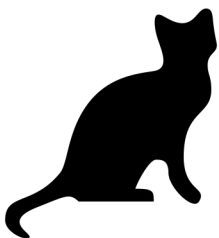
Let me conclude with the Franciscan prayer of animal blessing:

*"Blessed are you, Lord God, maker of all living creatures. You called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air and animals on the land. You inspired St. Francis to call all of them his brothers and sisters. We ask you to bless this pet. By the power of your love, enable it to live according to your plan. May we always praise you for all your beauty in creation. Blessed are you, Lord our God, in all your creatures! Amen."*

## Blessing of the Animals Service

Sunday, October 15, 2017  
2 pm

In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, who believed that all God's creations reveal something about the nature of God and His love. We will gather on the front lawn at Emmanuel and celebrate the joy and blessing that our pets bring to our lives. All are welcome!



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# *Apple Festival and Craft Show*

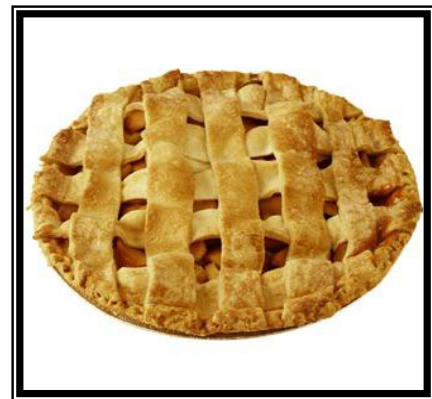
**Saturday, November 4, 2017  
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**Upper Crust  
Boutique**  
Nice Clothing,  
Accessories  
And Gift Items

**Homemade Baked Goods  
For Sale, As Well As Our  
Fabulous Handmade  
Apple Pies**



**Craft Tables Are  
Available To Rent.  
Please Call  
301-937-7114  
For More Details**



**Fresh Georgia  
Pecans and  
Lunch**

*Proceeds Benefit Women and  
Children Through  
Approved UMW Mission Programs*

## Standing with Puerto Rican church after hurricanes

by Linda Bloom, assistant news editor for United Methodist News Service, and Michelle Maldonado, associate director of Hispanic/Latino United Methodist Communications.

Reprinted from United Methodist News Service, 9/25/2017, posted on the Baltimore-Washington Conference website

United Methodists were praying and standing in solidarity with Puerto Ricans while awaiting word about the effects of Hurricane Maria. The Category 4 hurricane left Puerto Rico without power, with major building and infrastructure damage and a staggering amount of rain — about 30 inches in some areas.

The Baltimore-Washington Conference has a covenant relationship with the Methodist Church in Puerto Rico. The conference will be accepting monetary donations to help stricken residents of Puerto Rico. “We feel with the people of Puerto Rico and in a special way with the Methodist Church of Puerto Rico,” Thomas Kemper, top executive of the United Methodist Board of Global Ministries, told United Methodist News Service. “Bishop Héctor (Ortiz Vidal) is our board member and we have a number of Global Ministries missionaries and their families serving in Puerto Rico. We pray for their safety and stand in solidarity as one Methodist family.”

In a Sept. 21 message to United Methodist Communications, Ortiz said the destruction was “immense” and communications difficult. “We do not know yet the damage that our churches suffered,” the bishop wrote. “I live in a sector that is isolated and blocked right now. I am working together with my neighbors in removing debris from the blocked roads and I trust some time it will be open. But we are alive and we are standing in the fight. With the strength of God’s hope, we will rebuild Puerto Rico again.”

Reached on Sept. 20 through a Facebook message, Paloma Rodriguez Rivera, a youth leader in the Methodist Church of Puerto Rico, said she believed there were many homes that had been flooded or “completely destroyed” by the hurricane-force winds but didn’t know what areas had been affected most by Maria. “It is a miracle that I have internet because most people don’t,” wrote the San Juan resident. “I see that a lot of people don’t know anything about their family and they are desperate in the diaspora.”

This is the second of a tropical storm one-two punch for Puerto Rico. Hurricane Irma brushed by Puerto Rico on Sept. 6, leaving more than a million people without power but not the widespread damage that has resulted from Hurricane Maria.

The United Methodist Committee on Relief “is praying along with others” for the safety of people in Puerto Rico, said Catherine Earl, the agency’s director of U.S. disaster response and partner relations. “We know that there are many people here on the mainland that have family and friends and other missional connections to Puerto Rico and the people of Puerto Rico,” she added. Through the church and other partners — including National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster — and governmental connections such as FEMA, UMCOR can be part of a coordinated response in Puerto Rico when relief work begins, Earl said.

Kemper said UMCOR staff already had reached out to the Methodist Church in Puerto Rico regarding response and recovery. In a letter written to Kemper as Irma was headed to the island, the Puerto Rican bishop asked The United Methodist Church for prayers and solidarity. At that point, the Puerto Rican church had been in contact with 100 churches, including those on Vieques, Culebra and St. Croix of the U.S. Virgin Islands.

“We have oriented them in following the necessary steps to prepare for this atmospheric event,” he continued. “We have put in place an emergency system to work in the aftermath of the event. Nevertheless, there is not enough preparation for this type of hurricane.

“We are requesting the United Methodist Church for your prayers and your solidarity during this difficult time,” the bishop wrote. “Knowing that people outside of our area are praying for us gives us faith and courage.”

### How to Help:

United Methodists wishing to help can make donations directly through UMCOR’s Domestic Disaster Response Advance #901670.

## TO THE CONGREGATION

Emmanuel has many opportunities to serve. However, you may not be available to commit to a weekly schedule. Occasionally, the usher ministry needs volunteers to serve at a special worship service.

This is a very important worship position, and Sallie Rhodes has volunteered to guide you through the procedures/responsibilities. She will conduct a brief training session to review the Ministry of Ushering. Please contact the church office at 301-937-7114 or email Sallie at [sallierhodes@comcast.net](mailto:sallierhodes@comcast.net) if you would be interested in participating in the training.



**Emmanuel United Methodist Church**  
**The Ministry of Ushering**  
*(Abbreviated version)*



**Purpose of the Ministry:** The purpose of serving as an usher at Emmanuel United Methodist Church is to praise God by assisting with the details of worship. Serving as an usher is a sacred responsibility, for in many instances an usher is one of the first persons that visitors will have the opportunity to meet.

**Objective:**

- To help both visitors and members feel welcome.

**Responsibilities:**

- Pray for the worshipers and for yourself before you arrive.
- Arrive at the worship service thirty minutes before the service begins.
- Remain at your station until after the worship service has begun.
- Be alert to persons who arrive late and need a bulletin.
- Greet worshipers warmly.
- Assist worshipers in finding seats.
- Meet the needs of the physically challenged, which may mean asking someone to move if you need to make room for a wheelchair or walker.
- Close all doors when the worship service begins.
- Alert the Pastor if anyone needs to have communion brought to them in the pew.
- Direct people as necessary to the nursery, classrooms, restrooms, and other facilities.
- Assist people in a calm manner if there is an emergency.
- Open the sanctuary doors after the benediction.
- Provide an activities package for young children.
- Advise parents that they may use the rocking chair in the back of the sanctuary.



Have you noticed that it is getting dark earlier now? Sadly, **Daylight Savings Time will end November 5th**. After we turn our clocks back one hour, it will be *really* dark!



Do you have a suggestion? A story idea? An idea for a feature? A complaint? (Don't worry, I can take it. But I can't fix what I don't know about!)

To contact Lamplighter editor Bobbie Deegan, please phone her at 301-937-7070, or email her at [BobbieDeegan@aol.com](mailto:BobbieDeegan@aol.com). All material will be gladly accepted!



# CHURCH ARCHITECTURE, Part 2

by Kathryn Griffin

In the June issue of The Lamplighter, I noted that the shape of a church depends on the prevailing culture and the period of history in which it was built. There are two basic shapes – crosses and domes. This month, I will cover the different sections of a church.

Every part of a church is meant to remind the worshiper not only of the presence of God, but also of the worshiper’s responsibility. Each section of a church has a special name and a special purpose. The **narthex** developed from the open porch of early churches, and is located at the western end of the building. This was the worship area for penitents, those who had not been baptized, and confirmation students. In early churches, the baptismal font was located in the narthex, because no one could come into the main worship area until he or she had been baptized. You could call this area a hallway, vestibule, foyer or lobby, but those terms are secular and do not designate the room as a special sacred place.

The narthex is important to church designers and to church-goers because it allows the worshiper to shift from the secular to the sacred. It is a gathering place for individuals to become a group of worshipers. Visitors get their first impression of a church from the narthex. Does it make them aware they are in a church? Is there information about the church and its activities displayed? Is the narthex decorated nicely? Does it show that the members care about their church?

From the narthex, the worshiper goes into the **Nave**. “Nave” is a Latin word meaning "ship." The ship was an early Christian symbol for the church sailing through the world, similar to Noah's ark. Many Scandinavian churches have ships suspended from the ceiling over the congregation. You can see one in the chapel at the Naval Academy in Annapolis. The nave is for the baptized worshipers.

If the church is shaped like a cross, the cross piece is called the **Transept**. In large churches, it contains more pews. Emmanuel does not have a transept.

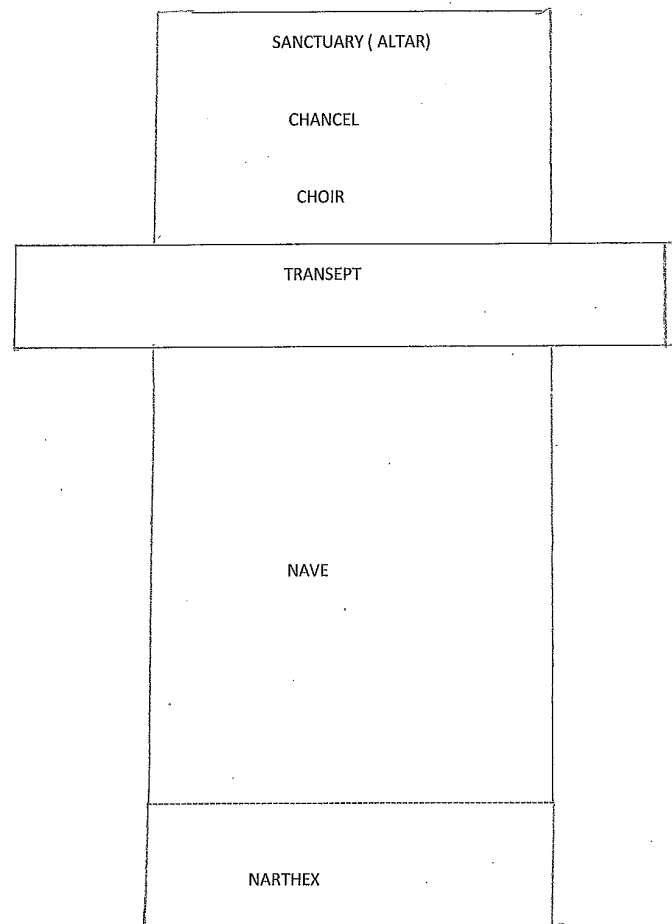
The **Choir** area is located after the transept and before the sacred area. The singers sit in stalls and assist in the service.

In medieval churches, the **Chancel** area was reserved for the clergy and the High Altar. (Large churches had several altars). The High Altar was located on the east end of the church.

The **Apse** is a semi-circular recess containing the altar. Emmanuel does not have an apse.

The altar is located in the **Sanctuary**. This is a sacred place. In medieval times, if someone was wanted by the King's men, he could go to the church (if he could get there), go to the altar and ask for sanctuary from the church. If the church consented, that person would be safe until he could get a fair trial.

Today, churches are shaped like fans, circles, and squares, with spires, flat roofs or sail-shaped roofs. Although some of the older designations may no longer apply, they are all sacred places, and there should be no confusion about that when anyone enters YOUR church.



**ALTAR FLOWERS**

- October 1 — Scotland
- October 8 — Hatton/Griffin
- October 15 — Thrush
- October 22 —
- October 29 — Scotland



- November 5 — Deegan
- November 12 —
- November 19 — McGlynn
- November 26 — Cline

The flower chart is posted in the hallway next to the mailboxes at the end of the hall. Arrangements are \$30. Please fill out a Flower Request Form when you sign up and leave it in the office mailbox. **Indicate on the form whether you will take the flowers home or leave them for a shut-in.** (Flowers that you take home are not tax-deductible). Thank you.

**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 1. Rose Johnson, Abraham Scotland
- 2. John Cavallo
- 4. Erica Belshay
- 8. Kathy Rodeffer
- 9. Elizabeth Galloway
- 13. Lauren Fadely, Alexandra Butcher, Mike Hatton
- 15. Magdalena Elliott, Elizabeth Elliott
- 17. Glendy Hernandez
- 18. Madison Cruz, Charles Vannoy
- 19. Kathy Mellott
- 22. Kell Jones, Mary Plantholt
- 24. Patricia Embrey, Janet Jones, Ruth Vaye
- 25. Mabel Claye
- 26. Pauli Colburn
- 27. Joyce Yarwood
- 29. Donna Horton
- 31. Ronald Midkiff



**OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

- 4. Sallie Rhodes & Norman Beaver
- 7. Mary Jane & Dan Kenyon

**IN MEMORIAM**



Christian love and sympathy to:

- \*The family of Betty Robb, who died August 21.
- \*The family of Hazel Rodriguez, who passed away August 26th.
- \*Karl Norris and family, on the death of his wife, Maxine, on August 28th.
- \*Doris Humphrey, on the death of her sister, Mary Saunders, on September 14th.

The Kilbourne Family thanks everyone for their thoughts, prayers, cards, and food at the time of George's death.

~ ~ ~Ernie Kilbourne

**GUESTS** visiting Emmanuel during August included: Ella & Molly Bredbenner  
Tammy White

We welcome you to our church family!  
Please worship with us again soon.



To volunteer to cover one or more Sundays as a **Greeter** or **Scripture Reader**, please put your name on the sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the Sanctuary.

**No experience necessary — we will train!**

Thank you for helping to make Emmanuel a friendly, welcoming place.

*Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for the human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.*

~ ~ Colossians 3:23-24



As you all know, Maxine Norris passed away on August 28th. Not only were Karl and Maxine longtime members of our congregation, but Maxine was a faithful and much-loved member of our Chancel Choir for many, many years. There will be a **memorial service to celebrate Maxine's life on October 21st at 1 PM**, here at Emmanuel.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>1</b> 9 &amp; 11:15 am Worship Services 10:15 am Sunday School, Sign Language, Bible study 12:30 UMW Executive Meeting 12:45 Chancel Choir</p>	<p><b>2</b></p>	<p><b>3</b> 7 pm ESOL</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>5</b> 7 pm Bible Study</p>	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b> 5 pm NA</p>
<p><b>8</b> 9 &amp; 11:15 am Worship Services 10:15 am Sunday School, Sign Language, Bible study 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Lunch 12:30 pm Youth Group 12:45 Chancel Choir</p>	<p><b>9</b> 7 pm Trustees 7 pm Depression/ Bipolar Support Group</p>	<p><b>10</b> 10 am Prayer Fellowship 7 pm ESOL</p>	<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>12</b> 7 pm Bible Study</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b> 5 pm NA</p>
<p><b>15</b> 9 &amp; 11:15 am Worship Services 10:15 am Sunday School, Sign Language, Bible study 12:45 Chancel Choir <b>2 pm Blessing of the Animals</b></p>	<p><b>16</b> 12 Noon Ellen Hoover Circle</p>	<p><b>17</b> 7 pm Sisters in Spirit Circle 7 pm ESOL</p>	<p><b>18</b> 10 am Susanna Wesley Circle</p>	<p><b>19</b> 7 pm Bible Study</p>	<p><b>20</b> 11 am Community Place Café</p>	<p><b>21</b> 5 pm NA</p>
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<p><b>29</b> 9 &amp; 11:15 am Worship Services 10:15 am Sunday School, Sign Language, Bible study 12:45 Chancel Choir <b>4 pm Halloween Party</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>31</b> <b>6 pm Trunk or Treat</b> 7 pm ESOL</p>				

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