

The Lamplighter

Emmanuel United Methodist Church

November 2014



Pastor Jacob Young

I greet all of you in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. During September and October, I stayed involved in the ministries of the church, including the food ministry, Community Place Café, and Farm for the Hungry. I visited the ministry Farm for the Hungry, which is located in Hughesville, MD, with other pastors. The farm is a place to give help, courage, and hope to the hungry by giving them food. There, I took sweet potatoes out of the ground and picked tomatoes. Additionally, I heard testimonies from a couple of inmates of the prison who have been incarcerated for several decades. They were involved with the ministry and waiting for their release from the prison. While listening to their testimonies I hoped that, when they get out, they would adapt themselves to society well. Also, I thought about what would be a good way for the church to

help them out.

On October 5, Emmanuel had a special service, World Communion Sunday. Six scripture readers read the scripture in different languages. The Maranatha Choir sang a Native American song. Holy Communion was celebrated with the Jewish bread, matzo. It was a wonderful opportunity to recognize diversity and the connection the world has in Jesus. On October 12, we shared an international potluck lunch in the Fellowship Hall. There was a variety of delicious international food. It was a great time for international awareness. I encourage the church to have this kind of event more often.

I would like to address the Blessing of the Animals service on October 5. I had been looking forward to having this kind of service for a long time, but I hadn't had an opportunity to do it throughout the entire period of my ministry. It was my first time, but it turned out to be awesome. The service originated from the remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi. St. Francis loved animals so much that he embraced them as brothers and sisters. In the Bible, Noah's family brought a pair of each kind of animal into the ark. This represents that human beings and the animals in the world need to be in companionship. I hope that the love for animals will spread throughout the community, and that the Blessing of the Animals service will play an important part

in this.

In October and November, Emmanuel plans to have various worship services, such as Laity Sunday (Oct 19), Reformation Sunday (Oct 26), All Saints Sunday (Nov 2), Stewardship Sunday (Nov 23), and in particular, 1st Sunday of Advent (Nov 30). Through these special worship services, I hope that the church will continue to be active and revitalized.

I am excited about the upcoming home gatherings with the pastor. I really appreciate those who are opening their homes for this event. I am scheduled to attend four home gatherings. I anticipate that these occasions will give me an opportunity to build closer relationships with church members.

Most of all, during November it is especially appropriate that we count the blessings that we have received this year from God, and to have a family reunion. It is a month for thinking about family values and love. I hope that you will have a great time with your family and count many blessings this year.

Happy Thanksgiving in advance.

Shalom,
Pastor Jacob



Breakfast with Santa

The United Methodist Men will host Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 20 at 9 am! Tickets are just \$7 for breakfast only and \$10 for breakfast and a picture with Santa. Children under 3 are free (if you would like a picture with Santa it will be \$3). Breakfast will include sausage and pancakes, juice, milk and coffee. You can buy tickets in the Narthex or register online at <http://eumcbeltsville.com/SantaBfast>. If you have any questions, email Rick Bergmann (rick.bergmann@eumcbeltsville.com)



 **Emmanuel UMC**
Beltsville, Maryland

**invites you to
join us for
Breakfast
with Santa!**

Join us on December 20th at 9am for a breakfast of pancakes, sausage, orange juice, milk and coffee.

Tickets are \$7 for breakfast only or \$10 for breakfast and a picture with Santa.
(Kids under 3 eat free and can have their picture taken for just \$3.)

You can register online by going to www.eumcbeltsville.com/SantaBfast or contacting the church office at 301.937.7114!
Join us for this fun and festive holiday event!



“Name That Lay Person”

The following quiz, with answers now provided, was prepared by Lay Leader Ann Rowland for Laity Sunday, Oct. 19. The answers show that many are active in the church to make committees and other functions work well, and they do so without fanfare. Thank you, Ann, for presenting us with this quiz (and the answers), and thanks to all these great volunteers.

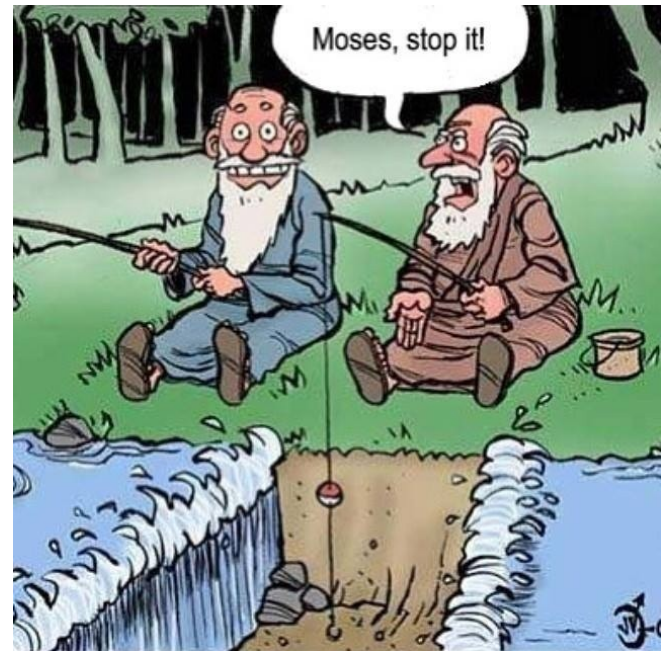
1. The Liturgists are essential to the worship service. Who coordinates the liturgist and greeter schedule?
Margie Mock
2. The quality of the sound enhances the worship experience. Can you name two sound technicians?
Maddie Cruz, Greg Stiggers, Abraham Scotland, Patrick Elliott, Rick Bergmann, Mike Hatton.
3. Who are the communion stewards at the 11:15 worship service? **Carrie and Roy White**
4. Emmanuel claims one Deaconess. What is her name? **Jane Grays**
5. We love our Sunday-School teachers. Can you name two?
Scarlet Robertson, Glenna Pavelka, Debbie McNitt, Janey and Steven Lewis, Jane Grays, Doug Galloway.
6. The homeless and low income people we serve at Community Place Café enjoy the homemade cakes we supply. Who rounds up the cake bakers? **Elsie Cline.**
7. One of our church members is a student at Wesley Theological Seminary. Who is he/she? **Sarah Elliott.**
8. The Mission Moment videos have educated us about how laity serves the church through its many ministries. Who produced these videos? **Rick Bergmann.**
9. As an agency for the Capitol Area Food Bank, Emmanuel serves many needy families in the Beltsville area and surrounding communities through its monthly Food Distribution Ministry. Name one of the co-leaders of this ministry. **Julie Pavelka, Theresa Timity.**
10. We have several acolytes. Can you name one?
Monica and Angela Hatton, Victoria and Robert Galloway, Marcus and Merton Baird.
11. Who shelves all the non-perishables in the Emergency Food Closet? **Carol Clatterbuck.**
12. Can you name one person who counts the offering on Sunday?
Bobbie Deegan, Olivia Heath, Mary Anne and Michael Vaughan, Andy Onukwubiri.
13. Many people look forward to coffee and donuts every Sunday morning. Who picks up the donuts? Who makes the coffee?
Scarlet and Bill Robertson (donuts) and **Pat Allen** (coffee).
14. The Lamplighter is delivered to our homes every month. Who puts this publication together? **Ted Ladd.**
15. The kitchen is always stocked with paper towels, cups, plates, etc. Who purchases all those supplies?
Barbara Butcher and Pat Allen.
16. During Advent the church is always beautifully decorated and when the season ends everything is removed and packed away till the following year. Who does that? **Ruth Smith, Lynne and Bob Miller, Kathryn Griffin.**
17. We look forward to listening to the choir sing at the 11:15 service. Can you name one man and one woman in the choir? **Bobbie Deegan, Beverly and George Urick, Carolyn Hicks, Evelyn Adkins, John Stewart, Karen Mackey, Lois Rodriguez, Lynne Miller, Pat Allen, Ruth Smith.**
18. Fall and Spring semester ESOL classes are taught at Emmanuel. Name one of the teachers.
Bobbie Deegan, Bryant Davis, Dee and John Lewis, Pat Allen, Theresa Timity.
19. This quiz would not be complete without asking who writes the checks to pay all of the church's bills. Do you know who that is? **Beverly Ward.**
20. The Pastor performs all of the administrative and operational functions of the church. True False x.

Community Thanksgiving Dinner

We are preparing for the second annual free community Thanksgiving dinner, which will be held on Thursday, November 27, 2014 in the fellowship hall. The holidays can be a lonely time for some; others may not have the resources to prepare a meal. We hope to address these needs by providing a holiday meal, friendly fellowship, and safe sanctuary on what otherwise may be a lonely and feast-less day. Our table is open to everyone. Guest may bring a dish to share, but it is not required. More details about and registration for the event can be found at <http://eumcbeltsville.com/turkey2014>.

Last year we fed about 40 people, many of whom would not have had Thanksgiving dinner otherwise. This year we are planning for 50 guests. We are looking for people to donate food or help setup for and prepare the meal. If you already have Thanksgiving plans, you can donate a dish or dessert ahead of time. If you would like to support the event by donating or volunteering, please contact Patrick Elliott at 202-570-2555 or e-mail patrick.elliott@eumcbeltsville.com.

We thank our community and church for generous support last Thanksgiving and look forward to another blessed year.



FAMILY RULES

Always be Honest

Proverbs 12:22

Count Your Blessings

Psalms 34:1-3

Forgive and Forget

Micah 7:18

Be Supportive of One Another

Acts 20:35

Be Kind and Tenderhearted

Ephesians 4:32

Keep Your Promises

Romans 4:21

Comfort One Another

1 Thesolonians 4:18

and above all...

Love One Another

1 Peter 1:22

November Birthdays



- 1 Elisabeth Cavallo
- 2 Chelsea McGlynn, Crystal Webb
Beverly Huneycutt
- 6 Katie McNealy
- 12 Ruth Cottman, Jaime Hiner,
- 13 Christie Ademiluyi
- 14 Loretta Claye, C. J. Huneycutt,
Michael Vaughan
- 16 Bobbie Barkley
- 19 Allan Corman
- 21 Edward Mougey
- 25 Patricia Allen, Sarah Elliott, Claire Wray
- 26 Craig West
- 27 Charlene Frederick, Ginger Butcher
- 28 Olamide Oluwafemi
- 30 Edward White, Jr.

November Anniversaries

- Nov. 2 Gwijia Park and Bryant Davis
- Nov. 12 Suzie Kilbourne and Chris Insley



Altar Flowers



- Nov. 2 Danny Webb
- Nov. 9 Elmo Webb
- Nov. 16 Loretta Claye
- Nov. 23 Clatterbuck
- Nov. 30 Ada McGlynn

POINSETTIA ORDER



In order to beautify the church during the Christmas season, we are again offering the opportunity for you to purchase poinsettias.



Red _____ White _____ (Deadline is December 1st)

NUMBER OF PLANTS ORDERED: _____ PRICE: \$10.00 EACH

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

Given by _____

(Place your order in the offering plate, bring or mail to the church by the deadline above. Please make checks payable to Emmanuel UMC. and mark it "Christmas Decoration").

(Please check one) I will take my flowers home: _____ (not eligible for tax credit)

I will donate my flowers to the church: _____

Date Received _____

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 10 am Church Work Day Change Your Clocks
2 9 & 11:15 am Worship All Saints Sunday 10:15 am Sunday School & New Members Class	3	4 7 pm ESOL	5 7 pm Women's Community Club of Beltsville	6 1 pm Widow's Group 7 pm Chancel Choir	7 7pm Maranatha Choir	8 8:30 am Men's Breakfast
9 9 & 11:15 am Worship 10:15 am Sunday School & New Members Class 2 nd Sunday Lunch 1 pm	10 7 pm Depression/ Bipolar Support Group 7 pm Trustee Meeting	11 10 am Prayer Fellowship 7 pm ESOL	12 7 pm Worship Committee	13 7 pm Chancel Choir	14 7pm Maranatha Choir	15
16 9 & 11:15 am Worship 10:15 am Sunday School & New Members Class 12:30 pm Youth Fellowship 2 pm Charge Conference	17 12 noon Ellen Hoover Circle	18 7 pm ESOL	19 10 am Susanna Wesley Circle 12 noon Dorcas Circle 7 pm Sisters In Spirit	20 7 pm Chancel Choir	21 11 am Community Place Café 7 pm Maranatha Choir 7 pm Food Prep	22 10 am Food Distribution
23 Stewardship Sunday 9 & 11:15 am Worship 10:15 am Sunday School & New Members Class 12:30 pm Youth Fellowship	24 7 pm Depression/ Bipolar Support Group	25 10 am Prayer Fellowship 7:30 pm Thanksgiving Service at St. Johns	26	27 Community Thanksgiving Dinner	28	29
30 9 & 11:15 am Worship 10:15 am Sunday School						

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