



February

2020

The Journey

Newsletter for Emmanuel Lutheran Church

My precious siblings in Christ,

Grace and peace to you this day. I am still catching my breath, after being called and hired to be your Interim pastor at Emmanuel during the call process. I am both appreciative of and humbled by your confidence in me to lead this congregation at this momentous time.

My plan is to be in the office on Wednesdays, doing the visitation of shut-ins during the afternoon. I am also available for pastoral care situations and emergencies via my cell phone 336-862-9740. And, of course, I will be leading worship and preaching on Sundays.

However, having an interim pastor does not mean that your ministries—those of each and every one of you—are less vital to the life of this family of faith. So—welcome the stranger, reach out to and pray for one another, take seriously and joyfully the call of Christ to BE God's love in this community and this world.

Together, we will continue to BE the Body of Christ in this place.

Thanks be,

Pastor Linda



Prayer Focus

Gracious Lord, we pray that our lives and the work of our church be bright, clear witnesses of faith that all may know the good news of Jesus Christ and give glory to God. Amen

Laughter and humor are gifts from God. May we smile and give thanks to God for people who help us laugh and see joy in life and service and for those whose humor helps break through our uneasiness with difficult issues, opening us to self-reflection and different perspectives on life.

We remember in our prayers people who are still grieving and recovering from loss of life, home or livelihood because of natural disasters and severe weather and pray they find comfort, strength and hope in God's presence and the support of relief workers and volunteers who continue to accompany them.

Throughout the coldness of winter, we pray for all those who are cold without adequate income to pay for heat. We also pray that those who are homeless find warm shelter, assistance and the welcoming comfort of caring neighbors.



Scripture Readers: Would you like to read the word of God aloud in the presence of the assembly? If so, please contact the church office to be added to our list of readers. You will be emailed the readings a few days before the Sunday that you are scheduled to read in worship.

Financial Statements

Please remember to pick up your 2019 financial statements in the narthex to help the church save on postage.



NEEDED: MEMBERS TO PROVIDE FIRST-SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP SNACKS

You are invited to provide snacks and beverages for our monthly FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIPS in the Narthex. When you sign up, you may get others to help if you wish. A light snack and beverage are all that is needed. You will find the sign-up calendar in the Narthex. Thanks for supporting nurturing opportunities within our church!!

Breakfast Bunch— meets every Friday morning at Carter Brothers on Eastchester at 8:30. Please plan to join the fun.



Emmanuel Ladies' Valentine Dinner YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND OUR ANNUAL Ladies' VALENTINE DINNER.

Hosted by the Rachel Circle
TUESDAY, February 4th

At 6:00 p.m.
at Penny's Restaurant
727 W. Main Street
Jamestown.

Please let pat know if you can attend
by Sunday, February 3rd
so we can reserve a

Place for you in the private dining area.

Wear red, if possible,
And join in the fellowship.

Rsvp Pat by 2/3:
336-689-9397
prduff@yahoo.com



Sunday Servants

	February 2	February 9	February 16	February 23
Assisting Minister	Jay Lowrey	Greg Evans	Joy Joseph	Pat Duff
Crucifer	Chol Adichol	Indigo Weaver	Nelson Joseph	Will Fullwood
Acolytes	Mimi Banglo	Julian Weaver	Wilson Joseph	
Prayer of Day	Carson Kuethe	Aluel Adichol	Julian Weaver	
Reader	Stan Reid	Leslie Duffy	Bonnie Faust	Joanna Roberts
Communion Preparer	Kay Hudson	Sue Smotherman	Erika Kuethe	Gerry Ewaldsen
Altar Guild	Kay Hudson	Kay Hudson	Kay Hudson	Kay Hudson
Counters	Bill Clemmer Gary Biesecker	Scott Lambeth Mickey Walker	Eileen Roberts Steve Smotherman	Patsy Hayworth Pete Roberts
Council Person	Patrick Duffy	Patrick Duffy	Patrick Duffy	Patrick Duffy

If you are willing to serve as a reader sign-up sheets are by the church office.

Susan Thomas	02/01
Mike Biesecker	02/08
Marlen Ambwa	02/10
Mike Stewart	02/13
Ken Cagle Jr	02/19
Ford Ewaldsen	02/19
Debbie Echols	02/26
Abby Duffy	02/27
Shelly Fullwood	02/28
Alice Jada	02/28



We apologize if we missed your birthday! Please let us know and we will update our files.

Gifts have been given to the Glory or God and in memory of

Rhoda Lambeth given by Ford & Gerry Ewaldsen to the Music Fund,

Rhoda Lambeth given by Hale Mast, Jodie Monroe, Helen Sloop, Robert & Barbara Underwood, and Gregory & Diana Theiler to the Compassion Fund.

February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 11:45 Youth 11:45 First Sunday Fellowship 11:45 Seeker's Session	3	4 6:00 Rachel Circle at Penny's Restaurant	5 1:30 Knitwits 6:30 Bells 7:30 Choir	6	7 8:30 Breakfast Bunch	8
9 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 11:45 Youth	10 5:00 Open Door	11	12 1:30 Knitwits 6:30 Bells 7:00 Choir	13 	14 8:30 Breakfast Bunch	15
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23 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship LYO	24	25	26 1:30 Knitwits 7:00 Ash Wednesday Service	27	28 8:30 Breakfast Bunch	29



PLEASE SUPPORT OUR YOUTH LUNCHES

Congregation members are invited to consider providing a simple Youth Meal after church on Sundays when the Emmanuel Youth meet in the Fellowship Hall. Your support means so much to these students. You will find a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Many, many thanks!!!

SEEKERS SESSION, Sunday, February 2nd immediately following worship. If you are interested in finding out about becoming a member of the family of faith at Emmanuel, you are invited to this meeting with the pastor. All questions welcome. All seekers welcome. Come and see.



February 2—Word/Interactive Bible Study

February 9—Service/Fun

February 16—No Sunday School or youth

February 23—Youth at LYO

College/School Closet

We are collecting gently used and new college/school supplies. Anything pertaining to dorms and apartments as well as supplies for younger students such as notebooks and pencils are welcome. These donations are for not only our Emmanuel community, but we hope to outreach to other needy students in our area. If you have donations or questions, please let the youth know or place it in the Sunday school room with the "College Closet" sign posted on it.



Open Door Ministries

Food. Housing. Healing. Hope

Item-of-the-Month: February—Hot breakfast foods such as oatmeal, grits, cream of wheat, and shaving cream. Let's fill the grocery cart in the narthex!



Weather cancellations will be announced on WXII Channel 12, www.wxii12.com, Fox8 News, and on our Facebook Page.



We'll have Ash Wednesday worship at 7:00 on February 26th. (no soup meal). Please mark your calendars and plan to join us.

Volunteers Needed for Mobile Meals Delivery

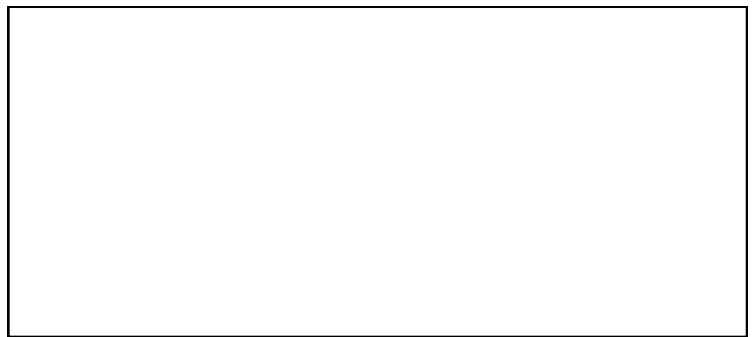
Emmanuel Lutheran Church has provided volunteers to deliver mobile meals for 25 plus years! This is an important community program that helps home-bound elderly folks. Emmanuel is responsible for delivering on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Volunteers are paired and drive an assigned route for meal delivery. They meet at Triangle Lake Elementary School at 9:30 AM to collect their meals and generally are finished in an hour and a half, returning to the school afterwards. Eileen Roberts (336-899-5966) coordinates Emmanuel's group. Volunteers are needed, either to deliver regularly or on an as needed basis. Please consider being a part of this program. Contact Eileen if you are interested or need more information.



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**Emmanuel Lutheran Church
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High Point, NC 27262**



Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

Emmanuel Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Emmanuel Senior Enrichment Center

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