



## **Emmanuel United Methodist Church**

26 West Washington Street, Fleetwood, PA 19522

Web Site: [WWW.FleetwoodUMC.org](http://WWW.FleetwoodUMC.org)

### **Happening in August 2018**

Sunday **August 5** - Worship 10 am

Wednesday **August 8** 7 pm Trustee Meeting

Sunday **August 12** – Worship 10 am - **CHURCH PICNIC after  
Worship**

Tuesday **August 15** 7 pm Administrative Board

Sunday **August 19** 10 am **Worship**

Sunday **August 26** 10 am **Worship/ Noisy Can Offering**

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### **Pastor's Corner**

#### **First Not Second**

God and Christ must be first in our lives, and not second. Jesus says, "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you" (Matthew 6:33). Our number one priority in this short life must be to go to Heaven or otherwise we most likely will not go there. Jesus says, "No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God" (Luke 9:62). If one doesn't go to Heaven, there is only one other place and that is the eternal torments of Hell. "For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul" (Mark 8:36).

We cannot put other people and other things ahead of our service and worship to

God and Christ and still be pleasing to Them. They will not accept second best. Jesus says, "He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me" (Matthew 10:37-38). Jesus says the only way we can be worthy of God and Him is," And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength" (Mark 12:30). We are to "Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth" (Colossians 3:2). God is only "a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him" (Hebrews 11:6), by putting Him first. Are we really putting God and Christ first in our lives? Judgment Day will be too late to find out if we haven't.

God Bless

*Pastor Mark*

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## **Church Picnic**

Join us for our annual church picnic (without ants and dirt!) in the Fellowship room on **Sunday, August 12 after worship**. Hot dogs, rolls and beverages will be provided, **please sign up in the lobby to bring sides and desserts**. Fellowship and games included!

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## **Looking Ahead to September**

### **Grandparents Day**

**September 9th**

We will have a special Fellowship following worship on Sunday, September 9 to celebrate past and present grandparents. *Bring a dessert made using a favorite recipe handed down from a grandparent, great grandparent or your children's grandparent. Please provide the recipe and any fond memories you have about the recipe or the person who introduced it to you!* Please sign up on Bulletin Board

# **Woman's Fellowship at Emmanuel!**

**September 29, 2018  
9:00 am – 1:00 pm**

Join us for a time of fun, fellowship and a unique Bible study. All the ladies of the church are urged to participate! Ruth Fluharty is planning a quiet get-away (to the church) for the women of the congregation 9-1 on Saturday, September 29. Please join the ladies for a morning of Bible study, reflection, craft, fellowship and food.

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board with details and info on food needs.

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## **Reminder:**

The last Sunday of every month is Noisy Collection Day. Save your pocket change to make a joyful noise (in our cans.) We average \$80-\$100 each month in these collections (really!) and the money goes into the Trustee's fund to offset minor repairs or purchases needed for the building. Thanks to all who contribute!

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## August Birthdays

August 11 – Sue Werley  
August 12 – Lucas Evans  
August 18 – Leah McKay  
August 19 – Don Kiesling  
August 23 – Tommy Evans  
August 23 – Bryn Werley  
August 24 – Barry Knabb  
August 25 – Donna Knarr  
August 27 – Nicole Lang

## August Anniversaries

None known

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## **A Sad Loss for us all at Emmanuel**

### ***Jack O'Rourke***

Our dear friend, church member and supporter who offered stories and song and sometimes spoke to our congregation, Jack O'Rourke, 80, went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday July 24th. His funeral will be at his home church in Schuylkill Haven, PA. Jack's family will host a memorial Service on this Saturday Aug 4th at First United Methodist Church of Schuylkill Haven at 11:30 AM. Jack enjoyed his travels and spreading the Gospel. We will sorely miss Jack and we wish his wonderful wife Nancy and the rest of his family our sincerest condolences for their loss.

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## *Prayer Concerns for July*

Please remember the following members in prayer

**Betty Homan, Dan & Sue Miller, Nancy O'Rourke, Carole Sanders, Eleanor Wolf, Catherine Lenhart**

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# **Creation 2018 – Another Tremendous Time for All!**

**A few photos from this year!**







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# Church is seeking a new Treasurer

Our church treasurer, Roger Barr, wishes to "retire" as church treasurer. He will gladly instruct anyone who would be willing to take the position. **Please** see him if you have questions on the position or would be willing to accept the responsibility. Below are the duties of the Treasurer.

Maintain records for all income and expenses.

(The treasurer does not count money

or make bank deposits.)

Pay all invoices

Compute payroll and pay accordingly

Record and pay all Federal, State and Local Taxes

Do a monthly treasurer's report

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## Smiles for August

If these don't make you smile, then you're just grumpy!























For those looking at this issue on line here is a special link for you to enjoy

Please take the time to watch this short video, **An Interview with God**. The message and the photography are amazing.

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/moBvLFbFdJ4?rel=0&autoplay=1>

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**Reminder - Newsletter Deadline**— If you have **articles or humor items** for **September's** Newsletter be sure to email them to Dick Tracy at [dtracy@ptd.net](mailto:dtracy@ptd.net) or call him at 610-207-2016 **not later than Wednesday August 29th.** **I am always looking for articles/photos to share so please email me with anything you feel appropriate to share!**

