



Emmanuel



Emmanuel United Methodist Church

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Happening in October 2018

Saturday **October 6th** - **Charge Conference** at West Lawn UMC

Sunday **October 7th** - **Bible Study on the Holy Trinity** – 9 am

Worship 10 am

Youth B.L.A.S.T. Back! Kick-off! 11-1 pm **Devotions, Snacks, Games, Planning**

Sunday **October 14th** - **Bible Study on the Holy Trinity** – 9 am

Worship 10 am

Soup, Salad & Something Sweet – following worship (see note below)

Wednesday **October 12th** - 7 pm Trustee Meeting

Sunday **October 21st** - **Bible Study on the Holy Trinity** – 9 am

Worship 10 am

Tuesday **October 18th** - 7 pm Administrative Board

Sunday **October 28th** - 10 am **Worship / Noisy Can Offering**

Pastor's Corner

Why Did Jesus Have To Die?

It is our sins that separate us from God. God will not be around sin. Isaiah 59:2 says, "But your iniquities have separated you from your God; and your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear."

All accountable people have sinned. Romans 3:23 says, "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God". And Romans 6:23 says, "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." The death spoken of here is spiritual death which is being spiritually separated from God. God is in Heaven and anybody with unforgiven sins cannot go to Heaven and be with God. God is both a loving God, but He is also Just. God's justice demands punishment for our sins. He could not just "play like" they didn't happen.

We read in Romans 5:6-10, "For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life."

Christ came to this earth and lived a perfect sin-free life. If He

had sinned even one time, He could not have died for us. He would have to be punished for His own sin. So we read in 2 Corinthians 5:21, “For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.” Christ has taken our punishment, so God can now be just in saving us. And we read in 1 Peter 3:18, “For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit”. Christ is the just and we are the unjust. God has His plan as to how we are to be saved. We must follow God’s plan and not man’s plan if we expect to be saved and go to Heaven.

God Bless

Pastor Mark

Harvest Home

Harvest Home 2018 will be held throughout the month of October to benefit The Fleetwood Food Bank. The food bank can do more w/money, as they can buy in bulk. Therefore, **we will not be accepting non-perishable food items.** There will be a basket in the narthex for your monetary donations. **Our goal for this year is \$300.00. Please give generously, as this is our major out-reach to the community.**

Operation Christmas Child Collection

Operation Christmas Child Collection for 2018 will begin Sunday Oct 14 and continue through Sunday Nov 11.

Soup & Salad & Something Sweet (Apple)

Adult and family Ministries announce a fellowship sharing time as a Soup & Salad & Something Sweet (Apple) to be held in the fellowship hall after worship on **Sunday October 14th**. Please sign up to participate and list item(s) you will contribute on the sign-up sheet in the front hall. We are hoping everyone participates.

October Birthdays

October 4 – Nancy Kiesling

October 9 – Christine Whitfield

October 12 – Elwood Rothenberger

October 13 – Cheryl Barr

October – 19 Troy werley

October Anniversaries

October 5 – Pastor Mark and Annette Dricker

October 10 – Nancy and Don Kiesling

Prayer Concerns for October

Please remember the following members in prayer

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

Church is seeking a new Treasurer

We are still in need of a new church treasurer. As noted here last month, our church treasurer, Roger Barr, wishes to "retire" as church treasurer. Roger will be happy to train anyone who would accept the position. If no one steps forward, it may be necessary to hire someone from the outside which will be an added expense for us. Please pray on this.

Below are the duties of the Treasurer. Please consider volunteering for this....your church needs your help!

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

Communion Stewards

More communion stewards & assistants are needed. This is not a difficult task, & would only require one to serve once every 3-4 months. The current stewards will gladly give any necessary instruction. Please see one of them, if you can help fill this important position.

October Special Link

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



Artist Peels A
Tangerine.mp4

SMILES FOR OCTOBER

My Gift to You

"One day I had lunch with some old friends. Jim, a short, balding golfer type, about 85-years old, came along with them; all in all, it was a pleasant bunch.

When the menus were presented, my friends and I ordered salads, sandwiches, and soups, except for Jim who said, "A large piece of home-made apple pie, heated please."

I wasn't sure my ears heard him right, and the others were aghast, when Jim continued, completely unabashed.... "along with two large scoops of vanilla ice cream."

We tried to act quite nonchalant, as if people did this all the time, but when our orders were brought out, I didn't enjoy eating mine. I couldn't take my eyes off of Jim as I watched him savoring each bite of his pie a-la-mode. The other guys just grinned in disbelief as they silently ate their lunches.

The next time I went out to eat, I called Jim and invited him to join me. I lunched on a white meat tuna sandwich, while he ordered a chocolate parfait. Since I was chuckling, he wanted to know if he amused me. I answered, "Yes, you certainly do, but you also confuse me. How come you always order such rich desserts, while I feel like I must be sensible in my food choices?"

He laughed and said, "I'm tasting all that is possible for me to taste. I try to eat the food I need and do the things I should in order to stay healthy, but life's too short, my friend. I hate missing out on something good. This year I realized how old I was." He grinned. "I've never been this old before, so, while I'm still here, I've decided it's time to try all those things that, for years, I've been ignoring."

He continued, "I haven't smelled all the flowers yet. There are too many trout streams I haven't fished. There's more fudge sundaes to wolf down and kites to be flown overhead. There are too many golf courses I haven't played. I've not laughed at all the jokes. I've missed a lot of sporting events and potato chips and Cokes.

"I want to wade again in water and feel ocean spray on my face. I want to sit in a country church once more and thank God for His grace. I want peanut butter every day spread on my morning toast. I want un-timed long distance calls to the one I love the most.

"I haven't cried at all the movies yet, or walked in the morning rain. I need to feel wind on my face. So, if I choose to have dessert, instead of having dinner, then should I die before night fall, I'd say I died a winner, because I missed out on nothing. I filled my heart's desire. I had that final piece of pie before my life expired."

With that, I called the waitress over. "I've changed my mind," I said. "I want what he's having, only add some more whipped cream!"

This is my gift to you - We need an annual Friends Day! If you get this twice, then you have more than one friend. Live well, love much, & laugh often - Be happy and enjoy doing whatever your heart desires. You only go around once on this crazy planet.

Be mindful that happiness isn't based on possessions, power, or prestige, but on relationships with people we like, respect, and enjoy spending time with.

Remember that while money talks, ICE CREAM SINGS!

Do You Know Your Hymns?

Dentist's Hymn	. . .	Crown Him with Many Crowns.
Weatherman's Hymn	. . .	There Shall Be Showers of Blessings.
Contractor's Hymn	. . .	The Church's One Foundation.
Tailor's Hymn	. . .	Holy, Holy, Holy.
Golfer's Hymn	. . .	There's a Green Hill Far Away.
Politician's Hymn	. . .	Standing on the Promises!
Optometrist's Hymn	. . .	Open My Eyes That I Might See.
IRS Agent's Hymn	. . .	I Surrender All.
Gossip's Hymn	. . .	Pass It On.
Electrician's Hymn	. . .	Send The Light..
Shopper's Hymn	. . .	Sweet Bye and Bye.
Realtor's Hymn	. . .	I've Got a Mansion, Just Over the Hilltop.
Massage Therapist's Hymn	. . .	He Touched Me.

AND for those who speed on the highway - a few hymns:

55 mph	. . .	God Will Take Care of You
75 mph	. . .	Nearer My God To Thee
85 mph	. . .	This World Is Not My Home
95 mph	. . .	Lord, I'm Coming Home
100 mph	. . .	Precious Memories

Give me a sense of humor, Lord, Give me the grace to see a joke,
To get some humor out of life, And pass it on to other folks.

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!

Reminder - Newsletter Deadline— If you have **articles or humor items** for **November's** Newsletter be sure to email them to Dick Tracy at dtracy@ptd.net or call him at 610-207-2016 **not later than Monday October 29th**. **I will be "on the road" for this issue but can be reached through email. I am always looking for articles/photos to share so please email me with anything you feel appropriate to share!**