



Emmanuel



Emmanuel United Methodist Church

26 West Washington Street, Fleetwood, PA 19522

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February 2024

Happy Valentines Day!

Happening at Emmanuel in February 2024

Sunday Feb 4 - 10 AM Worship and Sunday School

Wednesday Feb 7 - 11 AM Weekly Bible Study

Sunday Feb 11 - 10 AM Worship and Sunday School

Souperbowl Sunday Fellowship After Worship

Wednesday Feb 14 - 11 AM Start of our Special 6 Week Lenten Bible Study

See Invitation article below

Wednesday Feb 14- 6:30 PM Trustee Meeting

Sunday Feb 18 - 10 AM Worship and Sunday School

Tuesday Feb 20 - 6:30 PM Administrative Board Meeting

Wednesday Feb 21 - 11 AM Lenten Bible Study

Sunday Feb 25 - 10 AM Worship and Sunday School

Wednesday Feb 28 - 11 AM Lenten Bible Study

YOU are Invited to our LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Our Bible Study Group is doing a Six Week Lenten Study starting on Ash Wednesday February 14th (11 - 12 AM). Everyone is invited/asked to join us for this special 6 weekly sessions! For questions see or call Kathy.

Pastor's Corner

When The Lord Established His Church

When did Christ establish His church? Its beginning was prophesied 700 years before in Isaiah 2:2, "It shall come to pass in the last days that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains." We are now living in the last days or the last dispensation. Hebrews 1:2 says that God, "Has in these last days spoken to us by His Son."

Jesus sent His disciples to tell of His coming kingdom, the church. In Matthew 10:7 Jesus says "And as you go, preach, saying, the kingdom of heaven is at hand." It was at hand and soon to come into being. Jesus says in Mark 9:1, "Assuredly, I say to you that there are some standing here who will not taste of death till they see the kingdom come with power." The Lord's spiritual kingdom, the church, was to come with power. Jesus told His apostles in Luke 24:49 to "tarry in the City of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high." Also notice what was to come with this power in Acts 1:8, "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you." The Lord's kingdom, the church, was to come with power and this power was to come when the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles. We see concerning the 12 apostles in Acts 2:4, "And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. Then Acts 2:47 says, "The Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." The Lord's church was then a reality.

Only the Lord's church was established on the Day of Pentecost of Acts chapter 2. I would not want to be a member of a church the Lord did not establish. He only established His one church. Psalms 127:1 says, "Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it."

God Bless,

Pastor Mark

Reminder – Pastor Mark will be available for conference or discussion in his church office and the sanctuary will be open every Friday from 10 AM to Noon

Prayer Concerns for February

You are urged to keep the following people in prayer

Nancy O'Rourke, Carole Sanders, Darlene Gorski,
Pat Tracy, Gerri Wentzel, Paul Werley
Missionaries serving all around the world

EMMANUEL'S KITCHEN

Cheeseburger Pie

1 lb. ground Beef	1 c. shredded Cheddar Cheese
¼ c. Bar-B-Q Sauce	1 ½ c. milk
1 small onion diced	¾ c. Bisquick
Salt & Pepper to taste	3 eggs

Brown 1 lb. ground beef and drain. Add Bar-B-Q sauce, onion, salt & pepper. Mix well. Lightly grease 10" casserole or pie plate & pour in ground beef mixture. Cover with shredded cheese. With electric mixer, blend milk, Bisquick & 3 eggs until smooth, Pour over beef mixture and cheese. Bake at 400 degrees for 30 minutes until crust turns golden brown. Let stand to cool 5 minutes before serving. Serve with a tossed salad.

Enjoy!

Please share your favorite recipes!

Please send in any favorite recipes that you are willing to share. They may be handwritten or typed. **Desserts, Main Dishes, Special Vegetables, Salads – ALL are welcome!** Email them to dtracy@ptd.net or give them to me on any Sunday at church and I will publish them in the newsletter.

February Birthdays
February 5 – Katie Keiser

February Anniversaries
No February Anniversaries

Humor for February

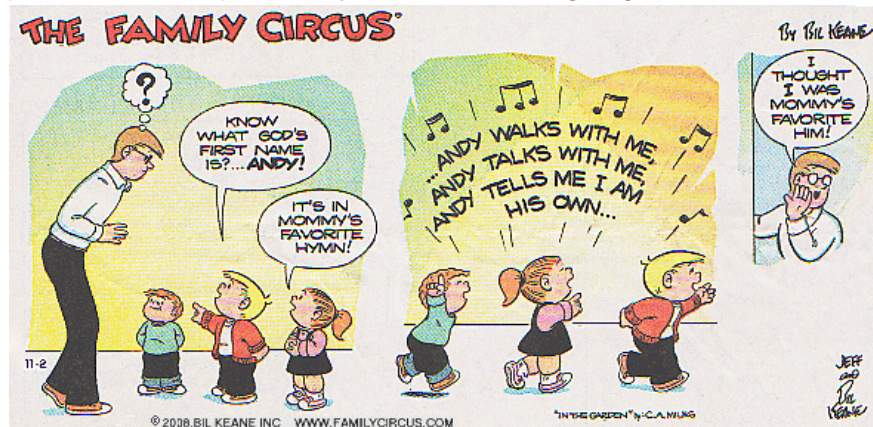
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At Sunday School they were learning how God created everything, including human beings. Johnny was especially intent when the teacher told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs.

Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and said, "Johnny, what is the matter?"

Johnny responded, "I have pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife."



An engineer dies and reports to the Pearly Gates. Saint Peter checks his dossier and not seeing his name there, accidentally sends him to Hell. It doesn't take long before the engineer becomes rather dissatisfied with the level of comfort in Hell.

He soon begins to design and build improvements. Shortly thereafter, Hell has air conditioning, flush toilets and escalators. Needless to say, the engineer is a pretty popular guy.

One day, God calls Satan and says: "So, how are things in Hell?"

Satan replies: "Hey, things are going great. We've got air conditioning, flush toilets, and escalators. And there's no telling what this engineer is going to come up with next."

"What!" God exclaims: "You've got an engineer? That's a mistake - he should never have been sent to Hell. Send him to me."

"Not a chance," Satan replies: "I like having an engineer on the staff, and I'm keeping him!"

God insists: "Send him back or I'll sue."

Satan laughs uproariously and answers: "Yeah, right. And where are you going to get a lawyer?"

Visiting his grandparents, a small boy opened the big family Bible. He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out. He picked it up and found that it was an old leaf that had been pressed flat between the pages. "Mama, look what I found," he called out.

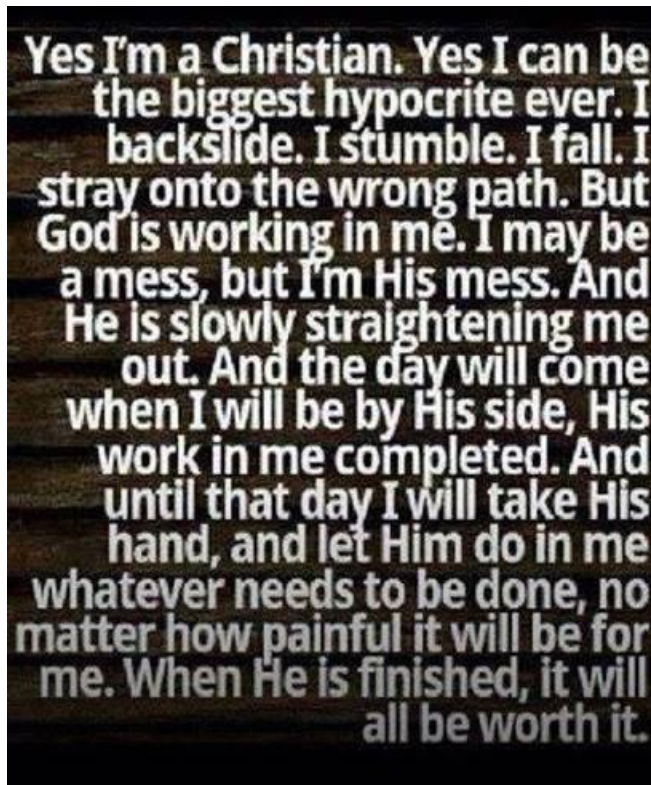
"What have you got there, dear?" his mother asked.

With astonishment in his voice, the boy answered, "I think it's Adam's underwear!"

The Sunday School teacher was describing that when Lot's wife looked back at Sodom she turned into a pillar of salt, when Bobby interrupted. "My mommy looked back once while she was driving," he announced, "and she turned into a telephone pole."

Another Sunday School teacher said to her children, "We have been learning about how powerful the kings and queens were in Biblical times. But there is a higher power. Who can tell me what it is?" Tommy blurted out, "I know, Aces."

Remember, if you don't send in humor items, then you're stuck with my choices! PLEASE send some in!



Yes I'm a Christian. Yes I can be the biggest hypocrite ever. I backslide. I stumble. I fall. I stray onto the wrong path. But God is working in me. I may be a mess, but I'm His mess. And He is slowly straightening me out. And the day will come when I will be by His side, His work in me completed. And until that day I will take His hand, and let Him do in me whatever needs to be done, no matter how painful it will be for me. When He is finished, it will all be worth it.

Reminder - Newsletter Deadline— If you have articles **or humor items** for the Newsletter be sure to email them to your newsletter editor, Dick Tracy, at dtracy@ptd.net or call or text him anytime at 610-207-2016. For the March 2024 issue please send them to him not later than Tuesday February 27th.

I am always looking for articles/ recipes / photos stories or jokes/cartoons so PLEASE email me at dtracy@ptd.net with anything you feel appropriate to share!

That's All Folks!



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FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER SPECIAL SUPPLIMENT

(These two event articles were inadvertently left out of that newsletter)

Ash Wednesday Service

“There Your Heart Will Be” - Ash Wednesday 2/14/2024 7:00 PM

Where will your heart be this Lenten Season? We hope you can join us on Valentine’s Day (2/14) to begin our Lenten journey. For this service we will be asking the question “Where Will Your Heart Be?” Lent is a time for reflection and self -examination. It is a time to think about what Jesus has done for us and take away our sin. I encourage you to invite a friend or bring your Sweetheart to Church at 7:00 PM where we will dive into this question together and see if we can discover not only where God’s Heart is but where your Heart can be this Lenten season.

Church Yard Sale Start Saving Things Now

Church Yard Sale will be in mid- May - more info to follow- If you are house cleaning, & have items to contribute, please save them out for the sale. Items may be brought to the church, BUT, THEY MUST BE STORED IN THE BASEMENT - 2nd room on the left- DO NOT LEAVE THINGS UPSTAIRS IN THE SUN. SCHOOL ROOMS!!!!!! Questions - See Brad, Deanne, or Kathy.