

Emmanuel United Methodist Church

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Happening at Emmanuel in March 2020

Sunday March 1st - 10 am Worship & Sunday School

Sunday March 8th - 10 am Worship & Sunday School

Wednesday March 11th - 7 pm Trustee Meeting

Sunday March 15th - 10 am Worship & Teen and children's Sunday School,

St. Patrick's Day Fellowship following worship

Tuesday March 17th - 6:30 pm Administrative Board

Sunday March 22nd - 10 am Worship & Sunday School

Mar 27/29 —Truștees Sandwich Sale — Signup on the Bulletin Board

Saturday March 28th - 9 am - Noon Women's Spring Fellowship & Luncheon

Sunday March 29th - 10 am Worship & Teen and children's Sunday School

Sunday April 5 - Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast before worship

Women's Spring Fellowship

Woman's Spring Fellowship will be held at the church on Mar. 28th -9:00 AM- Noon w/lunch to follow.

Please wear your favorite bright color, as it will be Spring by then, and we will be dealing w/some beautiful colors.

Ruth Fluharty will lead/instruct a water painting class with all materials provided. Ruth is noted for being able to teach anyone to paint, so don't let any lack of talent keep you away. If you have any questions on the class, please ask her.

There will also be activities, Bible study, & just a good time of fellowship.

All women and friends are welcome. Please sign up on the main bulletin board.

Pastor's Corner

Temptation

As God's children, we all face temptation to sin. We have all been tempted and have been guilty of sin. "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23), and "the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23). We will die spiritually if we continually give in to temptation and sin. We will be eternally lost in Hell if we continue in our sin. "Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are the one's slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading to death, or obedience leading to righteousness?"

Satan is referred to as the tempter, the one who does the tempting (Matthew 4:3, 1 Thessalonians 3:5). But God does not tempt anyone. "Let no one say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. Then when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-

grown, brings forth death" (James 1:13-15). Spiritual death occurs when one is eternally separated from God in Hell.

God will not allow us to be tempted with more than we can bear. "No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it" (1 Corinthians 10:13).

But how do we protect ourselves from temptation? Jesus tells us to "Watch and pray, lest you enter temptation" (Matthew 26:41). We are to "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him steadfast in the truth" (1 Peter 5:8-9). Studying God's word and making it a part of our lives will help to protect us when we are tempted. David said, "Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You" (Psalms 119:11).

We must be watchful and overcome temptation and live a godly life so we can go to Heaven when this life is over.

God Bless

Pastor Mark

March Birthdays

March 10 - Kathy Stetka

March 18 - Eleanor Wolf

March 21 – Paul Werley

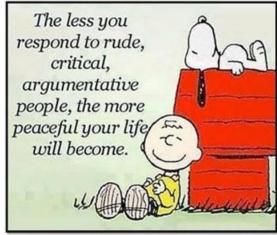
March 23 - Ruth Fluharty

March 27 - Dan Miller

Prayer Concerns for March

Please remember the following members in prayer

Smiles and Joys for March









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New Opportunities – The Church is always looking for new ideas to meet the needs of God's people – to bring them into the Kingdom and into a closer relationship to our Lord. See Pastor Mark or submit any ideas to the administrative board.

Reminder: The last Sunday of every month is Noisy Can Collection Day. Save your pocket change to make a joyful noise (in our cans.) The money goes into the Trustee's fund for minor repairs or purchases needed for the building. Thanks to all who contribute!

<u>Reminder - Newsletter Deadline</u>— If you have <u>articles or humor items for the April Newsletter</u> be sure to email them your newsletter editor, Dick Tracy, at <u>dtracy@ptd.net</u> or call or text him at 610-207-2016 <u>not later than Wednesday March 26th.</u> <u>We are always looking for articles/photos stories or jokes so <u>PLEASE</u> email me with anything you feel appropriate to share!</u>