

# **Emmanuel United Methodist Church**

26 West Washington Street, Fleetwood, PA 19522

Web Site: www.FleetwoodUMC.org

# **Happening in March 2019**

#### Sunday March 3 - 10 am Worship

Sunday March 10 – 9 am Pop-Up Bible Discussion "Daniel in the Lion's Den" 10 am Worship

#### Monday March 11 - Choir resumes Moday evening practices at 6 pm

Wednesday March 13<sup>th</sup> - 7 pm Trustee Meeting

#### Sunday March 17 – 9 am Pop-Up Bible Discussion "Daniel in the Lion's Den" 10 am Worship

Installation of Church Officers – all officers and committee persons included

#### St. Patrick's Day Fellowship after Worship

Monday March 19 – 6:30 pm Administrative Board Meeting *Note new time!* 

Sunday March 24<sup>th</sup> - 9 am Pop-Up Bible Discussion "Daniel in the Lion's Den" 10 am Worship

#### Sunday March 31 - 10 am Worship / Noisy Can Offering

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# Coming this Spring ....Emmanuel's Got Talent... all talents welcome...

#### See sign-up sheet on Bulletin board

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## When Snow and/or Ice Happens on Sunday

In the event of snow or ice, a decision to cancel worship will be made between 7-8 am on Sunday morning. Glenn Sanders, a trustee who lives in town will be in touch with the pastor and will notify Julie Knabb if travel is too risky. Julie will then post the information on **Channel 69 News on TV and send an email to all members on the list**. The closing information can also be accessed on the internet at <u>http://www.wfmz.com/weather/stormcenter</u>. Look under "E" for Emmanuel UMC Fleetwood

If you do not see any closing information, you are welcome to call 610-944-8901 or text 610-733-9468 Julie directly.

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# **Pastor's Corner**

# **Our Attendance Of Worship**

Worship is a privilege only children of God have. There are many blessings we receive from faithful attendance in worship. God has commanded us to assemble regularly to worship Him in spirit and in truth (John 4:24). Hebrews 10:25-27 says, "**Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together**, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the day approaching. For **if we sin willfully** after we have received the knowledge of the truth, **there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins**, but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation." When we forsake the assembly of the church, except for sickness or circumstances beyond our control, we are not only disobeying God, but we are robbing ourselves of all the benefits of worship which

would have helped us to grow and become spiritually strong. To forsake worship is to sin willfully.

By forsaking the assembly, we also endanger our souls because as the above verse says, "For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for our sins." Christ is our only sacrifice for sin. When people reject their only sacrifice for sin there remains nothing but "a certain fearful expectation of judgment and fiery indignation."

When people fall away from the Lord, it is usually not a sudden thing. They usually start by forsaking the assembly on Sunday. This is the usual path of most people who fall away. Oh, some may come back and "visit" several times a year and a few may even attend only the Sunday morning worship with little regularity. Let's not lose our souls by unfaithfulness.

God Bless Pastor Mark

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#### March Birthdays

March 10 – Kathy Stetka

March 18 – Eleanor Wolf

March 21 – Paul Werley

March 23 – Ruth Fluharty

#### March Anniversarys

March 21 – Karen & Bob Packard

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**The Lord's Army:** *Please* prayerfully consider the following *areas of opportunity* for you to contribute to our sharing and caring ministries here at Emmanuel!

**Sunday Morning Worship Bulletin sponsors** – Sign up on the bulletin board monthly \$35.00

Altar Flowers – weekly \$33.50 – Please confirm your week on the board and see if there are weeks available to sponsor.

**Nursery Care for Worship Services** - See Kim Madeira if you'd like to be added to the rotation list in the nursery room.

Lay Reader – See Brad or signup on the bulletin board.

# Thank you to all who contribute faithfully with their time and talents year after year!

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### **Repeat Information**

# **Camp Innabah Summer Camp Info is Here!**

Registration for the summer camping season at Innabah starts January 1, 2019. They offer camping options for *ages 5yrs. - adults.* **They have family camping, grandparents camp, sports, music, drama, dance, fishing, science camps and so much more**. You can go online at <u>https://www.innabah.org/</u> or call #610-469-6111 for additional information. A brochure is posted on the church bulletin board or speak to our camp representative Ruth Fluharty.

Also **a woman's retreat is also planned** for the weekend of **March 15-17, 2019**, to be held at Camp Innabah in Spring City, PA in Chester County. Please see the bulletin board for details.

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# **Prayer Concerns for March**

Please remember the following members in prayer

Bob Fluharty, Betty Homan, Karen Knapp, Tammy Krueger, Catherine Lenhart, Dan & Sue Miller, Nancy O'Rourke, Elwood Rothenberger, Eleanor Wolf

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# Smiles (and Thoughts) For March

A church was having a promotion...those who could fill a whole pew with people would be able to select the hymns during the Service.

Next Sunday, Mavis did just that, she filled an entire pew with family and friends. So the Pastor called Mavis up on the platform, had her turn to face the crowd, and he said, "Okay friend, select 3 hymns." To which Mavis pointed to the crowd and said, "I'll take him, and him, and him!"

### Dog Tired????!

### I think these guys portray it pretty well





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### **Reminder**: The last Sunday of every month is Noisy

<u>Collection Day</u>. Save your pocket change to make a joyful noise (in our cans.) The money goes into the Trustee's fund to offset minor repairs or purchases needed for the building. Thanks to all who contribute!

<u>Reminder - Newsletter Deadline</u>– If you have articles or humor items for March's Newsletter be sure to email them to Dick Tracy at <u>dtracy@ptd.net</u> or call him at 610-207-2016 <u>not later than Tuesday February 28<sup>th</sup></u>. <u>I am</u> <u>always looking for articles/photos stories or jokes to</u> <u>include so PLEASE</u> email me with anything you feel appropriate to share!