

#### **Emmanuel United Methodist Church**

26 West Washington Street, Fleetwood, PA 19522

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## **May 2018**

#### **Happening in May**

Sunday May 6 at 10 am Worship

Wednesday May 9 at 7 pm Trustee Meeting

Sunday May 13 10 am Worship - Mother's Day

Mother's Day Muffins for Mom from 9-10 before church!

Tuesday May 15 7 pm Administrative Board

Sunday May 20 10 am Worship

Sunday May 27 10 am Worship - Memorial Day

Memorial Day Service of Worship / Noisy Can Offering

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### Youth Happenings in May

Sun May 6 11-1 **B.L.A.\$.T.** – Devotions, Fellowship...

Sun May 20 **B.L.A.\$.T. OUT** -Schell's Ice Cream/Mini Golf -Fun Fellowship

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## **Pastor's Corner**

# **Our Devotion To God**

Jesus says we are to "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you" (Matthew 6:33). Our number one priority in this life must be to go to Heaven. We do this by seeking first the righteousness of God. But what is God's righteousness? Psalms 119:172 says, "For all your commandments are righteousness." To do the righteousness of God is to do all His commandments.

We are to be fully devoted to God. Jesus says, "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 love God with our total being, if we are to be pleasing to Him so we can go to Heaven when this life is over. How do we show our love to God and Christ? Jesus says, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word...He who does not love Me does not keep My words" (John 14:23-24). We also read, "He who says, I know Him, and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him" (1 John 2:4-5).

Half-hearted allegiance and obedience to the Lord is vain and does one no good. Jesus tells those in Laodicea, "I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I could wish you were cold or hot. So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of My

mouth" (Revelation 3:15-16). Jesus also says, "You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor...It is good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men" (Matthew 5:13). If Christians become half-hearted or unfaithful, they will be vomited out of the Lord's mouth or thrown out as salt that is no good and will be eternally lost. Jesus tells us, "Unless you repent you will all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3).

Our goal in this life must be to go to Heaven. In order to this we must, "Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth" (Colossians 3:2). We should be looking forward "for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God" (Hebrews 11:10). Let's faithfully serve God with all our heart, mind, soul, and spirit so we don't miss Heaven.

God Bless

# Pastor Mark

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# Prayer Concerns for May

Please remember the following members in prayer

Betty Homan, Dan & Sue Miller, Jack & Nancy O'Rourke, Eleanor Wolf

Catherine Lenhart would love to hear from our members, please give her a card or a phone call

Catherine's address is: Elmcroft of reading, 9 Colin Court, Room 420, Reading, PA 19606 phone 484-793-3630

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## **Our Newest Addition**

Patricia Marie Holmes



Proud parents Rachel & Zach Holmes brought their new baby girl

Patricia Marie Holmes to church on Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup> and she is only 9 days old!

Congratulations to the new Mom and Dad and Grand Parents!

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#### **May Birthdays**

May 6 - Roger (Butch) Barr

May 12 - Pat Everhart

May 14 - Glenn Sanders

May 15 - Lisa Mazeika

May 17 - Jamie Evans

May 20 - Roger Barr

**May 26 – Deanne Hamilton** 

#### **May Anniversaries**

May 1 - Sue & Paul Werley

May 9 - Cheryl & Roger Barr

May 27 - Barbara & Ron Frey

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## Yard Sale coming up June 16th

## Start collecting and bringing in your treasurers

Our annual Emmanuel UM Yard Sale is set for Saturday June 16<sup>th</sup> so please start gathering up your items to bring in for our yard sale. You may bring things in and store them in the church basement. We will need help on Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup> after church to help bring things up from the basement and again on Friday morning June 15<sup>th</sup> to help set up for the sale and of course help on the 16<sup>th</sup> during the sale.

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# 2018 Graduate Recognition and Youth Sunday will be on June 3<sup>rd</sup> during worship

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# **Our latest Eagle Scout!**



#### Collin James McCulloch

Collin Earned the Scout Eagle Rank January 22, 2018.

Collin's service project was to demolish and rebuild a wooden foot bridge at the Brandywine Heights Middle School that leads from the road to the athletic fields.

Collin has earned 35 merit badges.

Collin is a member of the Order of the Arrow Kittatinny Lodge 5 where he was awarded the Vigil member honor.

Collin has been employed at the Hawk Mountain Boy Scout Reservation every summer since 2014.

Collin works in the aquatics program area teaching various merit badges like stand up paddle board, kayaking, small boat sailing, swimming and life-saving. This summer he will be the pool area aquatics director.

Collin has enjoyed being a part of the Kittatinny Lodge ceremony team where he played the part of the guide and spoke to the scouts about the Order of the Arrow and the benefits of hard work and cheerful service to others.

A memorable moment for Collin was the ability to share his Eagle ceremony with his Great Grandfather who was a Scout Master and Order of the Arrow Vigil Member in his younger days.

Collin would like to thank all the Emmanuel Church family members that were able to attend his Eagle ceremony.

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## A New Members Class is Being Formed in May

See Pastor Mark if you are interested in Joining as a Member of Fleetwood Emmanuel UMC \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

### **Thoughts and Smiles for May**

An old geezer became very bored in retirement and decided to open a medical clinic.

He put a sign up outside that said: "Dr. Geezer's clinic. Get your treatment for \$500, if not cured, get back \$1,000."

Doctor "Young," who was positive that this old geezer didn't know beans about medicine, thought this would be a great opportunity to get \$1,000. So he went to Dr. Geezer's clinic.

Dr. Young: "Dr. Geezer, I have lost all taste in my mouth. Can you please help me?"

Dr. Geezer: "Nurse, please bring medicine from box 22 and put 3 drops in Dr. Young's mouth."

Dr. Young: Aaagh! -- "This is Gasoline!"

Dr. Geezer: "Congratulations! You've got your taste back. That will be \$500.00

Dr. Young gets annoyed and goes back after a couple of days figuring to recover his money.

Dr. Young: "I have lost my memory, I cannot remember anything."

Dr. Geezer: "Nurse, please bring medicine from box 22 and put 3 drops in the patient's mouth."

Dr. Young: "Oh, no you don't, -- that is Gasoline!"

Dr. Geezer: "Congratulations! You've got your memory back. That will be \$500."

Dr. Young (after having lost \$1000) leaves angrily and comes back after several more days.

Dr. Young: "My eyesight has become weak --- I can hardly see anything!!!!"

Dr. Geezer: "Well, I don't have any medicine for that so, here's your \$1000 back." (giving him a \$10 bill)

Dr. Young: "But this is only \$10!"

Dr. Geezer: "Congratulations! You got your vision back! That will be \$500."

Moral of story -- Just because you're "Young" doesn't mean that you can outsmart an "old Geezer"

Remember: Don't make old people mad. We don't like being old in the first place, so it doesn't take much to tick us off.

#### **ENJOY YOUR DAY!**

#### P.S. This is written in large print for old Geezers.

Ramblings of an Old Mind.....

I found this timely, because today I was in a store that sells sunglasses, and only sunglasses. A young lady walks over to me and asks, "What brings you in today?"

I looked at her, and said, "I'm interested in buying a refrigerator." She didn't quite know how to respond.

#### Am I getting to be that age?

I was thinking about how a status symbol of today is those cell phones that everyone has clipped onto their belt or purse. I can't afford one. So I'm wearing my garage door opener.

I thought about making a fitness movie for folks my age and calling it 'Pumping Rust.'

When people see a cat's litter box they always say, "Oh, have you got a cat?" Just once

#### I want to say, "No, it's for company!"

Employment application blanks always ask who is to be called in case of an emergency. I think you should write, 'An ambulance.'

The older you get the tougher it is to lose weight because by then your body and your fat have gotten to be really good friends.

The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.

Did you ever notice: The Roman Numerals for forty (40) are XL.

The sole purpose of a child's middle name is so he can tell when he's really in trouble..

Did you ever notice: When you put the 2 words 'The' and 'IRS' together it spells 'Theirs...'

Aging: Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

Some people try to turn back their "odometers." Not me. I want people to know 'why' I look this way. I've traveled a long way and some of the roads weren't paved.

You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks..

Ah! Being young is beautiful but being old is comfortable.

Lord, keep your arm around my shoulder and your hand over my mouth.

May you always have Love to Share, Cash to Spare, And Friends who Care.

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Reminder - Newsletter Deadline— If you have articles or humor items for May's Newsletter be sure to email them to Dick Tracy at <a href="mailto:dtracy@ptd.net">dtracy@ptd.net</a> or call him at 610-207-2016 <a href="mailto:not later than Wednesday April 25th">not later than Wednesday April 25th</a>. I am always looking for articles/photos to share so please email me with anything you feel appropriate to share!