

Emmanuel Prayer Page

Praises

Christa Raitz shared a beautiful solo last Sunday entitled, “It is Well.” **The Marriage Course** resumed this past week. Pray that God blesses all the couples who are taking the course in person and online. **The Loss of Spouse Seminar** facilitated by Gail Samolitis was well received and helpful. **The Seeker’s Class** recommends the new Biblical TV series called “The Chosen.”

Ministry of the Week: Ken Barton, Music

Person of the Week: Joan Stutler, Wyngate Senior Living, 1 Wyngate Drive, Room 105, Parkersburg, WV 26105

College Student of the Week: Shae Woodburn, 327 Merrimac Trail, Bldg. 3 Apt D, Williamsburg VA 23185

Prayer Concerns

Allen, Will Cosby’s brother, is recovering from a major stroke. Pray for healing and for his wife, Vicky, as she provides support. (2/14)

Sherry Asher as she struggles through some financial challenges and as she searches for a home church. (2/7)

Rick Ashwell, Jan’s son, is recovering from a serious stroke he had in Charleston on 1/24. Pray for healing, his wife Debbie, and for comfort for Rick’s family during this difficult time. Send a card: Rick and Debbie Ashwell, 2529 Larwood Drive, Charleston, WV 25302.

Sharon Beall will have cataract surgery on 2/17. (2/14)

Elizabeth Johnson Creamans (daughter of Earl and Diana Johnson) is recovering from breast cancer surgery. Pray for healing, strength, and peace. (1/17)

Maria Delgado will have a follow up with her doctors at Ruby on Feb. 17. (2/14)

Bill Edmonds is recovering from a heart rotator procedure. (2/7)

Lee Emrick, a friend of Robbi Leonard, is in CC with covid. They are trying to get him off his vent and then focus on treating his heart issues. Pray for healing. (2/14)

Ellie Ferguson, Dave and Peggy Phillip's granddaughter, is recovering from ovarian cyst surgery in Cincinnati. (2/14)

Jason George, Jennifer Beaver’s brother, will see an oncologist soon to look at the cancer found in the lymph nodes. They are looking at chemo options. (2/7)

Ken Gilbert is now at Belpre Landing. He is very weak and struggling. Send him a card: Belpre Landing Skilled

Nursing & Rehabilitation, 1915 Hill St, Belpre, OH 45714. (21/4)

Mike Hayden continues having transfusions to give him energy. He is taking antibiotics. He will have a lung scan in April. Pray for an appetite, for Cheryl, and for a spirit of hope in this difficult time. Send Mike a card to: 4-113 The Fields, Williamstown, WV 26187.

Joe Hays is at Cedar Grove Care Facility. Send him a card: 110 Nicolette Rd, Parkersburg, WV 26104. (1/24)

Clara Howard has been recovering from Covid. Pray for strength and healing. (1/31)

Leah Johnston is recovering from major dental surgery. (2/14)

Tammy Reynolds Kelley is recovering at OSU doing physical therapy, taking meds to help her appetite and continuing her new chemo treatment. Pray for healing. (2/14)

Bernie Marshall, a friend of Jane Graham, is recovering at home. (2/14)

Sue McCue is recovering from shoulder surgery at CC. (2/14)

Phil McHenry is recovering from knee surgery. (2/7)

Chris Scott, a friend of Betsy Jefferson, is having complications after a kidney transplant last year. He is being treated for an infection and heart/ respiratory issues. (1/24)

Victor Tweel, Judy Prater’s cousin, is having ongoing tests and chemo as he battles prostate cancer. (1/17)

Cyndi Webb, Arlene Flowers' niece, is recovering from brain cancer at home. Pray for healing. (1/31)

Scott Whitlatch is recovering from cataract surgery. (2/14)

Pray for people who are attending our support groups: GriefShare, DivorceCare and the Marriage Course.

Pray for our school administrators, teachers, staff and students as schools are reopening to in-person classes.

Pray for our hospital leaders and medical care workers, our policemen, firemen, EMT and first responders as they bring healing and hope to people sick with covid.

Church members and their family and friends dealing with Covid: **Clara Howard**; **Shae Woodburn**, Kim Jackson’s daughter; **Lee Emrick**, friend of Robbi Leonard.

Our Deepest Sympathy to:

*The family and friends of **Joe Smith**. Pray for his wife Sherry and their family. Sherry’s address is: 17 Mustang Acres, Parkersburg, WV 26104.*

*The family and friends of **Ted Alexander Hedges**, Heather Velez’s father. Heather’s address is: 1505 Avery Street, Parkersburg, WV 26101.*

Blessed Are The Merciful

7 Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. (Matthew 5:7 CSB)



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February 14, 2021

“God is Loving, Merciful and Compassionate”

Lamentations 3: 22-26: “Because of the LORD’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. 23 They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. 24 I say to myself, “The LORD is my portion; therefore I will wait for him.” 25 The LORD is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him; 26 it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.”

“This is the day the LORD has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.” ~ Psalm 118:24

Prelude “Spirit of the Living God” David Enoch, Organ

Announcements and Ministry Opportunities

Call to Worship “Goodness, Love And Mercy ”

Praise Team

***Responsive Reading - Psalm 136**

Leader: “Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good. His love endures forever.”

People: “Give thanks to the God of gods. His love endures forever.”

Leader: “Give thanks to the Lord of lords: His love endures forever.”

People: “...To him who alone does great wonders, His love endures forever.”

Leader: “He remembered us in our low estate: His love endures forever.”

People: “And freed us from our enemies. His love endures forever.”

Leader: “He gives food to every creature. His love endures forever.”

People: “Give thanks to the God of heaven. His love endures forever.”

***Hymn of Praise No. 1 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”**

***Opening Prayer with Lord’s Prayer**

***Greeting One Another**

Children’s Moment

Ministry Moment Prayer Ministry & Zoom Ministry

Offertory “Marchin’ On Up” Lauren Modesitt, Soloist

Doxology

Praises, Mission Moment, Mug Shots and Pastoral Prayer

Call to Prayer

“He Looked Beyond My Fault and Saw My Need”

By: Dottie Rambo

Amazing grace shall always be my song of praise

For it was grace that bought my liberty

I do not know just why He came to love me so

He looked beyond my fault and saw my need

I shall forever lift mine eyes to Calvary

To view the cross where Jesus died for me

How marvelous the grace that caught my falling soul

He looked beyond my fault and saw my need

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Message “Blessed are the Merciful...”

Pastor Kurt Busiek

Sermon Scripture: Matthew 5: 1-12

"Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, 2 and he began to teach them. He said: 3 “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. 5 Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. 6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. 7 Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. 8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. 9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. 10 Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 11 “Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. 12 Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Prayer

***Hymn No.185 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”**

***Benediction**

“The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.”

Numbers 6: 24-26

Postlude “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” David Enoch



*If you're a Guest at Emmanuel,
we want to welcome you to our
church.*

If you would like to know more about Emmanuel or if you have questions about the Christian faith, please contact our **Guest Coordinator, Barb Kirsch** (304.482.2942 or bkirsch@suddenlink.net) or **Pastor Kurt Busiek** (304.485.5171 or kurt@ebcwv.com). **There is a visitor sign up sheet in the narthex on our guest table.**

Last Week

Stewardship Report - February 7

Does Not Include On-Line Giving

General Fund	\$8,753.26
Missions	1,050.39
Maint. Fund	<u>200.07</u>
Total	\$10,003.72

Designated Funds:	
Building Fund	\$ 890.00
Benevolence Fund	30.00

Giving Options

To give on-line, you can go to our Website (www.ebcwv.com), find and click on "Give" in the header and you'll be directed to PushPay, our online giving platform.

Or you can mail your check to:
Emmanuel Baptist Church, 1710 23rd Street,
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Emmanuel On-line

Our Sunday service is on Facebook Live and Zoom at 10:45 a.m. Search Facebook for: Emmanuel Baptist Parkersburg. Our Sunday Service zoom link is: <https://zoom.us/j/86867638107>, Passcode 523523. Emmanuel's YouTube Channel link is: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL2Ue6Uf6ElzEkHDoSzwTg>. Facebook and YouTube links can be found on our web- site (www.ebcwv.com) in the top right hand corner.

Outreach Gifts

If you know someone who is struggling or discouraged, give them a candle or prayer bear. They are available in the narthex.

This Week

Church Calendar:

Today - February 14

8:30 and 10:45 a.m. Worship Services in the Sanctuary, FB or via Zoom at 10:45 (<https://zoom.us/j/86867638107>, Passcode 523523)

9:30 a.m. Sunday School - Randy Halterman in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/83382135500>)
Sunday School - Seekers in Room 204
Sunday School - Conquerors in Room 224 and Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/99294485083>, Passcode 711137)

5:00 p.m. Valentine Drive In Service in the Parking Lot

Monday-February 15

Tuesday-February 16

10:00 a.m. Bible Study in the Conference Room and via Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/87185860738>, Passcode 087181) Topic: Islam 101

12:00 p.m. Finance Team Meeting in the Conference Room and via Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/84594533990> Passcode 952036)

6:00 p.m. MOPS in the Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. Divorce Care in the Parlor

Wednesday-February 17 ~ Ash Wednesday

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting in the Conference Room and via Zoom

5:00 p.m. Dinner (**Menu:** Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad and Dessert)

6:00 p.m. Bible Study in Conf. Room and via Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/8538277974>) Topic: Islam 101

6:00 p.m. Youth Group via Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/99294485083>; Passcode: 083478)

7:15 p.m. Capital Team Meeting via Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/88994182568>, Passcode 485698)

Thursday-February 18

Friday-February 19

6:00 p.m. Marriage Course in the Conference Room

Birthdays This Week:

Feb. 14	Glory Hardbarger, Trenton Jones, Alex Nicholson
15	Grant Linch
16	Barbara Kirsch, Debbie Taylor
18	Destin Lantz, Christa Raitz
19	Easton Beary, Brian Brown

Salvation Army Meal Schedule

February 14 ~ Lusk Team
February 21 ~ Encouragers Class

Attendance Last Week

8:30 a.m. Service	15
10:45 a.m. Service	49

Announcements

- **Valentines Day Drive In Service - Today** we will have a Valentine's Day Drive In service at 5:00 p.m. You're invited to drive in for a brief Valentine's Day service. Following the service, each person will receive a Valentine's Day card and box of Russell Stover's Candy.

- **GriefShare** - Gail Samolitis will be offering a new session of GriefShare beginning on Wednesday, **February 24** at 6:00 p.m.

- **DivorceCare** - DivorceCare is meeting on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. For more information, call Melanie Whited at (304)-422-1419.

- **Sunday Offering** - If you would like to present your offering to the Lord during the service, you are welcome to process forward during the offertory and place your giving envelope or online giving card (available in the narthex) in the offering plate on the communion table.

- **Emmanuel Prayer Ministry** - A new Prayer Ministry has started at Emmanuel. People watching our online service will be instructed to call the church (304.485.5171) if they would like to pray with someone. A group of church members have volunteered to be available to pray with those who call in both at the church and in their homes. We will also have people available to pray with anyone attending the service who needs prayer.

- **Prayer Partner Ministry - February** is Prayer Partner Ministry Kick Off month. One way we can express our love is by committing to pray for someone on a regular basis. If you have a prayer partner, let us know. If you'd like one, email Pastor Kurt at kurt@ebcwv.com.

- **Spring Rally** - There will be an in-person Spring Children's Rally held at Parchment Valley on Saturday, **March 6th** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m, for K thru 5th graders. Registration is \$13 each if registered by February 22nd and \$25 after that date. Lunch is included. Current Covid guidelines, including mask wearing, will be followed. There is also an "online option", costing \$20. There is a 100 participant limit for the in-person event. If you are interested and/or have questions, please contact Sarah Stephens by texting 740.629.5434 or emailing sarah@ebcwv.com.

- **House to Home** - In **February**, we will collect items for House to Home. Right now, their current need is for: Cleaning Supplies, Trash Bags (33 gal.), Gloves/Hats/Blankets, Socks, Hand/Foot Warmers, Foot Spray (Athletes Foot), Triple Antibiotic Cream, Large BandAids. You can also donate by check or on-line and put House to Home in the memo line.

- **Pastor Kurt's Bible Studies** - Pastor Kurt's Tuesday morning 10 a.m. study and his Wednesday night at 6 p.m. study will both be looking at how Christianity compares with other religions and faith groups. We'll look at the distinctive beliefs of Judaism, Islam,

Hinduism, Buddhism as well as some well known religious groups like Mormons that use the Bible in different ways, often adding their own inspired books. The Tuesday and Wednesdays studies meet in the conference room and are both available via zoom.

- **Mission Trip to Dominican Republic** - The week has been set: the first week of August, 2021. All we need is 4 more volunteers. Will you bring God's Word to children and their parents who are served by Madeline Flores in the DR? We will provide a VBS and repairs to a pastoral home. Please pray about joining us. If the COVID situation worsens, we will cancel. However, we are taking a step of faith to go and serve! Contact Keith Mayer at keithandeileen1221@gmail.com.

- **Baby Bottle Campaign** - Each year EBC partners with The Women's Care Center to help raise funds for their important work. There are 2 bottles remaining! Please take one home and return it filled asap. You can also donate online at <https://yourwcc.come/give>.

- **Usher Ministry** - If you're interested in our usher ministry, call the office or talk to Pastor Kurt.

- **The Marriage Course** - The Marriage Course had a wonderful beginning on Feb 5 with 4 couples In-Person at Chez Emmanuel with Keith, Eileen, Tim & Edy. We also had 12 couples On-Line with Brian and Christa via Zoom. TMC ends on March 19, 2021. We still have space for 3 more couples. Please think hard about a couple to invite! We would also like to have you visit one night to see Chez Emmanuel set up! Finally, we still need a cook for March 19 to make a meal for 12 persons. Can you help out? Contact Keith, Eileen or Terri.

- **Thank You from Cheryl Winkler** - I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and phone calls while I have been sick. Thank you all so much!

- **Thank You from Deanie Kendall** - I would like to thank everyone for their prayers and cards I have received since the death of my sister and her husband (Eloise and Glenn Andrews).

- **Thank You from Jan Ashwell** - Thank you Emmanuel family for all the wonderful prayers, comments of support on Facebook, cards and phone calls for Rick! We thank God everyday that we don't have to do this alone! Emmanuel supports us every step of the way! God is good...all the time. Jan Ashwell and Family

- **Thank You from the Salvation Army** - Dear Friends, Thank you for your gift to the Salvation Army. We are humbled by the trust you have placed in our ability to use your gift to help those in need. May we be faithful as He is faithful. Thank you and may God bless you! Majors Patrick & Carey Richmond