

Emmanuel Prayer Page

Praises

Our **Chancel Choir** shared a Thanksgiving anthem called "All Good Gifts." **Bekah Brooks** made a wonderful service video with all the Awana children sharing what they are thankful for. **Courtney Johnson** and our children dedicated the 153 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes that our church collected. **Joe and Sarah Stephens** and their helpers processed and sent on to NC a total of 565 shoeboxes. Most of our **Westbrook Clients snowmen and the Eagle Pointe/ Stonerise Stars** are taken from the narthex Christmas Tree; only a few are left. Our **Thanks-giving Dinner** went well last Sunday night. **Jewel and her crew** served 139 meals: 109 eating in, 10 shut in meals and 20 carry outs. We read all the **thanksgiving cards** that gave thanks for: God/ salvation, grace, life, health, family, friends, good food, answers to prayer, my church, music, comfort when we grieve, and one card said, "I am thankful that God works all things together for good." **The Hulces** had a nice lunch and social outing for various members of our church last Sunday. **Our Deacons** delivered our Thanksgiving Cards this year. **Betty Jo Wiseman** was very thankful for all the cards and calls she received on her 97th birthday. The **sanctuary** is now decorated for Christmas. Our decorating crew includes **Jo Ann Boggs and Sharon Beall**, and their helpers **Joyce Ault, Beverly Hensley, Judy Langkamer, Donna Shawver and Sue McCue**. **The Busieks** hosted all of their children, including new grandson, Connor, for Thanksgiving.

Ministry of the Week: Melanie Whited, DivorceCare

College Student of the Week: Jacob Filozof, 108 Arrowwood Drive, Morgantown, WV 26508-9116 (Eileen Mayer's son)

Person of the Week: Joe Hays, Stonerise Parkersburg, 1600 27th Street, Parkersburg, WV 26101

Recent Prayer Concerns:

Jo Ann Allen, Carol Braband's aunt, is recovering from a bad fall that fractured a bone in her neck. She will need surgery. She is recovering at MM. (11/28)

Patricia Brown, wife of Bill Brown/ pastor of Vienna Baptist, is having follow up cancer surgery on Nov. 29. (11/21)

Jadyn Colgrove, 14-year old great niece of Terri Fielder, has been hospitalized with colitis and other health issues.

Frank Dotson broke 2 ribs. Pray for healing. (11/21)

Don Duty is being treated for congestive heart failure. Nancy Duty is currently at Stonerise. (11/21)

Marlene Dyar, Jane Graham's cousin, is recovering from heart surgery in TX. (11/21)

Jean Farrah, Sara Taylor's mom, is recovering at home after being treated last week for an infection. (11/21)

Monica Fowler, Cheryl Burnem's cousin, is having on-going cancer tests and is struggling with pain management. (11/21)

Jason George, Jennifer Beaver's brother, on-going cancer tests; he started immunotherapy treatments in October.

Becky Gibson, Heather's mom, is struggling on life support at CC. Pray for healing. (11/14)

Regina Goodwin, is home from the hospital with ongoing pain management. They have stopped chemo and radiation.

Mary Hilbert, Jane Graham's sister, is doing physical therapy after breaking her collar bone. Pray for healing. 11/28

John Kennemuth, Rhonda Johnston's father, is now home from covid rehab in PA and is gaining strength. (11/21)

Kevin and Kaycee King, Gail Samolitis' brother and niece, are both being treated for Covid. (11/21)

Jean Lawrence, John Sprague's mother, is in Camden Clark for tests. (11/28)

Brenda Lewis, friend of Rodney and Pam Wharton, is struggling with respiratory and heart issues. Pray for healing.

Barb Malcomb is now at the Arbors in Marietta. Give her a call: 740 376 1092 or send a card: The Arbors at Marietta, 400 N 7th St, Marietta, OH 45750 (11/14)

Dale McCormick is being treated for Covid. (11/21)

Joyce McMullen, a friend of the Fentons, is battling liver cancer. (11/14)

Ivan Paul, friend of Beverly Hensley, had a biopsy and will begin cancer treatment soon in LA. (11/28)

Michael Power-59, Phil McHenry's brother in law, is battling stage 4 gastric cancer in GA. (8/15)

Kamal Rahal, Judy Prater's brother-in-law in NC, was recently hospitalized with viral meningitis & a sinus infection. (11/21)

Rich Shawver is recovering from back surgery. (11/7)

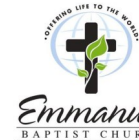
Mike Sunstrom, friend of Judy Florence, has been diagnosed with brain cancer and has started radiation. (11/28)

Kathy Ware, friend of Betsy Jefferson, is recovering from a heart attack in Bridgeport. (11/14)

Pam Wharton will be in Las Vegas visiting family from Nov. 17-30. Pray for safe travels and a good visit. (11/21)

Betty Jo Wiseman turned 97 on Nov. 18. Send Betty Jo a note at the Colonial House at 1517 23rd Street, Room 4, Parkersburg, WV 26101. (11/21)

For church families that are going through a challenging time.



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November 21, 2021

First Sunday in Advent:

The Gift of Christmas Hope

"Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you..." Luke 2:11

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

Announcements and Ministry Opportunities

Call to Worship "Emmanuel" Praise Team

Musical Meditation
"O Blessed-Emmanuel" David Enoch, Organ

Introit "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" Chancel Choir

***Responsive Reading: Psalm 71**

Leader: "In you, LORD, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame. In your righteousness, rescue me and deliver me; turn your ear to me and save me."

People: *"Be my rock of refuge, to which I can always go; give the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress."*

Leader: "Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of those who are evil and cruel."

People: *"For you have been my hope, Sovereign Lord, my confidence since my youth."*

Leader: "From birth I have relied on you; you brought me forth from my mother's womb. I will ever praise you."

People: *"My mouth is filled with your praise, declaring your splendor all day long."*

***Hymn of Praise No. 123**
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" verses 2-4

***Opening Prayer with Lord's Prayer**

Greeting One Another

Special Music "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"
Davey and Cortney Brooks, Piano Duet

Advent Candle Lighting - Light of Hope

Children's Moment

Ministry Moment: Fellowship and Meal Ministry

Offertory
8:30 a.m. "Pastorale" David Enoch, Organ

10:45 a.m. "Mary Did You Know"
Pat Barnes, Holly Martin. Stephanie Mills, and Cathy Martin

***Doxology**

Praises and Pastoral Prayer

Choral Call to Prayer "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"
Chancel Choir

Choir Anthem "Prepare" Chancel Choir

Message "Good News to Poor Shepherds"
Pastor Kurt Busiek

Sermon Scripture:
Luke 2:10-14: *"Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."*

***Hymn No. 124 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"**

***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 "Advent Chorale" David Enoch, Organ



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). If you are a guest, please fill out a guest card then pass the card along to the Pastor, or place the card in the offering plate in the Narthex. Guests can also sign the guest book in the narthex. Pastor Busiek offers a LIFE Sunday School class (Sundays at 9:40 a.m.) for guests who want to know more about Emmanuel.

Last Week

Stewardship Report - November 14

Does Not Include On-Line Giving

General Fund	\$ 4,744.92
Missions	569.39
Maint. Fund	<u>108.46</u>
Total	\$ 5,422.77

Designated Funds:	
Building Fund	\$ 145.00
Thanksgiving Fund	160.00
Benevolence Fund	300.00
Necessity Closet	400.00

Giving Options

To give on-line, you can go to our Website (www.ebcwv.com), find and click on the "Giving" tab in the top right hand corner.

Or you can mail your check to:
Emmanuel Baptist Church, 1710 23rd Street,
Parkersburg, WV 26101

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/UCL2Ue6Uf6EIzEkHDoSzwTg>.

Our weekly service video can be found by going to our website (www.ebcwv.com) and clicking on "Video Services" in the header.

In-Person Attendance Last Week

8:30 a.m. Service	22
10:45 a.m. Service	118

This Week Church Calendar:

Today - November 28

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 - LIFE Class in the Old Choir Room (Room 108/110) and via Zoom (https://zoom.us/j/83382135500) Seekers-Room 201, Encouragers-Room 203 Youth Sunday School in Youth Room
12:00 p.m.	Caregivers' Lunch in the Conference Room

Monday-November 29

12:00 p.m.	Chess Club Lunch/Meeting in the Parlor
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Tuesday-November 30

10:00 a.m.	Bible Study in the Conf. Room (Room 114) & via Zoom (https://zoom.us/j/87185860738 , Passcode 087181) New series on Jesus: "The God Who Knows Our Name"
5:15 p.m.	Exercise Class in the Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	Divorce Care in the Parlor

Wednesday-December 1

10:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting in the Conference Room
5:00 p.m.	Dinner - Spaghetti with Texas Toast, Salad, and Dessert (Call the Office by Tuesday afternoon to sign up)
6:00 p.m.	Bible Study in the Conference Room and via Zoom (https://zoom.us/j/8538277974 , Passcode 305) God's Answers to Difficult Questions Youth, AWANA, Choir Rehearsal

Thursday-December 2

11:00 a.m.	Life Group in the Conference Room
2:00 p.m.	Visitation Time
5:15 p.m.	Exercise Class in the Fellowship Hall

Friday-December 3

Saturday-December 4

9:30 a.m.	Diaconate Meeting in the Conference Room
10:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Room

Birthdays This Week:

Nov. 30	Malaki Day, Brett Lemley
Dec. 1	Braxton Powell, Judy Prater, Samuel Schoenhut
2	Josh Derenberger, Pam McClain, Glenola Woodyard
3	Arlene Flowers
4	Paxton Hudnall-Bolian, Levi Gainer, Buck Johnson

Salvation Army Meal Schedule

November 28 ~ Encouragers Class
December 5 ~ Parkersburg Catholic High School

Service Leader Today:

November 28 ~ John Nicholson

Announcements

Children's Ministry:

- Parent's Night Out/Kid's Night In! On Friday, **Dec. 10th**, bring your kiddos to the fellowship hall from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. for some fun activities to include dinner, a Christmas movie, and a craft! Got some favorite Christmas pj's or ugly sweaters? Wear them! Enjoy a free evening to finish up some shopping and have your own "grown-ups only" dinner, or - go home and take a nap - whatever you need! Let us know if you'll be participating, so we can plan accordingly. Text Sarah at 740.629.5434 or email sarah@ebcwv.com

Youth Ministry:

- Youth News - Because of the Church dinner and the holiday, youth will not meet again until Wednesday, December 1. Our next Sunday night will be December 5.

General:

- Christmas Projects - Every Christmas we buy gifts for the long term clients at Westbrook Mental Health Services. There is a tree in the narthex with snowmen on it; each snowman represents one Westbrook client and contains their gender, sizes and Christmas wish list. Important: you do not have to get everything on the wish list if you take a snowman. You may just get one item. The gifts will need to be returned to the church by Sunday, **December 12**.
- Caregiver Support Group Lunch Today - A Caregiver Support Group lunch has been scheduled for today in the Conference Room. Being a caregiver can be physically, emotionally and spiritually challenging. We are looking at developing a monthly Caregiver's Support Group to provide help and encouragement for people who are in this role in their lives.
- Emmanuel Prayer Ministry - We will be telling the people who tune in to our service on Zoom or Facebook, that if they need prayer, they can go to our website (www.ebcwv.com), use the Contact Us link, and write their prayer concern and any contact information they want to share. These concerns will then be passed to a prayer minister for follow up. If you'd like to help out with any of this prayer ministry, call the office.
- Chess Group - The Chess Group will meet tomorrow, **November 29** at Noon. Lunch will be served.
- Christmas Caroling on Dec.19 - On Sunday, **Dec. 19** there will be a lunch provided for people willing to sing Christmas carols to our older members. RSVP the church office at 304.485.5171.
- Quarterly Business Meeting - The Quarterly Business Meeting will be Wednesday, **December 8** at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. Please let Terri Fielder know if

you have questions or comments to be addressed at this meeting.

- New Wednesday Night Bible Study Series - The Wednesday night Bible Study will begin a new series called, "God's Answers to Life's Difficult Questions." Pastor Kurt will teach on issues like stress, failure, crisis management, disappointment, loneliness and change. We meet at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room and via zoom.
- Poinsettias/ Christmas Flowers - See today's insert to order and dedicate flowers for Christmas. Orders are due by **December 5!** The flowers will be in the sanctuary on Christmas Sunday, December 19 and can be taken home after this service.
- Refreshments in the Conference Room - Every Sunday you're invited to the conference room for coffee and tea and various pastries, rolls, brownies, cookies and egg dishes.
- Amazon Smile - Remember with your Christmas shopping, that you can support Emmanuel through your Amazon purchases. Instructions: sign in to <http://org.amazon.com>. Search for Emmanuel Baptist Church Parkersburg (be sure to include Parkersburg because there are many Emmanuel churches). Once you see it listed, click on "Register" and complete the form. For all future purchases, log on to Smile.Amazon.com and Emmanuel Baptist will receive a percentage of each purchase you make!
- Kroger Community Rewards - If you would like to support Emmanuel through your Kroger purchases, you can call 1-800-853-3033 and a customer service person will help you. Or you can go to Kroger.com. If you don't have a Kroger account, create an account. Then sign into your account. Find "Community" on the bottom of the website and click on "Kroger Community Rewards" which is directly underneath. Then click on "View Details." If you do not have an organization designated, click on "Enroll". In the search bar, type "Emmanuel Baptist Parkersburg", it should be the first organization you see, click on the "Enroll" button. Emmanuel's organization number is: HR910. If you are enrolled and it is not Emmanuel, you can click on "Change Organization" and follow the previous instructions to select.



Lectionary Readings for:

Nov. 28 ~ First Sunday of Advent
Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25:1-10
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36