

Emmanuel Prayer Page

Praises

The **Chancel Choir** with a solo by **Charlotte Bevins** shared a beautiful anthem last Sunday called "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light". To **Rich & Donna Shawver** for hosting a Table of Life with 3 couples and cooking a delicious dinner. It was a wonderful evening full of meaningful connection. **Jonathan and Tyler Brooks** attended the Chess Club group and lunch this past week. Last Sunday we had **two stars in our Red Books...** keep looking for opportunities to share Jesus with others. **Gianna Stout**, granddaughter of **Peter Ianniciello & Susan Stout**, born to Adam and Eva Stout on 3/20. **Will Sawyer**, a friend of the Busieks, got a report that his lung cancer is in remission.

New Prayer Concerns:

Joyce Ault will have a knee replacement on 4/9. (3/23)
Kevin Cottrell, a friend of Ed and Susie Davis, has liver issues and is awaiting a liver transplant. (3/23)
Mike Eschbacher, Edna McVay's cousin, has been in CC for medical tests. (3/16)
Bill Gainer is doing rehab at Eaglepoint. (3/16)
Ed and Eleanor Hudson-80s, friends of Judy Prater. Ed is recovering from an aortic aneurysm; Eleanor is now in a memory care unit. Prayers for wisdom and peace. (3/16)
Ed Huffman has been in CC, but will move to Worthington for ongoing care. (3/16)
Jane Hulce is recovering from hip replacement surgery on March 19. (3/16)
Kristen Beatty Lambert has been struggling with the flu. (3/23)
Neva Lusk - There will be a viewing for Neva at the Barlow-Bonsall Funeral Home in Charleston, WV from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. on March 25.
Eileen Mayer had medical tests at Marietta Memorial.
Connie Perry is asking for prayers for her and her family. Connie is having an eye issue that is limiting her ability to drive. Her son **Paul Wigal** is under hospice care at Cedar Grove. Her son **David** is getting a lung biopsy. (3/16)
Jean VanWay is doing rehab at Belpre Landing. (3/16)
Carole Woody is doing rehab at Ohio Valley. (3/23)

Cancer Prayer Concerns:

Patty Ball, friend of Donna Marcinko, is receiving ongoing radiation to treat breast cancer. (1/26)
Sara LeMasters-Buck-41, friend of Robbi Leonard, had serious complications due to oral cancer. (2/9)

Tara Cox, Karen's daughter-in-law, on-going chemo.(11/3)
Denise, Maria Keen's daughter, had colon surgery and will begin chemo soon. (3/2)
Christie Gaydac is recovering from cancer surgery she had on 3/7. (2/23)
Frank Gephardt, Donna Marcinko's niece's husband, is being treated for intestinal cancer. He is beginning a promising new treatment. (2/23)
Junior Holmes, friend of Brenda Wheeler, is being treated for lung and bone cancer. (2/16)
Jeannette, Eileen Mayer's sister, is battling advanced stage 4 breast cancer. (1/26)
Adam Johnston-53 is battling kidney cancer. (1/26)
Barbara Looney, Kim Matheny's sister, is having on-going cancer treatments. (2/9)
Ethel Mason is dealing with a reoccurrence of cancer. She started 24 weeks of chemo on 1/15. (1/19)
Dianna Wagoner is having on-going tests for cancer and kidney function. (12/29)

On-Going Prayer Concerns

Cathy Compton is waiting on treatment options for her situation. (3/2)
Jeff Manning, Pat Smith's nephew, is on life support at Grant Hospital in Columbus. (3/9)
Kim Matheny is dealing with pain management as she waits for a procedure to help diagnose her neck and spine pain.
 For those **in our community** who are dealing with **job changes and unemployment.**

Our Deepest Sympathy to:

The family and friends of **Angie Campbell**, a friend of the Mark & Cindy Blouir, who passed away on March 18 in a car wreck on Route 50. She leaves behind a husband and three children.
 The family & friends of **Kelly Nelson**, Ethel Mason's cousin, who passed away on March 17. Cards of sympathy can be sent to: Ethel Mason 1601 Spring St. Parkersburg, WV 26101.

The family & friends of **Rose Marie Snodgrass**, Kathi Ross & Carol Fryfogal's mother, who passed away on March 15. Cards of sympathy can be sent to: Kathi & Paul Ross 28 Meadowcrest Dr. Parkersburg, WV 26104 and Carol Fryfogle 45 Meadowcrest Dr. Parkersburg, WV 26104



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March 23, 2025

"We Come Before God with Songs of Praise"
"Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs."
 Psalm 100: 1-2

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

Announcements and Ministry Opportunities

Musical Meditation "Be Strong in the Lord"
 Piano & Organ Duet

Introit "Bless the Lord, O My Soul"
 Chancel Choir

***Responsive Reading - Psalm 100**
 Leader: "Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth."

People: "Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs."

Leader: "Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture."

People: "Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name."

Leader: "For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations."

***Hymn of Praise No. 10 "O Worship the King"**

***Opening Prayer with Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)**

Greeting One Another ("Great is the Lord" p. 31)

Children's Moment Joe Stephens

Ministry Moment Easter Shoeboxes & "Bring a Friend" Sunday

Offertory "Total Praise" Chancel Choir

***Doxology**

Praises and Pastoral Prayer

Concert by:



Originally organized in 1998 as a duet, Mercy's Well, under the leadership of group founder, Brad Strider, soon made the natural transition to a trio. The group's first three single releases paved the way for their first Top 80 single in 2005. Throughout the past twenty years, the group, which is based in Greensboro, NC, has continued to produce chart topping singles and has gained national attention from fans, music critics, pastors and promoters. Their new album, "There's A Song For That" is available on CD, digital platforms, & at their website www.mercyswell.com.

Hymn No. 213 "Because He Lives" v. 1

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

~ A deacon will be available at the front of the church if you have a question or need prayer. ~
 ~ Before you leave, greet someone you do not know. ~

Postlude



If you are a Guest at Emmanuel,
we want to welcome you
to our church!

If you're a Guest with us today: If you would like to know more about Emmanuel or if you have questions about the Christian faith, please contact our Guest Coordinator, Terry Ash at 910.547.4474 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. Pastor Busiek offers a LIFE Sunday School class (Sundays at 9:40 am) for guests who want to know more about Emmanuel and the Christian faith.

Last Week

Stewardship Report - March 16

Does Not Include On-Line Giving

General	\$ 20,685.28
Missions	2,350.60
Maint. Fund	<u>470.12</u>
Total	\$ 23,506.00
Designated Funds:	
Building Fund	\$ 1,532.00
Benevolence Fund	20.00
Necessity Closet	65.00
America for Christ	530.00

Giving Options

To give on-line, you can go to our Website (www.ebcwv.com). Or you can mail your check to: EBC, 1710 23rd Street, Parkersburg, WV 26101

Attendance - March 16

8:30 a.m. Service In-Person	32
10:45 a.m. Service In-Person	127
On-Line Attendance	743

Deacon of the Month for March:

Sarah Stephens

Greeters:

Bob & Judy Langkamer,
Phil & Cynda O'Brien,
Sarah Stephens, Melissa Davis,
Rick & Tammy Cline, and Deanie Kendall

Lectionary Readings

March 23 - Third Sunday in Lent
Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8; 1
Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9

This Week Church Calendar:

Today - March 23

8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Worship Services in the Sanctuary,
FB or You Tube Live at 10:45 a.m.
Find service links at www.ebcwv.com
9:30 a.m. Sunday School -
LIFE Class in the Parlor,
Seekers: Room 201 (studying Daniel),
Encouragers: Room 224,
Youth Sunday School: Room 203
2:30 p.m. Celebration Ringers Rehearsal

Monday - March 24

12:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study: Conference Room
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting: Fellowship Hall

Tuesday - March 25

10:00 a.m. Necessity Closet: Open until 12:00 p.m.
10:00 a.m. Tuesday Bible Study: Conf. Room & Zoom
(<https://zoom.us/j/87185860738>, Code 087181)
1 Peter 2:11-12- Fight the Good Fight
5:15 p.m. Temple Challenge: Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. Divorce Care: Parlor

Wednesday - March 26

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting: Conference Room
4:30 p.m. Voice Lessons by Donna
5:00 p.m. Dinner in the Fellowship Hall (menu and
sign-up in today's bulletin insert)
5:15 p.m. Orff Ensemble
6:00 p.m. Bible Study: Conference Room and via Zoom
(<https://zoom.us/j/87185860738>, Code 087181,
1 Peter 2:11-12- Fight the Good Fight
AWANA, Youth, Choir, GriefShare

Thursday - March 27

5:15 p.m. Temple Challenge: Fellowship Hall

Saturday - March 29

10:30 a.m. Baby Shower for Becca Bayles:
Fellowship Hall

Birthdays:

March	23	Calvin Florence
	24	Blaine Hess
	25	Fred Anderson
	26	Brett Barton
	29	Rebecca Bayles



Service Leader Today:

Edy Jones

Salvation Army Meal Schedule:

March 23 ~ Parkersburg Catholic High School
March 30 ~ MOV Fellowship Home

Announcements

Children's Ministry (PreK-5th):

- Mark Your Calendars:
 - April 6: Children's Team Meeting
 - Week of July 7: VBS at First Lutheran Church

Youth Ministry (Grades 6-12):

- Mark your calendar for two big events in April! Great Friday will be **April 18**, and our trip to Magic Mountain in Columbus will be the next day, **April 19!**
- Don't forget Youth on Wednesdays at 6pm in the Upside Down (basement of the Hope House across the street) and Sunday School at 9:45am on Sundays.

General Announcements:

- Operation Christmas Child - It's time to begin collecting items that we'll use at our Operation Christmas Child (OCC) shoebox packing party/lunch **Nov. 9**. Each month you'll have the opportunity to participate by donating one (or more) of the month's requested items. Look for the OCC collection bin in the narthex. In **March**, we'll be collecting **personal care items** (hair brushes, tooth brushes, washcloths, bar soap, etc). Questions? Text Joe 304-893-2992 or Sarah Stephens 740-629-5434.
- WV Flood Relief - If you would like to know about how to help with the ongoing response efforts to the flooding in southern WV, send your questions to: disasterrelief@wvbc.org. You can send a check to the WVBC, PO Box 1019, Parkersburg, WV 26102 or give online; memo the gift "WV Flood Relief."
- Baby Shower for Becca (Busiek) Bayles - There will be a baby shower on Saturday, **March 29** at 10:30 a.m. for Baby Girl Bayles. Please RSVP to Amber at 304-376-6790 if you can attend. Becca is registered at Amazon. A diaper raffle will be held for those that bring diapers.
- DivorceCare - DivorceCare continues through **April 22** on Tuesday nights at 6 p.m. in the church parlor. Contact the church office or Melanie Whited at 304-834-8637 for more information.
- Necessity Closet - Donations for the month of **March** is **large adult toothpaste**.
- Mission Festival - The Global Missionary Festival and Expo will be Saturday, **March 29** from 5-8 p.m. at the Wood County Christian School Gym in Williamstown. If you would like more information, call Priscilla Leavitt 304-481-7300.
- Tuesday Fellowship - **April 8** at 11:30 a.m. Please sign up using the insert in the bulletin or call the church office by Monday April 7th.
- Bring a Friend Sunday - Be praying about inviting a friend to our worship services on Sunday April 6 or Palm Sunday, April 13. The number one reason why people start attending a church is through a personal invitation from a friend.

- Lenten Life Prayer Partners - Pray about challenging one other person to be a Lenten Life Prayer Partner. Lent begins this Wednesday, March 5, Ash Wednesday. Lent is the 40-day period leading up to Easter, that starts on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday, the day before Easter. The 40 days of Lent traditionally involve fasting, prayer, confession, repentance and personal reflection to prepare your heart and mind for Good Friday and Easter. Challenge one other person to journey through Lent with you. You can share prayer concerns and encouragement and maybe plan a Table of Life meal before Easter.
- Baptism Service - There will be a service of baptism on **Easter Sunday, April 20**. If you're interested in baptism, talk to Pastor Kurt.
- Bring a Friend Sunday - Be praying about inviting a friend to our worship services on **Sunday April 6** or **Palm Sunday, April 13**. The number one reason why people start attending a church is through a personal invitation from a friend.
- Guest Lunch - A Guest Lunch has been scheduled for **Sunday, April 6** at noon in our conference room. If you would like to know more about Emmanuel and its ministries, let us know that you would like to attend.
- Easter Shoeboxes - See insert for details.
- Women's Care Center Annual Dinner - The dinner is on Thursday, **April 10** at 6 p.m. at Grand Pointe. Emmanuel has a reserved table. Let Pastor Kurt know if you'd like join us at the Emmanuel table for this event.
- Women's Care Center - You're invited to a free educational ministry luncheon on Friday, **April 11** at 11:30 a.m. at the Grand Pointe Conference Center to learn more about their new services to promote life & health in the MOV. To register go to this website <https://secure.fundeasy.com/ministrysync/event/?e=29401>
- Marriage Course Volunteer Appreciation Lunch - will be held on **March 30** after the 10:45 a.m. service in the Conference Room. This lunch is for all those who volunteered to make the Marriage Course a success. It was a wonderful year! We will take time to share our thoughts and feedback from the couples who attended. RSVP to Keith or Eileen Mayer at 304-834-2563.
- Update from Mary Malson - "River Commons is a Senior Living place where I have a first floor apartment. I'm not ready for assisted living yet. God has been so kind and faithful. We (me, Kim, and my wheelchair) plan to go to Alaska on a cruise. God is Great! Blessings, Mary"
- Remember: "The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit." (Psalm 34: 18)