# Emmanuel Prayer Page

## Praises:

Emily Hardbarger shared her testimony last Sunday about how God pulled her to himself through some challenging times and the faithful witness of family. Jocelyn Gum and Abby Griffith shared beautiful special music on their Bassoons. Jonathan Brooks made a funny VBS video with his brother Matthew. Bekah Brooks made a nice VBS "Week in Review" video. The Picnic with a Purpose in the Fellowship Hall last Sunday was a great time of good food and good fellowship. We raised \$2,000 for the Necessity Closet. Thanks to Jewel Lusk and her crew for their support and help. The Necessity Closet has served 400 more people through July of this year over last year. The MOV Singles Ministry had a positive kick off over three Friday nights in July at the City Park. Gary **Davenport** is organizing this new ministry. **Brodi** Battin will graduate from basic training on Aug. 1st. The Deacons had a Table of Life is past week hosted by Blaine & Radonna Hess. The Delgados have been visiting this past week. The Lallemonts hosted a picnic in their honor. Eileen Mayer, her sister, Judy, Jane Hulce, Judy Prater, Elissa & Rachel Filozof, Kathy Leavitt & Jessica Johnson who volunteered for SewFest & made "Dignity Bags".

# New Prayer Concerns:

For the important spiritual decisions that have been and are being made at Camp Cowen this summer.

For all the people grieving the loss of family members in the devastating floods in Texas.

**Steve Archer**, Sue McCue's brother, is recovering from a heart attack in NC. (7/27)

**Carolyn Duncan** will have knee replacement surgery on July 28 at New Albany. Pray for a successful surgery and rehab. (7/20)

**Jane Graham** was diagnosed with an autoimmune disease. They are monitoring her meds and will do a bone marrow test in the near future (7/6)

**Brian Hofmann**, son of Ed and Betty, had a heart cath after a recent heart attack. He will see a cardiologist for ongoing tests and treatment. (7/27)

**Matt Newlon-**34, a friend of Brian Brown, has some serious health issues. (7/27)

**Marge Raitz**, Brian Raitz' mother, is under hospice care after deciding to discontinue dialysis. Pray for Brian and his family as they travel to NC in the weeks to come. (7/13)

Pat Smith will continue to have pain treatments for her back and have doctor appointment follow ups through

August. (7/27)

**Carole Woody** has been at Ohio Valley Care center but is now back at The Heritage in St. Mary's. (7/27)

# Cancer Prayer Concerns:

**Sara LeMasters Buck**, a friend of Robbi Leonard, is struggling with complications from oral cancer. (4/13)

**Tara Cox**, Karen's daughter-in-law, on-going chemo and upcoming scan. (4/20)

**Frank Gephardt**, Donna Marcinko's niece's husband, had surgery on 7/21 to remove two tumors from his liver; ongoing chemo. (7/6)

**Jeannette**, Eileen Mayer's sister, is battling advanced stage 4 breast cancer. She had surgery recently and has been growing spiritually despite her struggles. (1/26)

**Adam Johnston-53** is battling kidney cancer. He now has a pacemaker; on-going tests and treatment. (7/27)

**Ethel Mason** got a good cancer report. No cancer was found. She will have on-going immunotherapy. (5/18)

**Brian Samples**, Josh Titlow's uncle, is struggling with a difficult cancer diagnosis. (4/20)

**Kayvonne Settle**, cousin of Kim Matheny, has pancreatic cancer. Prayers are appreciated. Send her a cards at: 150 Camelot Road, Unit 2, Belpre, OH 45714. (7/6)

**Dianna Wagoner** is having cancer and kidney tests. (12/29)

# On-Going Prayer Concerns:

Our pastoral search team: David Brooks, John Nicholson, Rich Shawver, Blaine Hess, Christa Raitz and Joe Stephens.

**Amber Busiek** is recovering from back surgery in NC; on-going pain management. Send her a card: 6522 Bells Mill Dr. Charlotte, NC 28269

**Bill Gainer** is at Waterview Point in Marrietta for rehab following his abdominal surgery. (7/13)

**Diane Huffman** is doing rehab at Encompass in Bridgeport, WV; on-going swallow tests. Pray for strength. (7/20)

**Betsy Jefferson** is recovering at home. Send her a card: 406-A 58th St. Vienna, WV 26105 (7/20)

**Susan Moellendick** will be in Nicaragua through early August. Pray for safety & positive ministry opportunities.

**Phil Morris** is doing radiation treatments at Marietta Memorial to address his prostate cancer. (7/20)

**Sara Taylor** consulted with her neurologist in Cleveland on 7/2 to review her recent test results and set up a treatment plan. (7/6)



### July 27, 2025

"God is Our Strength in Times of Struggle"

"Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me." 2 Corinthians 12:8-9

"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 "It Is Well"
"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"
Praise Team

Musical Meditation "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior" David Enoch, Organ

\*Responsive Reading: Psalm 22

Leader: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from my cries of anguish? My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer, by night, but I find no rest."

People: "Yet you are enthroned as the Holy One; you are the one Israel praises. In you our ancestors put their trust; they trusted and you delivered them."

Leader: "To you they cried out and were saved; in you they trusted and were not put to shame."

People: "Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help."

Leader: "But you, Lord, do not be far from me. You are my strength; come quickly to help me...I will declare your name to my people; in the assembly I will praise you."

People: "For he has not despised or scorned the suffering of the afflicted one; he has not hidden his face from him but has listened to his cry for help."

\*Hymn Sing: Close with Hymn No. 493
"It is Well with My Soul"



# Emmanuel Baptist Church

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

Greeting One Another "To Be God's People" p. 312

Children's Moment Joe Stephens

Ministry Moment Ministry Fair Video

Offertory Ministry Video:
"We Didn't See This Coming"

\*Doxology

**Praises & Pastoral Prayer** 

Special Music Hymn Sing

Message: "When You Feel Forsaken"
Pastor Kurt Busiek

Scripture Passage:

Psalm 13: 1-6: "How long, Lord? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me? 2 How long must I wrestle with my thoughts and day after day have sorrow in my heart? How long will my enemy triumph over me? 3 Look on me and answer, Lord my God. Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep in death, 4 and my enemy will say, "I have overcome him," and my foes will rejoice when I fall. 5 But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. 6 I will sing the Lord's praise, for he has been good to me."

Hymn No. 463 "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

 $\sim$  A deacon will be available at the front of the church if you have a question or need prayer.  $\sim$ 

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 "Ride On, O King, Ride On"
David Enoch, Organ

~ Before you leave, greet someone you do not know. ~



### 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 - July 20

Does Not Include On-Line Giving

General Missions Maintenance Fund	\$ 2,278.38 258.91 51.78
Total  Designated Funds: Sanctuary Renovation Loan Necessity Closet	\$ 2,589.07 \$ 140.00 1,978.00

## Giving Options

You can give online at www.ebcwv.com or you can mail your check to: EBC, 1710 23rd Street, Parkersburg, WV 26101

### Attendance — July 20

8:30 a.m. Service In-Person	33
10:45 a.m. Service In-Person	139
On-Line Attendance	873

## Deacon of the Month for July:

Donna Shawver

### Service Leader Today:

**Edy Jones** 

### Greeters:

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



#### Today - July 27

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 -

:30 a.m. Sunday School -LIFE Class: Parlor

Seekers: Room 201 (studying Daniel)

Encouragers: Room 224

Youth Sunday School: Room 203

#### Monday - July 28

6:00 p.m. AA Dinner: Fellowship Hall 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting: Fellowship Hall

#### Tuesday - July 29

10:00 a.m. Tuesday Bible Study: Conf. Room & Zoom (https://zoom.us/j/87185860738, Code 087181)
1 Peter 5: 5-7 Cast Your Cares on the Lord

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

#### Wednesday - July 30

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting: Conference Room
5:00 p.m. Dinner in the Fellowship Hall (menu and

sign-up in today's bulletin insert) Boost Your Health: Conference Room

The health series will replace Bible Study for the next 2 weeks.

Children "Experiments in Faith": Courtyard

#### Thursday - July 31

6:00 p.m.

12:00 p.m. Table of Life-Visitation Team:

Conference Room
Deacon Visitation

2:00 p.m. Deacon Visitation

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

## Birthdays:

July 27 Jim Nordeck

28 Sarah Robinson29 Rodney Wharton

31 Jan Reed

Aug 1 Leah Johnston

Delbert Casto
Gene Kellison



### Lawn Schedule:

July 27 ~ Jeff & Gene Beatty August 3 ~ Evan Frees & Steve Metheny August 10 ~ Angie Hissam & Brian Lallemont

## Salvation Army Meal Schedule:

July 27 ~ Salvation Army August 3 ~ Mayer/Filozof Team

# Announcements

## Children's Ministry (PreK-5th):

• Wed. July 30th: Experiments in Faith: Courtyard Join us for "Experiments in Faith" in the courtyard from 6-7 p.m., for preschoolers thru kids who just finished 5th grade. We'll be doing some cool science experiments that teach a faith lesson. And we MIGHT get a little messy along the way!

## Youth Ministry (Grades 6-12):

• Teen Girl's Bible Study: The next session is Friday August 8th 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Upside Down. This bible study is titled "Defined: Who God Says You Are". The last session of this series will be on Aug. 15th. Join us for the last 2 sessions! Invite friends! Questions? Text Bekah 304.588.6407 or Sarah 740.629.5434.

### General Announcements:

- Operation Christmas Child: Our collection item for the month of August is School Supplies think loose leaf notebook paper, crayons, markers, pens, pencils, pencil sharpeners, erasers, simple calculators, rulers, etc. Remember: Nov. 9th is our soup lunch and packing party! Questions? Text Sarah 740.629.5434
- Necessity Closet: On July 22nd, we helped 13 families (2 new) and gave out 41 emergency bags for a total of 67 people helped. Donations for the month of August is Bar Soap.
- Ministry Fair Videos: Adam Evans will be set up in the choir room/chapel to help people make their Ministry Fair Videos during the following times: TODAY after church and Wednesday, July 30th 4-5pm & 6-7pm. Contact Adam if you need an alternative time.
- <u>Table of Life-Visitation Team</u>: There will be a Table of Life lunch for the Visitation Team on **Thursday**, **July 31** at 12pm in the Conference Room. Let Barbara Kirsch know if you can attend.
- New Home Group Study: Join the Mayers & Clines for a Bible study based on "Revelations: Where Do We Go From Here?" by Max Lucado. This group will meet on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays at 5:30pm each month beginning Aug. 7th for a simple dinner/pot luck followed by an insightful & hopeful discussion. Contact Keith & Eileen or Rick & Tammy if you are interested in joining.
- <u>Ballroom Dance Lessons</u>: The next lesson is **Sunday**, **Aug. 10th** in the Fellowship Hall. 4pm-4:30pm Beginner Lesson 4:30pm-5pm Intermediate Lesson 5pm-7pm Dance Practice/Social

- \*Dress is casual & you're invited to bring a snack to share. Cost is \$20 per couple.
- <u>GriefShare</u>: Begins **Wednesday**, **August 13th at 6pm** in the Seeker's Classroom. This support group is open to the community. To register contact Gail Samolitis, the church office, or griefshare.com
- Guest Lunch: If you would like to know more about Emmanuel, our ministries, leadership and membership, plan to join Pastor Kurt and some of our staff for a brief Guest Lunch on **Sunday, August 17th at 12pm** following the worship service. RSVP by filling out a pew card or call the office at 304.485.5171.
- <u>DivorceCare</u>: The next session, open to the community, begins on **Tuesday**, **August 19th at 6pm** in the Parlor. To register contact Melanie Whited at 304.834.8637 or visit divorcecare.org/groups/266209
- Fall Church Picnic: The Fall Church Picnic will be Sunday, September 28th at 5 p.m. at Emmanuel. The picnic will feature chicken made by Lyndal Jones and a special concert by Mark Cable beginning at 6:30pm.
- Roses for Visitation: We have preserved roses in the office available to anyone who plans to visit someone in the hospital or nursing/assisted living home. These roses are a lovely reminder that Emmanuel prays and cares for them. Stop by to pick one up before your next visit.
- <u>Kroger Rewards</u>: Support Emmanuel through your Kroger purchases by signing up for "Kroger Community Rewards". See insert for details.
- Thank you from Eric Tucker, The Escape: "Wow! Thanks so much for your kindness and hospitality to the Escape Student Ministries team. We were truly blown away. Thanks for partnering with us to reach students with the gospel and to change the direction of their lives."
- Thank you from Kirk Wilson, Young Life: "Friends at EBC, It was a gift to share a Sunday with you! Thank you for all of the work that went into the luncheon and for the generous gifts to Young Life. It is a privilege to partner with you as we pursue kids for Jesus!"
- Thank you from Edy Jones, Necessity Closet: "A heartfelt thank you to everyone that came out to support our Necessity Closet at our "indoor" picnic. The food was great and plentiful and it sure looked like everyone enjoyed the fellowship. Thanks for your in-kind and monetary donations. Each of us at the Necessity Closet thank you and we continue to strive to serve our church family and our community through this vital ministry. THANK YOU."