

Emmanuel Prayer Page

Praises:

Jonathan Delgado and his family were with us in worship this past week. Brian and Dee Lallemon hosted them while they were in Parkersburg. Brodie Battin graduated from basic training on Aug.1st. Steve and Leslie Hanna celebrated their 29th anniversary on 7/27. David Stephens, Sue McCue, Ruth Wharton, Donna Shawver who served the AA dinner last week. The Facilities Team, Sue McCue, and Tammy Hays who cleaned the water out of the Fellowship Hall after the storm last weekend. The Facilities Team for painting the curbs around the church parking lot and for getting new gutters installed around the church. For the Sunday pastries and refreshments that are made by Ruth Wharton. The second Wednesday night Boost Your Health session was attended and very informative. The final session will be offered this Wednesday at 6pm. Thanks to Michelle Miller, Eileen Mayer and Elissa Filozof. The Visitation Team had a nice lunch and meeting this week. Barb Kirsch facilitates this ministry. The following attended: Robbi Wade, Lynn Palmer, Karen Vanoster, Debbie Boyd, Pam Wharton, Donna Marcinko, Judy Prater and Pastor Kurt. Michelle Busiek will be home from Alaska Aug. 1-9. She will be visiting both Parkersburg and Charlotte.

New Prayer Concerns:

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

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

Wanda DeMoss fell and broke her hip. She is recovering at home. (8/3)

Carolyn Duncan is recovering from knee replacement surgery on 7/28 at New Albany. Pray for a successful rehab. (7/20)

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)

Lyndall Jones was in CC this past week for tests. (8/3)

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

Jean VanWay was in CC this past week for tests. (8/3)

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.

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, is battling pancreatic cancer. (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.

Bill Gainer is recovering at home with care. Pray for Linda as she helps provide care. Send them a card at: 1953 Foley Dr. Parkersburg, WV 26104 (7/13)

Diane Huffman is recovering at home with on-going speech and physical therapy to address swallowing issues. Pray for healing. (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 will see her neurologist in January for more input on her treatment plan. (8/3)

Our Deepest Sympathy to:

The family & friends of Daniel Calin, who died on the front line of the Russian/Ukraine war spreading the gospel and witnessing to Ukrainian soldiers. Daniel is the eldest son of Stefan & Sandra Calin, missionaries to Romania & Germany and friends of Gail Samolitis.

The family & friends of Marge Raitz, Brian Raitz’ mother, who passed away on July 29th. Cards can be sent to Brian & Christa Raitz at: 1301 Lakewood Circle Washington, WV 26181.

Greeters:

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



On Christ the solid rock I stand,  
all other ground is sinking sand

August 3, 2025

“God is Our Foundation”

“...Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.”  
Matthew 7:24-25

“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 “At the Cross/Love Ran Red”  
“How Great is Our God”

Praise Team

Musical Meditation “Let Us Break Bread Together”  
David Enoch, Organ

\*Responsive Reading: Psalm 46  
Leader: "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea..."

People: Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts. The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress."

Leader: "He says, “Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.”

People: "The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress."

\*Hymn No. 106 “Praise Him! Praise Him!”

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

Greeting One Another “To Be God’s People” p. 312

Children’s Moment Courtney Johnson



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Ministry Moment Ministry Fair & Music Ministry

Offertory Ministry Video: “To Serve & Restore”

\*Doxology

Praises & Pastoral Prayer

Special Music “The Swan” Ashley Clark, Violin

Message: “AI and the Tower of Babel”  
Pastor Kurt Busiek

Scripture Passage: Genesis 11: 1-9

“Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. 2 As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there. 3 They said to each other, “Come, let’s make bricks and bake them thoroughly.” They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. 4 Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth.” 5 But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower the people were building...”

Hymn No. 425 “In the Garden”

Celebration of Communion Apostle’s Creed  
(All who have professed their faith in Jesus Christ are invited to receive the Lord’s Supper)

\*Benediction Hymn No. 286  
“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”  
“Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above”

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

Postlude “Joy to the World!”  
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](mailto: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 27

Does Not Include On-Line Giving

General	\$ 3770.80
Missions	428.50
Maintenance Fund	85.70
Total	\$ 4,285.00
Designated Funds:	
Sanctuary Renovation Loan	\$ 1,470.00
Necessity Closet	750.00
Benevolent Fund	500.00
Kroger Rewards	159.14
Scholarship	274.32

#### Benevolence Help Fund

Today we collect a special offering  
for our Benevolence Help Fund.  
All loose offering will be added to this fund.

#### Giving Options

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

#### Attendance – July 27

8:30 a.m. Service In-Person	32
10:45 a.m. Service In-Person	133
On-Line Attendance	479

#### Deacon of the Month for August:

Rich Shawver

#### Service Leader Today:

Blaine Hess

#### Salvation Army Meal Schedule:

August 3 ~ Mayer/Filozof Team  
August 10 ~ Parkersburg Catholic High School



#### Today - August 3

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](http://www.ebcwv.com)  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School -  
LIFE Class: Parlor  
Seekers: Room 201 (studying Daniel)  
Encouragers: Room 224  
Youth Sunday School: Room 203  
12:00 p.m. Children's Team Meeting: Conference Room

#### Monday - August 4

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

#### Tuesday - August 5

10:00 a.m. Tuesday Bible Study: Conf. Room & Zoom  
(<https://zoom.us/j/87185860738>, Code 087181)  
1 Peter 5:8-14 Resisting the Devil by Standing Firm  
5:15 p.m. Temple Challenge: Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m. Board of Ministry Meeting: Conference Room

#### Wednesday - August 6

9:00 a.m. Ministry Fair Videos: Choir Room until 5pm  
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting: Conference Room  
5:00 p.m. Ministry Fair/Adult Ministry Meeting:  
Conference Room  
5:00 p.m. Dinner in the Fellowship Hall (menu and  
sign-up in today's bulletin insert)  
6:00 p.m. Boost Your Health: Fellowship Hall  
The health series will replace Bible Study this week.  
Children "Experiments in Faith": Courtyard

#### Thursday - August 7

2:00 p.m. Deacon Visitation  
5:15 p.m. Temple Challenge: Fellowship Hall

#### Friday - August 8

6:30 p.m. Teen Girl's Bible Study: Hope House

#### Saturday - August 9

10:00 a.m. Scrapbooking: Conference Room

#### Birthdays:

Aug	4	Mickie Flowers
	5	Brian Lallemon
	7	Kim Bollinger
		Eleanor Nahley
	8	Bob Byers
		Richard Davis
	9	Robert Beatty
	10	Sally Beckwith
		Teresa Seckman



#### Lawn Schedule:

August 3 ~ Evan Frees & Steve Metheny  
August 10 ~ Angie Hissam & Brian Lallemon  
August 17 ~ Hunter Fury

## Announcements

### Children's Ministry (PreK–5th):

- **DON'T FORGET:** Children's Team Meeting **TODAY** after church in the Conference Room.
- **Wed. Aug 6th:** 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: Donations for the month of **August is Bar Soap.**
- Ministry Fair/Adult Ministry Meeting: **Wednesday, Aug. 6th at 5pm in the Conference Room.**
- Ministry Fair Videos: LAST CHANCE! Adam Evans will be set up in the choir room/chapel to help people make their Ministry Fair Videos on **Wednesday, August 6th from 9am-5pm.** Please have your talking points ready for a 30-45 second video. **Sign up sheet** is in the Narthex or contact the church office.
- 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.
- Scrapbooking: Join Rhonda Johnston in the Conference Room for scrapbooking & card making on **Saturday, Aug. 9th at 10am.** This is unstructured time for creativity and fellowship. Contact Rhonda for details at [iscrap42girls@yahoo.com](mailto:iscrap42girls@yahoo.com)

- Ballroom Dance Lessons: 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.
- GriefShare: 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](http://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.
- DivorceCare: 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](http://divorcecare.org/groups/266209)
- Ministry Fair: Looking for ways to use your gifts & talents, meet new people, and make meaningful connections... Join us in the **Fellowship Hall on Sunday, Aug. 24th** after the worship service for a light lunch and information about all the AMAZING ministries EBC has to offer and ways you can get involved!
- 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.
- Kroger Rewards: Support Emmanuel through your Kroger purchases by signing up for "Kroger Community Rewards". See insert for details.
- Mountain State Mission Offering: During the month of August, EBC takes part in the Mountain State Mission Offering. 100% of this offering stays right here in WV & supports the mission & ministries of the WV Baptist Convention. Visit [wvbc.org](http://wvbc.org) to make an online donation or make a note on your EBC giving. See insert for details.
- Hymns for Worship Service: All the hymns selected for the worship services in August & September are favorites of and requested by church members.