Emmanuel Praises and Prayer Page

Praises:

Our Board of Ministry had a positive meeting this past week. The **Chancel Choir** is back practicing and will return to worship on September 14. Milt Nuzum shared his testimony about how God's love has guided and directed his life through the years. The Browns were with us last Sunday and shared about their ministry in Peru. The mission lunch raised \$1300. We praise God for our school teachers, administrators and staff that work hard to provide a positive learning environment for our children... see our Teacher Insert. The 10 stars in the Red **Books** last week represent members engaging other people with the gospel and prayer. Michelle Busiek sent us a PowerPoint with thank you notes from her clients in Alaska. **Total Giving** for the month of **August** was \$53,000 which included: Help Fund 2,000, Necessity Closet 735, Mountain State Mission Offering 1,385, Missionaries Bonillas 1,518, Missionaries Browns 1,300 and Sanctuary Loan 11,000. The generous giving to our Sanctuary Renovation Loan continues. Our balance is \$143,000 down from our starting amount of \$377,000 in 2023.

New Prayer Concerns:

Steve Archer, Sue McCue's brother, is recovering from bypass surgery in NC on 8/27. (7/27)

Missy Pinkerton Christy, friend of Mary Nuzum is having aggressive cancer treatments in Pittsburgh. She has two young children. Send her a card: 20 Banbury Dr. Youngstown, OH 44511. (8/24)

David Cronin, friend of Gail Samolitis is fighting a stage 4 brain tumor. Cards of encouragement can be sent to: 135 Morningside Ave. Parkersburg, WV 26101. (8/24)

Yuvhon Dotson is recovering from a fall and blood pressure issues. Pray for Frank as he provides care. Send her a card: 1392 Boulevard Dr. Belpre, OH 45714. (8/31)

Wandalene Drake, Leslie Sims' mother & Lyndall Jones' sister, is recovering from kidney cancer surgery on 9/9 at Ruby. (9/7)

Jean Farrah is having on-going pain management treatments to address neck and back pain. (8/17)

Randy Halterman is recovering from a mini-stroke. He is on new meds and will have a follow up with his doctor in November. (8/24)

Tom Jarrell, Linda Robinson's life partner, is on life support at CC. (8/31)

Earl Johnson had two heart cath procedures and three stents. He is recovering at home. Send him a card at: 53 Crabapple Lane Parkersburg, WV 26104. (9/7)

Maridor Keck was in CC and was treated for pneumonia. Pray for her son, Mark Lewis, as he provides care. (9/7)

Ayla Kilbarger, Eva Martin's grandson's fiancé, is recovering from open heart surgery at Cleveland Clinic on

8/25. (8/10)

Trina Kuipers, the Salvation Army cook, is doing physical therapy at Belmont Health Care Center. She needs both knees replaced. (8/31)

Richard Mason, Ethel's brother, is battling stage 4 lung cancer. (9/7)

Bonnie Nestor is at Belpre Landing where she is doing radiation treatments and starting an oral chemo to address bone cancer. She requests prayers for her daughter Kimberly who is recovering from a kidney transplant (9/7)

Dale Sargent, friend of Charles Whitehouse is fighting aggressive cancer in Charleston. (8/17)

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 is having on-going immunotherapy. (5/18)

Brian Samples, Josh Titlow's uncle, ongoing cancer treatment.

Kayvonne Settle, cousin of Kim Matheny, is battling pancreatic cancer. (7/6)

Dianna Wagoner will see doctors in Cleveland on 9/18 for cancer found on her other kidney. (12/29)

On-Going Prayer Concerns:

Carolyn Duncan is doing physical therapy after knee replacement surgery; she has a follow up with her surgeon on 9/10. (9/7)

Bill Gainer is recovering at home with in-home care. (7/13)

Diane Huffman is doing speech therapy and is on meds that leave her very tired. She has Myasthenia gravis, an autoimmune disease. (8/10)

Gary Barr is asking for prayers for his family during a difficult time. (8/24)

Pat Smith had a nerve block procedure on her leg; on-going pain management. (9/7)

Our Deepest Sympathy to:

The **families of the children** who lost their lives and were injured in the church/school shooting in Minnesota.





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September 7, 2025

"The End of the World & the Return of Jesus"

"Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other."

~Matthew 26:30-31

"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 "Will the Circle Be Unbroken"
"I Saw the Light" & "I'll Fly Away" Praise Team

Musical Meditation: "The Spirit that Dwells Within" David Enoch, Organ

*Responsive Reading: Acts 1

Leader: Then the disciples gathered around him and asked him "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

People: "He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Leader: "After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight."

People: "They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky?"

Leader: "...This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

*Hymn No. 552 "On Jordan's Stormy Banks"

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

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

Children's Moment Courtney Johnson

Ministry Moment Ministry Video: Deacons

Offertory Ministry Videos

*Doxology

Praises & Pastoral Prayer Thank You from Alaska

Special Music "O Worship the King"
Duet: Donna Marcinko, Piano & David Enoch, Organ

Message: "The End... of the World as We Know It"

Pastor Kurt Busiek

Scripture Passage: Luke 21: 5-38

"Some of his disciples were remarking about how the temple was adorned with beautiful stones and with gifts dedicated to God. But Jesus said, 6 "As for what you see here, the time will come when not one stone will be left on another; every one of them will be thrown down." Teacher," they asked, "when will these things happen? And what will be the sign that they are about to take place?" He replied: "Watch out that you are not deceived. For many will come in my name, claiming, I am he,' and, 'The time is near.' Do not follow them. When you hear of wars and uprisings, do not be frightened. These things must happen first, but the end will not come right away."

Hymn No. 410 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

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 "Hymn to Joy" 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 - August 31

Does Not Include On-Line Giving

General	\$	5,431.36
Missions		617.20
Maintenance Fund		123.44
Total	\$	6,172.00
Designated Funds: Sanctuary Renovation Loan	Φ.	4.050.00
	\$	4,050.00
Memorial Fund		250.00
Mike & Marcy Brown		1,112.00

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 or you can mail your check to: EBC, 1710 23rd Street, Parkersburg, WV 26101

Attendance – August 24

8:30 a.m. Service In-Person	45
10:45 a.m. Service In-Person	124
On-Line Attendance	376

Deacon of the Month for August:

Melissa Davis

Service Leader Today:

Jonathan Brooks

Lawn Schedule:

September 14 ~ Rob Johnston September 21 ~ David & Davey Brooks



Today - September 7

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: Parlor ("Believe" series)

Seekers: Rm 201 (studying Colossians) Encouragers: Rm 224

Youth Sunday School: Rm 203

2:30 p.m. Celebration Ringers Rehearsal: Sanctuary

Monday - September 8

12:00p.m. Women's Bible Study: Conference Room 2:00 p.m. Caregiver Support Group: Parlor 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting: Fellowship Hall

Tuesday - September 9

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10:00 a.m.	Necessity Closet: Open until noon
10:00 a.m.	Tuesday Bible Study: Conf. Room & Zoom
	(https://zoom.us/j/87185860738, Code 087181)
	The Prodigal God video series by Tim Keller
11:30 a.m.	Tuesday Fellowship: Fellowship Hall
5:15 p.m.	Temple Challenge: Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	DivorceCare: Parlor
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Wednesday - September 10

10:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting: Conference Room
4:30 p.m.	Voice Lesson by Donna
5:00 p.m.	Dinner: Fellowship Hall (menu & sign-up in
1	today's bulletin insert)

5:15 p.m. Orff Ensemble Rehearsal6:00 p.m. Quarterly Business Meeting, Bible Study:

Conference Room & Zoom

https://zoom.us/j/87185860738 Code: 087181 The Prodigal God video series by Tim Keller Awana, Choir, GriefShare, & Youth

Thursday - September 11 PATRIOT DAY

12:00 p.m. Men's Lunch: Olive Garden

2:00 p.m. Deacon Visitation

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

Saturday - September 13

10:00 a.m. Scrapbooking: Conference Room

Happy Birthday to:

- 7 Glen Patterson
- 9 Joe Britton
- Peggy Ahlborn & JoAnn Boggs
 Tom Beckwith, Greg Halterman,
 & Dee Lallemont
- 12 Kurt Busiek, Jr. & Linda Gainer
- 13 Karen Vanoster



Salvation Army Meal Schedule:

September 7 ~ Westbrook Group September 14 ~ Gospel Mission Team

Announcements

Children's Ministry (PreK-5th):

- AWANA: Wednesdays at 6pm
- MARK YOUR CALENDAR! 10/5: Children's Team Meeting
 - 11/1: Children's Fall Rally @ Parchment Valley

Youth Ministry (Grades 6-12):

- Youth Group: Wednesdays at 6pm in the Upside Down (Hope House) for recreation, snacks, games, and a lesson. This fall we'll be looking at names we associate with God and what they can teach us about Him.
- See the insert for all the fun activities scheduled for Sept.
- Girl's Bible Study: The next girls' Bible study will be **Tuesday, Sept. 30th at 6:00pm**. Questions? Contact Bekah 304-588-6407 or Sarah 740-629-5434.

General Announcements:

- Operation Christmas Child: Our collection item for the month of September is "WOW" Gifts think nicer dolls/ stuffies, soccer ball with pump, etc. Remember: Nov. 9th is our soup lunch and packing party! Questions? Text Sarah 740.629.5434
- <u>Necessity Closet</u>: Donations for the month of **September** are **Disinfecting Wipes**.
- <u>Blessing Bags</u>: If you take a bag or 2 maybe look for someone in need who is not necessarily holding a sign.
- <u>Hymns for Worship Service</u>: All the hymns selected for the worship services in August have been favorites of and requested by church members. If you have a favorite hymn, call the office or leave a note on the pew card.
- Stars in the Red Books: If you were able to speak to someone about your faith, offer a word of hope, or pray with someone this past week, put a STAR in the red book. Last week we had 10 stars!
- <u>DivorceCare</u>: **Tuesdays at 6pm** in the Parlor. This support group is open to the community. Contact the office for more information or visit divorcecare.org/groups/266209
- <u>GriefShare</u>: **Wednesdays at 6pm** in the Seeker's Classroom. This support group is open to the community. For more information contact Gail Samolitis at viking.gail@yahoo.com
- <u>Chancel Choir Update</u>: The Chancel Choir rehearses on Wednesdays at 6pm. NEW CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED! Contact Donna Marcinko if you are interested in joining.
- Women's Bible Study is Back! Beginning Monday, Sept. 8th from 12pm-2pm Women's Bible Study will meet weekly in the Conference Room. Bring a bag lunch and

- enjoy good conversation. For more information contact Kim Constantino or call the church office.
- <u>Caregiver Support Group</u>: Are you a caregiver in need of support? Join us **Monday, Sept. 8th at 2pm** in the Parlor.
- <u>Tuesday Fellowship</u>: Join us **Tuesday**, **Sept. 9th at 11:30am** for Pizza & Chair Yoga in the Fellowship Hall. See insert to sign up or call the church office!
- <u>Church Survey</u>: The **Pastoral Search Committee** is building a church profile about our church, mission, & needs to share with prospective pastoral candidates. **We need input from YOU!** If you prefer a written survey those will be available for pick up in the Narthex. Call the church office if you did not receive an emailed link and want one. Please complete the survey **before Wednesday, Sept. 10th,** so we get the most accurate information possible.
- Quarterly Business Meeting: This meeting will be held Wednesday, Sept. 10th at 6pm in the Conference Room before Bible Study.
- Mark Your Calendar: Mission Lunch Sunday, Sept. 14th at 12pm to benefit Tara Henderson, daughter of Lyndall & Judy Jones. Tara works with International Fellowship Inc., a ministry that partners with local churches & universities to provide life changing hospitality and friendship to international students. See insert for the menu & to sign up.
- <u>Ballroom Dance Lessons</u>: The next lesson **Sunday**, **Sept. 14th** in the Fellowship Hall. 4pm-4:30pm Beginner Lesson; 4:30pm-5pm Intermediate Lesson; 5pm-7pm Dance Practice/Social *Dress is casual Cost is \$20 per couple.
- Master Gardener Program: WVU Extension is offering their Master Gardener Program this fall for 10-weeks beginning Tuesday, Sept. 16th from 6pm-9pm in the Seeker's Classroom. Limit 20. Register by contacting JJ Barrett at 304-424-1960 or jj.barrett@mail.wvu.edu
- Fall Church Picnic: The Fall Church Picnic will be Sunday, Sept. 28th at 5 pm at Emmanuel. We ask that those attending bring a side dish and/or dessert. The picnic will feature chicken made by Lyndall Jones and a special concert by Mark Cable beginning at 6:30pm.
- Save the Date: The Women's Care Center Walk 4 Life is **Sunday**, **October 19th**. This annual lunch and walk raises awareness & funds for WCC's mission. For more information contact Eileen Mayer, Cindy Blouir or call the church office.

Greeters:

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