MMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE MESSENGER



THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE **CLOSED MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**



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September 2018

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Fall Sundays at EPC

8:45am Adult Church School 10:00am Worship

> 2701 Harwood Rd. Bedford, TX 76021

SEPTEMBER UPCOMING DATES

SEPTEMBER 2 1) N.E.E.D SUNDAY 2) NO CHURCH SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 3 **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

SEPTEMBER 9 FALL CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES RESUME CHURCH SCHOOL KICKOFF BREAKFAST AT 8:45AM

> **SEPTEMBER 16** WORSHIP & MUSIC PROGRAM SPECIAL OFFERING

SEPTEMBER 23 MISSION TRIP PRESENTATION & LUNCH 11:15am

SEPTEMBER 29 COURTYARD CAFÉ - 6:30-8:00pm

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Fellowship Opportunities

Ruth Fellowship

Monday, September 17 at 7pm

San Daniele 129 S. Main St., #130 Grapevine, TX For information contact Tonia Thompson: 817-996-2821

Men's Group Dinner

Thursday, September 20 7:00 PM Big Daddy's Grapevine, TX

We are going back to one of our favorite restaurants, "BIG DADDY'S", on Lake Grapevine. They have a 12-14 oz. rib-eye steak with loaded baked potato, one additional side and a salad all for the price of \$25.00. Hamburgers and fries, as well as catfish are also available for about \$10.00. They are also offering slices of pie to our group for just \$3.00 instead of \$4.00.

To get to "BIG DADDY's", take the Southlake Blvd. exit off 114 – stay on the access road and when you get to Northwest Highway, which is the next light after Southlake Blvd., take a right going east. At the PDQ gas station on your left, turn left onto Dove Street. You will come to another PDQ gas station on your right and turn right. Go a short block and turn left. Follow this curvy road until you see a "Scotts Landing" sign on your right with a small "BIG DADDY'S" sign at the bottom. Turn right into the parking lot. If any of you don't want to drive call Andy and we will arrange a car pool at the church.

So we can have the right sized table reserved, please call Andy LeCocq at (817)268-4128 or e-mail him at andy@lecocq.org by Tuesday, September 18, if you plan to attend. He will also be taking steak orders, so they will have enough for our group.

Lois Circle

Thursday, September 6, 1pm

Panera Bread
2911 SH 121
Euless, TX
For information contact
Cheryl Dale
817-576-3184

Christian Education News

Church School Class Updates



I pray that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love.

Fall Church School Breakfast: Growing Together in Christ Sunday, September 9th

You are invited to the Fall Church School breakfast on Sunday, September 9th at 8:45 AM in SoRelle Hall.

Emmanuel's classes for children, youth and adults will gather to celebrate the beginning of a new year of growing together in Christ. Food will be provided by the Christian Education Committee. We will share fellowship, prayer, and learn more about faith formation opportunities that include Church School classes, intergenerational events, and other times for group study and prayer. We hope you will join us!

OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE



The Local Benevolence Fund is at an all-time low and is in need of additional funds.

Please prayerfully consider giving to this fund which assists those in the community and in the Emmanuel congregation.

Thank you.

N.E.E.D. SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2018

Please bring your items to donate and place in the NEED box.

Youth News Events & Activities



2018 Summer Lunch Program Kids and Volunteers

6:8 Project: Summer Lunch Program: Grateful Thanks to Our Partners!

The 6:8 Project's 2018 Summer Lunch Program in the Greenway Place neighborhood served lunch three days a week from June 11th through August 17th. We are thankful for our partners in ministry who supported us, including:

Emmanuel Presbyterian Church for the gift of \$600 from the congregation's Pentecost Offering. This money was used to provide food for Friday lunches and snacks, as well as supplies (such as paper goods, prizes for reading, and craft supplies).

Tarrant Area Food Bank for providing lunches on Mondays and Wednesdays via the USDA's Summer Food Service Program.

Greenway Church, who provided lunch food for three Fridays.

First Presbyterian Church of Fort Worth for bringing two Urban Gaps mission teams to help prepare the 6:8 House for Summer Lunch activities.

ACH Child and Family Services for their presentation to the youth on "Achieving in School".

Many thanks also to Emmanuel volunteers who assisted with enrichment activities for the kids, including the reading program, crafts, computers and games. And finally, deepest thanks to the 6:8 Project Summer Lunch volunteer crew who were there every week to supervise the kids, cook meals and prepare take-home snacks, organize enrichment activities, clean up afterward, and shop for food: Elsie Caldwell, Doris Cobbs, Charlotte Peoples, Helen Richardson, Jennie Wilson, and Leah Wyckoff.

We served an average of twenty children and youth each day and around thirty-five children total over the ten weeks of summer. Here are some 2018 Summer Lunch Program numbers:

580 lunches and snacks served to children and youth

65 books read by 18 participants in the Summer Reading Program

18 5-gallon bottles of water delivered by ReadyRefresh and drunk by kids and adults to cool down during activities and especially basketball pick-up games

3 Walmart gift cards given to the top readers in the Summer Reading Program

1 set of TCU Volleyball tickets given to the top Youth reader in the Summer Reading Program

1 compost bin built in the backyard by an Urban Gap team and by Summer Lunch Program kids

Best wishes to our Greenway Scholars and their families as a new school year gets underway!

6:8 Project: Volunteers needed for October 2nd National Night Out

The 6:8 Project team is now planning for **Greenway's National Night Out**, which takes place from **5:30 PM – 7:30 PM on October 2nd in Delga Park**. We are seeking donors for food and drinks, as well as volunteers who can help at the event with serving food, monitoring inflatable slide, helping with crafts and children's activities, and talking with people in the neighborhood. For more information, contact Leah Wyckoff (<u>klh@sbcglobal.net</u>).

Board and Committee Reports

Session:

- Voted to endorse family scouting within Pack 254. This will include girls joining Pack 254.
- Learned that an inquirers class is in the early stages.
- Voted to approve Habitat for Humanity fundraiser and chili cook off on February 24, 2019.
- Confirmed email vote of August 7th to approve Aaron Walton offering music lessons at the church, as well as the proposed contract terms.
- Approved the Finance Committee's recommendation to proceed with the proposal from Hancock Signs to purchase Electronic Message Center (yard sign), to use funds from the Texas Presbyterian Foundation, and to have a 36-month capital campaign to repay the funds.
- Learned that the Stewardship Theme for the 2019 campaign will be Grace Made Visible, based on Ephesians 2:4-10 and the Stewardship Luncheon is scheduled for October 14th.
- Was made aware that the 6:8 funds have been moved out of Emmanuel books and transferred to the 6:8 organization.
- Learned that the next Carter Blood Drive is scheduled for Sunday, October 28th, from 9-1 and that smaller area churches will be invited to participate.
- Was informed that the Green Committee is working on SoRelle landscaping and will work on the area on October 27th.
- Learned that the Mission Committee is seeking someone to lead Emmanuel's participation in the Crop Walk scheduled for Sunday, October 7th.
- Was informed that the Intergenerational Mission Trip participants will make a presentation on September 23rd.
- Learned that an opportunity to participate in 6 Stones Community Revitalization project occurs October 19th-20th, helping elderly/disabled individuals with home and yard projects.
- Was informed that the 6:8 Project's summer program provided 580 meals/snacks, 65 books read by 18 participants, consumed 18 5-gallon containers of water, provided 3 Walmart gift cards to top readers and TCU volleyball tickets. Upcoming events; October 2nd - National Night Out and October 20th - Litter Stomp.

Deacons:

- The deacons meeting in December will be moved to the first Sunday, December 2nd.
- An inventory of Grace to Go supplies will be completed in August; the congregation will be asked for needed food items.

Finance:

July Income: \$31,576.58 July Expense: \$33,550.75

Upcoming Events When and Where You Can Participate

September 9, 8:45am Church School Kickoff Breakfast

September 23, 11:15amMission Trip Presentation and Lunch

September 29, 6:30pm-8:00pm Courtyard Café

October 26, 5:30pm-7:00pm Trunk or Treat with BCAMP's Fall Festival

Saturday, November 3, 10am-1pm Community Shred Day

November 11
Harvest Meal after Worship

November 25
Hanging of the Greens after
worship & Soup & Salad
Luncheon

December 9, 5pm-7pmCommunity Christmas Dinner

December 16

Reception in narthex after worship in celebration of the Christmas Cantata

LECTIONARY

9/2: Song of Solomon 2:8-13; Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9; James 1:17-27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15,

21-23

9/9: Prov. 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23; Psalm 125; James 2:1-10 (11-13), 14-17; Mark 7:24-37

9/16: Prov. 1:20-33; Psalm 19; James 3:1-2; Mark 8:27-38

9/23: Prov. 31:10-31; Psalm 1; James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37

9/30: Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22; Psalm 124; James 5:13-20; Mark 9:38-50

BIRTHDAYS

09/07	John Phillips
09/18	Tim Stuerzenberger
09/22	Evelyn Schmedt
09/23	Judith Curtis
09/25	Linda Greenwell
09/25	Denise Karriker
09/28	Cheryl Dale

CIRCLES

Lois Circle will meet at 1:00pm on Thursday, September 6.

Ruth Fellowship meeting is at 7:00pm on Monday, September 17.

Esther Circle will meet Tuesday, September 11 at 9:30am.