

THE MESSENGER



UPCOMING EVENTS EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We hope you will mark your calendars and plan to join us for the following:

Church Office Closed, Wednesday, January 1 and Thursday, January 2

Officer Training, Saturday, January 11, 10:00 a.m.

Ordination/Installation of Officers, Sunday, January 12, during worship service

Church Office Closed MLK Day, Monday, January 20

Congregational Annual Meeting, Sunday, January 26, 11:15 am

N.E.E.D., Friday, January 31, 10:00 am - 12:30 pm and 12:30 pm - 3:00pm

ZingerZ Comedy Show (Habitat for Humanity Fundraiser), Sunday, February 9, 2:00pm

January 2020

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Winter Sundays at EPC

8:45am Church School

10:00am Worship

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Mission Committee and Evangelism Committee's are working together to raise money for Habitat For Humanity in 2020. They have contracted with ZingerZ Comedy Show - a family-friendly comedy show with talented actors.

Please reserve Sunday Feb. 9, 2020 at 2:00 PM to attend the show in SoRelle Hall. We are inviting the community for a fun family event to showcase EPC.

Check out the EPC online store to purchase tickets for the ZingerZ Comedy Show - <https://epcfundraiser.ludus.com/index.php> - Advance ticket prices - Adults -\$20, Child/Senior- \$10

Join us for an evening FULL of FAMILY FUN... and help Habitat for Humanity build homes for those in need at the same time!!! You can choose to have your tickets emailed to you or we can mail physical tickets for only \$2 more. ***See Below for **SPONSORSHIP INFO** and find out all the **GREAT PERKS YOU GET AS A SPONSOR for ONLY \$100!!!**

Enjoy:

A Professional Interactive Clean Improv Comedy Show by Zingerz Comedy (similar to the hit TV show "Whose Line Is It Anyway?")!

- Live Auction
- Silent Auction
- Raffle
- Food
- and More!

Doors open at 1:15pm - Show begins at 2:00pm

BE A SPONSOR!!!

*For Just **\$100**, you will get:*

- *Your/Your Business Name promoted at the event!*
- *Your/Your Business Name promoted on the Online Store!*
- *The ability to provide marketing materials to all of our guests!*
- *2 FREE Tickets to the show!*

***The MORE You Sponsor, the Higher your name will appear on all THANK YOU signage - and in BIGGER FONT (placement of names on promotional signage is determined by sponsorship amount and time of sponsorship)!!!

PLUS, Sponsor for **\$500+** and you can provide us with your own banner/sign which will be displayed near the stage for EVERYONE to see during the WHOLE EVENT & You will get a "Shout Out" from the stage!!!

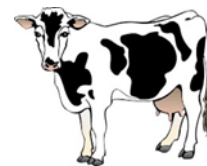
N.E.E.D.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED
FOR 5TH MONDAYS,
TUESDAYS AND
FRIDAYS. ASK A FRIEND OR
NEIGHBOR TO JOIN YOU IN
THIS WORTHWHILE CAUSE!



★ Thank You! ★
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Thanks to everyone who helped with the pillowcases, stuffed animals, ornaments and cards for the school students, also for assembling the cards for Itasca and finally for the button Christmas tree craft for the Community Christmas dinner. Job well done.....



Ye haw! The Fort Worth Stock Show Sack Lunch Program will once again support the 225 day laborers of the Stock Show by providing a lunch which can be eaten on the go. The meat and lunch bags will be provided by the organizers of the program, but donations of applesauce, fruit cups, fruit juice, granola bars, PB or cheese crackers, pretzels and jello cups or pudding cups are currently needed. We also like to include a homemade note of encouragement to the men and women who are taking care of the animals of the Stock Show. Place donations in the marked box below the table in the narthex, say a prayer for the men and women working - especially on the cold and wet days of the Stock Show. Thank you kindly for your donations.



Opportunities

Ruth Fellowship

Monday, January 20, 7:00pm

Catfish & Co.
Airport Frwy., #110
Hurst, TX 76054

For more information contact:
Anni Wordell
817-703-6237

817-703-8966

Lois Circle

Thursday, January 9, 1:00pm

Tony's Pizza and Pasta
3320 Harwood Rd.
Bedford, TX 76021

For more information contact:

Cheryl Dale
817-223-6023

Men's Dinner

Thursday, January 16, 2020
7:00pm

Board and Committee Reports

Deacons:

Session:

Session welcomed newly-elected Class of 2022 Melissa Durkee, Kristin Hartwell, Sue Pranke, and Mary Ann Reed.

Session thanked outgoing Class of 2019 Cheryl Dale, John Field, Rick Thompson, and Teresa White for their outstanding service.

Received letter from Aaron Walton and discussed future plans for the Emmanuel music program.

Elected Rick Thompson and Sheryl Taylor as Treasurer and Clerk, respectively, for 2020.

Was informed that the Advent/Christmas greens will be removed on January 5th.

Learned that Scout Sunday will be February 16th.

Nominating Committee continues to seek a Deacon to serve in the Class of 2022.

Learned that the remodel of the Pastor's office is nearly complete.

Was informed that Presbytery representatives will be meeting Tuesday night with Personnel to discuss steps toward Robin's re-entry and learned that the team to work with Robin would be comprised of Nancy cable, Kristin Hartwell, Ray Karriker, Jim Mahon, and Tonia Thompson.

Approved the Special Offerings calendar for 2020, as well as the proposed 2020 budget.

Learned that the stock show lunch delivery date will be February 1st and that the goal will be 225 lunches.

Session approved an extension of Chuck's contract at the same terms on a month-to-month basis, for January 1 - December 31, 2020.

Laura Mahon and Sheryl Taylor reported on the December 7th Stated Meeting of Grace Presbytery.

Approved 2020 membership roll.

Finance:

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| November Income: | \$21,296.91 |
| November Expense: | \$22,548.10 |

Christian Education News



Many thanks to everyone who helped prepare for and lead the **December 1st Advent Breakfast and Workshop**: Christian Education Committee members Wanda Asire, Melissa Durkee, John Field, Keith Royal and Leah Wyckoff and volunteers Barbara Edwards, Ray Karriker, Caroline Loy, and Ken Richardson! It was a wonderful way to begin our Advent journey together as a community. Church School Class updates for January are summarized below. Several of the adult classes are choosing new studies this month, and all classes welcome visitors and new participants.

Children and Youth (K-12th) Classes. The children and youth will resume the course started before Advent, *Learning to Study the Bible*.

Keys to the Bible. This class is concluding their in-depth study of 2 Samuel using John Goldingay's book *1 and 2 Samuel for Everyone* and will soon choose a new study.

s. The Spiritual Journey class reads and discusses the lectionary scripture passages for Sunday morning's worship. The schedule of lectionary passages can be found on the Spiritual Journeys class webpage at <https://epcspiritualjourneys.weebly.com>.

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Emmanuel Children and Youth January 2020 Activities

Christmas Break Lunch and Fun

Monday, December 30th

12:45 PM – 3:00 PM

Children and Youth will meet at Emmanuel at 12:45 PM to go to lunch and then to Quarter Lounge Arcade in Bedford to play games.

Contact: Leah Wyckoff (klh@sbcglobal.net)

MLK Day of Service

Monday, January 20th

8 AM – 1 PM

Children with their families and Youth are invited to worship at Baker Chapel AME Church in Fort Worth and then help in the Greenway neighborhood with projects at The 6:8 House.

Contact: Ken Richardson (k.richardson.math@gmail.com)

Stock Show Sack Lunch Project

Weekday in late January: More details coming soon!

After school at Emmanuel

Children and Youth are invited to help assemble sack lunches for Fort Worth Stock Show workers in partnership with BCAMP After School Class kids.

Contact: Leah Wyckoff (klh@sbcglobal.net)

Senior High Youth Conference (SHYC)

Friday, January 31st – Sunday, February 2nd

at Austin College, Sherman, Texas

Weekend conference for Senior High Youth (9th-12th grade)

Contact: Leah Wyckoff (klh@sbcglobal.net)



| LECTIONARY | | BIRTHDAYS | |
|------------|---|-----------|---------------|
| 01/05 | Jer. 31:7-14; Psalm 147:12-20; Eph. 1:3-14; John 1: (1-9) 10-18 | 01/01 | John Field |
| 01/12: | Isa. 42:1-9; Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matt. 3:13-17 | 01/14 | Courtney Loy |
| 01/19: | Isa. 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Cor. 1:1-9; John 1:29-42 | 01/16 | Jeremy Loy |
| 01/26: | Isa. 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1, 4-9; 1 Cor. 1:10:10-18; Matt. 4:12-23 | 01/27 | Neal Morris |
| | | 01/29 | Barbara Field |
| | | 01/29 | Claire Morris |
| | | 01/31 | Aaron Walton |

| CIRCLES |
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| <p>Lois Circle will meet at 1:00pm on Thursday, January 9.</p> <p>Esther Circle will meet on January 14. (Second Tuesdays at 9:30am at the church.)</p> <p>Ruth Fellowship's meeting is at 7:00pm on Monday, January 20.</p> |