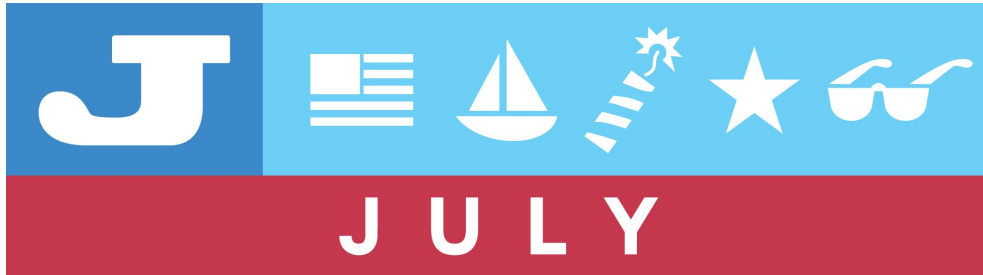


THE MESSENGER



July 2021

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- ◆ **Loving and Empowering Our Neighbors in Greenway Neighborhood**, Saturday, July 3, 2021, 8:00 a.m. We will meet at the 6:8 Project house at 1912 Portland Ave. in Fort Worth. We will work on minor home repairs and neighborhood improvement projects and will cap it all off with lunch at noon!
- ◆ **Mission VBS** - An intergenerational Mission VBS for all ages will be offered at Emmanuel, Tuesday, August 3 - Thursday, August 5, 9am - Noon and 5pm - 8pm. You can choose which time you attend. A registration link will be coming soon!

Summer Sundays at EPC
ALL SERVICES ARE ALSO
AVAILABLE ONLINE AT:
emmanuelpc.org

10:00am Worship
(Sundays)

7:00pm Bible Study
(Tuesdays)

2701 Harwood Rd.
 Bedford, TX 76021
 817-545-0251
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SUNDAY, JULY 4, 2021



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Christian Education News



Register now!
Mission VBS at Emmanuel
Tuesday, August 3 - Thursday, August 5

An intergenerational Mission VBS for all ages will take place at Emmanuel from August 3 - August 5, with hands-on mission projects, exploration of scripture, and community-building activities. Children under the age of 10 years need to be accompanied by an adult during VBS. All VBS participants will follow [Emmanuel's COVID-protection policies](#) as outlined on Emmanuel's website.

Two sessions of Mission VBS are offered each day and participants may choose the session that best fits their schedule. Sessions are:

- 9 AM - Noon and
5 PM - 8 PM

[Register for Mission VBS at this link](#). Questions or need more information? Contact [Leah Wyckoff](#) or [Melissa Durkee](#).

Group Gatherings Schedule for July

Emmanuel's group gatherings take place both in-person and virtually for July, as Tarrant County COVID risk levels remain low due to vaccination rates and low numbers of cases at this time. Online meeting links and phone numbers are included each week in the Emmanuel Weekly Update email and are also available by contacting the church office (office@emmanuelpc.org). The current weekly schedule for online gatherings is:

Sunday's

8:45 AM: Keys to the Bible class (in-person) meets in Room 5 (Library) for Bible study. The class is studying the Gospel of Matthew using N.T. Wright's *Matthew for Everyone* resource.

4 PM: Children and Youth Check-in and Devotional (virtual). Children and youth meet with two adults from the Christian Education committee for about 45 minutes to share how they are doing, read and reflect on scripture, and pray together.

Tuesday's

Weekday Evening Bible Study. This study group is taking a break for July.

Saturday's

11 AM: Children and Youth Book Club (virtual) meets to read and discuss books. The books are appropriate for ages 10+, and the group includes interested adults. Contact Leah Wyckoff (klh@sbcglobal.net) to be included.



PLEASE NOTE: For the July 11 & 18th services **ONLY**, please use the Prayer Request Form in the Friendship Pad to make your prayer requests instead of sending an email to prayer@emmanuelpc.org.

USHERS, LITURGISTS AND SUNDAY OFFERING COUNTERS NEEDED!

Since we have resumed our regular worship services, we need all of the above for each Sunday. Please contact Jayne Johnson for ushers and liturgists to sign up at Enyaj@me.com.

For Sunday Offering Counters, sign up at Sign Up Genius. Thank you for volunteering!!



Members and Friends of EPC

Have you or a family member been financially affected by the COVID-19 quarantine? The Mission Committee received approval from Session to create a Pandemic Fund for distributing money to members and family who need it during this quarantine. Members and friends of the congregation are eligible to receive payments, as are their parents, children and grandchildren. We are able to supplement payments of rent, utilities, insurance, car payments and repairs, medicine, and food. (Cable bills are excluded.) Funds will also be given to established local partners such as Mission Central and NEED.

The application process is simple and confidential. Please reach out to Pastor Kyle or Christine to begin the process. (817-545-0251 and finance@emmanuelpc.org or kyle@emmanuelpc.org) If you have questions on the fund itself, please reach out to Kristin (817-308-2670 and haveahartwell@gmail.com) who is the moderator of the fund's task force. If you are able to donate to the fund, prayerfully consider doing so by writing "Pandemic Fund" in the memo of your check or making the appropriate selection online.

Most importantly friends, hear the reassurance from Genesis 26: 24 which is echoed in the Gospel: "I am the God of your father Abraham. Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will bless you and will increase the number of your dependents for the sake of my servant Abraham."



Opportunities

Ruth Fellowship
Monday, July 19, 2021
7:00 p.m.

Lazy Dog Restaurant
2521 State Hwy. 121
Eules, TX 76039

For more information contact:

Nancy Cable
(817) 228-0632

Lois Circle
Thursday, July 1, 2021
1:00pm
Café Sicilia
1548 Bedford Rd.
Bedford, TX 76021

For more information contact:

Cheryl Dale
817-223-6023

Board and Committee Reports

SESSION:

- ⇒ Learned that Grace Presbytery had approved and disbursed \$5,000 grant request to assist with Emmanuel's winter storm damage
- ⇒ Received a report from Laura Mahon and Ken Richardson of the May 1st Stated Meeting of Grace Presbytery which occurred online
- ⇒ Rejoiced that the Clubhouse for Special Needs was opening on June 1st at Emmanuel
- ⇒ Learned that the May 15th yard sale cleared close to \$4,000
- ⇒ Elected a three-member task force (comprised of John Field, Laura Mahon, and Melissa Durkee) to create a process for providing financial support for members in need
- ⇒ Voted that the 40% of the Pentecost Offering which remains with the local church be designated for the 6:8 summer lunch program

DEACONS:

Cards: 34 cards were sent out in the month of May. Maurine LeCocq donated a big box of cards for deacon use. Lisa and Linda also have a collection of cards.

Meals/Visits/Calls/Transportation/Memorials: None has been provided at this time. Members can call the office if transportation is needed to make arrangements.

Fellowship: There are still little gatherings at this time.

Hospitality: The recent resuming of treats after church outside started with the Evangelism committee with the goal to show visibility to the community. The treats have been simplified with just lemonade and water (and only one small pot of decaf coffee) in addition to store-bought treats that are put into baggies (using gloves). The deacons will take over hospitality, but some members can help. The deacons will skip 7/4. The liturgist will make an announcement to the church that store-bought treats are needed. Mary Jane will send an email to the deacons for hospitality sign-ups for July and August.

Grace-to-Go: Kyle said it would be helpful for the church to have snacks available to hand out for Grace-to-Go. The liturgist can also make an announcement about needing to collect food for this ministry, and perhaps there will be food left over from the Presbyterian Night Shelter food collection.

Finance:

May Income:	\$22,508.84
May Expense:	\$26,857.55

LECTIONARY

07/04 2 Sam. 5:1-5, 9-10, Ps. 48; Ezek. 2:1-5,
Ps. 123; 2 Cor. 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13

07/11 2 Sam. 6:1-5, 12b-19, Ps. 24; Amos 7:7-
15, Ps. 85:8-13, Eph. 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-
29

07/18 2 Sam. 7:1-14a; Ps. 89:20-37; Jer. 23:1-
6; Ps. 23; Eph. 2:11-22; Mark 6:30-34,
53-56

07/25 2 Sam. 11:1-5; Ps. 14; 2 Kings 4:42-44;
Ps. 145:10-18; Eph. 3:14-21; John 6:1-
21

BIRTHDAYS

07/01 Randy Moriak

07/03 Abigail Durkee

07/26 Mary J Horr

07/26 Andy Lecocq

CIRCLES

Lois Circle (1st Thursday of each month,
1:00pm)

Esther Circle (SUSPENDED).
(Second Tuesdays at 9:30am at the church.)

Ruth Fellowship
(3rd Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m.)

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

Shirley Brady
Delete Phone#
Contact via email: sjbrady@aol.com

Pat Wiegand
Change Mailing Address To:
P.O. Box 273
Bedford, TX 76021

Charlie & Helen Sink
Delete Home Phone #
Use Cell Phone #'s (In church directory)

Lisa Cassell
Add Phone #: 817-707-3894