

THE MESSENGER



Sips 'n Tidbits

- **Tuesday, October 4: National Night Out** at 5:30 pm -7:30 pm in Greenway neighborhood, Delga Park
- **Saturday, October 8: Bingo Party** at 9 am -11 am at SoRelle Hall or parking lot
- **Saturday, October 15: Litter Stomp** at 8:30 am - 11 am meet at 6:8 house (1912 Portland, Fort Worth) to help clean up Greenway neighborhood
- **Saturday, October 29: Truck or Treat with The Clubhouse** for Special Needs at 5 pm - 6:30 pm at parking lot



October 2022

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**Sunday services at EPC
ARE ALSO AVAILABLE
ONLINE AT:
emmanuelpc.org**

10:00am Worship (Sundays)

7:30pm Bible Study (Tuesdays)

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[for LIVE streaming Sunday service]





Stewardship Luncheon is coming

When: Sunday October 9th.

Time: Immediately after church

Where: SoRelle Hall

Cook: Linda Villarreal

Theme: Every Gift Matters

Scripture: I Corinthians Chapter 12



Christian Education News

Coming Sunday, October 16 after worship! All-Ages Workshop on Children's Advocacy Issues

Join us for a hands-on workshop at 11:15 AM on October 16th, where all ages will learn together about urgent challenges for our nation's children and how we can respond through service and advocacy. More details coming soon on the workshop location in the church building.

Group Gatherings Schedule for October

Emmanuel group gatherings take place both in-person and online. Online meeting links are included each week in the Emmanuel Weekly Email and are also available by contacting the church office (office@emmanuelpc.org). The current weekly schedule for online gatherings is:

Sunday's

- **11:15 AM Keys to the Bible class** (in-person) meets for Bible study in Room 5 following worship. The class is studying the Gospel of Matthew using N.T. Wright's Matthew for Everyone resource.
- **4:00 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

- **7:30-8:30 PM Community Issue Discussion Series: Homelessness (virtual)**. The final session of this discussion, which started in September, will be held on October 11th. Participants will focus on what actions we can take individually and as a community.

Saturday's

- **11:00 AM: Book Mavens Youth and Adult Book Club** meets online to discuss their October book *The Hobbit* by J.R.R. Tolkien. For information on how to join, contact Leah Wyckoff.





Please remember to send your prayer requests to prayer@emmanuelpc.org or complete the Prayer Request form in the Friendship Pad located in the sanctuary or scan using the QR code above. These requests are received by and prayed for by the pastors. If you so desire, these requests can also be included in the Prayers of the People and in the weekly ePrayer email. Be sure to designate in the email/form if the request is for the pastors only or if it can also be shared with the congregation.

AUDIO VISUAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Would you like to help with the sound system and video streaming in worship? If so, please contact Ken Richardson to participate in a training session.

SUNDAY OFFERING COUNTERS NEEDED!

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 Becky 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.





Ruth Fellowship

Monday, October 17, 2022
6:30 pm

Lava Grill
3001 SH-121 S unit 234, Euless TX

For more information contact:
Molly Park
817-689-8853

Lois Circle

Thursday, October 6, 2022
1:00 pm

Al Wadi Cafe
2712 Brown Trail, Bedford

For more information contact:
Cheryl Dale 817-223-6023

Finance:

September Income: \$68,263.75

September Expense: \$74,277.35

Board and Committee Reports

Confirmed September 23rd e-vote to call a congregational meeting for Sunday, October 2nd, following worship, to receive the report from the congregational Nominating Committee and to elect a Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC)
Received an update on Winter Storm Restoration Costs and possible cost overruns on the CE building renovation

Was informed that, once The Clubhouse for Special Needs gets their Certificate of Occupancy and ADA Compliance inspections, they will move into the CE building and pay monthly rent of \$3,000

Discussed budget implications of a possible change in one donor's contributions

Voted to continue the Pandemic Fund through 12/31/22 and then to close it down

Voted that the remaining balance in the Pandemic Fund on 12/31/22 to be transferred to local benevolence fund or another fund, as recommended by the Mission Committee

Learned that the Building Maintenance Special Offering raised \$685

Was asked by the Treasurer to send testimonials regarding the Stewardship campaign theme "Every Gift Matters" to Rick Thompson by October 2nd

Received a report from commissioners Mary Ann Reed and Pat Wiegand on the hybrid Stated Meeting of Grace Presbytery on September 22, 2022, at First Presbyterian Church, Richardson

Was reminded that background checks are needed before serving as a childcare Shepherd and learned that a porch project will possibly take place on November 13th

Received as information an introduction to proposed revisions to church Bylaws and Manual of Operations

Learned that September 30th is Emmanuel's next volunteer day at NEED and that sack lunches will be assembled on November 5th for the Presbyterian Night Shelter

Was informed that the Green Committee will host a Shred Day on Saturday, November 5th, from 9:00-11:30 AM

Voted to allow Nancy Cable to pay for her attorney to compose and send a letter to Kids Kampus regarding their unpaid balance with Emmanuel of \$7,512.52

Learned that the Christmas cantata is scheduled for Sunday, December 18th

Voted to challenge the congregation to increase overall pledge giving by \$20,000 for calendar year 2023



LECTIONARY

10/2 Luke 17:5-10

10/9 Luke 17:11-19

10/16 Luke 18:1-8

10/23 Luke 18:9-14

10/30 Luke 19:1-10

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, 6:30 p.m.)

Happy Hands
(Will meet on an as-needed basis)

BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER

Birthdays

Mark Phillips	10/01
Lisa Keyes	10/03
Wanda Asire	10/07
Barbara Thompson	10/09
Nancy Cable	10/09
Randall West	10/09
Tak Yan Yeung	10/09
Susan LaPointe	10/10
Susan Griffith	10/12
Ester (Pete) Stone	10/13
Rick Thompson	10/16
Anni Wordell	10/17
Leah Wyckoff	10/17
Renee Wood	10/18
Shirley Martin	10/28
Chris Cable	10/29

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

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Open
for a new look of the
Newsletters

