

# THE MESSENGER



## UPCOMING EVENTS EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

**Church School Breakfast**, Sunday, September 8, 8:30am

**Fall Church School Kickoff (All Ages)**, Sunday, September 8, 9:00am

**Worship & Music Offering**, Sunday, September 29

**Courtyard Cafe**, Saturday, September 21, 4:00pm-5:30pm

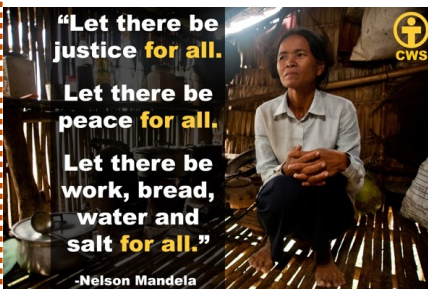
**Community Dinner**, Sunday, September 29, 5:00pm-7:00pm

**N.E.E.D.**, Monday, September 30, 10:00am - 12:30pm and 12:30pm - 3:00pm

### Mission Committee September Events

Bring a neighbor or friend for the September **Last Sunday of the Month Community Dinner!** On the 29<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm we will enjoy some food, a service project and some fellowship. Bring a side or dessert to match the roasted chicken and mashed potatoes dinner we'll provide. Mark your calendars! Dinner the last Sunday of the month this fall!

What's on the menu for October, you ask? You'll have to wait and see, but we have a special event planned for it because October is Hunger Awareness Month!



We'll also be celebrating Hunger Awareness Month with the **Crop Walk on October 12<sup>th</sup>**. Stay tuned for more details, but save the Saturday and get your shoes – or your checkbook – ready!

### September 2019

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### Fall Sundays at EPC

8:45am Church School for Adults

10:00am Worship

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Join us for our next  
Community Dinner!

Sunday, September 29

5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

If you are able, come to the church with a side or dessert and enjoy some fellowship with your fellow members and community. Share what God has provided you with for our neighbors.

### **TCC FOOD PANTRY**

**The third Sunday in September, October and November will be our time to focus on support for the TCC food pantry.**

**Each month we will focus on needed items for the food pantry. For September, we will focus on microwaveable dinners (non-perishable) for students to pick up for lunch.**

**YOU CAN HELP**



Dear Emmanuel Presbyterian Church,

The Presbyterian Foundation is seeking qualified candidates for our Ministry Relations Officer position in your area. As such, we solicit your assistance in our search for candidates.

We would appreciate you passing along the enclosed notice to anyone in your Presbytery whom you believe may be interested in serving the Church through the Presbyterian Foundation.

Additional information, including a detailed job posting, is available upon request from Lisa Pesavento [lisa.pesavento@presbyterianfoundation.org](mailto:lisa.pesavento@presbyterianfoundation.org) or online at [presbyterianfoundation.org/careers](http://presbyterianfoundation.org/careers).

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Stephen Keizer

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866-317-0751



**PENCIL IT IN**

**FALL WORK DAY!!**

**Saturday, October 26**

**8:00am - 1:00pm**

**Lunch, breakfast and snacks will be provided.**

**No special skills are required for inside and outside work. Bring any tools you think will be helpful from home. Come one come all!**



### Opportunities

#### Ruth Fellowship

Monday, September 16, 7:00pm

Cheesecake Factory  
1440 Plaza Pl.  
Southlake, TX

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

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#### Lois Circle

Thursday, September 5, 1:00pm

Jibaritos'  
2855 Central Dr.  
Bedford, TX

For more information contact:

Cheryl Dale  
817-576-3184

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## Board and Committee Reports

### Deacons:

- 1) Many thanks to all EPC members who provided food for the family of Tim Stuerzenberger, which was served at Tim's home after his memorial service held on Wednesday, July 3, 2019. Thanks to Donna Reeder and Lisa Keys who organized, delivered, set-up and served the food to the family and guests.
- 2) Tim's family expressed their thanks and deeply appreciated the food and the love, care and support shown by EPC.
- 3) Sincere thanks to Pastor Chuck and everyone who helped with Tim's EPC Memorial and Celebration of his life.
- 4) Many thanks to all who helped with the reception afterwards.
- 5) The EPC Congregation enjoyed fellowship and food at the Back-to-School Luncheon held after Worship in Sorelle Hall, on Sunday, August 18, 2019. A special thanks to Mary Ann Reed for her efforts in organizing the luncheon. A big Thank You to everyone who brought food, including barbeque, an array of sandwiches, salads, crackers and dip, and many desserts! It was a wonderful celebration for the start of the new school year!!

### Session:

1. Adopted a Memorial Resolution honoring Elder Judy Curtis.
2. Elected Ken Richardson and Sheryl Taylor to serve as commissioners to the Stated Meeting of Grace Presbyterian on Saturday, September 28th, at First Presbyterian Church, Tyler.
3. Discussed a possible Comedy Club program for the Christmas Community Dinner or in conjunction with another future event, such as the Habitat for Humanity fundraiser.
4. Elected Laura Mahon as session representative to the 2019 Nominating Committee.
5. Approved *Tweens* PCUSA curriculum and *Learning To Use My Bible* for Children and Youth and *Dialogues: The Refugee Crisis* for the Thoughtful Christian class.

### Finance:

July Income:	\$24,763.27
July Expense:	\$30,569.89



### **Fall Church School Kickoff Sunday, September 8th**

in SoRelle Fellowship Hall

8:30 AM Breakfast

9:00 AM Devotion & Overview of classes for all ages

9:30 AM Tour of new classroom spaces

God gives us the gift of learning. Our calling as Jesus' followers includes being lifelong learners in the faith. Emmanuel offers opportunities to learn and grow in faith together, both across generations and in groups with people our own age. Sunday morning Church School classes are a key time for us to gather and learn together.

Emmanuel's Church School classes for all ages begin with a ***Fall Kick-off Breakfast on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM***. Breakfast will be served at 8:30 AM, followed by a short program at 9:00 AM that includes more information about each class's study plans, a new devotional time for all ages at the beginning of Sunday class, and a chance to tour newly renovated classrooms. This is a great chance to learn more study groups at Emmanuel and how you may become involved.

Sunday morning classes and a brief summary of their study format/topics are below. ***Plan to attend the Fall Kick-off Breakfast to learn more!***

**Opening Devotional.** Classes of all ages are invited to a ten-minute weekly 8:45 AM gathering in Room 106 of the Christian Education wing that includes prayer, scripture and song. This is a new practice for Fall 2019 will begin our Church School hour and build up our community and our worship leader skills. If you are interested in helping lead the Opening Devotional time, please contact Leah Wyckoff (klh@sbcglobal.net)

**Children and Youth (K-12<sup>th</sup>) Classes.** For Fall 2019, the older children and youth will meet together and learn to read and study the Bible for themselves through an eight-session course *Learning to Study the Bible*. Younger children (K-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade) will focus on learning to use their Bibles and begin to explore what is in the Bible.

**Keys to the Bible.** This class focuses on long-term study of books of the Bible.

**Spiritual Journeys.** The Spiritual Journey class begins a new study format this fall. Each week they will read and discuss the lectionary passages used in worship for that day. This will be an opportunity to prepare our hearts and minds for the worship service.

**The Thoughtful Christian Class.** This class studies the Bible, writings of Christian thinkers, and discusses living out our faith in the community and the world. They focus on short-term studies; this fall, they will begin with an eight-session study on the Refugee Crisis.



## Emmanuel Children and Youth September Activities

### Service Project: Classroom Painting Party

**8 AM – Noon, Saturday, August 31<sup>st</sup>**

Children and Youth and their families are invited to help paint Emmanuel classrooms in preparation for Fall classes.

Contact: Leah Wyckoff ([klh@sbcglobal.net](mailto:klh@sbcglobal.net))

### Lunch and Fun Day

**11 AM – 1 PM, Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>**

Children and Youth will go to lunch together and then participate in a local fun activity that they vote on using a Survey Monkey poll.



On the TEXRail train for the Earth Care Transportation Adventure in July!

## LECTIONARY

**09/01:** Jer. 2:4-13; Psalm 81:1, 10-16; Heb. 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14

**09/08:** Jer. 18:1-11; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; Philem. 1-21; Luke 14:25-33

**09/15:** Jer. 4:11-12, 22-28; Psalm 14; 1 Tim. 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10

**09/22:** Jer. 8:18-9:1; Psalm 79:1-9; 1 Tim. 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13

**09/29** Jer. 32:1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; 1 Tim. 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

## BIRTHDAYS

**09/12** David Turner

**09/22** Evelyn Schmedt

**09/25** Linda Greenwell

**09/25** Denise Karriker

**09/28** Cheryl Dale

## CIRCLES

Lois Circle will meet at 1:00pm on Thursday, September 5.

Ruth Fellowship's meeting is at 7:00pm on Monday, September 16.

## DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

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