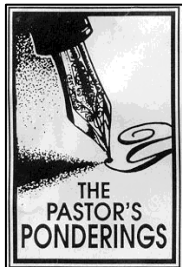


The Epistle

August 29, 2010

Sharing the Joy and Power of Life in Christ



Rector's Corner

Following is an update on the road project from our Senior Warden, Duncan Bell:

Princess Anne Road and

When I wrote to you in May concerning the Princess Anne Road and parking lot projects, I told you that we were making good progress to address our parking needs before we lose some of our property. At the end of July we began construction of a temporary parking lot by the Day School, which should be completed this month. We undertook this project to make sure that we will have sufficient parking until the new Princess Anne Road is built and our legal case reaches a point, taking into consideration any land we acquire from the city, where we can more accurately re-assess our needs and resources, and plan for Emmanuel's future.

The city determined that \$852,716 is fair compensation for Emmanuel and deposited that amount with the Circuit Court. Even though we do not agree that this sum is adequate, the law permits us to take the money without prejudice to our right to assert that Emmanuel should receive more. We have thus received the deposited sum plus a small amount of interest and deposited the money with Towne Bank.

The Vestry has decided to use the money in three ways:

- First, as we are required by law to do, we must make an arrangement with Towne Bank to pay-off at least a portion of our mortgage. Towne Bank has agreed to accept \$375,000, leaving a mortgage balance of approximately \$415,000. This will reduce our monthly mortgage payment by about \$2,000.
- Second, we must pay costs that have been and will be incurred as a result of the taking of church land. These include the new parking lot, which will cost about \$170,000. More expenses are anticipated, including those needed to prepare for court, construct a reinforced safety wall (\$240,000) to protect Emmanuel from the new 45-MPH roadway in our backyard, construct a perimeter road (\$130,000 to \$150,000) that will again allow traffic to flow smoothly in and out of Emmanuel, and renovate any land and structures we might receive from the city in a settlement.
- Third, we will invest the remainder of the money (about \$307,000 after the mortgage is paid down and the parking lot is built), and safeguard it until some or all is needed for other purposes (those mentioned above and other necessary expenses).

It is too soon to predict if Emmanuel will receive more than \$852,716 from the city, and if so, how much. We must therefore be very cautious and deliberate with what we spend over the next two to three years. The course the Vestry has plotted will keep Emmanuel up and running through the difficult time ahead, positioning ourselves to come of the experience poised for a bright, vibrant, and growing future. If you have any questions, please contact me at 467-8140 or dkbell@verizon.net.

Duncan Bell, Senior Warden

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Odds and Ends

* Emmanuel's softball team has begun its Fall schedule of games at the Princess Anne softball complex. Come root for the team.

* The Rector will be taking a week of vacation (September 2-9) to attend a wedding in New York on Sept. 5 and to visit with family in Connecticut and Massachusetts.

* There will be an Enneagram workshop at Emmanuel on Saturday, October 16, from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. led by Terry Osborn. There will be a \$10 fee for the workshop. Please call the church office to register. The Enneagram is a fascinating personality assessment similar to, yet very different from, the Myers-Briggs Personality Type Indicator (MBTI). It has roots going back over 2000 years, and was popularized by the Jesuit Order in the 20th century.

Transitions

* Our deepest sympathy to Sandy Mazelis (Judy Lynch's sister) whose brother, John, died from cancer last week, to Peter Schenck whose father, Peter Sr., died last week, and to Susan Rodriguez whose father died last week.



In the Christian Formation Corner



Sunday School Begins September 19

Children's Liturgy of the Word Worship Leader Schedule

| Sunday | 8:30 Service | 10:00 Service |
|-------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| August 29 | Eric & Amanda Slosson | Need Volunteers |
| September 5 | Paul & Betsy Peter | Marjorie & Manny Lamoso |

Children's Liturgy of the Word continues through the summer. Volunteers are needed to lead CLW at the 8:30 and 10:00 services. Sign up in the Parish Hall.

From the Liturgical Commission

On September 5, 2010, Father John will be away. In his absence, our deacons will lead Morning Prayer. The 7:30 service will be Rite I. The 8:30 and 10:00 services will be Rite II. There will be no Eucharist at these services.

Belize Mission Trip 2011

It's time to sign up for the next Belize mission trip, scheduled for the week of July 10-16, 2011. We need to have a committed core group so we can reserve our housing. A room deposit of \$100 (check payable to Emmanuel with Belize in the memo line) will reserve your place. For more information, contact Diann or Mike Nickelsburg (467-6829, tutorlatin@verizon.net).

EEC Singles Notes

Check out our new bulletin board location - on the Parish Life board - we have a space, especially for all who do not have email. There is a clipboard in the Parish Hall for all upcoming

events, and news about them will be on the bulletin board. On Wednesday, August 25, we'll meet at Emmanuel at 5 p.m. and leave at 5:10 p.m. for Towne Centre and all the fun. Bring a chair if you wish. Or park in the Westin Tower garage, exit through the lobby into the plaza, and meet us there. Sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall with info on transportation.

Sunday, August 29, meet in the Parish Hall after the 10 a.m. service to meet-and-greet and decide where we're going to eat(Poet!) - think of your favorite (close) place. This will be our first out to eat event! Come on out! More coming soon in the email newsletter (copies will be on the Bulletin Board).

ALF* News

Care Packages for College Students

Each fall our group sends care packages to all parish members in college. It's time to collect addresses for these folks. If you or someone you know will be in college this fall, please either turn their address in to the church office or email it to Charlotte Jenkins at cwsjmu@hotmail.com.



Save The Date! Emmanuel Chili Cook-off Saturday, October 2

Mark your calendar now - who will win the Golden Ladle? Keep checking the *Epistle* for more information.

***Adults Less Than Forty-something**

Emmanuel Saints Fall Schedule

August 27 - 8:45 and 9:45 PAAC Red #2
Sept. 10 - 6:45 and 7:45 PAAC Red #3
Sept. 17 - 6:45 and 7:45 PAAC Red #2
Sept. 24 - 8:45 and 9:45 PAAC Red #3
Oct. - 1 8:45 and 9:45 PAAC Red # 3
Oct. 8 - 6:45 and 7:45 PAAC Red #3



Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, September 4, at 7:30 a.m. Sign up in the Parish Hall.



Faith in Fiction

Faith in Fiction is a group that enjoys reading and discussing books. We focus on the spiritual thread and/or social consciousness that run through the story line of the fictional novel. We have a wide range of books chosen by the group. Everyone is welcome to join on a regular basis or drop in on occasion. We generally meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Library and this month will meet on August 24. If you have questions, please call Bonnie Kiermaier at 495-3454.

This month's selection: *The Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford

September: *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett

October: *The Elegance of the Hedgehog*

Emmanuel Art Group



Emmanuel's own art group is forming now and will begin meeting on Monday, September 27, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and each Monday thereafter at the same time. Everyone who enjoys working with any type of medium is encouraged to come. This is not limited to women, so men you are welcome too. If you are a budding artist and have some art supplies and like making a mess on paper or canvas, this is a group for you. There will be all levels of artists included from beginner to expert. You must have your own supplies and you are encouraged to bring a clear plastic table cloth to protect the tables and make cleanup

easier. In order to help our Food Pantry, we will be giving out a list of needed items at our first meeting and ask that when you come again to bring an item with you. If you would like to be a part of this group or have any further questions please call or email Marti Womble at 424-7368 or marthawomble@me.com. We would like to have a head count so that we can have the room set up for us on September 27.

Words of Wisdom from Rev. Julia...

The following poem is a follow up to my sermon on August 22.

“If”

by Rudyard Kipling

If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or, being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or, being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise;
If you can dream - and not make dreams your master;
If you can think - and not make thoughts your aim;
If you can meet with triumph and disaster
And treat those two imposters just the same;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to broken,
And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools;
If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings
And never breath a word about your loss;
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the Will which says to them: "Hold on";
If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with kings - nor lose the common touch;
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you;
If all men count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run -
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And - which is more - you'll be a Man my son!



Fall Bible Study

A four-week bible study entitled *Loving Well*, by Beth Moore, will begin Monday, September 13, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. In this study the author is using 1John 4:7-8. This teaches us that in all relationships one truth endures - we will never be able to love others well until we have been loved well and only God can ultimately give us the complete love we so desperately need. Please email cschindler@cox.net or call (424-8665) if you are interested in this study. This four week study ends on October 4 with our famous pot-luck dinner.

Betty Schindler

First Friday Healing Sanctuary

Please join us on October 1 and November 5 at 7:30 p.m. to share in an Evening of Healing during the “First Friday Healing Sanctuary.”

Volunteers experienced in various types of Energy-Based Healing Work will be offering sessions for attendees using a Healing Sanctuary format of short table sessions followed by chair sessions for grounding. Please wear white or light colored clothing if at all possible.

The evening is free of charge, but there is limited space, so reservations are required. Please call or e-mail to reserve *each date individually* and for more information. Phone: 414-367-6486, or e-mail FirstFriday@PerspectivesHolistic.com



Parish Nursing Ministry

It's survey time! In order to plan for the Parish Nursing Ministry at Emmanuel we need your help. The Ministry has designed a survey to determine the needs of our congregation in terms of health concerns and issues. Please return this form to the church office, or complete the survey online at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/XW5QNSG>. If you have any questions or concerns please contact eehealth@gmail.com

Emmanuel Episcopal Church Health Ministry Questionnaire

Greetings,

In order to plan for the Parish Nursing Ministry at Emmanuel we need your help. The questionnaire below is designed to determine the needs of our congregation in terms of health concerns and issues.

There is no need to sign your name unless you want to. All information will be confidential and used to plan health programs.

Please return this form to eehealth@gmail.com or complete the survey online at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/XW5QNSG>. Thank you for your assistance.

What health topics would you like to be informed about:

| | Yes | No |
|----------------------|-----|----|
| Abuse-Emotional | | |
| Abuse-Physical | | |
| Addiction | | |
| Aging | | |
| Arthritis | | |
| Cancer | | |
| Care Giving Ministry | | |
| Children's Health | | |
| Chronic Illness | | |
| Communicable Disease | | |
| CPR | | |
| Diabetes | | |
| Grief & Loss | | |
| Health Care Reform | | |
| Heart Disease | | |
| Immunization | | |
| Joint Replacement | | |
| Medication | | |
| Men's Health | | |
| Mental Health | | |
| Nutrition | | |
| Senior Health | | |
| Stress | | |
| Stroke | | |
| Surgery | | |
| Teen Issues | | |
| Weight Loss | | |
| Women's Health | | |

Many members of Emmanuel have health care backgrounds. What resource can you provide to the ministry? Are you interested in volunteering your time or service to the ministry? Please list contact information add additional comments or suggestions: _____

Please provide your city of residence so that we are better able to serve you.

August 19 Vestry Meeting Highlights

Diann Nickelsburg, Reporter

Rector: Fr. John attended a 2-day Leadership Summit. He will be on vacation the first week of September, at Kairos October 21-24, and away November 12-14 visiting the Hungerford's in Austin, Texas.

Assistant Rector: In addition to making pastoral visits, Julia has become involved in Parish Life, EMC, Bubbles, the Emmanuel Saints, Christian Formation, and J2A. She is planning a dinner/open forum for young adults on September 29. Julia will also participate in Fresh Start, a group for new clergy that meets monthly.

Liturgical: Marguerite and Julia will lead Morning Prayer in Fr. John's absence on September 5. Also, 5th Sunday services are planned for August and October.

Christian Formation: Teacher/Facilitator Training Saturday, August 21. Marguerite will lead Sunday a.m. Rite 13, Julia will lead YAC. Adult Formation will have 3 tracks: Bible Synthesis, Adult Formation (formerly Adult Forum), and 5 Love Languages led by Martha Hufford. Sunday School begins September 19.

Parish Life: Drive-Thru Breakfasts and Salad Sundays to continue throughout the year. Other events/projects to note: College Care Packages, Softball Scrimmage September 26 between the team and other parishioners, Camping Lite October 9, Christmas Party December 11.

Day School: Chili Cook-off Dinner October 2 to benefit the Day School scholarship fund and to encourage fellowship between Day School parents and parishioners. Young Adults group is co-sponsor.

Buildings and Grounds: Parking lot project should be finished before September 12. Future plans include expansion of sprinkler system to give well water access in front of the church.

Finance: Planning for the Every Member Commitment campaign has begun.

Inreach: Fresh flowers will be placed beside the Tree of Life Memorial, beginning in the cooler weather. A health fair will be held October 9. All parishioners are requested to fill out the health questionnaire (website has been listed in the *Epistle*). More information about parish organizations is being put on the bulletin boards.

Outreach: Mission of the Holy Spirit is applying for official mission status with the diocese (15 confirmed members required). DAT has two new members and responded to two calls for assistance. Four men from Emmanuel are on the October Men's Kairos Weekend team. The Nickelsburgs are forming a mission team to Holy Cross Anglican School in Belize – July 2011.

Stewardship: Kickoff for the fall stewardship campaign is September 12 with a Talent Resume provided to be filled out by all attending services that day.

Carpooling

Because of our limited parking and in the interest of saving gas, the Green Team agreed to provide a sign-up list in the Parish Hall for people who would like to carpool to church. Please post the following information: name, service you attend, neighborhood and contact information, and the number of riders you can accommodate. You will be responsible for creating your own group.

Lynne Coates
Green Team

The Daily Office is devised so you can read the complete Bible in two years.
 We are currently using: Revised Common Lectionary Year C; Daily Office Readings Year Two
 Daily Office Readings for the upcoming week
 (Readings that are underlined are clickable links directly to the Bible passage)

| This Week's Readings: | | Psalms | Old Testament | New Testament | Gospel |
|--|-------------|--|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <i>Week of 12 Pentecost</i> Tuesday | August 24 | <u>Psalm 5, 6;</u> <u>Psalm 10, 11</u> | <u>Job</u> <u>6:1-4,8-15,21</u> | <u>Acts</u> <u>9:32-43</u> | <u>John</u> <u>6:60-71</u> |
| Wednesday | August 25 | <u>Psalm 119:1-</u> <u>24; Psalm 12,</u> <u>13, 14</u> | <u>Job</u> <u>6:1,7:1-21</u> | <u>Acts</u> <u>10:1-16;</u> | <u>John</u> <u>7:1-13</u> |
| Thursday | August 26 | <u>Psalm 18:1-20;</u> <u>Psalm 18:21-</u> <u>50</u> | <u>Job</u> <u>8:1-10, 20-22</u> | <u>Acts</u> <u>10:17-33</u> | <u>John</u> <u>7:14-36</u> |
| Friday | August 27 | <u>Psalm 16, 17;</u> <u>Psalm 22</u> | <u>Job</u> <u>9:1-15,32-35</u> | <u>Acts</u> <u>10:34-48</u> | <u>John</u> <u>7:37-52</u> |
| Saturday | August 28 | <u>Psalm 20,</u> <u>21:1-7(8-14);</u> <u>Psalm 110:1-</u> <u>5(6-7), 116,</u> <u>117</u> | <u>Job</u> <u>9:1,10:1-9,</u> <u>16-22</u> | <u>Acts</u> <u>11:1-18</u> | <u>John</u> <u>8:12-20</u> |
| <i>Week of 13 Pentecost</i> Sunday | August 29 | <u>Psalm 148,</u> <u>149, 150;</u> <u>Psalm 114, 115</u> | <u>Job</u> <u>11:1-9,13-20</u> | <u>Revelation</u> <u>5:1-14</u> | <u>Matthew</u> <u>5:1-12</u> |
| Monday | August 30 | <u>Psalm 25;</u> <u>Psalm 9, 15</u> | <u>Job</u> <u>12:1-6,13-25</u> | <u>Acts</u> <u>11:19-30</u> | <u>John</u> <u>8:21-32</u> |
| Tuesday | August 31 | <u>Psalm 26, 28;</u> <u>Psalm 36, 39</u> | <u>Job</u> <u>12:1,13:3-</u> <u>17,21-27</u> | <u>Acts</u> <u>12:1-17</u> | <u>John</u> <u>8:33-47</u> |
| Wednesday | September 1 | <u>Psalm 38;</u> <u>Psalm 119:25-</u> <u>48</u> | <u>Job</u> <u>12:1,14:1-22</u> | <u>Acts</u> <u>12:18-25</u> | <u>John</u> <u>8:47-59</u> |
| Thursday | September 2 | <u>Psalm 37:1-18;</u> <u>Psalm 37:19-</u> <u>42</u> | <u>Job</u> <u>16:16-22,</u> <u>17:1,13-16</u> | <u>Acts</u> <u>13:1-12</u> | <u>John</u> <u>9:1-17</u> |
| Friday | September 3 | <u>Psalm 31;</u> <u>Psalm 35</u> | <u>Job</u> <u>19:1-7,14-27</u> | <u>Acts</u> <u>13:13-25</u> | <u>John</u> <u>9:18-41</u> |
| Saturday | September 4 | <u>Psalm 30, 32;</u> <u>Psalm 42, 43</u> | <u>Job</u> <u>22:1-4,</u> <u>21-23;7</u> | <u>Acts</u> <u>13:26-43</u> | <u>John</u> <u>10:1-18</u> |

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Schedule for August 29, 2010

PREACHER: The Rev. John Baldwin

7:30 a.m.

LAY READER: John Sutton

8:30 a.m.

LAY READERS: Rachel Gilchrist, Dave Mansfield
USHERS: Dave Wade, Doug Lewis, Ken Eastwood
ACOLYTES: James Bain, Sydney Rodman, Emily Laughlin,
Austin Bain, Aaron Seip, Townsend Larmore, Ellen Hufford
HEALING MINISTERS: Bob Larmore, Donna Lewis
VESTRY GREETER: Duncan Bell
COFFEE HOUR HOST: Ken Eastwood
WELCOMERS: Jesse & Mary Fanshaw

10:00 a.m.

LAY READERS: Lynne Coates, Pat Holden
USHERS: Gene & Suzanne Pugh, Bob Paull
ACOLYTES: Michelle Thomas, Torin Wright, Tommy Sugg,

Please Pray for:

Peace in the world; John, our Rector; Julia, our Assistant Rector; Marguerite, our Deacon; Howard, Bill, and Marge, our retired clergy, in their daily life and work.

Please pray for: Debra, Loretta, Brooke, Mary, Bradley, Florence, Charlie, Conner, Ian, Cheri, Dot, Cathy, Nancy, Marilyn, Brian, Stephen, Glynnis, Elizabeth Ann, Joan, Fred, Chris, Josh and Rachel, Marlise, Rebecca, Keri, Craig, Sarah, David, Reba, Ike, Stan, Bill, Carolyn, Rhonda, Jamie, Ollie, Robin, Susan, Molly, Michelle, Amy, Phil, Dee, Annemarie, Rebekah, the Worman family, Jonathan, Sara, Charlene, Bunny, Mike, Marti, Donna, Tommy, Jeanette, John, Patsy, Yolanda, Monica, and Sally.

All those in our armed forces and their families at home and abroad: Stephen & Daniel Campbell, Jason Baer, Josh Miller, Brian Alberts, Ian Sharkey, Andrew Scott, Justin Guy, Anna Kopp, Nathan White, Joe Jerauld, Pete Brotherton, and Jack Knopp.

Those in prison: Aki, Anthony, Robert, James, Larry, John, Tim, Ryan, and Harry.

Meca Garcia, David Maple
HEALING MINISTERS: Lynne Coates, Loretta Jensen
VESTRY GREETER: Charlie Schindler
COFFEE HOUR HOST: Sally Carver
WELCOMERS: Bob Lewis, Dwain Emry
COUNTERS: (8/30) Martha Hufford, Tom Sugg, Anne McCoy, Phil & Mary Lynn Slough
ALTAR GUILD: (8/28-9/10) Marti & Dave Mansfield, Joanne Wade, Marlyn Lam, Beth Orr, Karen Kears
FLOWER GUILD: (8/28) Mary Lynn Slough
LAY READER LAUNDERER: (8/22-9/4) Bill Orr
NEWSLETTER: (9/1) Connie Peterson, Tom & Diane Sugg
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