

The Lamplighter

Emmanuel United Methodist Church

June 2018

A Vibrant Multi-Cultural Church

Our Mission: To share the light of Christ with all people: All God's Children Are Welcome!

A Message from Kathy Rodeffer, Chair of the Staff — Parish Relations Committee

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Grace and peace to you in the name of Christ, our Risen Lord. The words, “grace” and “peace” have to do with restoration of relationships between God and humanity. In that spirit, I need to share with you that our pastor, Rev. Jacob Young, has concluded his service as our appointed pastor. He is on Sabbath Leave from now until June 30, 2018, during which he has time to rest and prepare for the next road that God calls him to travel. I ask that you keep the Young family and Emmanuel United Methodist Church in your prayers so we might all experience the grace and peace that comes only from God. If you wish to send a note to Rev. Young, please send it to the church office and we will forward them to him.

This is a personnel matter, so the details behind this move must remain confidential out of respect for Rev. Young's privacy. But the decision of the Bishop and District Superintendent was made after much prayer and reflection. The leadership of the Baltimore - Washington Conference has been attentive and responsive to our needs here at Emmanuel while allowing Rev. Young the time he needs before he begins his new role.

In the United Methodist Church, we know that pastors are called to itinerant ministry. This means that our bishop and the district superintendents move pastors as they feel led by the spirit of God. As a preacher's kid, I never understood this. But as an adult, I came to understand and trust that God works through the bishop and the Cabinet. I ask that you pray for continued discernment for the Bishop and all of the district superintendents as they work to determine the pastoral appointments for the next year.

Until July 1st when our newly-appointed pastor arrives, I am happy to announce that we will be shepherded by Dr. Gregory Parham and Dr. Delila Parham. This husband-and-wife team brings wisdom, faith, and grace into our midst, as well as experience in leading worship, administering the life of the church, and pastoral care.

Emmanuel United Methodist Church is a congregation that is about missions and ministry. Just look around our church and you see evidence of our commitment to taking the love of Jesus Christ into our community and following the direction that Jesus gave us when he said "Feed my sheep." Emmanuel has waited expectantly for the announcement of our newly-appointed pastor, a person to share in our mission.

I can now share with you that Bishop La Trelle Easterling, Bishop of the Baltimore — Washington Conference, has appointed **Rev. Dr. Jalene C. Chase** to be our pastor beginning July 1st. I am truly excited about our future with her pastoral leadership. On Saturday, May 13th, the Staff-Parish Relations Committee first met our new pastor. We spent several hours talking and giving her a tour of our facilities. On May 20th, we spent over three hours in conversation with our newly-appointed pastor at a district-sponsored "transition workshop," developing a plan for a smooth transition for both Emmanuel and her.

Let me tell you a little about her. Rev. Chase is a native of Anne Arundel County. She graduated from the University of Maryland, College Park where she was the 2nd female in the history of the University to be awarded a full scholarship in Track and Field. She qualified for the USA Olympic trials in high school and in college, was an All American, a National Champion and was ranked 5th in the US and 11th in the world in High Jump. Rev. Chase retired from the Metro Transit Police Department in Washington D. C. in 2009.

In addition to her Bachelor of Science degree from UMD, she holds a Master of Divinity and a Doctor of Ministry in Urban Ministry from Wesley Theological Seminary, where she currently serves as an adjunct faculty member. Rev. Chase has served the Greater Washington District by being a part of the Committee on Ministry and Certified Lay Minister Coordinator, and she is the chair of the Black Clergy Women of the Baltimore — Washington Conference.

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Rev. Chase comes to us from Community United Methodist Church in NE Washington, D. C., where she served for 12 years, and Douglas Memorial United Methodist Church, where she served for the last two years. She is trained as a Personal Development Coach with the United Methodist Church General Board of Global Ministries. Rev. Chase has strong ties to community and to missions, including her involvement with a shelter for homeless women with mental health concerns and an organization that helps survivors of youth sex trafficking. Clearly, she has a passion for children, youth, and young adults, and a love of people.

I am excited about what the future holds under Rev. Chase's pastoral leadership, and I know that we will join together to make this time of transition as easy for her, her family, and the church as possible. While Rev. Chase will not be with us until July 1st, we can begin making her feel welcome by writing her notes or cards. (Please leave them in the church office mailbox). It is important that we open our hearts and arms to embrace Rev. Chase as she begins the transition from her current appointment to Emmanuel.

Dear Emmanuel UMC Congregation:

As we make our transition in pastoral leadership, the Trustees and Church Council have identified several areas of maintenance needed at the parsonage. The church leadership will be organizing this work over the next few weeks leading up to the July 1 transition, and we can use everyone's help, whether it be helping with the work or underwriting the purchase of certain fixtures or supplies.

Among the fixtures and supplies to be underwritten are a bathtub, toilet, bathroom sink, ceiling fan, front door, kitchen door, garage door, and paint. Please note: we are not asking you to buy the item. The project team will handle that. You are invited to contribute funds to pay for the item, however! Contact Bobbie Deegan at 301-937-7070 or BobbieDeegan@aol.com for cost information.

General donations also are welcome! Please designate donations for the "2018 Parsonage Fund."

We also need volunteers to help with interior painting, cleaning, and plumbing and/or electrical work. If you can help with any of these, please leave your name with the church office.

Thank you for helping to make this happen!

Barbara Butcher, Charlie Deegan, and Willie Taylor, Trustees
 Ted Ladd, Church Council
 Kathy Rodeffer, SPRC Chair
 Mary Ann Vaughan, Finance Chair

SPRING CLEANING TREASURES

In a way, spring cleaning can be likened to a treasure hunt – you never know what you will find! When you reorganized your clothes closet, did you find some outfits you will no longer wear (or that have somehow become the wrong size)? If so, would you consider donating them to Community Place Café (CPC)? When you cleaned out your linen closet, did you find towels you decided to replace with new ones? If so, would you consider donating the old ones to CPC?

In addition to being served a hot meal, CPC diners are given the opportunity to take a shower and receive a change of clothes. Therefore, a supply of towels, toiletries and clean clothes is in great demand to enable this ongoing, year-round service to continue. Donations may be placed in the box near the kitchen door, or you may call Elsie Cline to have them picked up. Many thanks to all the angels who have been contributing to this cause.

Praise the Lord and treasure the opportunity you have to take a shower and eat a hot meal any time you choose to do so. PASS IT ON to our brothers and sisters in need.

God Bless and Hugs,

~ ~ ~Elsie Cline

Vrooom... vrrooommmmm!!!! It sounds like it's time for our YOUTH GROUP, CAR WASH! Woohooo! The Youth Group will be having a Car Wash Fundraiser at PG County Fire/EMS Station 41 (3939 Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville, MD 20705) on Saturday, **June 9th**, 2018 (Saturday) from **10am- 2pm!** Come on out and get your car cleaned by us!

This fundraiser is to help with our youth group activities, as well as our annual mission trips! If you have any questions, please contact Alexandra Scotland at AZ.Scotland@gmail.com.

Emmanuel United Methodist Church, Youth Group
is organizing a

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SATURDAY

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What's Happening in United Methodist Women

Our next general meeting will be on June 16th at noon in the Fellowship Hall. It will be a meet-and-greet for the Deaconesses from the Baltimore-Washington Conference. This will be your chance to find out more about the Deaconess and Home Missioner program in the United Methodist Church. A delicious salad luncheon will be provided by the Susanna Wesley Circle. You just need to bring yourselves!

The Secret Sister Reveal will be on June 17th. Drop off a greeting card with your name to reveal yourself to your current secret sister. More information on the Reveal and registration slips to participate next time will be available in June.

The Washington East District Annual Prayer Breakfast that was to be held on May 12th had to be cancelled. It will be rescheduled at a later date.

Our next UMW executive board meeting will be on August 26th. Remember, our Apple Festival will be early this year, on October 13th, so we will need to be ready to plunge into planning and preparation at that meeting.

Sisters de Mayo was well-attended and well received. Thank you to everyone who helped make it a fun day. Some attendees mentioned that they were pleased to get personal invitations. The only complaint was that we should have a microphone in the fellowship hall. We actually took in more money than we spent this year!

All ladies are invited to every UMW meeting.

~ ~ ~Submitted by Ernie Kilbourne and Beckie Cavallo

CLEAN WATER PARTNERSHIP BIRMINGHAM ESTATES

Please join us at a community meeting where the Clean Water Partnership (CWP) will present information on a stormwater management project being completed in the Birmingham Estates community.

The CWP has identified 11 locations in the Birmingham Estates neighborhood where stormwater filtration structures could be installed. The project will install tree box filters in various locations within your community. Construction is projected to start summer 2018.

To better inform you about this project, we are hosting a meeting to share project information, discuss potential roadway closures and detours, and answer your questions.

WHEN

Tuesday, May 29, 2018, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

WHERE

Beltsville Academy, The Library and Media Center
4300 Wicomico Ave. Beltsville, MD 20705

Please visit thecleanwaterpartnership.com to learn more about this innovative partnership. Questions? Please call 202-255-6530 or email Kristina.Bigby@thecleanwaterpartnership.com.



Editor's Note: In recent months, Emmanuel has lost two persons who were integral parts of Emmanuel for many years — Martha Karpal, wife of former pastor Dick Karpal, and longtime Lay Leader Jessie Marcus. I thought it would be nice to reminisce about two of Emmanuel's saints, not only for those who knew them, but especially for those who did not have that opportunity.

Remembering Martha Karpal

Martha Lewis Karpal was born on June 9, 1936. Her parents were James Walter and Arizona Newman Lewis. Walter and Ari had four children, all girls. Martha was the youngest. After high school, Martha attended business school. She got top scores in typing, shorthand, and other business skills, and a recruiter from the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare offered Martha a job in Washington, D. C. Martha had a cousin named Lois already working there. Lois invited Martha to stay with her until Martha found a place of her own, so Martha moved to Washington in 1955.

Martha was invited to work for a person in high position. She accepted and became close friends with her boss and his wife. They served as Martha's parents when she married Dick Karpal. Martha's parents were unable to travel because her father had been injured in a mine accident.

At the time Martha came to Washington, Dick Karpal was in his final year of seminary and serving as Youth Director at Lewis Memorial United Methodist Church in the District. His job included visiting newcomers to the church. One Saturday, he visited 5 young women who were sharing an apartment. Martha brought him a cup of coffee. After the visit, Dick went on his way. He was not struck by Martha and she was not struck by him this first time they met, but they enjoyed each other's company and began seeing each other on Friday evenings. Martha and Dick were married on July 11, 1956. They adopted Raymond James into their family and he became their "ray of sunshine." Today, Ray is one of the main managers of the Herb Gordon dealership on Auto Circle.

Rev. Karpal was appointed to pastor Emmanuel United Methodist Church in 1980. Dick remembers those years well. "We were accepted by one and all. It is a love affair that grows stronger as the years pass. When we first came, Martha joined the choir, and she enjoyed it. But with me being out almost every evening, Martha needed to be home with Ray on choir practice night. The choir director invited her to sing on Sunday anyway, but Martha felt that wasn't fair to the choir members who came and practiced!

"Martha joined United Methodist Women and actively supported its programs. When Ernie was President of UMW, Martha was Vice President and she filled in for Ernie many times. The two of them were a good working team. The annual UMW Mother-Daughter Communion Breakfast was a highlight of the year. One year, Martha brought our granddaughter, Heather. It is hard to recall who was more excited that year – the granddaughter, the grandmother, or all the rest of the attendees."

"Martha always had a BIG SMILE and A CHUCKLE TO SHARE WHICH WOULD LIGHT UP EVERYONE WE MET."

After Rev. Karpal retired in 1996, he and Martha lived in several states. They returned to Maryland in 2014. Martha was diagnosed with dementia and was in a nursing home for nearly three years. On February 3rd, she had a heart attack and passed from this world to heaven a few minutes later.

Dick wants everyone to know that, "though we grieved, we found some peace because her suffering was over and she is at peace. The people of Emmanuel United Methodist Church gave Martha a wonderful sendoff, showing their great love, while at the same time they gave the family support through expressed sympathy, love and friendship. On behalf of the family, I thank you from the depth of my heart."

CELEBRATING 7 YEARS OF SERVICE



Please join the Food Distribution Ministry in celebrating our 7th anniversary of service! On Saturday, **June 23rd from 9:00 to Noon**, we will be offering free food, health screening, free give-aways, and much more. We would love to have the church come out and celebrate our ministry with us.

~ ~ ~Mary Ann Vaughan, Coordinator

REMEMBERING JESSIE MARCUS

Jessie Swann Marcus was born on Saturday, August 9, 1930. She was the last of 10 children born to William Mayo Marcus and Lutie Virginia Marcus. William and Lutie had moved to Beltsville in 1928 because William had found work there on the “Government Farm” – what is now the Agricultural Research Center. The brick house that Jessie was born in was at the back of the farm property. It was the first house that the Marcus family had that had an indoor bathroom. William was very strict with the children. He did not put up a Christmas tree.

During World War II, when Jessie was a pre-teen, all four of her brothers served in the military. Grover (USN) was killed on November 19, 1943 when his submarine, the *USS Sculpin*, was attacked by a Japanese destroyer off Truk Island in the Pacific. Another brother, Glover (US Army), was severely wounded in the Battle of Tunisia in the North African Campaign. He spent months recuperating in Europe before returning to the United States for further recuperation.

Jessie attended Hyattsville High School. She and her sister Opal took the streetcar from Beltsville to Hyattsville every day – a distance of eight miles. Jessie graduated in 1948.

Jessie was totally committed to three major components of her life:

- The first was her dedication to Emmanuel United Methodist Church. Over the years, she was a member of the choir, taught Sunday School, served on numerous committees and was a Lay Leader. She was the “go to” person at church for decades, and through several pastors.
- The second was her love of her work. She worked for Hodge, Hart & Associates for more than 30 years in many capacities. This was her second family, where she made friends with her coworkers and with her many clients. She held herself accountable for the quality of her work and often took work home.
- The third was her dedication to her mother, Lutie. Jessie was her lifeline and gave of herself totally (with only an occasional whimper).

Jessie loved to travel and took many trips here and there in the United States. But her real love was traveling abroad. She visited such exotic places as England, Scotland, Ireland, France, Switzerland, Puerto Rico and Brazil.



UMW Community Outreach

“I was in prison and you visited me.” Matthew 25:36

June 16, 2018

12:00 – 2:00pm Fellowship Hall

Come join the Emmanuel United Methodist Women for a “Meet and Greet” with the Deaconesses of the Baltimore-Washington Conference. We will have a potluck luncheon at noon, and then the Deaconesses will share information about the Deaconess/Home Missioner (DHM) order and various ministries. This gathering is open to everyone, and we would love for you to join us.

Jane Grays volunteers a couple of times a month at Maryland Correctional Institution for Women (MCIW) in Jessup, MD. When she met with Chaplain Karen Hale several months ago, Chaplain Hale stated there is a linen shortage, and the women desperately need white face cloths and bath towels. The state usually provides these items, but they are experiencing a shortage. Chaplain Hale said, “Donations from the private sector would be greatly appreciated.”

Last year, Emmanuel UMC, along with other churches around the Baltimore-Washington Conference, answered the call for personal hygiene items and provided much relief for the 600+ residents at MCIW.

A box will be placed in the narthex until the end of June for donations. If that isn’t convenient and you are unable to attend the meeting on June 16th, you may donate white face cloths and bath towels by contacting Deaconess Jane Grays at Ladyjanegra@aol.com.

Thank you for sharing the love of Christ with our incarcerated sisters.

~ ~ ~ Deaconess Jane Grays

The History of Father's Day



It was not until 1972 – 58 years after President Woodrow Wilson made Mother's Day official – that the day honoring fathers became a nationwide holiday in the United States.

The “Mother's Day” we celebrate today has its origins in the peace-and-reconciliation campaigns of the post-Civil War era. During the 1860s, one divided West Virginia town celebrated “Mother's Work Days” that brought together the mothers of Confederate and Union soldiers. On July 5, 1908, a West Virginia church sponsored the nation's first event explicitly in honor of fathers – a Sunday sermon in memory of the 362 men who had died in the previous December's explosions at the Fairmont Coal Company mines. But this was a one-time commemoration and not an annual holiday.

The next year, a Spokane, Washington, woman named Sonora Smart Dodd, one of six children raised by a widower, tried to establish an official equivalent to Mother's Day for male parents. She went to local churches, the YMCA, shopkeepers and government officials to drum up support for her idea, and she was successful: the state of Washington celebrated the nation's first statewide Father's Day on June 19, 1910.

Slowly, the holiday spread. In 1916, President Wilson honored the day by using telegraph signals to unfurl a flag in Spokane when he pressed a button in Washington, D.C. In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge urged state governments to observe Father's Day. Today, the day honoring fathers is celebrated in the United States on the third Sunday of June. Father's Day 2018 falls on June 17th.

Some men derided the proliferation of such holidays as commercial gimmicks to sell more products—often paid for by the fathers themselves. During the 1920s and 1930s, a movement arose to scrap Mother's Day and Father's Day altogether in favor of a single holiday, Parents' Day. Every year on Mother's Day, pro-Parents' Day groups rallied in New York City's Central Park to remind the public that both parents should be loved and respected together. The Great Depression derailed this effort to combine and de-commercialize the holidays. Struggling retailers and advertisers redoubled their efforts to make Father's Day a “second Christmas” for men, promoting such goods as neckties, hats, socks, pipes and tobacco, sporting goods, and greeting cards.

When World War II began, advertisers “sold” Father's Day as a way to honor American troops and support the war effort. By the end of the war, Father's Day wasn't a federal holiday, but it was a national institution. In 1972, President Richard Nixon signed a proclamation making Father's Day a federal holiday at last. Today, economists estimate that Americans spend more than \$1 billion a year on Father's Day gifts.

In other countries – especially in Europe and Latin America – fathers are honored on St. Joseph's Day, a traditional Catholic holiday that falls on March 19.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL OF EMMANUEL'S FATHERS AND “FATHER FIGURES”!

~ ~ ~Submitted by Deaconess Jane Grays

Bonnie McBride and her family have moved to TEXAS!

Her new address is:

Bonnie McBride
750 E. US Highway 80
Suite 200-660
Forney, TX 75126-8722



Rogers Beasley, a longtime member and faithful usher at Emmanuel for many years, is saying farewell to the Beltsville community and Riderwood as he embarks on a new chapter in his life to be near his Arizona family.

Please join us in wishing Rogers well in this new venture at a Cake and Coffee Reception in the Fellowship Hall following the second service on Sunday, June 24th.

His new address will be:
 Rogers Beasley
 15815 S. 50th Street
 Apt. 139
 Phoenix, AZ 85048



ALTAR FLOWERS

June 3 — Kemi Oluwafemi

June 10 —

June 17 —

June 24 — Madea Badio

July 1 — Beverly Ward

July 8 —

July 15 —

July 22 —

July 29 —



The flower chart is posted in the hallway next to the mailboxes at the end of the hall. Arrangements are \$30.

Please fill out a Flower Request Form when you sign up and leave it in the office mailbox. **Indicate on the form whether you will take the flowers home or leave them for a shut-in.** (Flowers that you take home are not tax-deductible). Thank you.

IN MEMORIAM

Christian love and sympathy to:

Suzie Mendelsohn, on the recent death of her husband;

The family of Nancy Bell, who recently passed away.



May the Holy Spirit comfort these families and all who are mourning, and may the Lord surround them with love as they adjust to a “new normal” without their loved one.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. **Matthew 5:4**

Emmanuel now has online giving! Just go to our website — www.EUMCBeltsville.com — and follow the prompts or scan this QR to go to a secure Online Donation page hosted by Vanco Services, LLC.

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

3. Lori Midkiff
4. Linda Hiner
5. Angela Hatton
8. Ikenna Onukwubiri, Patrick Mackey
10. Ann Ladd
14. Tia Dorsey, Janet Reed, Nancy Shiplett
18. Ruth Smith
24. Ralph Guynn
26. Rick Zerbe
28. Bonnie McBride
29. Olivia Heath, Beverly Urick
30. Emma Claye

**JUNE ANNIVERSARIES**

3. Olivia & Gary Heath
4. Frances & Paul Cruz
21. Mary Ann & Michael Vaughan
24. Tracy & Cale Fuller, Beverly & C. J. Huneycutt
25. Mary & Richard Plantholt
28. Debbie & Jim McNitt
29. Ester & Mike Hatton



GUESTS visiting Emmanuel on one or more Sundays in April included:

Susie Urick Haworth
 Mary Ann Linton
 Mr. & Mrs. John Urick
 Randy Elles
 Robin Isherwood
 Jimmie Scotland
 James & Elizabeth Summers
 Ishmael Amoako-Attah
 Bebe Buchen
 Mr. & Mrs. Chuck Nemeth
 Dale Secules

We welcome you to our church family. Please worship with us again soon!

THE LAMPLIGHTER IS A TEAM EFFORT!

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Contributions are always welcome!



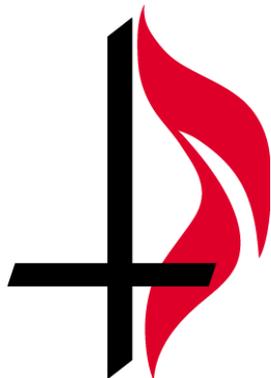
June 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 5 pm NA
3 9 & 11:15 am Worship Services 10:15 am Sunday School	4	5	6	7 7 pm Bible Study	8	9 10 a.m. Youth Car Wash @ PG Fire Station 3939 Powder Mill Rd 5 pm NA
10 9 & 11:15 am Worship Services 10:15 am Sunday School 12:30 pm Youth Fellowship	11 7 pm Trustees 7 pm Depression/ Bipolar Support Group	12 10 am Prayer Fellowship	13	14 7 pm Bible Study	15 11 am Community Place Café	16 12:00 Noon UMW General Meeting 5 pm NA
17 PROMOTION SUNDAY ONE SERVICE at 10:00 a.m., followed by church picnic	18 12 Noon Ellen Hoover Circle	19 7 pm Sisters In Spirit Circle	20 10 am Susanna Wesley Circle	21 7 pm Bible Study	22	23 9 am Food Distribution & Celebration of Service 5 pm NA
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