

Our vision for ministry ... **“God calls us to reach out and to grow in Christ’s love”**

**Today’s theme:** The Sundays after Epiphany began with Jesus’ baptism and end with three disciples’ vision of his transfiguration. In Mark’s story of Jesus’ baptism, apparently only Jesus sees the Spirit descending and hears the words from heaven. But now Jesus’ three closest friends hear the same words naming him God’s Beloved. As believers, Paul writes, we are enabled to see the God-light in Jesus’ face, because the same God who created light in the first place has shone in our hearts to give us that vision. The light of God’s glory in Jesus has enlightened us through baptism and shines in us also for others to see.

**Traditional Worship**

Sanctuary 8:45 am

**Altar Flowers** – Presented to the Glory of God.

**Bulletins** – Presented to the Glory of God.

**Helping Today**

*Altar Care:* Denise Druckenmiller & Sue Getz

*Ushers:* Linda Steiner & Jessie Hnatow

*Communion Asst:* Dean Chenski

*Reader:* David Ambrose

*Media:* Brian Baylor

*Celebration Worship*

Fellowship Hall 10:00 am

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**Helping Today**

*Altar Care:* Melissa Dempsey

*Greeter:* Nancy Karc

*Communion Asst:* Wendy Whiteash, Scott Dempsey, & Melissa Dempsey

*Prayer Reader:* Wendy Whiteash

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| <b>Please pray for:</b> | Sandy Long      | Louise Miltenberger | Doris Engle            | Keith Bird       | Sue Theoret          |
| Joanne Hower            | Sheldon Mann    | Sue Witmer          | Rochelle Rinker        | Thelma Silivius  | Deb Fisher           |
| June Myster             | Delores Allogio | Sandy Frey          | Grant & Joanne Wambold | Phyllis Palamaro | Clara & Bobby Miller |
| Bette Walker            | Vernon Mann     | Spencer Wisner      | Kathy Kulp             | Joe Siekonic     | Linda Hoch           |
| Dave Farber             | Sue Lavenburg   | Harriett Meckes     | Gwen Grouleff          | Al Miller        | Dale Muffley         |
| Robert Butz             | Scott Nicholas  | Chris Buhrman       | Ken Reeser             | Larry Snyder     |                      |

**Bath Area Food Bank – FEBRUARY.** We are collecting **Any Pasta and Bars of Soap.** There is always a need for **Ramen noodles.** Monetary donations are always gladly accepted.

**Souper Bowl of Caring....TODAY!** Emmanuel’s is once again participating in this annual event to raise money to alleviate hunger in our community. This year we are taking the **TACKLE HUNGER CHALLENGE!** What if everyone watching the game this year gave just one dollar or one can of food to a local food charity? That means a lot of food and cash to help feed hungry families in need. All monies and food collected will benefit the Bath Area Food Bank. There will be soup pots as you leave worship today for your donations. Please be generous!



**Easter Flower Orders....**See the attached insert. **ALL ORDERS MUST BE IN BY SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25.**

**Communion and Giving Record for 2024....**In order to remain an active member on the church’s rolls, a person must commune and give a contribution of record at least once in a calendar year. Please fill out a communion card for 2024 – you only need to fill out one per year. Also, when contributing to the church, please use your offering envelopes or write a check or place money in an envelope with your name and/or church envelope number on it.

**Bear Creek Camp**....2024 registration is open! Emmanuel's is once again providing a \$200 sponsorship for each child attending camp (use code **ELMB24** when registering). And remember to use code **BCA2024!** to receive your \$20 Bear Creek Ambassador registration discount. See your weekly eNews or February Informer for more information or go to **BEARCREEKCAMP.ORG**

**Hershey Park Tickets**... This is not a group trip, just an opportunity to get tickets at a discount price. There is ONE PRICE again this year - **\$43.95 per ticket** regardless of age. (Regular price is \$87.80) Tickets are valid for any one-day admission of the 2024 public operating season – April through January 1, 2025. Signup sheets are out. **Deadline to order is Sunday, March 31**. Payment is due at time of sign up (checks made payable to Emmanuel's) – **TICKETS WILL NOT BE ORDERED UNLESS PAYMENT IS RECEIVED**. We need to purchase a minimum of 20 tickets to get the group pricing.

**Looking ahead to Lent**....The Lenten season begins on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 14) and lasts for 40 days (not including Sundays). The forty days of Lent recall the 40-day fast of Jesus in the wilderness after his baptism. It is a time of renewal and preparation for the joy of the resurrection feast of Easter. There will be 3 opportunities for worship on Ash Wednesday. All services include the imposition of ashes.



**Ash Wednesday Services:**

- 10:00am Spoken Worship in the Sanctuary
- 6:30pm Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
- 7:30pm Contemporary Worship in Fellowship Hall

On all other Wednesdays in Lent (2/21, 2/28, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20) there will be spoken worship at **10am** in the Sanctuary and evening worship at **7pm** in Fellowship Hall.

**Altar Flowers / Bulletin Sponsors for 2024.** The on-line sign-ups for sponsoring weekly flowers and bulletins for 2024 are now "live" on Sign Up Genius. There are two separate sign-ups - one for the 8:45am Traditional Service and one for the 10:00am Celebration Service. The online addresses are long and cumbersome so the best way to access Sign Up Genius is by using the links that are listed in the weekly eNews or on our website ([www.emmanuel.org](http://www.emmanuel.org)). **If you don't have computer access or are uncomfortable using Sign Up Genius, please do not hesitate to call Janelle at the church office (610-837-1741) with your requests.** She will be more than happy to take your information and enter it into the online system.

**Oh, the weather outside is....**You get up on a Sunday morning, look out the window and see nothing but white, or your street is a sheet of ice ... you wonder if Sunday School and/or the Worship Service has been cancelled because of this "inclement weather". To make sure, please:

1. Go to WFMZ Channel 69 & watch for Emmanuel's Lutheran, Bath on the crawl at the bottom of the screen
2. Check the updated message on the church answering machine at 610-837-1741
3. Check Emmanuel's website at [www.emmanuel.org](http://www.emmanuel.org)

**This Week at Emmanuel's**

**Today, Sunday 2/11/24:**

**Transfiguration of Our Lord  
Holy Communion is offered at all services**

**8:45am** Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary  
**10:00am** Sunday School  
**10:00am** Celebration Worship in the Fellowship Hall

**Monday 2/12/24:**

**5:30pm** Yoga  
**7:00pm** Book of John Bible Study

**Tuesday 2/13/24:**

**1:00pm** Needlecrafters  
**5:00pm** Girl Scouts

**Wednesday 2/14/24:**

**Ash Wednesday  
Holy Communion is offered at all services.  
All services include the imposition of ashes.**

**10:00am** Spoken Worship in the Sanctuary  
**6:30pm** Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary  
**7:30pm** Contemporary Worship in Fellowship Hall

**Thursday 2/15/24:**

**10:30am** Ladies Zoom Bible Study

**Sunday 2/18/24:**

**1 Lent  
Holy Communion is offered at all services**  
**8:45am** Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary  
**10:00am** Sunday School  
**10:00am** Celebration Worship in the Fellowship Hall