

# Fellowship

Emmanuel United Methodist Church Newsletter



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## From the Pastor's Desk:

Dear Emmanuel Family,

We are now entering the gates of summer, where the green tints are thick. Beautiful Mother Nature has not only given us beauty but also hard times. We've been having a hard time for the past 4 months. Viruses are always around us. I hope all of our church members and their families stay healthy and always be careful.

Under the order of the Bishop of the Virginia Conference, we reopened the church on June 21. We, Emmanuel, reopened adhering to the rules of the Conference. Even though we reopened the church doors, many members still choose to attend online service from home. I think, now, we are practicing to return to a healthy church. We should have time to restore faith and trust.

God commands us to love God and to love our neighbors. It is a very important act of believers who love God that we come to the place of worship for worshipping God. Also, I believe that it is important to follow the rule that must be kept during the pandemic in order to show our love for one another. We still have a lot of restrictions. I want to sing praise to our heart's content, hug each other, shake hands, and welcome each other. I want to drink coffee and share food together. Children want to participate in VBS and learn the word of God. However, we have to begin to sail in the New Normal era.

We must learn how to love God, and neighbors under the New Normal era.

Satan whispers in our hearts and deceives us. Satan likes the church divided by internal conflicts.

Friends! Please, remember! Faith wins, and love wins. I hope that we can live a life of loving God and loving our neighbors with one mind under any circumstances.

The virus will continue to be around us this summer, but don't be disappointed. I hope you can spend an enjoyable time with your family and close friends this summer. Now, I'm going out to light the charcoal grill for Chanmi and Grace, too.

I bless you to get full of God's great love, joy, and gratitude during this summer season.

In Christ,  
Pastor Kang

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## Office Closed:

Due to holidays and vacations the church office will be closed on :

**July 3 & 6**

**and also**

**July 27 & 30**

## **Summertime:**

Summertime regularly brings hot weather and a slower pace to life. Due to the usual swing of the season and the current social situations we are still experiencing there is not as much going on at the church over the next two months. Pastor Kang and his family, as well as Lisa Jeffries (Administrative Assistant) will be taking summer vacations during the month. This edition of the newsletter includes the calendar, birthdays, and anniversaries for July and August, and we will update you in mid-August again as the school year and normal routines hopefully begin to ramp back up. While we are all very happy to have the church reopened, we are also cautious about our movement forward into regular routines. As we've seen over the past several months, we are not certain about what the future may hold for our schedules and we will continue to adjust the way we are managing the business at church with the utmost respect and caution for everyone's health and safety. In accordance with the VAUMC we will continue to be in the current Phase 2 of reopening for the foreseeable future.

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## **VBS:**

While we are not able to host a Vacation Bible School in person this summer, Cokesbury has developed an at-home VBS that we can access. Please contact the church office if you would be interested in helping guide your children through a VBS in your own home. We will then contact you to provide the materials.

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## **Calendar Collection:**

Donate unwanted 2021 calendars! Julianne Cochran is collecting calendars for the troops again this year, now in conjunction with her American Legion Post. They will be given to deploying troops by the USO at one of the major area airports. Bring any unwanted calendars (political & religious calendars not accepted), or you may even buy some if you would like, and give them to Julianne or leave them in the designated box in the Narthex. They will be accepted until December 31.

Thank You!

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## **Volunteers Needed:**

Please consider becoming involved in your church organizations. Here are a few ways we could use your help:

- Volunteer for a committee. We are currently looking for two new volunteers to serve the parish family on either our Trustees or Worship Committees.
- Help with installing flooring in the new Finance room, or refinishing the Youth room.

# Church Calendar:

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9-10a Prayer Time	2 Boy Scout Crossover Ceremony	3 Office Closed	4 Independence Day
5	6 6p Finance Admin Asst. on vacation	7	8 9-10a Prayer Time	9	10	11
12 Helping Hands Sunday	13 7p Trustees	14	15 9-10a Prayer Time	16	17	18
19 Building Fund Sunday	20	21 7p Church Council	22 9-10a Prayer Time	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	
	Pastor & Admin Asst. on vacation	Pastor & Admin Asst. on vacation	Pastor & Admin Asst. on vacation	Pastor & Admin Asst. on vacation	Pastor on vacation	

## Birthdays & Anniversaries:

### JULY BIRTHDAYS

01 – Earnest Bailey  
 01 – Landon Rutherford  
 02 – Cameron Frye  
 02 – Lisa Custer  
 04 – Amanda Frye  
 05 – Mike DiMaggio  
 06 – John Evans  
 08 – Pam Payne  
 09 – Cecil Hahn  
 10 – Trey Gum  
 12 – Ike Eskildsen  
 13 – Sean Lofton

14 – Craig Myers  
 18 – Shirley Nichols  
 19 – Kelsey Russell  
 19 – Hannah Payne  
 19 – Aaron Neely  
 20 – Mary McFarland  
 21 – Roy Taylor  
 21 – Sean Kuhn  
 22 – Quinten Kuhn  
 26 – Chanmi Lee  
 26 – Brad Brondstater  
 27 – Julianne Cochran  
 27 – Bruce Cameron

28 – Amy McFarland  
 28 – Robert Hawn  
 28 – Michael DiMaggio  
 30 – T.J. Vance  
 30 – Brigitte Frye  
 31 – Stewart Brondstater

### JULY ANNIVERSARIES

03 – Cecil & Debbie Hahn  
 07 – Kathy & Larry Starnes  
 14 – Gary & Carol Harden  
 25 – Janet & Gary Jenkins  
 28 – Barbara & Clark Fortney  
 31 – Andy & Tiffany Hounshell

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<h1>AUGUST</h1>						1 Pastor on vacation
2 Pastor on vacation	3	4 10a Seekers & Keepers	5 9-10a Prayer Time	6	7	8
9 Helping Hands Sunday	10	11	12 9-10a Prayer Time	13	14 9a Newsletter Submissions Due	15
16 Building Fund Sunday	17 6p Finance	18 7p Church Council	19 9-10a Prayer Time	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 9-10a Prayer Time	27	28	29
30	31					

## Birthdays & Anniversaries:

### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

01 – Maria McFarland  
 03 – Donna Clatterbuck  
 03 – Jerry Peacemaker  
 05 – Dottie Shirley  
 06 – Robin Link  
 09 – Butch DeHaven  
 10 – Cheryl Gearhart  
 11 – Hunter Bentley  
 12 – Haley Burke  
 14 – Sonny Larrick

15 – Gladys Crouse  
 15 – Krystal Connelly  
 18 – Debbie Brady  
 26 – Barbara Brown  
 28 – John Conley  
 28 – Larry Starnes  
 28 – Garrett Widger  
 29 – Brian Burke  
 30 – Hannah Burke  
 31 – Melvin Crouse

### AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

10 – Galen & Sandi Snider  
 12 – Todd & Brigitte Frye  
 14 – Cindy & Mike DiMaggio  
 18 – Susie & Keith Anderson  
 24 – Paul & Janis Cleland  
 31 – Ron & Rosalie Wehn

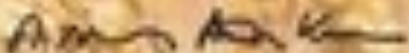
*"Generous persons will prosper;  
those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed."  
Proverbs 11:25, CSB*

*Thank You*

FOR GIVING FAITHFULLY 100%  
TO THE APPORTIONMENT COVENANT IN 2019

*Emmanuel UMC*

*Virginia Conference  
Bishop Sharma D. Lewis*



Anand Kulkarni  
General Secretary and Treasurer,  
General Council on Finance and Administration



Bishop Michael M. Lee  
President, General Council on  
Finance and Administration

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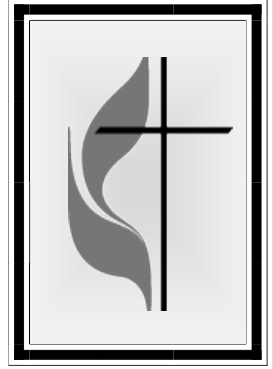
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**July & August 2020 Fellowship Newsletter**

**We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.**

**1 John 1:3**

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