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Oct 9-Oct 16

Sunday
Choir Practice

Monday
Columbus Day
Office Closed

Thursday
7:30 pm
ESL

Sunday
Crop Walk
Choir practice

Sunday at Emmanuel

The Chapel is open for prayer and meditation before and after our Sunday service.

9:15 am Adult Sunday School

10:30 am Worship with Pastor Ken Gill Preaching - "Through A Glass Dimly"

We will be welcoming William Wang and Jennifer
10:30 am Sunday School for Children and Youth

Emmanuel welcomes George Glock as our special guest musician.

[Inspirational Thought: Sometimes when it seems like life is falling apart, it's really coming together."](#)

[Ken Gill](#)

Be a part of Emmanuel's next Time Capsule! Put on your thinking caps about what you would like to put into the next time capsule. The Committee will be soliciting your ideas and items, such as programs, photographs, and mementos to be placed in the time

 Facebook

 Website

Monthly Calendar

capsule. Please contact Marilyn Clark at [201-391-4720](tel:201-391-4720) and Lee Ehman at [973-427-9606](tel:973-427-9606) about your ideas and submissions for the next time capsule.

Emmanuel Vision Statement

A growing community, celebrating the rich diversity of God's people and treasuring our common humanity, sharing and learning about Christ's love in the contemporary world through worship, spiritual disciplines, intellectual study, mission work, social and environmental justice advocacy and artistic, interfaith and multicultural experiences. We welcome everyone's company at our table, as Jesus did.

(Revised December 7, 2014 with input from the Congregation)

Follow the Emmanuel Facebook

Page: <https://m.facebook.com/EBCRidgewood/>

Upcoming events are on North Jersey event listing here: <http://www.northjersey.com/events>

If you happen upon any news articles pertaining to Emmanuel, could you please cut out and bring to Jessica attention in the office for our media archives.

EMMANUEL'S 125TH ANNIVERSARY WEEK-END ...

Save the dates ... Saturday, November 12th, 2016

Late afternoon ... Concert featuring Linda Sweetman-Waters, Dr. Edward Schmiedecke, Liz Ludwig and Dave Dallon in addition to others, followed by brief reception, and then a *Saturday Night Supper* for members and invited guests. RSVP required by Oct. 15. Please call church office or email office@ebcridgewood.org

Sunday, November 13th, 2016 Heritage Sunday – Worship at 10:30, followed by catered luncheon (\$15) and program for members and invited

guests.

RSVP required by Oct. 15. Please call church office or email office@ebcridgewood.org

Update:

These are exciting times at Emmanuel! Sunday, September 25th, we opened the Time Capsule that was buried in 1999! We are developing a portable mechanism whereby all the items buried in the capsule will be displayed.

We are also gathering item for the Time Capsule which will be buried after our Anniversary Weekend, so put your thinking caps on.

Saturday, November 12th

2:30 Dedication of Anniversary Tree and Peace Lounge

3:30 Concert

4:30 Reception

5:15 Lasagna Dinner in Heritage Hall
(by reservation for invited guests and congregants)

Sunday, November 13th 10:30 Worship

Noon Catered Luncheon in Peace Lounge

(\$15, by reservation, (Complimentary for guests))

Men's Fellowship

Thanks to all who were able to attend Octoberfest last Saturday. We enjoyed an evening of delicious food, joyous music, and warm fellowship. The proceeds will support various mission projects of the men's fellowship.

Our collection of gently used men's clothing, new underwear and socks extends through October.

COMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY TEAM

Dear Congregation and Friends,

We are excited that our 125 year anniversary celebration is coming up soon! The Communications Ministry invites the entire congregation to be a part of our social media campaign.

As part of our rebranding campaign, we request 125 reasons why you like Emmanuel. We propose that each congregation member and friend offer as many as 5 reasons why you like and enjoy Emmanuel. We will compile your submissions and feature them on our Emmanuel Facebook page as part of our social media campaign.

Please bring your submissions to the Church Office or via email to jessicaf@ebcridgewood.org by October 16th. Follow, Like, and Subscribe to Emmanuel's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/EBCRidgewood/> and see the submissions as they are posted and published.

Sincerely,

Jessica Fagnoli
Communications Director

Worship & Music

If you are interested in being a part of the church choir and can make a commitment to attending practice on Wednesday nights please contact John Giresi at 201 906-3717 or email: giresijo@yahoo.com

Adult Sunday School

All are invited to join the conversation at the Sunday morning Adult Class at 9:15. We are beginning a new series: **"Toward a Just, Generous, and Loving Way of Life."** We'll be reflecting on the Christian life as a loving way of life, rooted in contemplation, expressed in compassion, and dedicated to beloved community for all. Each Sunday we reflect on Bible passages and on a chapter from our resource book, The Great Spiritual Migration, by Brian D. McLaren.

Christian Ed

Enjoy an old-fashioned hayride at Rohsler's horse farm and nursery in Allendale, Sunday, Oct. 23rd. We will carpool from the church at 12:30 pm. \$8.00 per person includes Hayride, visit with

barnyard animals, a pumpkin and cider.
Please R.S.V.P by Oct. 19 to Lee Ehman at [973-427-9606](tel:973-427-9606), or the church office at [201-444-7300](tel:201-444-7300).

Bible in the Contemporary World with the Pastor

The Tuesday night Bible study will take place on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:15 pm at the parsonage. Refreshments will be served. The third Tuesday will feature a Peace and Justice forum and will take place in the Peace Lounge(when opened) at 7:15 pm right after the Pasta dinner.

Missions

Preparations are underway for the Crop Walk on October 16. This is an annual project for Emmanuel and as much as \$2500 has been raised in the past for feeding the hungry. Walkers and sponsors will be needed and the children will be participating. Walkers are asked to bring jars of peanut butter for our food collection for Center for Food Action. Are you still wondering why you should get involved see the commonly asked questions:

- What are CROP hungry walks? Neighbors walking together to take a stand against hunger on our world. Different ages, faiths and background-together we raise awareness and funds for international relief and development as well as local hunger-fighting. some 2,000 communities across the country take part each year.
- What's the point of the walking? Hungry people in developing countries typically walk as much as six miles a day to get food, water and fuel, and to take their goods to market. We walk to be in solidarity with their struggle for existence. We walk because we want to end hunger - one step at a time.
- Where does the money go? CROP Hunger walk help fight hunger and poverty locally and globally, with 25 percent of what a CROP Hunger Walk raises assisting local good

banks - CFA, pantries, community gardens, and others hunger-fighting initiatives, In the last 20 years, CROP Hunger Walks have raised more than \$295 million to assist around the block and around the world those struggling to feed their families.

Joan will be available during Hospitality time (coffee hour) to provide information, solicitation packets for walkers, and sponsors.

The Social Justice Committee will sponsor a discussion on the upcoming election after the monthly pasta dinner on Tuesday, October 18th, The meeting will be in the library and all are invited.

In November, there will be two emphases. First, we will be taking the World Mission Offering to support the 110 Missionaries around the world who are sponsored by International Ministries of ABCUSA. This year your contribution will be doubled because of a special campaign initiated by the new Executive Director, Sharon Koh called "I AM IM".

The second emphasis will be to collect food for Thanksgiving baskets for the needy that are prepared by the Center for Food Action. A list of items requested will be provided and a box will be located by the Mission Board. Please check the flyer on the Mission board for dates and items needed.

The regular food collection up until the Crop Walk will go to CFFA and the remainder of the month's food will go to Ridgewood Social Services

Wider Circle of Prayer & Prayer Group

Starting from the beginning of:

We Make the Road by Walking: Alive in the Story of Creation

9/26- 10/2 Plotting Goodness Ch 6

10/3-10/9 It's Not Too Late Ch 7

10/10- 16 Rivalry or Reconciliation? Ch 8

The Community Pasta Dinner

The next dinner is October 18th at 6 p.m. Please

come and bring friends. It is nice to know attendance ahead of time in order to plan accordingly, so please call either the church office 201-444-7300, or Marilyn, 201-391-4720.

Women of Emmanuel

Next book group will be November 18th at Kathleen Gaul's where we'll discuss "All the Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr. WE Executive meetings will be Tuesday, November 1st, at 10 a.m.

Monthly Council Meeting

If any non-council member is interested in speaking at the next council meeting, please contact Janet Poinsette.

Newsletter Due Dates

E-Happenings submissions are due to the Church office on Wednesdays by noon. Submissions received after this time will be included in the following week's newsletter. Expectations are due on October 20.

Event Planning and Room Use

If you are planning any meetings or activities at the Church in the next several months, please pick up and fill out a 2016 Event Planner form. Please note that events cannot be placed on the Church calendar until a Planner Form has been received. Please contact our Communication Director, Jessica at jessicaf@ebcridgewood.org to plan publicity for events. Please plan your submissions 3 weeks prior to the event to ensure proper publicity.

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