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### **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 Wheeler Preaching - "Just Priorities"

10:30 am Sunday School for Children and Youth

Emmanuel welcomes: Donna Vivino & Charles Santoro as our special guest musicians.

\*\*Pastor Gill will be out of the office this week on vacation. In case of emergency he can be reached on his cell phone.

Inspirational Quote- Albert Einstein once said, "There are two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle." Today we celebrate the miracle.

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### **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/>

### **Feb. 5-Feb. 12**

*"Souper" Bowl Collection Ends America for Christ Offerings begins*

**Tuesday 7:00 pm**  
*Bible Study*

**Wednesday**  
*6:00 pm Parenting Support Group*

**Thursday 7:30 pm**  
*ESL*

**Sunday**  
*America for Christ Offerings Continues*

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's attention in the office for our media archives.

### **Emmanuel's Social Media Corner Statistics:**

Facebook Friends: 172

Facebook Page Likes: 127

Twitter Followers: 13

YouTube Subscribers: 7

Please encourage your family and friends to follow and friend us on Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube.

Follow us on **Facebook** at <https://www.facebook.com/EmmanuelRidgewood/>

Follow us on **Twitter** at <https://twitter.com/EBCRidgewood>

Subscribe and watch our **Service Live Stream on our YouTube Channel** at [www.TinyURL.com/EmmanuelStream](http://www.TinyURL.com/EmmanuelStream)

### **GOOGLE REVIEWS**

Emmanuel needs to increase its visibility on Google. Would congregation members and friends of Emmanuel please write an online review of the church on Google?

### **NEW PARENTING SUPPORT GROUP- "The Parenting Village"**

Emmanuel Baptist Church will be offering a new parenting support group, "The Parenting Village," with the first session starting on Wednesday, February 8th at 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the Peace Lounge. Parents of all ages who have children of all ages are invited to attend. The group will begin by studying Dr. Gordon Neufeld and Dr. Gabor Mate's book, "Hold On to Your Kids" (2006). Childcare will be provided free of charge at Emmanuel. Light refreshments will be served.

Emmanuel will be purchasing the reference material for this first group meeting. In order to determine how many books to be ordered, please RSVP to the Church office at [201-444-7300](tel:201-444-7300) or on the Facebook event link at [www.facebook.com/EBCRidgewood/](http://www.facebook.com/EBCRidgewood/). If you are unable to reach the church office, please contact Heidi Ehman at [meandhue@optonline.net](mailto:meandhue@optonline.net).

### **ALL SEASONS CHAMBER PLAYERS CONCERT ON MARCH 12, 2017**

All Seasons Chamber Players will perform at Emmanuel Baptist Church on Sunday, March 12, 2017 at 3:00 pm for an annual Community Concert, entitled "ROME, VIENNA, AND BEYOND," honoring the musical legacy of William F. Wilkins. Celebrated works to be performed include Grainger, Chaplin, Barab, Bartok, Bruce, Rota, and Schubert. Admission to the concert is free and open to the public. During the intermission, a free will offering will be taken up for the Center for Food Action (CFA). Following the concert, all are invited to a Meet the Artists reception with complimentary light refreshments in the Peace Lounge. For more information, call the church office at [201-444-7300](tel:201-444-7300) or visit [www.emmanuelridgewood.org](http://www.emmanuelridgewood.org) or [www.facebook.com/EBCRidgewood](http://www.facebook.com/EBCRidgewood).

### **Upcoming Events in Ridgewood and the Community**

### **T'ai Chi Chih Classes**

Free T'ai Chi Chih classes are being offered every Tuesday from January 24-March 28 from 5:00pm-6:00pm at the Fair Lawn Community Center, 10-10 20th Street, Fair Lawn, NJ. Registration is recommended as space is limited. Contact Eric Ciavaglia at [eciavaglia@co.bergen.nj.us](mailto:eciavaglia@co.bergen.nj.us) or call [201-634-2709](tel:201-634-2709). Classes provided by the Valley Hospital. Event sponsored by the Bergen County Department of Health Services, Borough of Fair Lawn, and Community Health Improvement Partnership of Bergen County.

### **Lunchtime Health Series in Ridgewood**

Ridgewood Health Department in partnership with Ridgewood Parks and Recreation Department offers a new wellness program for adults in Bergen County as part of the CHIP Wellness Initiative.

All programs will take place on the first Thursday of the month from 1pm to 2pm in the Pat Mancuso Senior Lounge of The Community Center, located in Village Hall, 131 N. Maple Ave., Ridgewood. Please bring a brown bag lunch, unless otherwise noted.

Please make sure to register for the Lunchtime Health Series at Ridgewood Health Department, 131 N. Maple Ave., Ridgewood, NJ 07450 or by telephone at [201-670-5500](tel:201-670-5500) ext 245.

### **Lunchtime Health Series Topics include:**

**February 2, 2017 A Healthy Heart:** Know the facts about cardiovascular disease and learn how to protect your heart and live smart. Mary C. Collins, Nurse Practitioner, APN-BC Director, Cardiac Surgery and Cardiac Specialty Programs, The Valley Hospital

**March 2, 2017 Quiet Your Mind, Activate Your Body:** Learn how to improve your mental and physical health through the practice of yoga. Incorporating yoga and mindfulness into everyday life will reduce stress and create empowerment. Lindsay Finkel, Chief Operating Officer, Racefaster

**April 6, 2017 Your Financial Health...:** An educational session for your future financial health. Thoughtful and creative budgeting, spending, saving and investing. Plan and prepare for the future and manage bank, savings and investment accounts. Kathleen M. Entwistle, CFP®, CDFA, Senior Vice President, Private Wealth Advisor, Senior Portfolio Manager

**May 4, 2017 A Healthier You...Eat Good:** Navigate a farmer's market for good nutrition and cost savings. Have fun while cooking up new recipes during this educational and interactive workshop. Light lunch included. Stacey Antine, MS, RDN, HealthBarn USA

**June 1, 2017 Time Management:** Find better ways to organize and better manage your time and become more effective with personal and employment tasks. Susan Breithaupt, LCSW, Health Educator, The Valley Hospital

### **Missions**

The total donated for "Hammering for Habitat" was \$500 and the number of people signing the boards for Habitat houses in Paterson was quite impressive. Thanks to everyone who participated in this worthwhile project.

Many cans of soup have been brought in for "Souper Bowl Sunday" both from our Emmanuel congregation and from the students and teachers of

Holmstead School. The collection will end on February 5th. The soup will be delivered to the Center for Food Action.

The important Mission project for February will be the "America for Christ" offering. This offering will be used by the American Baptist Home Mission Society to support Missionaries and Mission projects in the United States and Puerto Rico. Brochures and offering envelopes will be included in the worship bulletins on Sundays. We hope for a generous offering.

The month of March will bring two important projects for Missions. On March 14th, our special Missionary, Luran Bethell, will visit our church to update us on her work combating human trafficking. We will begin with a potluck supper at 6:00 pm followed by the discussion. The community is being invited to attend. This event will replace our usual Mission Sunday. Please put this event on your calendar.

Also in March will be our involvement with Family Promise, the program for homeless families. We believe our dates will be March 31 and April 1. This program is at the United Methodist Church in Ridgewood. We will be responsible for providing meals, entertainment, and overnight hosts. Anita Powell-Byrd is in charge of this project. Please contact her at 201 251-9326 or [hokiebyrd@gmail.com](mailto:hokiebyrd@gmail.com) if you help with these jobs or a donation.

Our food collection for February will be for the Board of Social Services of Ridgewood and vicinity.

### **Women of Emmanuel**

We will meet again on Friday March 24 at 6:30 pm at the home of Sharon Brockway to discuss, *The Light Between Oceans* by Melanie Benjamin. Please call Sharon and let her know you are attending and what food item you'll bring.

**The next THE COMMUNITY PASTA DINNER** is scheduled for **February 21st, 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.

### **Wider Circle of Prayer & Prayer Group**

\*\*\*Brian McLaren, *The Great Spiritual Migration: How the World's Largest Religion is Seeking a Better Way to be Christian.*

New Section: *The Missional Migration: From Organized Religion to Organizing Religion*

1/30-2/5 Afterword: We Stepped Forth. The Waters Parted

2/6 PRAYER GROUP

2/6-2/12 Appendix I: Charter for a Just and Generous Christianity

SAVE THE DATE: DISCUSSION WITH BRIAN MCLAREN,

Sunday, March 19, 2017. Westside Presbyterian Church

For a copy of *The Great Spiritual Migration*, please ask Jo Marie in the Church office, Pastor Judy or Don Wheeler

### **Bible in the Contemporary World with the Pastor**

The Tuesday night Bible study will take place on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm in the Pastor's lounge. Refreshments will be served.

**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@gmail.com

**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 Feb. 21.

**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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