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Feb. 18-25
Sunday
"America for Christ" Offering ends
Council Meeting

Thursday
7:30 pm
ESL

Saturday
Coal Workshop

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Sunday at Emmanuel

The Chapel is open for prayer and meditation before and after our Sunday service.
9:15-10:15 Adult Sunday School
10:30 am Family Worship with Pastor Arturo Pierre Lewis preaching "Love Above All"

Emmanuel welcomes Donna Vivino, Anita Powell-Byrd, Judy Wheeler & Malcolm Cobb as our guest musicians.

Inspirational Quote: "Who among you who have read the Gospels does not know that Christ makes all human suffering his own?"

-Origen-

Pastor Gill will out of the office from Feb. 5-March 5. The following persons will be filling the pulpit on Sundays: Feb. 11: Pastor Lewis, Feb. 18: Brent Sjaadema, Feb. 25: Pastor Lewis, March 4: Pastor Judy. In case of an urgent personal concern please call Pastor Gill on his cell [941 725 0872](tel:9417250872)

Upcoming Event:
OUTSTANDING PROGRAM FROM:
[Network for Responsible Public Policy](#)

March 15th, 2018 7:30pm FDU Hackensack.
Pre-register at www.nfrpp.org. You can also purchase your ticket in advance. Modest donation.

Let's Talk: How Trump is Impacting America, with David Cay Johnston, Pulitzer prize winning journalist, consultant to TV's House of Cards, acclaimed author of new book "It's Even Worse Than you Think: What the Trump Administration is Doing to America", faculty at Syracuse University Law School will take us through the impact of the Trump first year in office with a special focus on the controversial tax legislation about to affect us all. We will also talk to him about the gun issue.

QUESTIONS? Ask Don

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Emmanuel Vision Statement

Emmanuel is a growing, welcoming, caring community, celebrating the rich diversity of God's Creation, treasuring our common humanity and following the way of Christ's love, justice and mercy in today's world.

Council Meeting will be this Sunday. February 25, following worship. If you would like to address an issue please contact the Moderator so you can be placed on the agenda.

Town Meeting March 11 - LRPC we will be talking about, "The Background behind suggesting a name change for our church."

JOIN US ON MONDAY FOR A STIMULATING WEEK OF A SPRING WITHIN US

***WEEK 17**, Feb 19-25: **The Common**

Wonderful, p 131

***WEEK 18**, Feb 26-March 4: **Discharging Your Loyal Soldier**

***WEEK 19**, Mar 5-11: **Growing in Grace, p 145**

***WEEK 20**, Mar 12-18: **Shadow Boxing, p 151**

SIGN UP IN THE PASTOR'S LOUNGE for our Lenten Reflection Groups on Sunday, March 11 or March 25, 7:00 pm at the Parsonage.

All of you who have made a commitment to daily devotions are invited to reflect on your daily devotional practice at one of the Lenten Reflection Groups. How has this daily devotional practice inspired you? How has it made a difference in your life?.

People are using various resources for inspiration: Richard Rohr's, *A Spring Within You*, or *Sacred Space*, or *Living Well*, designed for Lent from February 14- found on the table at the entrance to the sanctuary or some other inspirational material. If you are still looking for something that might work for you, feel free to ask one of the pastors or Don Wheeler. Each group will be limited to 10 persons.

Missions:

"America for Christ". So far we have received \$319 for this special offering to support our Missionaries in this country and Puerto Rico. We can do better! Sunday, February 25th is the last Sunday to receive this offering. Explanatory brochures and envelopes will be in the Worship bulletins.

Great news from the Missions Committee! We have received word that our special Missionary, Luran Bethell, who combats human trafficking will be able to visit EBC on Tuesday, March 13th at 6:00 pm. We will have a light supper followed by a discussion with Luran. Everyone is invited. Speak to Nancy Shaver or Joan Massler if you can come. This will replace Mission Sunday that we usually have in March.

Food collected in February will be delivered to Social Services of Ridgewood and March food will go to the Center for Food Action. The food box in the hall outside the Sanctuary is almost empty so please remember to bring food. Items most

needed are listed by the box.

COAL training for Church officers and leaders sponsored by ABCNJ will be Sat. March 3rd in the Bethany Baptist Church in Newark. Emmanuel will contribute \$20 toward registration. Breakfast and Lunch included. We will car pool. Contact Nancy Shaver if you would like to attend.

Community Pasta Dinner:

Our next dinner will be this Tuesday March 20th, 6:00 pm. 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](tel:201-444-7300), or Marilyn, [201-391-4720](tel:201-391-4720). Peace and Justice forum to follow dinner.

Emmanuel Website:

Check the Emmanuel Website for updates at www.emmanuelridgewood.org. Please let your friends and family know that they can submit Online Prayer Requests through the website. Those friends or family members who want to be added to our email list or want to obtain information about events at the church can fill out the Online Contact Us Request Form.

Follow the Emmanuel Facebook Page:

<https://facebook.com/EmmanuelRidgewood>

Upcoming events are on North Jersey event listing here: <http://www.northjersey.com/events>. If you happen to see any news articles pertaining to Emmanuel, could you please cut out and bring to Jessica's attention in the office for our media archives.

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/Emmanuel07450>

Subscribe and watch our Service Live Stream at 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?

Newsletter Due Dates

E-Happenings submissions are due to the Church office on Wednesdays by noon. **Expectations submissions are due March. 22th.** Please note in the future any submissions for Expectations and E-Happenings which are not received by the deadline will not be included until the following week/month.

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