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- May 13-20**
 - Sunday**
*Happy Mother's Day
Blanket Sunday*
 - Monday
Noon**
*Brown Bag
Discussion Group*
 - Tuesday
6 pm**
*Community Pasta
Dinner
7 pm
Peace & Justice
Forum*
 - Thursday
7:30 pm**
ESL
 - Friday
6:30 pm**

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 Ken preaching, "Born in the Dark...Living in the Light."

Emmanuel welcomes George Glock as our guest musician.

Inspirational Quote: "The happiest people don't have the best of everything, they just make the best of everything."

Please help! The Food Pantries are in dire need of supplies. Please look on the board located at the entrance to Sanctuary as to what is need. Thanks for your help.

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.

Reader's Choice

Saturday
9 am

Men's Fellowship
Breakfast

Sunday

High School
Ministry
7 pm
Women's
Reflection Group



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Monthly Calendar

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Middle School Ministry, 1st Sunday.

During Coffee Hour

High School Ministry, 3rd Sunday.

During Coffee Hour

Young Adult Ministry, 4th Sunday.

During Coffee Hour

Brown Bag Discussion Group

We will be reading: "The Hijacking of Jesus: How this Religious Right Distorts Christianity and Promotes Prejudice and Hate."

Men's Fellowship

Mark your calendars for our upcoming breakfast on May 19 at 9 am.

Missions:

The Missions Committee is looking forward to Blanket Sunday which will be held this Sunday May 13th which is Mother's Day. The congregation will be asked to purchase blankets for Church World Service which will use the blankets for refugees and homeless persons. Blankets can be purchased in honor of or in memory of Mothers, Grandmothers, or other loved ones at a cost of \$10 per blanket. Emmanuel children will demonstrate many different ways that blankets can be used for relief. Consider purchasing several blankets.

A sign-up sheet is available for anyone who wishes to visit our ABCNJ Baptist Camp in Lebanon, NJ on Sunday, June 3rd. The plan is to car pool to Camp Lebanon after the Fellowship hour and take a sandwich for a picnic at the camp which is about a one and one half hour drive.

Young people who have attended camp will give us a tour.

The food collected by the Church in May will be delivered to The Center for Food Action. Food is badly needed and a list of needed items is posted by the food box in the hall outside the sanctuary.

In June we look forward to collecting donations for One Great Hour of Sharing. These funds are

used by the ABCUSA World Relief Committee to alleviate suffering both in this country and around the world.

Community Pasta Dinner: Our next dinner will be **Tuesday May 15th, 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.

Community Peace and Justice Forum

Our next Forum is **May 15th, 7:00-8:30 pm.**

Topic will be; "CAN WE TALK?" Or is our local politics just too polarized?

Panel Discussion in the Peace Lounge at Emmanuel - A Welcoming Church. This panel discussion, which will include diverse perspectives, will be moderated by Dr. Donald Wheeler, a resident of Ridgewood and Emeritus Professor of Sociology at Kean University. Free and open to the public.

DAILY DEVOTION GUIDES: AN INVITATION

We are all invited to develop the practice of "daily devotions." Some good resources used by our congregation are:

- ***Emmanuel Prayer List*** -revised and published weekly
- ***Living Well***, designed for Lent; found on the table at the entrance to the sanctuary,
- ***Guideposts.org*** (stories of faith and hope),
- ***Secret Place*** or ***Upper Room*** (Bible verse, brief message & prayer in magazine format and on-line),
- ***Sacred Space 2018*** (daily prayer for one year, book & online)

Pastor Ken and Connie Gill, Pastor Judy and Don and others use Richard Rohr's, *A Spring Within You- Daily Meditations*. You are invited to join us reading in your own home following the schedule below. If you want to try it out, please speak to one of us. Copies are available

from Jo Marie in the church office or one of us.

***A Spring Within Us* reading schedule -**

starting on Mondays:

- *WEEK 27, May 7-13, Compassion! p 205
- *WEEK 28, May 14-20, Image of God, p 213
- *WEEK 29, MAY 21-27, Jesus, The Christ, p.221
- *WEEK 30, MAY 28-JUNE 3, Letting Go, p 228
- *WEEK 31, JUNE 4-10, Paradox, p. 235
- *WEEK 32, JUNE 11- 17, Open heart, open mind, open body, p.243

Looking for devotional reading that might work for you? Feel free to ask one of the pastors or Don Wheeler.

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.

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.

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Follow us on Instagram at

<https://www.instagram.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 May 24th.** 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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