

The Good News

Emmanuel United Methodist Church | NOVEMBER 2023

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PASTOR'S DESK

Reverend Kim Uchimura, Senior Pastor

Greetings in the Name of Jesus!

I can hardly believe that it's November already! Since November is the month of Thanksgiving, we are changing our Offertory time for this month. Rather than a spoken Offertory Prayer, we will be singing the Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" each Sunday in November. It used to be a weekly part of worship and we thought using it again during this time of thanks giving would be special for us.

While we all think of being thankful during Thanksgiving, gratitude can and should be expressed throughout the year, particularly as we share our gratitude to God for all that we are and all that God has provided. Gratitude is appropriate at all times and all places because God has provided for us so well. I hope you have begun a gratitude journal, writing down the three things you are thankful for each day. If not, it's never too late to begin.

This year, Advent does not begin until the first Sunday in December, which is December 3rd. As a result, Christmas Eve falls on the same Sunday as the Fourth Sunday of Advent. We will observe the fourth Sunday of Advent on December 24th in the morning and then we'll observe Christmas Eve that evening at 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. I pray you will plan to be with us at both worship opportunities Christmas Eve. In addition, we have been invited to observe Blue Christmas together with those from multiple United Methodist Congregations at Trinity United Methodist on December 21st. I'll make sure the details are available to you soon. Remember, Blue Christmas is a service for those who find that Christmas is difficult for any variety of reasons, including mourning for loved ones or simply that the season is not a happy time of year for you. I hope you will attend and if it is in the evening, that you will take advantage of carpooling with others.

Give thanks

As part of our Christmas preparations, we want to once again do an Angel tree for as many of the Prine Elementary families as possible whom we helped through Day for Hope last August. We did this in 2019 and you were all so generous. We will start with the ten neediest families and once their tags have been claimed by someone who will purchase a gift for one or more children, we will continue to add more tags until it's obvious that everyone who wanted to participate by helping a child has done so. We are also working on providing each family a Christmas dinner and pray this will be an annual way of extending our care for these families.

As we enter this season of Thanksgiving, please remember to express your thanks to God as well as to family and friends for whom you are grateful. It's a great practice not just in November but all year long. I am grateful each of you!!

With love in Christ,
Pastor Kim

Advent Book Study

by Rev. Dr. Will Willimon
Heaven and Earth

STILL TIME TO SIGN UP!

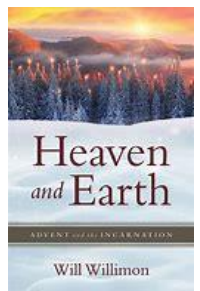
Wednesday's – Starting: November 15
2:30 pm IN PERSON (McCay Hall)

Thursday's – Starting: November 16
6:30 pm on ZOOM

Sunday's – Starting: November 19
10:45 am IN PERSON (McCay Hall)







If you would like to order a book through the church, the cost is \$12.00 (*make check payable to EUMC or provide exact cash*).

Please call the Church Office at 941-792-3497 or email at secretary.eumc@gmail.com if you are interested or have questions.





NOVEMBER 2023 *Give Thanks!*

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
 <p>NOVEMBER</p> <p>We are focusing on collecting, Flour and Sugar for the Manatee County Food Bank. Please drop off your food donations in the church Narthex.</p>			<p>1 Pastor's Small Group- 'ON PURPOSE' 2:30 PM in McCay Hall</p> <p>★ STREAM meeting 4pm - McCay Hall</p> <p>Contact David Brown re/Choir Rehearsal cndnoles@verizon.net</p>	<p>2 Pastor's Small Group- 6:30 PM online by Zoom 'ON PURPOSE'</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> 
<p>5 All Saints Sunday Communion</p> <p>8:30am Coffee Hour McCay Hall</p> <p>9:30am Worship Service</p> <p>10:45am Sunday School McCay Hall</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 Pastor's Small Group- 'ON PURPOSE' 2:30 PM in McCay Hall</p> <p>Contact David Brown re/Choir Rehearsal cndnoles@verizon.net</p>	<p>9 Pastor's Small Group- 6:30 PM online by Zoom 'ON PURPOSE'</p>	<p>10 VETERAN'S DAY HOLIDAY CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>Missional Vital Signs due</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12</p> <p>8:30am Coffee Hour McCay Hall</p> <p>9:30am Worship Service</p> <p>10:45am Sunday School McCay Hall</p>	<p>13 S.T.R.E.A.M. Fall Team Assembly 6:30 PM</p>	<p>14  The Lunch Bunch 11:30 AM Beef 'O' Brady's Call for more info. 863-512-0678</p>	<p>15 Advent Small Group- 2:30 PM in McCay Hall</p> <p>Contact David Brown re/Choir Rehearsal cndnoles@verizon.net</p>	<p>16 Advent Small Group- 6:30 PM online by Zoom</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19</p> <p>8:30am Coffee Hour McCay Hall</p> <p>9:30am Worship Service</p> <p>10:45am Advent Study McCay Hall</p>	<p>20 DECEMBER NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE</p> 	<p>21</p>	<p>22 Thanksgiving Holiday NO Advent Small Groups</p> <p>Contact David Brown re/Choir Rehearsal cndnoles@verizon.net</p>	<p>23 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</p> 	<p>24 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26</p> <p>8:30am Coffee Hour McCay Hall</p> <p>9:30am Worship Service</p> <p>No Advent Study McCay Hall</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 Advent Small Group- 2:30 PM in McCay Hall</p> <p>Contact David Brown re/Choir Rehearsal cndnoles@verizon.net</p>	<p>30 Advent Small Group- 6:30 PM online by Zoom</p>	<p>Lunch Bunch!</p> <p>Come join us for a casual and fun lunch with your church family at Beef O Brady's, 4925 Cortez Road W., on Tuesday, November 14th at 11:30. We'd be happy to see and welcome you! Questions? Call Kayline Lowe, 863-512-0678</p>	



★ **Wednesday, November 1st at 4pm**

You are invited to come to the 2024 STREAM listening session on Wednesday, November 1st at 4:00 in our Fellowship Hall. As we begin the new year, all 15 churches in the Manatee STREAM Justice ministry will be meeting in their individual churches to listen for project suggestions that STREAM might focus on for the coming year. STREAM will continue monitoring the progress on affordable housing and minor driving offense arrests. We'd love to hear from you. RSVP Kayline Lowe, 863-512-0678.





November

ANNIVERSARIES

- 19 Mr. & Mrs. Ken Abbott
- 20 Mr. & Mrs. Pete Chick
- 29 Mr. & Mrs. Dick Isbell

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Jeanette Tudor
- 8 Philip Nilsen
- 11 Ginger Moore
- 12 Gregory Uchimura
- 14 Jan Bashore
- 18 Carol Burrow
- 18 Marvin Tudor
- 20 Jay Barker
- 25 Nancy Newberry
- 27 Janice Myers

If your birthday or anniversary was missed, please contact the church office.

Remembering Our Saints

Emmanuel United Methodist 2023

- Kenneth R. Simmons 08/28/2022
- Cheri H. Melone 10/19/2022
- Tom Dykstra 12/11/2022
- Russell L. DeLand 12/20/2022
- Hazel Cole 02/08/2023
- Mark Constantine 02/17/2023
- Terry M. Goldthwait 03/08/2023
- John Thomas Cragg 04/19/2023
- Betty Keel Unknown
- Harold R. Ruppal 08/27/2023
- Norma M. Ruppal 03/04/2022

Keeping Up

Thank you for being faithful in your giving. It is through your generosity that the church can continue to operate and these gifts are very important and very much appreciated.

Here are the ways you can give to Emmanuel UMC

1. In Person on Sunday Morning
2. Drop off at the office in the mail slot located in the church office door.
3. Mail to the church at:
5115 Cortez Rd. W.
Bradenton, FL 34210
4. Easily online!

You may visit our website online and click the donate button to give digitally. You may also copy and paste the link below into your favorite web browser:

<https://www.eumcbradenton.org/online-giving>

Dear Emmanuel Church Family & Friends

Please remember these and our dear ones in Assisted Living, Hospital and Homebound in your prayers.

Recent Requests

- Corky Parker
- Grayson Posewitz
- Jim Warrender
- Juanita Deffendall
- Kris Bennett
- Paul Pante
- Sharon Locasio
- Teresa Schmitt
- Tom Mastropletro

Continuing Concerns

- Anita Hobbs
- Bill Deutsch, Jr.
- Debbie Chick
- Doris Abston
- Duane & Mary Bollinger
- Freda Divan
- Heang Prom
- Ira Bashore
- John Bookheimer
- John Deffendall
- Juanita Clark
- Karen Blanchard
- Katherine Peterson
- Kay Austin
- Mike Poling
- Nan Merrill
- Pete Chick
- Phil Nilsen
- Rick Newberry
- Sara Wannemacher
- Sharon Roach
- Sharon Shoemaker
- Steve Arnold

NEEDING PRAYER?

If you would like to be added to the listing of prayer requests please feel free to reach out to our Assistant Pastor Gayla Gabrielse at 941-792-3497 or email: mickeykids2@gmail.com

Church Stats

Record of Faithful Giving Weekly Budget \$ 5,530.00

OCT.	General Offering
10/1	\$ 4,948.00
10/8	\$ 3,576.54
10/15	\$ 2,881.00
10/22	\$ 2,175.00
10/29	N/A

OCT.	Sunday Attendance
10/1	51
10/8	53
10/15	59
10/22	57
10/29	N/A

Sunday School Bible Study

OCT.	10:45am
10/1	12
10/8	13
10/15	13
10/22	13
10/29	N/A

SEPT. Online Viewers

	FB	YOUTUBE
9/3	0	25
9/10	N/A	30
9/17	N/A	14
9/24	N/A	11





Daily Bible Reading

NOVEMBER 1-30

- Nov.1: Luke 13-14
- Nov.2: Luke 15-16
- Nov.3: Luke 17-19
- Nov.4: Luke 20-21
- Nov.5: Luke 22-24
- Nov.6: John 1-2
- Nov.7: John 3-4
- Nov.8: John 5-6
- Nov.9: John 7-8
- Nov.10: John 9-10
- Nov.11: John 11-12
- Nov.12: John 13-14
- Nov.13: John 15-17
- Nov.14: John 18-21
- Nov.15: Acts 1-2
- Nov.16: Acts 3-4
- Nov.17: Acts 5-7
- Nov.18: Acts 8-9
- Nov.19: Acts 10-11
- Nov.20: Acts 12-13
- Nov.21: Acts 14-16
- Nov.22: Acts 17-18
- Nov.23: Acts 19-20
- Nov.24: Acts 21-23
- Nov.25: Acts 24-26
- Nov.26: Acts 27-28
- Nov.27: Romans 1-3
- Nov.28: Romans 4-6
- Nov.29: Romans 7-9
- Nov.30: Romans 10-12

A NOTE FROM GAYLA

Gayla Gabrielse, Assistant Pastor

Thanksgiving is fast approaching and we will be joining with family and friends for a special time of sharing and thanking God for all our blessings. It is my hope, and perhaps a Thanksgiving wish, that more people would remember to thank God daily, not just in one season of the year, for his great faithfulness to us. Also, as we join with our dear ones, I pray that we would remember just how special we are to each other and put aside all bad feelings and baggage we might carry and assume an attitude of forgiveness and love.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Gayla

11/2014



Our New Members

Nancy Van Der Walde
Ebenezer Yankyera



Here is a wonderful opportunity to help some children from Prine Elementary with their Christmas wish lists.

We will have a tree decorated with names of the children that Emmanuel assisted during the Day for Hope event at Prine Elementary School.

Be watching for more details coming soon. Thank you so much in advance, for your generosity!



Poinsettias \$7

This year we will again be getting our annual poinsettias from Cortez Kiwanis Club. They are lush, florist quality poinsettias.

100% of all proceeds are used to assist the youth of Manatee County. Order forms will be available mid-November. Orders and payment are due no later than Sunday, December 10.



Have you arrived back in town for the season? Please let the church office know by stating it on your Sunday Connect card, or by contacting the church office at 941-792-3497. Please include any information you would like the church to be aware of (address, email, birthday, anniversary, etc.). Thank you!



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