

THE HERALD



March 2019

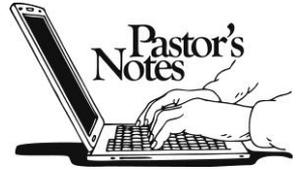
**Sunday School at 9:00AM
Sunday Worship Services at 10:15AM
2nd Saturday Contemporary Service at 6:00PM**

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“Dust and Blood”

One of the greatest opportunities our 21st Century culture has is to connect the media of our time with our beliefs that find their demonstration of our beliefs in Word and Sacrament ministry. The Marvel Cinematic



Universe has done this for nearly 10 years, providing a new roadmap for how movies are made and how to get a new generation of followers to come and consistently buy tickets to see the movies. The church has the greatest opportunity to capitalize upon this road map. However, a choice needs to be made, will we change with the times, or will we like in the latest Marvel movie *Infinity War*, fade into “**Dust**”, because we are unwilling to consistently come and receive God’s Grace freely given unto us through Jesus Christ Body and “**Blood**”!

Lent which will begin this month is a season that begins with the reminder that ‘we are **dust**’ and ‘to **dust** we shall return’ and ultimately ends with the shedding of the innocent ‘**Blood**’ of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! The willingness of Jesus to sacrifice Himself was in order to offer us eternal life. This gift of grace and sacrifice where Jesus Christ shed His ‘**Blood**’ for our ‘**dust**’ in order for us to be given eternal life is another opportunity for we His followers to choose not only life, but follow a road map that will not only change us, but ultimately take us to our eternal destination in heaven with Him.

As we see the landmarks that rise around us as we travel these weeks between Transfiguration and Easter, we possibly will eat some ‘**dust**’ and during the tough times where we scrape our skin, see some ‘**blood**’. Yet, every journey also provides an opportunity to see and experience in a ‘new’ way ‘old’ familiar things. So during the Lenten Season, we will be exploring on Wednesday’s and Sunday’s how our hymnody connects to our lessons and deepens our faith and our relationship with God and how we can experience anew the grace that God offers us through His Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ! This is also an opportunity to invite others to hear God’s message of salvation for us and for all of mankind through the words and music of our hymns.

As we follow the roadmap of the hymns and delve deeply into their connection with Holy Scripture and God’s gift of salvation. It is my personal prayer that though ‘we are **dust**’ and to ‘**dust** we will return’, God will use our Lenten time to hear and heed God’s gift of song in a way that will demonstrate clearly Jesus willingness to shed His ‘**blood**’ for us and for all of mankind!

Yours In Christ, Pastor Darian L. Hybl

MARCH

Lessons for Worship



3/3 Transfiguration

Deut 34:1-12; Ps 99; Heb 3:1-6; Luke 9:28-36

3/6 Ash Wednesday

Joel 2:12-19; Ps 51:1-13; 2 Cor 5:20b-6:10; Matt. 6:1-6, 16-21

3/10 First Sunday in Lent

Dt 26:1-11; Ps 91:1-13; Rom 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13

3/17 Second Sunday in Lent

Jer 26:8-15; Ps 4; Phil 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35

3/24 Third Sunday in Lent

Ezk 33:7-20; Ps 85 (antiphon: Ps 85:8); 1 Cor 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9

3/31 Fourth Sunday in Lent

Is 12:1-6; Ps 32 (antiphon: Ps 32:11); 2 Cor 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32



Praying for YOU...

We continue to pray for several Emmanuel members at each worship service. Please keep these members in your prayers throughout the week. The members being prayed for this month are:

- † **March 3:** Steve Cehovin, Edward & Nancy Zimmerman, Bill & Marian Weihe, Jolene Byford
- † **March 10:** Pastor Warren Smith, John & Leanne Salava, Denise Jones, Evan McWilliams
- † **March 17:** Jane Graw, James & Janet Troxell, Tom & Debbie Fetsick, Rosemarie Maholage
- † **March 24:** Mac & Mary Lou McDonald, Jay Mindy & Madison Kuczek, John & Kathy Jacoby, Melissa Gustafson
- † **March 31:** Robert Jordan & MaryAnn Sinwell, Vincent Berardinelli Jr., Dick & Sandy Lester, Jessica Jaszcar



March Birthdays!!!

03/1 Vincent Berardinelli, Jr.
03/1 Serenity Wee
03/2 Bill Rivardo
03/3 Edward Zimmerman
03/4 Jonathan Hiener
03/6 Laura Bruns
03/9 Marlyn Mandalay
3/10 Kathy Potter
3/12 Sarah Borgia
3/12 Danette Hunter
3/12 Rachael Smith
3/16 Howard Weigold
3/23 Ed Datemasch
3/24 John Jacoby



3/24 Karen Kuczek
3/24 James Zimmerman
3/26 Rick McWilliams
3/27 Kierah Seidling
3/27 Gayle Wertz
3/28 Danielle Hiener
3/28 Emily McWilliams
3/30 Vickie Kincade
3/30 Mac McDonald
3/31 John Ridenour

If we have missed anyone or have incorrect information, please let the secretary know so the correction may be made.

Don't forget...



Altar Guild

We are looking for new members of the Altar Guild.

**Friends of the Altar Guild
are welcome to join us.**

Any questions, please call Donna Berardinelli
at 724-744-4130



Christian Life

And we believed Punxsutawney Phil when he declared we would have an early Spring! I'm patiently waiting as I am sure you are doing the same. Soon the snow will fade, the rains will come and then the flowers will bloom as they always do and we will be happy again.

So sorry we had to cancel the Afternoon Games Day as the Franklin Regional School District cancelled that day due to the frigid temperature...which means we cancelled because of the frigid temps. We will have another game day in May; however, we had the February 24 Sunday Movie matinee to look forward to...right after Sunday service where we gathered in Heritage Hall to see a movie called "Joshua". This best-selling novel by Joseph Girzone has touched the hearts of many with the story of a stranger arriving with only his tools to a neighborhood in need. And wasn't it nice not to have to worry about lunch? Hot dogs (with toppings), popcorn, Rotel dip and tostitos, chips and dip, brownies and drinks and more.

And, just about when the rains finish, we begin our trek through Lent with the Shrove Tuesday Pot Luck on March 5 and then each Wednesday till Easter Week. Did you notice the sign-up sheet in the narthex that allows for you to bring a dessert this year? Although Ebbie will have the distinction of solo confirmation gal, she and her sponsor will be showcasing her signature dessert. I know who I'm voting for...

Dorothy signed on to the Bible Study class venturing through "Acts." Pleased I was not the only one "learning"...this is not something to be afraid of – actually a little bit of knowledge is worthwhile. Come join us every other Wednesday for 1 ½ hours, bring something to drink (no, Ed, not beer) and come away with, "I learned something new today." Remember...Come Grow With Us!

Emmanuel Lutheran Church Women



Wednesday, March 6, 2019 9:30AM

- **Assembling "Thinking of You" baskets**
- **Work Day - Kitchen**

Devotions: Peggy Lewis

Hostesses: Gayle Wertz, Jeanne Yargar

Program Rep: Kathy Potter

Saturday, April 6, 2019 9:00AM-12:30PM



Program: WNALC Mid-Northeast
Mission District Spring Gathering
Speaker: Rev. Dr. Amy Schifrin, STS
(President, NA Lutheran Seminary)

Continental breakfast & lunch \$6.00

- **9:00-9:30 Registration**
- **9:30-12:30 Program & Business Meeting**
- **12:30 Lunch**

Hostesses: Women of Emmanuel

Program Rep: Jeanne Yargar

Please remember we need your support!

Weather Policy



Cancellation of worship and congregational events seldom occurs, BUT when EXTREME winter weather makes for unsafe conditions it may become necessary to do so. In the event of worship or other cancellations, the decision will be made 2 hours prior to the scheduled time of an event. The recorded message on the church phone (724-327-2190) will provide notice of any cancellation AS WELL AS radio KDKA 1020AM and KDKA TV will be notified to provide notice of a cancellation. In any bad weather, we urge our members to use good old-fashion common sense when coming out to worship and other events. While God desires our praise and worship, God certainly doesn't want us to risk our safety and become injured in any way.

Youth activities

Youth Group/W-DOGS

March 17, 5-7 PM	Movie Night @ ELC
April 14, 5-7 PM	Easter Theme
May 12, 5-7 PM	TBD

Weekly text reminders & devotions are being sent. If you and your friend(s) would like to attend youth events, please let Dan Plance, Youth Group/W-DOGS Leader, know at 412-965-8904 or plance92@gmail.com.



Mutual Ministry Minute



The Mutual Ministry Committee of Dana Hillman, Ron Smith and Karen Kuczek would like to thank the many members of the congregation who took the time to speak to us about their hopes and concerns.

We presented the data first to Pastor then to council. The issues are being addressed. Now it is time for all of us, working together, to make Emmanuel the church we all want.

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March 2019 Schedules

If you are unable to serve, please find a substitute and notify the office.
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DATE	SERVICE	ASSISTING MINISTERS	ACOLYTES		GREETERS	USHERS	ALTAR GUILD	
3/3/2019	Sunday	John Jacoby		1	David & Mary Whipkey	Mack & Karen Flood	Donna Berardinelli	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
3/6/2019	Ash Wednesday	Lou Hiener			<i>Volunteers Needed</i>	Scout Sunday (Alex Foust & Scout)	Donna Berardinelli	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
3/10/2019	Sunday	John Jacoby		1	Ernest & Suzanne Carns	Scott & Karen Duff	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
3/13/2019	Lenten Service	Holly Pelusi						
3/17/2019	Sunday	Sally Seidling		1	Lee & Arlene Woodward	Howard & Debbie Weigold	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
3/20/2019	Lenten Service	Steve Cehovin						
3/24/2019	Sunday	Michele Hiener		1	James & Karen Kuczek	Dave Yargar & Steve Cehovin	Karla Gustafson	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
3/27/2019	Lenten Service	Karla Gustafson						
3/31/2019	Sunday	Fred Schamber		1	David & Jeanne Yargar	Dan Hunter & John Jacoby	Jeanne Yargar	Jan Fiorina

DATE	SERVICE	COUNTER TEAM		NURSERY	COMMUNION BREAD	ALTAR FLOWERS
3/3/2019	Sunday	Kyle Lysher	Jim Lewis	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	Karla Gustafson	By Mark and Alma Heyl celebrating 39 years of marriage.
3/6/2019	Ash Wednesday	Stan Casper	Dick Lester			
3/10/2019	Sunday	Stan Casper	Dick Lester	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	Sarah Borgia	
3/13/2019	Lenten Service					
3/17/2019	Sunday	Stan Casper	Dick Lester	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	Sarah Borgia	
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Thank you to all who serve!



FISCAL YTD FINANCIAL INFORMATION AS OF		
31-Jan-19		
Contributions	Budget	Funding Gap
\$ 56,040.00	\$ 51,181.00	\$ 4,859.00
Funding Gap – Contrasts the Congregations giving with annual Pledges and Budget		
Contributions	Expense	Cash Flow
\$ 56,040.00	\$ 49,000.00	\$ 7,040.00
Cash Flow – Contrasts actual spending with General Fund Contributions		

Notes of Thanks...



Dear Emmanuel Lutheran Church,

Thank you so very much for again supporting our 2018 Murrysville Night of Lights event. By providing a craft at Night of Lights, you helped enhance our event and I know the guests really enjoyed it as well. We really do appreciate your continued support of Night of Lights.

We look forward to working with Emmanuel Lutheran Church for this important community event again in the future and hope that you can join us at next year's celebration, always the first Friday in December from 6-8 pm at Town Square on Old William Penn Highway. Thank you most sincerely for your collaboration,

*Amy Wengrzyn
Recreation Coordinator
Municipality of Murrysville*



Dear Pastor Hybl and the people of Emmanuel,



Once again we have the joy of thanking you for your continued partnership in our medical mission to the people of Haiti. Each time we write a letter of thanks to you and the people of Emmanuel we are touched by your faithfulness in caring for those in need as our Lord did.

Our gift of \$1097.00 will provide much needed support for our new clinic facility. Our plan is to open the clinic as early as possible in 2019. This new facility will provide clean water and privacy for our patients and the ability to offer a greater range of medical care with exam tables, relief from the sun, and even a small lab to determine more specific diagnoses. We are extremely proud of the fact that almost 100% of all money donated to TGSF goes directly to providing care for the people we serve who have little other opportunity for healthcare in their rural community.

In seven years we have provided medical care to over 20,000 individuals and our new clinic space excites us beyond belief. It is truly the grace of God and gifts like yours that allow us to work towards expanding our

services from immediate health needs to long term community well-being through this new clinic .

In addition, we are currently partnering with a local Haitian Rotary for a Rotary Global Grant for a brand new water project. A clean sustainable water supply, our next big project, will facilitate continued disease prevention and family health. We have secured an international Rotary sponsor and have raised almost \$9,000 of the \$22,000 needed from U.S. Rotaries to submit a Rotary Global Grant for \$73,500 to build 13 latrines and 25 wells. More info to follow as we move forward on this particular project.

God bless you in your continuing ministry in the name of Jesus.

*Michele Sindey, President
The Rev. & Mrs. Robert P. McGurn*



Scouting Update

Highlights from last month's activities . . .



Troop

208

Export, PA

Every year Troop 208 has our annual ski trip at Seven Springs Ski Resort. So, on February 2nd, six Scouts, four adults set out for the slopes. We left as a group from Emmanuel Lutheran Church at 8:00. Once we got to Seven Springs, we gathered once again as a group and got our lift tickets and skis. The scouts and adults that rented skis had been in line for about an hour before they could get on the slopes. That day was so busy because of the conditions. Fresh snow from the days before, moderate temperatures, and blue skies. It can't get better

than that. We stayed out until 1:00 before we got hungry and went in for lunch and had some nice warm pizzas. After lunch we headed back out to finish off the day. Most of us left around 5:00 because they had been skiing since 9:00 that morning. Some stayed behind a couple more hours.

Overall it was a fun and successful trip like always. Troop 208 will definitely be returning next year!



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-Rev. Jeff Zito*

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CROP HUNGER WALK

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



2018 CROP HUNGER WALK SUCCESS STORY – THANKS TO ALL!

Church World Service (CWS), organizer of the annual CROP Hunger Walks around the country, has completed the national tabulation of funds and matching grants received from local walks like the one we held last October 14. We recently received a check from CWS for \$1,624.25 that represents the portion from our walk that has been returned for use in the Murrysville area.

Walkers of all ages from 7 local congregations and Girl Scout Brownie Troop # 46716 raised \$6,497.00 last October to fight hunger around the world. Each year, 25% of the total raised in each Walk comes back to the local area to help those in need. These local funds have already been distributed equally between the Murrysville Loaves and Fishes Emergency Food Pantry and the Westmoreland County Food Bank distribution centers located at Mother of Sorrows and Cornerstone Ministries. Our congregation raised a total of \$170.00! Local walk chairperson Roger Schneider wishes to thank all those who walked and everyone who contributed so generously. Be sure to mark Sunday, October 13 on your calendars as the date of the 2019 Murrysville Area CROP Hunger Walk!



**"And may the Lord reward you for your kindness ..."
(Ruth 1:8)**

Dear Congregation of Emmanuel,

February 22 marked one month since my coming on board as your new secretary. In reflecting on this time that has flown by so quickly, I simply want to thank you all for being so welcoming, patient, and supportive during the transition. I have been blessed by your compassion, generosity, and willingness to assist me and thank God each day for the blessing of such an amazing opportunity to serve Him by serving you. I look forward to meeting more of you in the upcoming months and helping you with your ministries any way I can.

In humble gratitude,

Gloria



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lent
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prayer
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reconciliation
sacrifice
sorrow
spring

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 - Memorials: Dana Fetter
 - Nursery: Donna Berardinelli
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The deadline for the APRIL Herald will be

March 16th ~ Thank you ~