

### **Emmanuel United Methodist Church**

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#### **Happening at Emmanuel in February 2020**

Sunday February 9th - 10 am Worship & Sunday School

Age Level and Family Ministry team meeting after worship

Wednesday February 12th - 7 pm Trustee Meeting

Sunday February 16th - 10 am Worship & Teen and children's Sunday School,

Tuesday February 18th - 6:30 pm Administrative Board

Sunday February 23rd - 10 am Worship & Teen and children's Sunday School, Noisy Can Collection

Ash Wednesday February 26th - TWO Services One at 12 Noon followed by a light lunch,

The other traditional Ash Wednesday service at 7pm

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#### **Pastor's Corner**

In a court of law one takes an oath on the witness stand to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. Truth is important in all phases of life. Whether or not one goes to heaven depends on knowing and abiding in the truth of God's word. Jesus says, "And

you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32). What is truth? Jesus in praying to God says, "Sanctify them by Your truth. Your Word is Truth" (John 17:17). Only the truth that is contained in the Bible can make us free from sin so we can go to heaven.

If one does not learn and believe God's word in the Bible, he will be eternally lost. If one believes the truth of god's word he will obey everything it says. If one claims to believe God, but does not obey Him, he is not telling the truth. 1 John 2:4 says, "He who says, I know Him, and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him."

We cannot pick and choose which of the commandments of God's word we are going to obey. "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness" (Romans 1:18).

Truth is not determined by a majority vote. All the religious error of the world will not change God's truth. Jesus says, "He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him, the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day" (John 12:48). On Judgment Day all people will be judged by the truth of God's word. It will be the standard of judgment. Any part of truth must not be set aside or rejected. Truth is still truth whether it is accepted or not. We must teach the whole truth. If we shun to teach the whole truth of God's word, we will be guilty "of the blood of all men" (Acts 20:26). In order to go to heaven, we must obey the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth of God's word. And in obeying it Jesus says, "Be faithful until death and I will give you the crown of life" (Revelation 2:10).

God Bless

Pastor Mark

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**February Birthdays** 

February 6 – Judy Hamilton

February 9 – Betty Leibelsperger

**February 10 – Catherine Lenhart** 

February 22 – Wayne Krueger

#### **February Anniversarys**

February 14 - Dan and Sue Miller

February 21 - Donna & Tom Knarr

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# **Prayer Concerns for February**

Please remember the following members in prayer

Catherine Lenhart, Eleanor Wolf, Nancy O'Rourke, Todd Becker

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# **Smiles and Joys for February**

# Fun Questions with no apparent answers:

- 1. If poison expires, is it more poisonous or is it no longer poisonous?
- 2. Which letter is silent in the word "Scent," the S or the C?
- 3. Do twins ever realize that one of them is un planned.
- 4. Why is the letter W in English called double U? Shouldn't it be called double V?
- 5. Maybe oxygen is slowly killing you and It just takes 75-100 years to fully work.
- 6. Every time you clean something, you just make something else dirty.
- 7. The word "swims" upside-down is still "swims"
- 8. 100 years ago everyone owned a horse and only the rich had cars. Today everyone has cars and only the rich own horses.

# Vagaries of English Language!

Why isn't a Fireman called a Water-man?

How come Lipstick doesn't do what it says?

If money doesn't grow on trees, how come Banks have Branches?

If a Vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a Humanitarian eat?

How do you get off a non-stop Flight?

Why are goods sent by ship called CARgo and those sent by truck SHIPment?

Why do we put cups in the dishwasher and the dishes in the Cupboard?

Why do doctors 'practice' medicine? Are they having practice at the cost of the patients?

Why is it called 'Rush Hour' when traffic moves at its slowest?

How come Noses run and Feet smell?

Why do they call it a TV 'set' when there is only one?

What are you vacating when you go on a vacation?

Did you know that if you replace "W" with "T" in "What, Where and When", you get the answer to each of them.

#### **OLD AGE**

The older I grow, the more I distrust the familiar doctrine that age brings wisdom. H. L Mencken

When I turned two I was really anxious, because I'd doubled my age in a year. I thought, "If this keeps up, by the time I'm six I'll be ninety." Steven Wright

You don't appreciate a lot of stuff in school until you get older. Little things like being spanked every day by a middle-aged woman, stuff you pay good money for in later life. Emo Phillips

Do not worry about avoiding temptation, as you grow older it will avoid you. Joey Adams

True terror is to wake up one morning and discover that your high school class is running the country. Kurt Vonnegut

I don't feel old. I don't feel anything until noon. Then it's time for my nap. Bob Hope

I was thinking about how people seem to read the Bible a whole lot more as they get older. Then it dawned on me: they're cramming for their final exam. George Carlin

First you forget names, then you forget faces, then you forget to pull your zipper up, then you forget to pull your zipper down. Leo Rosenberg

You know you're old when your walker has an airbag and they've discontinued your blood type. Phyllis Diller (My favorite Phyllis Diller joke: It's been so long since I cleaned my oven I can only bake one cupcake at a time.)

I'm getting so old my insurance company sends me half a calendar. Rodney Dangerfield

I don't plan to grow old gracefully. I plan to have face-lifts until my ears meet. Rita Rudner

You know you're getting old when you get that one candle on the cake. It's like, "See if you can blow this out." Jerry Seinfeld

Age is a very high price to pay for maturity. Tom Stoppard

I thought growing old would take longer. Anon.

Growing old is mandatory, growing up is optional.

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New Opportunities – The Church is always looking for new ideas to meet the needs of God's people – to bring them into the Kingdom and into a closer relationship to our Lord. See Pastor Mark or submit any ideas to the administrative board.

**Reminder:** The last Sunday of every month is Noisy Can Collection Day. Save your pocket change to make a joyful noise (in our cans.) The money goes into the Trustee's fund for minor repairs or purchases needed for the building. Thanks to all who contribute!

<u>Reminder - Newsletter Deadline</u>— If you have <u>articles</u> or humor items for the March Newsletter be sure to email them your newsletter editor, Dick Tracy, at <u>dtracy@ptd.net</u> or call or text him at 610-207-2016 <u>not later than Wednesday February 26th.</u> <u>We are always looking for articles/photos stories or jokes so PLEASE</u> email me with anything you feel appropriate to share!