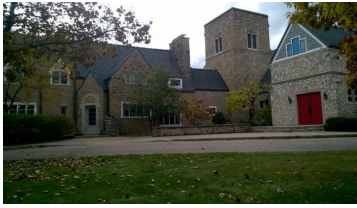


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*We worship God and follow Jesus Christ, learning
and growing together in the Holy Spirit to serve in
the world. We will love and welcome ALL.*

VESTRY NEWS **SEPTEMBER 2018**



When the nights become cooler, and the days grow shorter, I have an overwhelming urge to sharpen yellow pencils. Do we ever outgrow it? I can smell the pencil shavings. I like to buy essay books, the old fashioned kind, and new pens, along with one of those big pink erasers which have become my main tool in working crossword puzzles.

You don't have to wear a backpack to know that September brings new beginnings.

And here we are, new beginnings at Emmanuel Episcopal Church. We have entered a period of change and transition. We have celebrated Father Greg's ministry at Emmanuel, and we have mourned his separation from us. We are in a good place. We have active lay leaders, and vital cell groups (thank you Fr. Greg!). Our building is in good shape- remember the buckets are gone, the leaks are healed, the undercroft is, dare I say, inviting?! All good things.

Your vestry has been working overtime, to plan for transition. The Music Search committee holds the record for number of emails this week. They are swift and awesome in their pursuit of a new Director of Music Ministries. I expect great things!

I believe that we will have a good search for a new rector, but let's be patient about it.

We have an opportunity to try new things, and to get our house in order. We may have gotten comfortable in our old ways and need a little infusion of fresh energy and Spirit.

This will be accomplished by the Interim Rector, a person with special training in making the path smooth before a new rector is called.

Meanwhile, sharpen your pencils! Each one of you can make a difference, just by doing the usual things and maybe trying one thing more. We need coffee hour hosts, we need gardeners. We need Sunday school teachers and helpers. As we sang in that last hymn on Sunday, it's time to "Sing to the Lord a new song. He has done marvelous things! I too should praise Him with a new song".

Blessings,

Sandy P Selden
Senior Warden

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES SEARCH UPDATE

The search for an enthusiastic candidate who can encourage and grow our choirs, connect with our Northern Michigan musical community, and become an integral part of Emmanuel and our ministries continues!



Our Position Description has been posted on three sites, and on our own website and Facebook page. As a result we have been blessed with several high quality candidates, and recently conducted a few preliminary screening telephone interviews. Our posted position is open until September 4, so please help us spread the word to anyone you know who might be interested in applying.

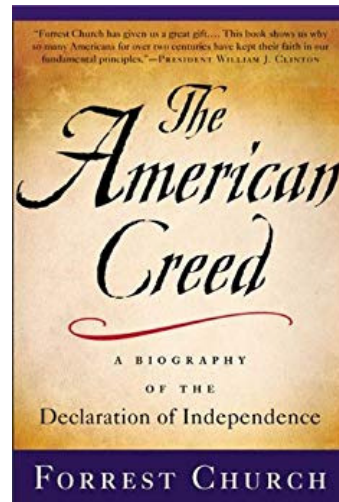
Members of our search team include: Nancy and Bruce Turner, Kay Farrimond, Jessica and Tim Tippett, Mark Thomsson, Father Greg, Randy Evans and Nina Wagar.

Thank you for your prayers and continued support,

Nina Wagar and Randy Evans

"FAITH AND FRIENDSHIP - Exploring Christianity today and beyond"

Look for the sign-up sheet on a bulletin board in the entry for the new book club that will be meeting at the home of Bill Nicholson - "Faith and Friendship - Exploring Christianity Today and Beyond". This first meeting is on September 18th at 7:00 pm. For the first meeting of "the season" we'll be doing two things. First we'll be discussing *The American Creed: a Spiritual and Patriotic Primer*, by Forrest Church, which Bill has selected - and secondly we'll be setting up our list of books for the upcoming season. Please come prepared with one or two suggestions for the group. (The reason for "one or two" is the possibility that two people may suggest the same book!) This book club is open to anyone and everyone. Sign up now for the September 18th meeting and call Nancy Nicholson (231-373-3900) if you have any questions.



PASTORAL CARE

Our purpose is to provide a ministry of hope and caring so that no one in our congregation needs to be alone.

Father Greg's announcement last month of his call to another Parish, and his departure, has left our Church family with mixed emotions. While we are happy for Father Greg and his family, we also feel a deep loss here at Emmanuel. Pastoral Care is here to help us as we go through the grieving process



of saying good bye. We will reach out to you at church or through phone calls, emails, and text messages, but you may contact us as well.

We are available to provide communion, transportation, deliver meals, and to visit you at home or in the hospital. We offer prayers as well as compassionate listening. Please let us know if you or anyone could benefit from our ministry by calling Sharyn Ollife 248.909.5862 / or the church office 231.347.2350

Reclaiming Jesus: A Confession of Faith in a Time of Crisis

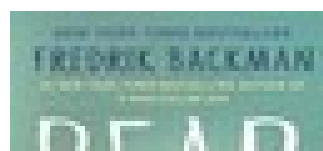
Please join us for a 9-week series focusing on how we as Christians respond to current events and issues happening both locally and nationally, and what we can learn from the Bible and Jesus' teaching. It is based on the declaration signed by our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, along with with 22 other Christian leaders. Reclaiming Jesus: A Confession of Faith in a Time of Crisis (reclaimingjesus.org) affirms that it is the church's role to change the world through the life and love of Jesus Christ. Jesus says "By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:35). The purpose of this study is to encourage conversation, prayer, and reflection as we listen and share our faith with each other. It is open to the larger community, and is being promoted in local churches.



The sessions will be held at Emmanuel Episcopal Church with a soup supper at 5:30 pm followed by the program 6:30 - 7:30, on Wednesday evenings: September 12, 19, 26, October 3, 10, 17, 24, and November 7 and 14. (We will skip Halloween.) Dave and Carolyn Penniman will serve as leaders, and also coordinate the food, asking volunteers to bring soup and other items, as well as set up and clean up. (We will begin taking sign-ups at the first meeting.)

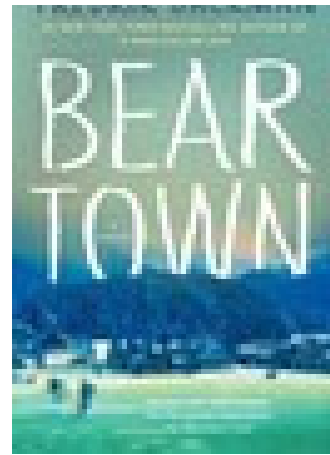
Please RSVP to (231) 347-2350 or email: office@eecpetoskey.org

NEWS FROM EMMANUEL'S BOOK GROUP



We will be kicking off our 2018-2019 season on Monday September 10 meeting at 7pm at the home of Joy McBride and hope to accomplish two things.

First, we'll be discussing "Beartown" by Fredrik Backman. Beartown is a tiny community nestled deep in the forest and is slowly losing ground to the ever-encroaching trees. But down by the lake stands an old ice rink, built generations ago by the working men who founded this town. And in that ice rink is the reason people in Beartown believe tomorrow will be better than today. Their junior ice hockey team is about to compete in the national semi-finals, and they actually have a shot at winning. Beartown explores the hopes that bring a small community together, the secrets that tear it apart, and the courage it takes for an individual to go against the grain. In this story of a small forest town, Fredrik Backman has found the entire world.



Our second task will be building our list for October 2018 - June 2019. To that end, please bring one or two books that you would like to see discussed. Fiction, non-fiction, biography, historical - the sky is the limit. Our only "rules" are that you have read the book (not something someone told you "is the best book I've ever read") and that it's available in paperback.

For more information, please contact Nancy Turner at taketurns1106@gmail.com

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COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE:

September 2 The Streets

September 9 The Kellers

September 16 Blessings & Generosity Parish Breakfast

September 23 TBD

September 30 TBD

BIRTHDAYS:

Sept. 1 William King

Sept. 5 Caroline Farley

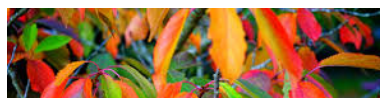
Sept. 5	Louise Graham	Sept. 6	Claire Audia
Sept. 6	Sharyn Olliffe	Sept. 9	Shirley Burns
Sept. 13	Jenna Brown	Sept. 13	Susanne Hempstead
Sept. 14	Bentley Fisher	Sept. 14	Lachlan Fisher
Sept. 16	Denise Evans	Sept. 16	Sarah Kuckelman
Sept. 16	Marilyn Martin		
Sept. 17	Judith Heil	Sept. 17	Mary Wieter-Hord
Sept. 20	Anthony Audia	Sept. 23	Tom Bernardin
Sept. 23	Carolyn Farley	Sept. 23	David Kuckelman
Sept. 25	Michael Farrimond	Sept. 26	Kent Cartwright
Sept. 27	Nancy Nicholson	Sept. 28	Mary Jo Keller
Sept. 28	Ellen McGill	Sept. 30	Tegan Hagan

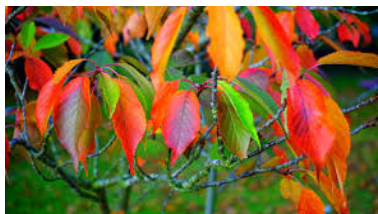


CELEBRATE!!

ANNIVERSARIES:

September 2nd: Balky & Patricia Grannis
September 3rd: Tom & Carol Smith
September 6th: Richard & Susan Causley
September 7th: William & Virginia King
September 8th: Jim Harrington & Molly Cotant
September 10th: John & Tracy Goble
September 11th: David & Carolyn Farley
September 12th: Johnny & Nicole Viterbo
September 15th: Leland & Mary Kreid
September 18th: Russell & Christine Carpenter
September 18th: Peter & Lauri Hartmann
September 22nd: Bruce & Nancy Turner
September 24th: James & Laurissa Wendland
September 26th: Larry & Sharyn Olliffe
September 26th: Kevin & Leah Cell





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<u>September 2</u>	<u>September 9</u>	<u>September 16</u>	<u>September 23</u>	<u>September 30</u>
RITE I Service: Dennis McGeath	RITE I Service: Ernie Mainland, Josephine Cabana	RITE I Service: Lynn Duse	RITE I Service: Dennis McGeath	RITE I Service: Ernie Mainland, Josephine Cabana
RITE II Service: LEMs: Tim Tippett - 1st Randy Evans	LEMs: Tom Hord- 1st Randy Evans	LEMs: MaryIn Graham- 1st Frank Hawthorne Gretchen Lamarche	LEMs: Tim Tippett - 1st MaryIn Graham	LEMs: Tom Hord - 1st Frank Hawthorne
POPs: Ann Warfield	POPs: Richard Kelbaugh	POPs: Sharyn Olliffe	POPs: Gretchen Lamarche	POPs: Dottie Hawthorne
LECTORS: Cricket Kelbaugh	LECTORS: TBD	LECTORS: Richard Kelbaugh	LECTORS: Mike Farrimond	LECTORS: DJ Jones
ACOLYTEs: Van Atchison - Crucifer Mike Atchison 2 TBD	ACOLYTEs: Juliana Liebler - Crucifer 2 TBD	ACOLYTEs: Lillian Lamarche - Crucifer 2 TBD	ACOLYTEs: Avery Sears 2 TBD	ACOLYTEs: Josephine Cabana 2 TBD
USHERs & GREETERs: Bill & Ginny King	USHERs & GREETERs: Bruce & Connie Booth	USHERs & GREETERs: Sarah Mosser, Joan Neubrecht	USHERs & GREETERs: Ashley Price, Wendy Price	USHERs & GREETERs: TBD
CHURCH OPENERs: DJ Jones	CHURCH OPENERs: Jeremy Rakoniewski	CHURCH OPENERs: Lynn Duse	CHURCH OPENERs: Bruce Koch	CHURCH OPENERs: DJ Jones
ALTAR GUILD: Karel Howse	ALTAR GUILD: TBD	ALTAR GUILD: MaryIn Graham	ALTAR GUILD: MaryIn Graham	ALTAR GUILD: TBD
COFFEE HOUR: The Streets +	COFFEE HOUR: The Kellers +	COFFEE HOUR: Blessings & Generosity Parish Breakfast	COFFEE HOUR: TBD	COFFEE HOUR: TBD
VPOW: Frank Hawthorne	VPOW: Joan Holec	VPOW: Tim Tippett	VPOW: Tim Tippett	VPOW: Nina Wagar
ATE COORDINATOR: David Farley	PLATE COORDINATOR: Ben Ernsberger	PLATE COORDINATOR: F/D Hawthorne	PLATE COORDINATOR: A/S Spence	PLATE COORDINATOR: Franz Neubrecht



Check our website for the latest, up to date happenings at Emmanuel by clicking the link to our Church Calendar [here](#).

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Joyce Riordan, Clerk
Randy Evans
Joan Holec
Karel Howse
Gretchen Lamarche
Timothy Tippet
Nina Wagar

Your EEC Staff Members:

Vacant, Rector
Vacant, Music Director
Leah Cell, Office Manager
Christina Cartwright, Altar Guild Director
Patricia Dovalina, Nursery Provider
Vacant, Janitorial Service

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