

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Emmanuel Community UMC News for December 21st

Included this week:

Sanctuary Worship
Celebration Worship
Yeshua's Book
Discipleship Ministries and UMC
Holiday-Church Office Hours
Women's Ministry New Book Study
Children's Market Place
Obituary

You will be able to access Christmas Eve Worship in the Sanctuary, at any time on Christmas Eve from the website or using one of these links.

On YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCITwxGiUUFV-OqYLXSR1p5w/>

On Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EmmanuelCommunityUMC>

Christmas Eve Celebration Service-December 24th at 4:00pm via Zoom

Grab some Legos and hop on zoom at 4:00pm on Christmas Eve for an interactive worship service. Don't have any Legos? Stop in the church and grab a handful or two from the cart in the narthex. With or without Legos, you are sure to enjoy this opportunity to hear the Christmas story in a new way. We will listen to scripture, sing our favorite Christmas hymns, and take a few breaks to build shapes and symbols to remind us of the reason for the season. You are welcome to participate with your camera on or off - whatever makes you comfortable. Feel free to share the meeting link with friends and family who might enjoy this unique opportunity. If you have questions, contact Angie Sardina (angies@ec-umc.com).

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85390308371?pwd=d2NBSXVCaFhveHFLV2E0ZnVMZ3hKdz09>

Meeting ID: 853 9030 8371

Passcode: 744470

We Appreciate Your Participation!

Thanks to everyone who participated in our Advent Yeshua's Memory Box activity. Thanks also to those who shared it with family and friends. The Children's Ministries Team hopes this provided opportunity for meaningful discussion in your homes as your family prepared for the birth of our Savior. Be sure to put the book and memory box in a safe place and plan to make it an Advent tradition in your home. There are a handful of books and one treasure box remaining in the narthex. Stop by if you'd like to make it yours.

Watch the Worldwide Virtual Christmas Choir Videos!

You've seen the videos of choirs and studio singers coming together (digitally) to sing uplifting songs and hymns, creating works of art that in times like these are needed and incredibly inspiring. Watch as hundreds of United Methodist come together with unified voices to celebrate

the birth of Christ our Savior. This year Discipleship Ministries and UMCCom have created two amazing versions for you to enjoy this Christmas season!

Access the videos here:

[Discipleship Ministries | Watch the Worldwide Virtual Christmas Choir... \(umcdiscipleship.org\)](#)

Holiday Church-Office Hours:

December 24, 28, 29, 30: 9:00am-12:00pm

December 25, 31, January 1, 2021: Church Office Closed

There will be no email/letter going out on Monday, December 28th, 2020

Pastor On-Call

During the week of December 27th Pastor Sean will be on-call in case of emergencies. He can be reached on his cell phone at **262-853-9895 for emergencies only**. Pastor Jerome will also answer any **emergency emails** if need be at sahabanj@tcd.ie.

Pastor Sean will also be in the office on Monday the 28th and Tuesday the 29th of December from 9:00-12:00. We will be celebrating Holy Communion on January 3rd, Pastor Sean will have the individually wrapped communion cups available for pick-up at those times.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Going forward into next year, all information needing to go into the weekly email/letter, needs to be received in the office no later than Monday mornings by 10:00am.

Women's Ministry Book Study – Resumes January 7th

Join us for our next book study, "Jeremiah – Daring to Hope in an Unstable World" by Melissa Spoelstra. In the book of Jeremiah, we will find God calling out to His people with a message of hope—a message that intentional living is possible even in an unstable world. This is a 6-week study, supported by a DVD. A 20-30 minute daily reflection/reading is encouraged with this study, through the participant guide. [Jeremiah Participant Guide](#)

We will meet via zoom at 7:00pm on Thursday evenings.

RSVP to Peg Heinen at pegheinen@yahoo.com

Children's Market Place

When there's a will, there's a way! This year's Children's Market Place will look different than ever before, but we are determined to give children and youth an opportunity to sell their handmade crafts to benefit our 2021 Children's Mission Project, Promised Land Ranch. Watch for a date and details, and in the meantime encourage your children and youth to spend some time during their school break creating unique crafts to sell. If you've never participated and would like to know more, please contact Karenb@ec-umc.com.

Dorothy Smith, member at Emmanuel Community since 2013.

Born April 8, 1928, Born to Eternal Life December 14, 2020 at the age of 92. Preceded in death by her loving husband Harry K. Smith of 46 years.

Mother of Christine (Steve) Stenz, Edward (Deborah) Taulman, and Robert Taulman. Loving Step-Mother of Judy (Bob Johnson), Janice (Paul) Mac Comber, and the late Gary Smith. Loving grandmother of 12 and great-grandmother of 5. She will be missed by many extended family and friends.