



The Messenger

March/April/May 2022

From Darcy+

If you read the weekly email news from February 10, you know that the Rector Search Committee came to the decision to reopen the search. If you missed it, it is reprinted on page 4 of this edition of *The Messenger*.

Committee chair Libby Rice wrote: “While we are disappointed to have to ‘begin again,’ we are steadfast in our quest to present the name(s) of candidates to the Vestry who would be the best possible person to replace our Darcy+. We appreciate your continued prayers.”

Since being commissioned at the end of August 2020, the Search Committee has devoted countless hours and worked diligently to develop a parish profile and create a portfolio of information about Emmanuel for clergy seeking a new ministry call. Their work included a complete revision of the parish website, a comprehensive survey of parishioners, as well as holding multiple focus sessions on Zoom. Their goal: to present an accurate picture of Emmanuel, and an accurate description of the priest this parish is seeking to call as its next rector. Once candidates’ names were received, they began the important work of interviewing these applicants. A Rector Search is more than just “job placement.” The relationship between rector and parish is one grounded in prayer, inspired by the Holy Spirit, and centered on God. It is a special relationship, and the process of calling a new rector cannot be rushed.

To that end, the Vestry and I wrote to Bishop Marray requesting another extension to my time of ministry as your priest-in-charge during this transition. He has agreed to another 12-month extension, should the search take that long. While this is beginning to feel a little like “Groundhog Day,” I am pleased to be able to tell you I will continue to be with you here at Emmanuel for a while longer!

Let’s see what new and exciting things God has in store for us as we take the next steps in our journey together. Peace and blessings,
Darcy+

Worship Schedule

Sundays

8 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II,
with music &
Sunday School

Wednesdays

12 Noon

Holy Eucharist, with
Anointing for Healing

Senior Warden’s Corner

Kudos to the Search Committee! Not just for all their hard work on their assigned task, but for their courage in saying that they had not seen a candidate that would fit with Emmanuel, so they are starting again. It could not have been an easy decision.

A restart is disappointing, but I am confident that there is a candidate meant for Emmanuel out there and the Search Committee will find that person. We have been saying the prayer for Search for a Rector together every Sunday for more than two years. And I am sure that during the week, we add our own prayers. Perhaps it’s time to redouble our efforts – to pray without ceasing for the Holy Spirit to sustain and inspire the Search Committee and to whisper in the ears of potential candidates, that Emmanuel and Chestertown would be a great place to further their ministries.

In all of this transition, we have been more than blessed to have Darcy, as our priest-in-charge, who has enabled Emmanuel to remain strong and to continue to live out our mission to serve God, through worship, stewardship, and outreach.

As we move into Lent and the Easter season, this will be a wonderful time to take advantage of both penitential and joyous time to uphold us in the transition. Keep hanging in there, everyone.

Blessings, Sandy

Did You Know . . .

. . . that **Tom Mack** has been appointed and confirmed by Vestry vote as the fourth Trustee of or The Emmanuel Preservation Fund (aka Preservation Trust)?

. . . that **Stephanie LaMotte** will join Joe Holt for a performance at The Mainstay on Friday evening, March 4, at 8 PM? Tickets are available at www.mainstayrockhall.org or by calling 410-639-9133.

. . . that the **154th Convention of the Diocese of Easton** will be held via Zoom and available to be viewed on Facebook on Saturday March 5 beginning at 9 AM?

. . . that the **Emmanuel Concert Series** will resume with an organ recital by Bruce Barber on March 11 at 7:30 PM? The series will continue on April 8 with a concert performance by Krista Rakich, and conclude with a performance on April 29 by Ken Cowan?

. . . that the total of **cash distributions** in support of outreach programs from Emmanuel during 2021 was **\$37,361.18** from private donations, Emmanuel's Outreach budget, and the Rector's Discretionary Fund, plus **\$10,000** from the Bazaar?

. . . that **The Giving Tree** supported 11 families with 18 children? A total of 116 gifts plus 25 Acme and Redner's gift cards, and several hand-knitted items from the Bazaar were donated. Additional cash donations totaling \$1385 allowed us to purchase the few gift items that were not "taken" from the tree and to donate \$1005 to the Community Food Pantry in January of 2022.

. . . that **Brown Bags Against Hunger** collected and distributed 48 bags of food (4 bags per month) to Social Services during 2021 to help families dealing with food insecurity?

. . . that our **Eucharistic Visitors** are again able to take Communion out to our home-bound parishioners? If you would like a visit, please contact Darcy+.

VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS from January and February

- Approved the budget for 2022.
- Approved resuming Coffee Hour in February once COVID positivity rates decline to below 10%.
- Received reports from the Vestry liaisons to the various parish committees, including the Stewardship Committee. It was noted that pledges have continued to come in, allowing the Vestry to approve a balanced budget for 2022.
- Appointed a committee to work with the Wardens on the wording and placement of a plaque on the exterior of the church building recognizing the role enslaved persons played in the construction of our church building from 1766-1782. The committee will also assist in obtaining the appropriate permissions from the Maryland Historic Trust and the Chestertown Historic Commission for displaying the plaque on the exterior of this historic building.
- Approved hosting the Artist Fellowship Exhibit of work created by the five Kent County fellowship artists (Bogey Brown, Allen Johnson, Jason Patterson, Mike Pugh, and Gordon Wallace) who were commissioned to interpret one or more stories of African American history collected by Chesapeake Heartland. The exhibit is being presented by the Kent Cultural Alliance and Chesapeake Heartland.
- Discussed lifting the indoor mask mandate for fully vaccinated persons in accordance with the guidance issued by Governor Hogan. Decided to wait until COVID transmission levels fall further before changing our mask requirements.
- Approved a letter requesting Bishop Marray approve a 12-month extension for Darcy+ as Emmanuel's priest-in-charge.

An Important Next Step in the History of Emmanuel

by Sandra Bjork

As you may remember, last summer and fall, as a result of the research and fine writing by George Shivers and Darcy, there was a series of articles about the history of Emmanuel culminating the handsome trifold display in the Parish Hall. Quoted here is significant statement from those writings, "..., *it has become apparent that the history of Emmanuel Church, Chester Parish, is inextricably intertwined with the history of slavery in Maryland.*"

The Vestry has talked about a good way to acknowledge and respond to that history. Our first steps were the educational efforts of last fall. We examined the ways other churches, institutions, and communities were addressing their own complicated histories "inextricably intertwined with slavery." The approaches were many and varied.

Darcy found a particularly meaningful wording on a plaque at St. James, Hamilton Square, New York City in an article on this topic. The Vestry decided that a similar plaque on an outside wall at Emmanuel would be an appropriate acknowledgement. The language below was fashioned and approved by the Vestry and presented to the parish at the Annual Meeting:

In solemn remembrance of and with gratitude for those enslaved persons who through their involuntary labor and sacrifice made possible the founding and preservation of this church, originally named Chestertown Chapel, 1766.

The Vestry of Chester Parish, Emmanuel Church, 2022

A committee (Frank Durkee, George Shivers, and Edith Foley with the Wardens) is currently considering design possibilities and the best location for placement of the plaque. Once that work is completed, the applications for approval to place a plaque on an exterior wall of the church be submitted to the Maryland Historic Trust and the Chestertown Historic District Commission.

Stay tuned for updates in the Messenger and weekly E-Mail News.

Upcoming Diocesan Youth Events

To learn more about both of these opportunities, and to register for either or both, go to <https://dioceseofeaston.org/youth/>

April 29th - May 1st: The Youth Summit, themed "Journey", at Camp Wright is a weekend retreat for 6th-12th graders. We'll worship together, explore relevant topics, develop leadership skills, and just enjoy a little time on the shore of the Chesapeake Bay. The Youth Summit is led by high school juniors and seniors in our Diocese. **Cost: \$75/person all-inclusive; Deadline to Register: March 15th.**

July 24 – 29, 2022: Summer Mission Trip to Charleston WV.

Our Diocese has a long history of mission trips and we hope to continue that moving forward. This year's partner organization, **Youthworks**, makes sure that our groups work *alongside* community members and leaders, to "help students experience God in a new way, to empower young leaders to put their faith into action, and to join in what God is doing all around the country." Anyone in 6th grade and above, including parents and adult leaders, are welcome to join us. **Cost: \$600/person all-inclusive; Deadline to Register: March 15th.** There will be a Mission Team - Pre-Trip Gathering: Sunday, June 12th 2:00pm-6:00pm (Location TBD).

Search Committee Update

At our Search Committee meeting two days after Emmanuel's Annual Meeting, we came to the decision to reopen our search with the Office of Transition Ministry. Our Profile will again be posted on the national website for a period of 6-8 weeks. Priests who are interested in the position of rector at Emmanuel will apply to the Reverend Patrick Collins, who is the Transition Officer for the Diocese of Easton. He will run a preliminary 'Red Flag Check' on any candidates and then send any who qualify to us, for our process of discernment to begin. It is likely that that will happen some time in May. While we are disappointed to have to 'begin again,' we are steadfast in our quest to present the name(s) of candidates to the Vestry who would be the best possible person to replace our Darcy.+

We appreciate your continued prayers.

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Lent 2022

We hope you will join us on Ash Wednesday, March 2, at either noon or at 6 p.m. as we enter into the season of Lent. This is the time, as our Prayer Book reminds us, when we are "invited to the observance of a Holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word." It marks the beginning of a liturgical season dedicated to reminding us of what God has done and continues to do for us in our daily lives. By focusing on God's message of forgiveness and absolution, we are called to renew our commitment to Christ and his church as we reflect on Jesus' life, death and glorious resurrection.

As we all adjust to living our lives in the shadow of the COVID pandemic, we are all making constantly revised decisions about our comfort level in returning to church and church-based activities, as well as other indoor programs and events. Knowing this, the Vestry joins me in inviting you to participate in any or all of these opportunities for prayer and study this season:

Holy Eucharist: Ash Wednesday with Imposition of Ashes at noon and 6 p.m.

Every **Wednesday** at noon.

Every **Sunday** at 8 a.m. and at 10:30 a.m.

Lenten Program: "Entering the Passion of Jesus, a Beginner's Guide to Holy Week" every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall, beginning **Wednesday, March 9**. This 6-week program has both a video and a discussion component. In it, author, professor, and biblical scholar Amy-Jill Levine explores the biblical texts surrounding the Passion story. She shows us how the text raises ethical and spiritual questions for the reader, and how we all face risk in our Christian experience.

Weekly Bible Study: every Wednesday at 11 AM, discussing the scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday.

ONLINE: "Lenten Storytelling with Bishop Porter Taylor" Sunday evenings, March 6 -April 3, 6 – 7:30 PM with The Retreat House. See: <https://retreathousehillsboro.org/>

During Holy Week we will have our traditional service of Holy Eucharist on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday service at noon, Tenebrae with the choir Good Friday evening. Watch the weekly email news for more details.

Holy Week Services

- Palm Sunday, April 10: Blessing of the Palms and Holy Eucharist, 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- Maundy Thursday, April 14: Service of Holy Eucharist with Stripping of the Altar, 6 p.m.
- Good Friday, April 15: Good Friday Prayer Book Liturgy at 12 noon with Communion from the Reserved Sacrament.
Tenebrae Service, 7:30 p.m.
- Easter Sunday, April 17: Joyous celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord.
Watch the E-Mail News for times of the services.
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The 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church

by Sandra Bjork

It isn't often that a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity happens twice! That has happened for those of us who have lived in Maryland for the last 25 years! We have been able to participate or observe two General Conventions of the Episcopal Church up close and personal. In 1997, the General Convention was in Philadelphia and from July 7 – 14, it will take place in Baltimore.

One of our fellow parishioners had the opportunity to serve as a deputy - seven times - our own Nancy Dick.

For me, it was a one-day bus trip to Philadelphia from my former church in Bethesda and this year, I will have the honor and privilege to be a lay deputy to Convention from the Diocese of Easton. I will serve with four clergy – the Rev. Mark Delcuze, the Rev. Mary (Garner) Friel, the Very Rev. Charlie Osberger, and the Rev. Canon Patrick Collins, and three other lay persons – Eddie Vance, Charlotte (Peaches) Meyer, and Jim Kamihachi. There are four alternates for each order.

I was both thrilled and overwhelmed in Philadelphia. I did not know very much about the business of the Convention, but standing in the auditorium and participating in Noon Day Prayer service with the Presiding Bishop and more than 900 deputies and other Episcopalians was a memorable moment.

The Diocese of Maryland is the host for the Convention and is coordinating volunteers. There are many opportunities to help. If you are interested in volunteering, the 2-Step process begins by completing an online form (https://dfms.formstack.com/forms/volunteer_interest) or call to Caroline Bomgardner at 410-467-1399, ext. 1379. This link will be provided in the Email News.

Maybe an Emmanuel day trip to spend time in Baltimore would be a good way to have a bit of the experience of the General Convention. If anyone is interested in helping to plan and organize or simply be on the bus, please let me know. July will be here sooner than we think.

A Special Opportunity for Rev. Darcy

I will be away from March 14-23, taking advantage of a unique opportunity, and spending some time with family. My daughter is presenting a paper at a conference in France and, since her eight-year old daughter is on Spring Break during that time, she decided to take her daughter, and invited me to accompany them. How could I say “no”?!

Emmanuel will be in good hands with the Vestry in charge and the Rev. Eleanor Ellsworth taking services on March 20! Thanks for giving me the time to go with them.



Welcome to Emmanuel's Newcomers!

by Elizabeth Riedel

Anne Scott moved here from Charlottesville, Virginia. Her parents Jane and Tony Scott moved here 30 years ago; Jane lives at Heron Point is a member of the congregation and her late father's ashes are in the Emmanuel Garth.

A medical anthropologist, Anne is currently working remotely as Executive Director of the Center for Geospatial Solutions at the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy. The institute specializes in using data and analysis to help people make smart decisions for land conservation, water management, and climate change adaptation. Her area of expertise is in the effects of environmental and climate change on public health.



Background:

Anne grew up in Wilmington, Delaware and spent weekends at her grandparents' farm in Easton, MD. She went to Tower Hill School in Wilmington and St. George's School in Middletown, Rhode Island. She studied Fine Arts as an undergraduate at the University of Pennsylvania and later earned PhD in anthropology there.

She has two sons: Harrington is 21 and attends Auburn University in Alabama, and Benaiah, 19, who is a sophomore at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond. She has brown Lab named Lola and a Jack Russell terrier named Flurry.

Interests:

She loves to sail, kayak and walk Lola and Flurry at Turner's Creek. She recently enjoyed reading *Late Migrations* by Margaret Renkl and *Miss Benson's Beetle* by Rachel Joyce.

Getting Away:

Like many of us, Anne prefers to be on the water and chooses the Chesapeake Bay and Buzzards Bay in New England for vacation. She says, "As long as I am on the water, I am happy and relaxed."

Drew Berding just moved here from Sisters, Oregon (Central Oregon near Bend) to join Heron Point when an apartment is available. In the meantime, he is staying with his daughter Stephanie LaMotte and her husband Richard.

Background:

He was born in Washington, D.C., and attended high school there where he met his wife, Marilyn. He earned a degree in electrical engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) in Troy, NY. After graduation he headed out to San Jose, California to work at IBM. For 35 years he was part of the Silicon Valley crowd, starting several companies.



Marilyn brought him three wonderful children: Stephanie, Ken, and Keith, seven grandkids, and many great grandkids. They were married 53 years until she died from early-onset Alzheimers. He later married a wonderful woman named Clare who died after three years from a massive stroke. Despite the heartaches and losses, he affirms that he has "been so blessed by God."

Interests:

He loves to study and write about the Bible---God's loving revelation of Himself to us. He writes an inspirational blog at DrewBerding.blog.

The Reverend Allen & Gwen Spicer moved to Heron Point from Bethany Beach, Delaware in January after living there four and a half years. They previously lived in Baltimore for 33 years, and on the Eastern Shore for 19 years. They have two daughters (Karen & Jennifer) and three grandchildren.



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Their younger daughter, Karen, was born in Chestertown and now lives in Wrightstown, NJ with her husband, Dave, and her son, Davis. Karen and Dave's daughter, Madison, lives in Bethany Beach.

Jennifer was born in Easton when they lived in Denton, and now lives in Huntsville, AL with her husband, Will, and daughter, Katie. Katie is following in her mother's and her grandfather's footsteps as a counselor at Camp Wright.

Background:

Gwen is a graduate of Western Maryland College (now McDaniel College). Her work included teaching nursery school in Easton, serving as Administrative Assistant in a school financial office in Baltimore, and working with The Corporation which provides care for widows, widowers and orphans of Episcopal clergy in the Dioceses of Easton, Maryland, and Washington (D.C.).

Allen is a graduate of Western Maryland College and the Virginia Theological Seminary. He was the 29th Rector at Emmanuel from 1968-1972. Prior to coming to Emmanuel he served as an assistant Rector in two places in Baltimore, and as Rector at Christ Church, Denton. Following his years at Emmanuel Allen served as Dean of Trinity Cathedral, Easton, as well as Assistant to the Bishop of Easton. He also was Director of Camp Wright from 1965-1983. He was Rector at Nativity and Holy Comforter on Cedarcroft Road in Baltimore from 1984-1998.

Interests:

Gwen loves music and enjoyed singing with the Baltimore Symphony Chorus. She has played the flute since fourth grade and plays the piano. She enjoyed hiking in the Rideau Lakes area in southern Ontario as a child, and now enjoys the trails in Assateague Island National Seashore. Gwen enjoys reading and stays in contact with her book club in Baltimore.

Allen enjoys hiking, and found trails in the Grand Tetons and the Algonquin Provincial Park were especially challenging. He loves going to baseball games (he's an O's fan) and is now exploring minor league teams. Allen stays in contact with folks from Camp Wright. His reading interest is U.S. history, church history and current events.

Getting Away:

The Spicers recently visited Ithaca College (Maddi graduated in 2021), Lynchburg University (Davis is a junior), and High Point University (Katie is a freshman).

Their more far-reaching travel included Africa, Australia/New Zealand, Bermuda, Canada, Europe, the Middle East and the West Indies. Gwen had the opportunity to be a supporting chaperone for a school trip to Ecuador; and, as a participant on a school trip to China with their daughter, Karen, and granddaughter, Maddi, who was studying Chinese at the time.

...And This Is...

Sandy Bjork, our Senior Warden, calls herself a New Englander but she also considers herself a Marylander after living for over 50 years on the Western and Eastern shores. She is a cradle Episcopalian, and her faith has shaped her life in many ways. She says she has been privileged to have played leadership roles at her previous parish of St. Luke's Bethesda, including the installation of a 64 foot labyrinth.



Background: She was born in Connecticut and grew up in Berkshire County in Massachusetts surrounded by fine music, theater and dance. She attended many performances at Tanglewood, the summer home for the Boston Symphony, and Jacob's Pillow, an innovative dance center.

She spent most of her working life in various aspects of nursing, including direct patient care, utilization review, and case management. Late in her career, she earned a law degree and spent the last years before retirement assisting radiologists to develop guidelines and standards for their profession.

Interests: Music, especially singing, and traveling are among her favorite activities in her leisure time. She also enjoys gardening and watching the birds at the feeders, particularly the hummers.



Music Notes

Emmanuel Concert Series Resumes

The 28th season of the Emmanuel Concert Series continues this spring with three recitals on the beloved Harrison & Harrison organ:

Friday, March 11 at 7:30, Bruce J. Barber, organist and Director of Music at Christ Church, Christiana Hundred will return to play works by Buxtehude, Bach, Mendelssohn, Boulanger, and Tournemire. Bruce has quickly become a favorite performer with thoughtful programs and brilliant playing.



Friday, April 8 at 7:30, Christa Rakich, Visiting Professor of Organ at Oberlin College in Ohio will play on the series for the first time. Prof. Rakich is an internationally known recitalist and prior to her time at Oberlin was on the organ faculty of the New England Conservatory of Music. Known especially as a Bach interpreter, she also plays a wide repertory of works by less-performed composers.



Finally, **Friday, April 29 at 7:30, Ken Cowan**, Head of the Organ Program at Rice University will make his twenty-fifth appearance on the series. Ken is beloved of Emmanuel audiences and we're delighted to finally celebrate his (much postponed) Silver Jubilee with us.



Tickets for all concerts are \$20, available at the door. Contact the parish office with questions about the series.

Directory Updates

Frank Durkee—e-mail address: fdurkee@oconorhomes.com

Steve Croker—402 Osprey Court, Chestertown, MD 21620

The Rev. Allen & Gwen Spicer—452 Egret Court, Chestertown, MD 21620

Anne Scott—112 Riverside Terrace, Chestertown, MD 21620

Drew Berding—9104 Point Lane, Chestertown, MD 21620

Emmanuel Hosts An Artist Fellowship Exhibit Thursday – Sunday, March 18 – April 1, 2022

The Kent Cultural Alliance (KCA) is excited to present an exhibition of work by five Kent County Artists selected and commissioned to interpret one or more stories of African American history collected by the Chesapeake Heartland: An African American Humanities Project (CH). A panel of six (three KCA Board Members and three CH Steering Committee members) selected the five artists: Bogey Brown, Allen Johnson, Jason Patterson, Mike Pugh, and Gordon Wallace.



Painting by Allen Johnson

John Schratwieser, Director of the Kent Cultural Alliance, shares that “The Chesapeake Heartland Project has been an extraordinary community-wide and county-wide project. It has been our privilege here at KCA to play a small part and to help bring these important stories of American History to light through art.”

The Exhibition will open on Friday, March 18, 2022 with a reception from 5 - 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall at Emmanuel. The artists’ work, in various media such as digital photography, portraiture, ceramics, painting and digital art, will be on display for two weeks. Exhibit hours are Thursday - Saturday, 11 am to 4 pm and Sunday from 1 pm to 4 pm from March 19 through Friday, April 1. There will be an “Artists’ Talk” on Saturday, March 19 at 12 noon, and a closing reception on Friday, April 1 from 5 - 7 p.m. The exhibit and all talks and receptions are free and open to the public. Masks are required inside Emmanuel Church & Parish Hall.

Ranging in age from 25 - 83, the five artists are a mix of lifetime residents of Kent County and relatively new residents, coming from a wide range of backgrounds. These artist fellowship awardees have brought their talents to this project and have helped the KCA to achieve its goal of using art to create access to stories the general public might otherwise not know about.

Kacey Stewart, Assistant Director for Programs and Experiential Learning at Washington College’s Starr Center for the Study of the American Experience said, “The way the five fellows explore Kent County’s African American history in new and creative ways through art really speaks to the power of community members interpreting their own history. We could not be more excited by this partnership with the Kent Cultural Alliance.”

The Kent Cultural Alliance is a 501c3 organization focused on service to and support of artists and arts organizations for the purpose of engaging the people of Kent County through creativity. www.kentculture.org
Chesapeake Heartland: An African American Humanities Project is an innovative new collaboration between Washington College, the Smithsonian’s National Museum of African American History and Culture (NMAAHC), and a broad array of community partners in Kent County, a rural area on Maryland’s Eastern Shore. The project’s name derives from the Chesapeake region’s identity as the heartland of African American history and culture since the arrival of the first Africans at Jamestown in 1619. Kent County, where Washington College is located, is in many ways a microcosm of that history, with its own rich and diverse African American heritage dating back nearly four centuries. www.chesapeakeheartland.org



Portrait and Frame, by Jason Patterson

Ceramic by Mike Pugh.

The encircling text reads:

Harriet Tillison was not allowed to speak for herself when she was tarred and feathered for helping the enslaved to escape. June 23, 1858, Chestertown, Maryland



CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

EVERY WEEK

KNIFTY KNITTERS—Meets each Monday at 1 p.m. in Dwyer Hall.

CHOIR REHEARSAL—Choir rehearses every Tuesday from 5—6:30 p.m., and every Sunday morning, beginning at 9:30 a.m. (*subject to change*)

BIBLE STUDY—Each Wednesday at 11 a.m.

MID-DAY EUCHARIST WITH ANOINTING FOR HEALING—Each Wednesday at noon; the service lasts about 30 minutes

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS—Meets each Thursday evening, 8 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Please Note: **Masks are required for all who are participating in indoor activities at Emmanuel, until further notice. Thank you for your cooperation.**

MARCH

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, ASH WEDNESDAY

Services at 12 noon and 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2 P.M.

Heron Point Eucharist

Wesley Hall, Rev. Frank St. Amour

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 7:30 P.M.

Organ Concert featuring Bruce Barber

SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 12 –2 P.M.

Vestry meeting

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 8 A.M.

St. Andrew's Brotherhood Breakfast

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 11 A.M.—5 P.M.

Kent Cultural Alliance Exhibition set-up

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 5-7 P.M.

Kent Cultural Alliance Exhibition

Opening Reception

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 11 A.M.—4 P.M.

Kent Cultural Alliance Exhibition open to public;
artist talk at 12 noon

SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 1—4 P.M.

Kent Cultural Alliance Exhibition open to public

**THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, MARCH 24-26,
11 A.M.—4 P.M.**

Kent Cultural Alliance Exhibition open to public

SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 1—4 P.M.

Kent Cultural Alliance Exhibition open to public

THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 11 A.M.—4 P.M.

Kent Cultural Alliance Exhibition open to public

APRIL

FRIDAY, APRIL 1

11a.m.—4 p.m. Kent Cultural Alliance Exhibition open
5-7 p.m.—Closing Reception

SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 11 A.M.—3 P.M.

Kent Cultural Alliance Exhibition break-down day

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2 P.M.

Heron Point Eucharist

Wesley Hall, Rev. Darcy Williams

FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 7:30 P.M.

Organ Concert featuring Christa Rakich

SUNDAY, APRIL 10

Palm Sunday services at 8 & 10:30 a.m.

Vestry Meeting, 12 noon—2 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 14—MAUNDY THURSDAY

Service of Holy Eucharist, with Stripping of the
Altar, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15—GOOD FRIDAY

Office closed in observance of Good Friday

Good Friday service at noon

Service of Tenebrae, 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 18—EASTER MONDAY

Office Closed

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 7:30 A.M.

St. Andrew's Brotherhood breakfast

FRIDAY, APRIL 29 7:30 P.M.

Organ Concert featuring Ken Cowan

MAY

SUNDAY, MAY 1—BISHOP'S VISITATION

THURSDAY, MAY 5 & FRIDAY, MAY 6

Garden Club May Mart

THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2 P.M.

Heron Point Eucharist,

Wesley Hall, Rev. Frank St. Amour

SUNDAY, MAY 15, 12-2 P.M.

Vestry meeting

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18—7:30 A.M.

St. Andrew's Brotherhood Breakfast

FRIDAY, MAY 26

Feast of the Ascension

MONDAY, MAY 30—MEMORIAL DAY

Office Closed

FLOWER MEMORIALS, PARISH PRAYER CYCLE

Worship in March

March 6 (LA) Lent I

Flowers: No Altar Flowers during Lent

Parish Prayer Cycle: Melissa Clarke; Ginger & Tom Collier; and Sid Cooper

March 13 (LA) Lent II

Flowers: No Altar Flowers during Lent

Parish Prayer Cycle: Lawson Cording; Steve Croker; Mary Booth Davis; and Betty De Jong

March 20 (LA) Lent III

Flowers: No Altar Flowers during Lent

Parish Prayer Cycle: Nancy & Tom DiAngelo; Alec Dick; and Nancy Dick

March 27 (LA) Lent IV

Flowers: No Altar Flowers during Lent

Parish Prayer Cycle: Karen & Gerry Dockstader; Penni Walker Doyle; and Sandee & David Durfee

Worship in April

April 3 (LA) Lent V

Flowers: No Altar Flowers during Lent

Parish Prayer Cycle: Kathy & Frank Durkee; Mackey Dutton; the Rev. Eleanor Ellsworth; and Jenifer Emley

April 10 (R) Palm Sunday

Palms: James Thomas & Kathryn B. Ozman, Martha & Harvey Horsey, Olivia & William Bringman, and Anne Gray Daly

Parish Prayer Cycle: Brenda Fazekas; Barbara Fertig; Suzanne Fischer; and Karen & Richard Fitzgerald

April 17 (W) Easter Sunday

Flowers: Easter Memorials

Parish Prayer Cycle: Theodosia Fitzgerald; Joan Flaherty; Rollie Flynn; and Edith Noordewier Foley

April 24 (W) Easter II

Flowers: Easter Memorials

Parish Prayer Cycle: Sara & Shawn Forrest; Jenny & Ricky Freebery; Herb Friedman; Joan Gaffner & Phoebe Kelly; and Ethel Gates

Worship in May

May 1 (W) Easter III

Flowers: Anne Gray Daly

Parish Prayer Cycle: Pat & Doug Gates; Donna & Tony Gibbons-Neff; and Liza, Joe, Lizzy, & Will Goetz

May 8 (W) Easter IV

Flowers: Theodore & Kathleen Landskroener, and Nila Kay Coleman

Parish Prayer Cycle: Lisa, Sal, Denis, & Matthew Grande; Edith Grassi; the Rev. Daniel Gross; and Meg & Leif Gulbrandsen

May 15 (W) Easter V

Flowers: Robert Mark Tyson, and Roland & Nine Fischer

Parish Prayer Cycle: Sally & Pres Harding; Karin & Don Hargy; Nancy & Fred Harmon; and Ann Hedgepeth

May 22 (W) Easter VI

Flowers: Bill Smith, and Olin & Jean Smith

Parish Prayer Cycle: Elizabeth & Brad Hollomon; Samantha Hollomon; Rachel, Brad, Luke, & Eli Hopkins; and Joan & Elmer Horsey

May 29 (W) Easter VII

Flowers: Pieter Verbeck

Parish Prayer Cycle: Darlene Housley; Peggy Huffmann; and John Huntington

June 5 (R) Day of Pentecost

Flowers: Margaret Newcomer & Morris Keene Barroll, Waldo Newcomer Barroll, Ann Athey & David Oakley Vanderpoel Barroll, and Richard Spencer Wethered Barroll

Parish Prayer Cycle: Peggy Hupfeldt; Jerry Hurley; and Mary Hutchison

Notes: Uppercase letters in parentheses indicate liturgical colors:

B=black, BL=blue, G=green, R=red,
LA=Lenten array, P=purple, W=white

Remember—The deadline for the June/July issue of *The Messenger* is **Wednesday, May 18**. Submit your hard-copy articles to the Parish Office, or e-mail them to either emmanuelchestertown@gmail.com, or drdarcy.williams@gmail.com. We would also love to have copies of any pictures of the Parish at work or play for inclusion in future articles.

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