

Your Vestry Wants To Hear From You!

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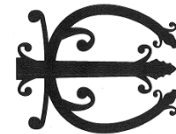
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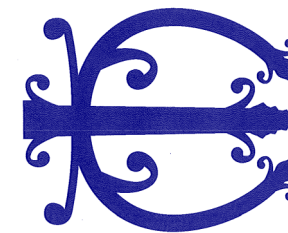
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Sundays—8 AM, 10 AM & Noon

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UPCOMING SUNDAY SCRIPTURE LESSONS [\[lectionarypage.net\]](http://lectionarypage.net)

23 June 2019 — 1 Kings 19:1-4, (5-7) 8-15a; Psalm 43; Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

30 June 2019 — 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14; Psalm 77; Galatians 5:1, 13-25; Luke 9:51-62

CORNELIUS HILL, PRIEST & CHIEF OF THE ONEIDA, 1907

Everliving Lord of the universe, our loving God, you raised up your priest Cornelius Hill, last hereditary chief of the Oneida nation, to shepherd and defend his people against attempts to scatter them in the wilderness: Help us, like him, to be dedicated to truth and honor, that we may come to that blessed state you have prepared for us; through Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.



Calendar Corner

- **Saturday, 22 June, 4:30 PM:** Saturday Family worship with Children's Program.
- **Sunday, 23 June:** Sunday services at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, and 12 Noon. **There is no Sunday School this Sunday.** Fr. Bill Preaching. 1:00 PM: Centering Prayer and Meditation in All Saints Chapel.
- **Tuesday, 25 June at 10:00 AM:** Holy Communion with prayers for healing in the Maryan Room.
- **Saturday, 29 June at 4:30 PM:** Saturday Family worship with Children's Program.
- **Sunday, 30 June:** Sunday services at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, and 12 Noon. **Summer Sunday School begins at 10:00 AM.** Fr. Bill Smith preaching. 1:00 PM: Centering Prayer and Meditation in All Saints Chapel.
- **Tuesday, 2 July at 10:00 AM:** Holy Communion with prayers for healing in the Maryan Room. **11:00 AM:** Staff Meeting in the office.

There will be no Trumpet Newsletter sent on 2 July 2019, but watch for important emails and announcements in church for new news!

#Crafted

Vacation Bible School 2019

22-26 July — 9:00 AM—12:30 PM

Emmanuel Church members and family members can sign up now for our 2019 Vacation Bible School, #Crafted. Forms are available in the back of the church or from the church office. There is a limit of 35 students, so get yours in ASAP. See the website for details: www.emmanuelbelair.org



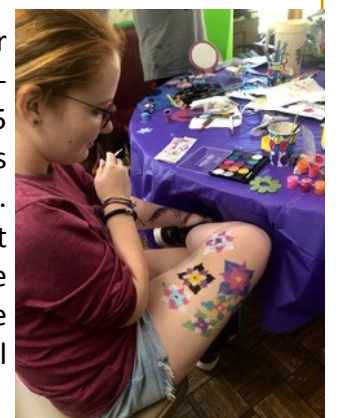
Brochures and Volunteer Registration Forms are available in the back of the church for the **Deacon Joan H. Kelly Memorial Reading Camp** — renamed in honor of our late sister in Christ. The camp is scheduled for **5-9 August 2019 from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM** each day. Volunteers to assist with reading, with refreshments, with organizing playtime activities and to collect and distribute new books to the children participating are most welcome. Even if you have only a few hours to give that week

your help will be greatly appreciated. Contact the office, and we will put you in touch with Bonnie Montalvo, who is coordinating this year.

SEE SOMETHING, SNAP SOMETHING



One of three truck & car loads of pantry items collected on Saturday, 15 June 2019 at Emmanuel's 9th Food Pantry Festival. And there wasn't just "Face Painting" at the crafts tables inside. See more Food Pantry Festival pictures inside.





An Outreach Story

In a recent conversation about Stewardship, one of our members who has some professional experience in fundraising offered a comment about telling “success stories.” Since outreach is such an important element in Emmanuel’s ministry, wouldn’t it be great to hear how our efforts are changing lives? I didn’t have to think twice about this idea, but choosing a story to tell is a little more complicated. The people we help have a right to privacy, especially if they are still struggling with things like illness or homelessness. We see many signs of hope and healing among the regular “visitors” to Emmanuel’s offices, but saying too much would violate their privacy and perhaps even chase them away from one of the few places they can find support.

About two weeks ago, I had an encounter that offered a way to tell a story without compromising any of these concerns. That is because the beginning of the story happened over 25 years ago, when I was serving at Christ Church in Forest Hill. Like any number of small churches, Christ Church did not have a budget line item for Outreach, but instead had a special meeting of the Vestry in early December to determine if there was any money “left over” in the budget for the year to give away. On a budget of about \$120,000 in those days, there was almost always \$3000 or \$4000 that we could divvy up to various causes suggested by members of the congregation.

One year, someone spoke up with an unusual possibility. A family they knew near the church had just split up, the mom leaving dad to be the single parent of a first grade girl. The story was that he was clearly struggling to get his act together to be a good father and create some financial and emotional security for both of them. It looked like it would be a long, upward climb, especially financially. “Let’s give her Christmas,” was the suggestion. The members of Christ Church had already committed to creating Christmas dinner baskets and gifts for a number of families nominated to us by Harford Social Services. But these were always anonymous: the families didn’t know who we were, and we had no relationship with them. Though we were doing a good thing, it was not very satisfying, spiritually speaking.

But here was a neighbor in need, someone we waved “hi” to, even if we didn’t stop to have a conversation. And so the Vestry jumped at the chance. An amount was designated and people assigned to find appropriate gifts for the daughter. Someone made contact with her teacher, and got some sense of what size she was and what she would wear if she could. The teacher also suggested that school supplies and especially books would be welcome in the household. When the presents started to pile up in the parish hall, it was clear that people were spending more than the allotted share from the Outreach offering. On Christmas Eve, a pick-up truck with the back piled high drove into their driveway and delivered Christmas.

It’s been years since I’ve had any contact with daughter or dad, but two weeks ago he and I ran into each other in a local parking lot, and had a chance to catch up. It’s hard to tell how much our gift meant to her in the larger scheme of things, but here are some results. The books helped: she graduated first from HCC and then from another Maryland college, and is living and working on her own. Shortly after that Christmas, her father found a job which he still holds these many years later. He got religion too — literally! He found a church to join, and is taking classes to become a deacon in that denomination.

There are many stories like this that we can tell just here in Harford County. The apartment of a single mom burned in a fire years ago, and she and her daughters were able to find shelter through Holy Family House, now Harford Family House. About a year later they were able to find an appropriate new apartment to move into. And about a year after that, life successfully on track again, she called my wife (who had worked with her to find new employment) to volunteer to be on the HFH board.

Never doubt for an instant that the work we do in outreach, either as individuals or as a congregation, really changes lives. Every bottle of water, every diaper, every can of food we give away has the potential to do just that.

Totidem Verbis (“In so many words”)

Mark Gatza+

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Emmanuel is one of a very few congregations that offers Sunday School during the summer. It takes place during the first half of the 10:00 AM service beginning 30 June 2019 and running through 25 August 2019. SSS is geared for children through 5th grade, though older students are welcome to volunteer as classroom helpers. Each lesson is prepared for an adult volunteer to lead. You can sign up to lead a Sunday or two on the Sunday School Office door in the Slype Hallway. It’s great fun for students and teachers alike.



The Rector gave away 114 Hot Dogs — a new FPF Record!!



Thanks from the FPF Organizers

Emmanuel’s Food Pantry Festival took place this past Saturday, June 15, 2019 and it was a wonderful success (for example, 41 cases of bottled water were donated and that is just the tip of the donation iceberg!).

We thank everyone who participated in any way: baked for the bake sale, donated a basket for the raffle, attended and enjoyed the day, played in the band, provided amazing hot dogs, donated water or snacks, donated money, ran the crafts and face painting, the performing Hoppin’ Hawks, donated treats for children.....you can see the list is long and it took everyone to pull this off so we can continue to serve those in need in our community.

Thank you everyone.



Members of the Third Saturday Band: Peter, Lisa, Bernie, & Debbie. In the Gazebo: Jason and Chris.

