

Your Vestry Wants To Hear From You!

Here is a list of your vestry to contact with any concerns!

Rector –Mark Gatza

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Registrar -- Kevin Fleming

Michael Barton

Joseph Gwiazda

Bonnie Montalvo

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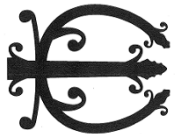
Jim Welch

Susan Maule

Ingrid Riseley

Peggy Lauterbach

Chris Runice



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The Rev'd Canon Dr. Mark Gatza,
Rector

The Rev'd Joan Kelly, Deacon

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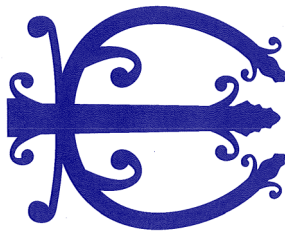
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Services:

Sundays—8 AM, 10 AM & Noon

Tuesdays — 10 AM



THE TRUMPET
EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH
303 NORTH MAIN STREET
BEL AIR, MARYLAND 21014
23 APRIL 2019 – 7 MAY 2019



UPCOMING SUNDAY SCRIPTURE LESSONS

28 April 2019 — Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 150; Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:19-31

5 May 2019 — Acts 9:1-6, (7-20); Psalm 30; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

ELISABETH CRUCIGER, POET & HYMNOGRAPHER, 1535

Pour out your Spirit upon all of your sons and daughters, Almighty God, that like your servant Elisabeth Cruciger our lips may praise you, our lives may bless you, and our worship may give you glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



*Calendar
Corner*

- **Saturday, 27 April, 4:30 PM** — Saturday Family worship with Children's Program. (*The Thrift Shop Fashion show, scheduled for 11:30 AM is sold out!*)
- **Sunday, 28 April :** Sunday services at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, and 12 Noon. . Sunday School begins at 10:00 AM. Canon Gatza preaching. 1:00 PM: Centering Prayer and Meditation in All Saints Chapel.
- **Monday, 29 April 7:30 PM** — Harford Regional Council Meeting at Holy Trinity, Churchville.
- **Tuesday 30 April March at 10:00 AM:** Holy Communion with prayers for healing in the Maryan Room;
- **Saturday, 4 May, 4:30 PM** — Saturday Family worship with Children's Program.
- **Sunday 5 May :** Sunday services at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, and 12 Noon. . Sunday School begins at 10:00 AM. Fr. Bill Smith preaching 1:00 PM: Centering Prayer and Meditation in All Saints Chapel.

**#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. Registration will be opened to the public beginning 5 May 2019, and we always have strong interest from our neighbors. Registration forms for Youth and Adult Volunteers are also available.



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.



Food Pantry Festival

The **8th Annual Food Pantry Festival** is scheduled for Saturday, 15 June 2019 from 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM. Our Third Saturday Band is featured, but we are also looking for other church bands to participate.

Admission to the festival, which will be held on and around the Ellendale Street parking lot, is free to anyone who walks by. We hope, however, that people will bring canned goods for our pantry as a donation. Ours serves a population of mostly homeless men and women in Bel Air, and so we are most in need of single serving foods with pop-top lids, or things like Spam which have a key for opening. Especially during the summer months we like to make bottled water available as well.

Please pick up one of the flyers you'll find on the back table of the church, or visit the festival web-site at www.foodpantryangels.com.





We've Been Hacked!

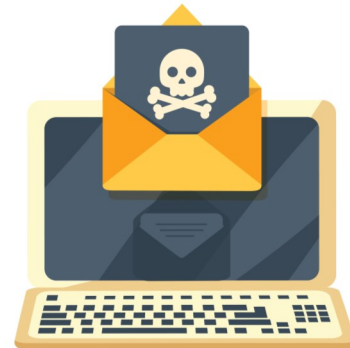
Here's what happened and here's what we know for sure. A fake Gmail account was created using my name and part of my title by some unknown person or persons. An email sent to an unknown number of Emmanuel parishioners, time-stamped 4:07 AM (!) Monday morning read as follows: **"I just need to get iTunes gift card for some women patients going through cancer at the hospital but I can't do that right now because I'm currently busy. Can you get it from any store around you right now? And I personally will pay you back later in cash or cheque. Let me know if you can get the card for these patients"** [SIC] I was alerted to this scam by a parishioner who called me on the church cell phone Monday morning to double check at the directions given for putting the gift cards in the Rectory mailbox, where they could be picked up. Two subsequent calls from this person led me to believe that this was a scam, and I asked that the cards not be left anywhere, but returned for a refund to the store. I reported this by phone to the Bel Air Town Police, and made arrangements to go there later in the day and meet with an officer. Another parishioner emailed what they knew was my regular church email account, and actually sent me a copy of the fake email. Two other parishioners have been in touch since, wondering about the message's legitimacy. I met with a Bel Air Police officer Monday afternoon, giving him a copy of the fake email and detailing all of what I have outlined above. Since no one was actually cheated out of any money and no gift cards (that we know of!) were actually left for the scammer to claim, the best the officer could promise was to ask patrol cars to pass by on East Broadway more often and pay attention to any thing suspicious either in the the churchyard or in the ShopRite parking lot, where someone might be monitoring the mailbox for activity.

Here are a few personal comments and observations. What disturbs me most of all is that this is not a long-distance scam: it's perpetrator obviously knows us and our buildings. It does not look like the scam cracked our regular email system and our email list. Instead, it looks like someone took a copy of our newsletter from the back of the church and copied out the emails of Vestry members. (I have taken immediate action to prevent that from happening again, as you'll see on the back page!) They know which buildings are ours, thus the directions to use the Rectory mailbox, and perhaps something about traffic patterns around our campus, suggesting that it would be safe for a car to drive through and stop for a minute or two as if by the thrift shop, and walk over to the Rectory porch as if looking for a couple of cans of food from our cooler. And they were savvy enough to take my formal title — published in every newsletter and on every bulletin — and create a credible email identity from it. Several of you were able to tell that it didn't sound like me, noticing misspellings (cheques!), the lack of my usual greeting ("Friends," just as Jesus referred to his disciples), and the lack of my usual signature file. Plus, I'm just a way better writer than that, even at 4:07 AM! And all this on Easter Monday, when I planned to sleep in!

I am really steamed by how easy it is to create a scam email account using Gmail. Even though it included my name, there was no requirement that that be verified by me — though to be fair, there are a handful of Mark Gatzas out there in cyberspace. Once upon a time, Google had a line in its mission statement "Do no evil." What a shame that an application they put out there for everyone to use can be used for just that! For the record, I do not use their products. I use an alternative internet search engine, and though I have a Gmail account, I signed up for it solely for the purpose of keeping someone else from using my name and title. Ditto with my Twitter account, from which I have sent one message: "Test." I gave up on Facebook over a decade ago. You have probably heard my critique in sermons of the culture of our screens, and this is just another data point in that case. For now, trust only emails that come from our official internet domain, emmanuelbelair.org, and don't act or respond to anything you find suspicious without picking up the phone.

Totidem Verbis ("In so many words")

Mark Gatzas



Altar Guild

Some of the most important work that supports our public worship is done behind the scenes by our Altar Guild. They prepare the altar before each service, making sure that appropriate amounts of bread and wine are available, that clean linens are put out, that the candles have sufficient oil, and other such tasks. There is a detailed checklist available for members to follow to insure that everything is ready to go. The Altar Guild is divided into teams, and one team spends a little time on a Saturday morning doing the pre-preparation for Sundays. The actual setting up and cleaning up before and after services is done by members who worship regularly at 8:00 or 10:00 or at Noon. **Your help** would be a great gift to Emmanuel Church. Please check with me if you have questions.

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VESTRY VOICE

Your Vestry met on April 15th, 2019. Here are some of the major things we discussed.

New Vestry Member

Jim Welch has accepted our invitation to join the Vestry and complete the two-year term of a departing member. Welcome Jim!

Financial Matters

James Macgill, our new Treasurer, presented our first quarter balance sheet. We are in the black for the first quarter! Our balance sheet shows our plate contributions are much larger than anticipated. We attributed this to an increase in new members and overall service attendance over the past six months or so. Well done Emmanuel congregation!

Property Work

Junior Warden Linden White reported progress on several buildings and grounds maintenance efforts. We're embarking on a major tree removal and trimming project. The initial phase is to remove several dead trees which pose a potential safety issue. Also, we're going to have our gutters cleaned in lieu of a major gutter guard installation project. Finally, we've fully funded the air conditioning replacement project so work on that can commence.

Church Sign

You may have noticed a concrete pad has been installed outside the Main Street entrance. This is the foundation for our new sign! After many months of false starts, it's in the process of being installed. Soon we'll be able to display important information on services and events to the entire Bel Air community.

Vestry Sub-Committees

Linden has drafted charters for our first two Vestry Sub-Committees. Soon our Finance and Buildings and Grounds committees will be stood up and active. We are also creating two 'ad hoc' committees to develop our Stewardship Plan and develop a comprehensive membership list. Anyone wanting to participate in these can contact me by email.

Respectfully Submitted,
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