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Week of December 18 - 24

Wednesday, December 18

- 5:00 Supper - 5:00 - 5:45; Weems Hall
- 5:15 Nursery (ages Birth - 2 years) Family Life Center
- 5:30 Early Room (3 years - K) - Preschool Wing; parents must escort child
- 5:40 **Grades 1-6 gather to load vans for caroling** - Weems Hall
- 5:45 **Business & Prayer Meeting** Bolton Chapel
- 5:45 Youth Recreation - FLC
- 6:30 **Finance Committee Meeting** - Parlor
- 6:30 Mission Friends escorted to FLC by nursery workers
- 6:30 Youth Element - 3rd Floor
- 6:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 **Sanctuary Choir Christmas Party** - Weems Hall

Thursday, December 19

- 9:00 **H2O Homeless Outreach** 9:00 - 11:00; EBC Parking Lot

Friday, December 20

- 10:30 **Day School Christmas Program** - Bolton Chapel
- 5:30 **Parents' Night Out** - 5:30 - 9:30; Family Life Center Call the church office at 442-7773 to sign up your child(ren).

Advent IV Sunday, December 22

- 10:50 Sunday School
- 10:50 Worship
- 5:00 **Youth: Caroling and Chili**
- 5:00 **Caroling and Chili** - Family Life Center

Tuesday, December 24

- Church Office Closed**
- 5:00 **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service** - Sanctuary

Looking Ahead

- Wednesday, December 25**
Church Office Closed
No Supper, Activities or Meetings
No Emmanuel Life
- Thursday, December 26**
Church Office Closed
- Friday, December 27**
Church Office Open - 8:30 - 4:30
- Sunday, December 29**
No Sunday School
Worship - 10:50; Sanctuary
No Youth Activities

Dear People of Emmanuel,

In light of Monday's tornado that caused such damage in Central Louisiana, we are accepting donations to our Disaster Relief Fund. We are aware of many friends and neighbors, including local schools, who face a long road of recovery from the damage caused by the storm. Money collected from this particular drive will be dispersed once specific needs are identified. Contributions can be made to Emmanuel Baptist Church and should specify "Disaster Relief".

We will prioritize distribution of donations in partnership with our ministry partners and consistent with criteria adopted by organizations like the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. Many people are able to recover through insurance coverage. Others receive direct support through friends or families. A number of people have minimal -- to no -- network of support. It takes time to identify those among us who have great need and few resources.

If no specific, area needs are identified, we will hold the money to assist with future disaster relief needs. Storms hit near to home and within our region quite often. Decisions will be made in conjunction with our Missions Committee.

Please continue to extend your prayers for people near and far. Feel free to assist financially as you can.

In Christ's love,
Brandon

Concerns and Celebrations

Pray for:

Tornado Victims in Central Louisiana

- Myrtis Arbuthnot
- Stella Couvillon
- Tom and Patty Crout
- Milton Brown
- Jean Lyons
- Carol and Max Campbell
- Bob Howell
- Ruth O'Quinn
- Martha Catha
- Jim Heath
- Beth Slawson
- Frank Chandler, Jr.
- Clarence Golemon
- Paquita Miller
- Nippy Blair
- Mike Glass
- Shirley Wells
- Will Tweedy (Paul Tweedy's brother)
- Ben Salley (Lynn White's son)
- Brian Pearl (Mickey and Lynn White's son-in-law)
- Brandon Johnson (Faye Nolan's nephew)
- Randy Roach (Brenda Howell's brother)
- Laura Ellen West (Jim and Carol Reiszner's niece)
- Brad Perry (Linda Fusilier's nephew)
- Lily Butterfield (Jim & Jackie Heath's granddaughter)
- Vicki Villamarette (Mary Manziano's daughter)

- Donald Mauldin (Lillian Purdy's father)
- Monica Anderson (Fran Anderson's daughter-in-law)
- Haven Hawthorne (Daphne and Tom Robinson's friend)
- Amie Biggs Lewis (Linda McKee's niece)
- Sylvia Rocket (Debbie Sherrill's friend)
- Bev Scott (Jim & Carol Reiszner's friend)
- Beth Slocum (Terri Deville's mother)
- Tebow Wells (Shirley Wells' son)
- Andrea Beazley-Macejak (Gail Smith's niece)
- Donna Grider (Emily Grider's daughter-in-law)
- Wayne Moorehead (Stu Riggars' friend)
- Anna McKee (Howard McKee's mother)
- Remy Williamson (Pat Hoyt's grandson)
- Donald Welch (Bryan Phillips' brother-in-law)
- Jennifer Whittington (Sandy Whittington's daughter-in-law)
- Cass Bordelon (Patsy Byles' brother)
- Dottie Roach (Brenda Howell's mother)
- Military:**
Garrett Butts (Paige Peevy Butts' husband and Linda and Mike Peevy's son-in-law)
- Missions:**
Marc Boswell & Lake Providence CBF Missions
James & Helen Davis (Korea)
Emmanuel Gospel Choir, Rueil-Malmaison (France)

Year End Contribution Policy

In order to be in compliance with the Internal Revenue Service, any contributions which donors wish to be credited as a 2019 contribution for IRS purposes must be received by the following dates -

- In the offering plate:** by the end of worship service on Sunday, December 29
 - In person:** in the church office by 4:00 on Monday, December 30
 - By U.S. Mail:** postmarked (not meter dated) no later than Tuesday, December 31
- Contributions received after these dates, regardless of the date on the check, must be reported as a 2020 contribution. Thank you for your cooperation in complying with this policy.

2020 BUDGET PLEDGES



Sunday, December 22
5:00 p.m.
Family Life Center

Everyone is invited to go caroling to our local homebound members. We will leave the church and go in groups to nursing homes and residences.

If you can bring...

- a pot of your favorite chili
- a dessert to share
- a van for transportation

please call the church office at 442-7773 or e-mail Scottie Brooks. (activities@emmanuelalexandria.org)

MISSIONS

H2O Homeless Outreach
Next H2O: December 19
9:00 - 11:00
EBC Parking Lot

- H2O Needs: Cold Weather Gear**
- Jackets and coats
- Socks
- Knit hats
- Gloves and Scarves (no other clothes)
- Blankets



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(Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)
Church Office Closed

Tuesday, Decemer 24
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
5:00

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No Activities, Meetings or Rehearsals
No Emmanuel Life (print or electronic)

Friday, December 27
Church Office Open 8:30 - 4:30

Sunday, December 29
No Sunday School
Morning Worship 10:50
No Youth Activities

December 31 - January 2
(Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)
Church Office Closed

Wednesday, January 1
Church Office Closed
No Activities, Meetings or Rehearsals

NEW MEMBER



Amelia Newcomer joined the Emmanuel family on December 15. Amelia lives at 2825 Marye St., Alexandria LA 71301. She is the daughter of Scott and Sally Newcomer.

PILGRIMAGE

Pilgrimage

Lost & Found

Lose something during your time in Bethlehem? Check the Lost & Found table in Weems Hall.

Costumes

Please return all church Pilgrimage costumes. The costumes should be washed, on hangers and labeled with your name if you wish to use that same costume in the future.

GRATITUDE

Emmanuel Family,
"Thank you" does not seem adequate to convey my deep appreciation and gratitude to you. Before you ever knew us, you prayed for us. You welcomed us into your fold and you sustained us with your love and concern. Thank you for everything each of you did to make Calvin's memorial service special. I know he would have been honored and blessed by the music and beautiful words spoken over him. Thank you also for continuing to minister to me in these darkest of days. You all have become family to me.

Love,
Shelly Johnson



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Poinsettias

In Memory of

- Mary Simpson by Pam Schonefeld
- Ben Simpson by Pam Schonefeld
- Anna Azlin by Lucy Azlin
- Emerson Agan by Lucy Azlin
- Dorothy S. Post by Dot Davis
- Thomas W. Davis, M.D. by Dot Davis
- Stephen Zifton Clark by Dot Davis
- Lyle Miller by Paquita Miller
- My parents Mike and Jewell Wilson by Elaina Ayres
- My grandparents J.C. & Mable LaCour and Fred & Virgie Wilson by Elaina Ayres
- Ralph Self by Louise Self
- My friend Frances Ross by Patsy Byles
- My sister Alice Adams by Patsy Byles
- Jerry Marsh by Chris and Jessica Thacker
- Berlan Hargis by Hope Sherman
- Pat Sweeney by Hope Sherman
- Calvin Johnson by Jim and Carol Reiszner
- Roscoe Bolton by Sue Bolton
- June Chandler by Sue Bolton
- Ruth Barbee by Mark and Rhoda Barbee
- Junie Chandler by the Chandler Grandchildren
- Mimi Chandler by the Chandler Grandchildren

In Honor of

- Frank Chandler, Jr. by Virginia and Billy Brown
- Tom and Daphne Robinson by Virginia and Billy Brown
- Connie Hixson by Virginia and Billy Brown
- Jerry and Susan Cauley by Lucy Azlin
- Charleen Courtney by Lucy Azlin
- Brenda and Richard Rudd by Lucy Azlin
- Landon Scriber by Lucy Azlin
- Ellene Owens by Lucy Azlin
- Brandon Tubbs by Lucy Azlin
- Elaina Ayres by Lucy Azlin
- Donna and Darrell Blair by Lucy Azlin
- Charlotte Tubbs by Lucy Azlin
- Thacker Family by Lucy Azlin
- Sue Bolton by Sunshine Joy Sunday school class
- Paquita Miller by Dolly Carroll
- Chris, Jessica, Jack, Henry & Simon by Paquita Miller
- Bob and Dolly Carroll by Paquita Miller
- Stella Couvillon by Sue Bolton
- Faith Friends Sunday school class
- Our older ladies of the Esther Bible Study and their faithfulness to WMU and Missions: Myrtis Arbuthnot, Stella Couvillon, Ramona Lawrence, Jean Lyons, Louise Self and Beth Slawson