

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN NEWS

FEBRUARY 2012

2011-12 Theme:

JOY! Making our joy complete.

Throughout the year we will be incorporating our theme of JOY in the various aspects of our discipleship process of Worshipping, Fellowshiping, and Witnessing. Be sure to join in the JOY of the Lord!!

Worship

(Team Leader: Joni Mercer)

**Sundays 8:15am and 11am/Urdu Language @ 4pm/
Westside Homeless Shelter@4pm**

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The Epiphany Season reveals the Light of Christ to the world. *Who is this Jesus?..And who then are we?* will continue to be our theme throughout the first 3 weeks of the month. The season of Lent will begin on Wednesday, February 22.

Worship at the Shelter

We have started our new weekly worship service at the Westside Men's Homeless Shelter! Led by Bob Reese and Mike Jones, we gather at the shelter every Sunday at 4:30pm for a time of song, prayer, and the Word. As a support, Bob Reese is also enrolled in LINC Bible Institute—a program to equip lay people in ministry. Please join us in giving thanks for this opportunity, praying God's blessing upon our leaders, and lifting up the men who become part of our Emmanuel community in this way.

Radio Broadcasts

Listen to our 11am worship service LIVE each Sunday on WBAL 1090 AM.

Fellowship of Believers

(Team Leader: James Corey)

Education Hour—An important part of our GROWTH!

Sunday School, 1st Communion (5th/6th grade), Confirmation (7th/8th grade), High School Youth, and Adult Bible Study continue each Sunday from 9:45am-10:45am.

Adult Bible Study

For most of February our study will be on **Being Witnesses in Today's World**. We'll look at how we can reveal Jesus to the world around us through our every day lives. All are welcome!

Fellowship Groups

Several small groups are meeting throughout the year. Would you like to join one? Email pastor at pastor@emmanuelbaltimore.org to let us know.

Bible Reading Schedule—12 in 12 for 2012

Join the congregation in reading 12 books of the Bible over the twelve months of 2012. The year's schedule will be as follows:

January: Mark	July: Revelation
February: 1 Peter	August: Psalms
March: John	Sept: James
April: 1 John	Oct: Hebrews
May: Acts	Nov: Ephesians
June: Genesis	Dec: Luke

Here are some suggestions:

- **Read daily, but at your own pace** (slowest pace would be one verse per day)
- **Repeat book as necessary** (one chapter a day gets you through Mark two times this month)
- **Engage with others about what you read** (follow Emmanuel's facebook page, use email, and talk with one another to share insights and thoughts)
- **Read prayerfully** (listen to what the Lord is actually saying through his work *to you*)

Parish Nurse

Our parish nurse, Jeana Lovelace, RN, will be providing free blood pressure screening after both worship services on Sunday, February 12, this month. Would you or someone you know like a visit from our parish nurse? While not providing specific medical care, she serves as an advocate as well as a type of consultant in helping us, by God's grace, to live healthier (and more joyful!) lives.

Facebook

Join the Emmanuel Lutheran Church and School group on facebook and become part of our online conversation.

Witnessing

(Team Leader: Glenn Gaynor)

Monthly Witnessing Opportunities

Some of the many witnessing opportunities include: the Westside Homeless Shelter -providing a dessert or casserole (sign up at the Welcome Center), donating men's clothing (place in bin near offices), washing the feet of men at the shelter on the first Wednesday of the month (February 1); at Johnnycake Elementary

School-volunteer in the classroom, in the office, or in the library for a couple hours a week; at Augsburg Lutheran Home-spending time with the residents, playing games, answering phones or collating papers; at BARCS animal shelter or donating non-perishable food items for the church pantry or volunteering at our school or ...

Emmanuel Lutheran School

“Open House” season is upon us, as we open our doors to prospective students and families for the 2012-13 school year. A special Kindergarten/1st grade open house is scheduled for February 1 at 7pm. Additional open houses will be held on February 12 at 1pm and February 22 at 10am. Can't make an open house? Call 410-744-0015 today for a tour. Check us out online at www.elsbaltimore.org. We'd love to show you what a wonderful school we have!!

Muslim/Immigrant Outreach and Urdu Worship Service

Falak Robson has filed for his “Religious Worker” visa in order to continue his labor for the Lord and his Church here in the United States. Please keep this



outreach in your prayers and look for ways to support it. Would you like to be on Pastor Robson's weekly prayer update list? Email him at revrobson@yahoo.com. Here



are some pictures from our Urdu language worship services from Christmas and New Year's Day.

Baltimore Lutheran School News from Towson

BLS offers a high-quality Christian education to young men and women in grades 6-12. For enrollment info go to www.baltimorelutheran.org. "Enrich the mind. Empower the spirit. Embrace the opportunity!"

St. Olaf Choir Centennial Tour at Strathmore

The St. Olaf Choir centennial celebration continues with a 16-city winter tour across the Midwest to the East Coast. The renowned choir, directed by Dr. Anton Armstrong, will appear in concert on Monday, February 6, at 7:30 p.m. at the Music Center at Strathmore, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, North Bethesda, Maryland. Concert proceeds benefit Lutheran Volunteer Corps. Tickets are available by calling (301) 581-5100, or online at www.strathmore.org. Emmanuel member and Baltimore Lutheran School alumnus, Katherine Heilman, Class of 2009, plays oboe in the chamber orchestra accompanying the choir. For more information about the St. Olaf Choir and the college, you may visit www.stolaf.edu.

Worship-Fellowship of Believers-Witnessing

As our new structure continues to get under way our new team leaders are planning for the upcoming year. Look for ways to get involved in the overall discipleship process—both in your own growth as a disciple of Jesus as well as in the growth of others.

Celebrate the City Dinner - Feb 12

Celebrate Baltimore and support and give thanks for the work and new ministries that the Lord is doing through our churches with LINC Baltimore's 1st annual dinner on Sunday, February 12 at 4pm at *Mi Viejo Pueblito* restaurant in Highlandtown. \$25 per adult. Ages 3-12 are \$10. Ages 2 and under are free. See Pastor Martin for tickets.

Thank you for Advent Appeal Responses!

Almost \$11,000 was generously given in response to our Advent Appeal. Thank you to all who participated!! At the same time, It is still not too late to give—just mark your special offering “Advent Appeal” as we continue to overcome our deficit this year. As of the end of December our deficit is \$5,986 (compared with a surplus of \$12,146 last year). Given where we are today, we are still looking at a full year deficit in the range of \$40,000-60,000.

Ash Wednesday Services

Join us on Wednesday, February 22 at 12noon or 7pm for worship. School chapel is at 8:30am.

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Bringing Jesus to people and people to Jesus throughout Baltimore and beyond.

February 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Worship Every Sunday at: 8:15 am and 11:00 am Education Hour 9:45 am</p> <p>Urdu Language Worship: 4:00 pm Westside Shelter Worship : 4:30 pm</p>			<p>1 6:30 pm Footwashing 8:00 pm A.A.</p> <p>B-Days: Magdalena Hickman, Amy Gutberlet.</p>	<p>2 3:15 pm Junior Choir 7:00 pm Handbell Choir 7:45 pm Senior Choir</p>	<p>3 8:30 am ELS Chapel</p> <p>B-Days: Melvin Trimble Jr., Virginia Weinknecht, Julie Marques.</p>	<p>4 8:00 pm N.A.</p> <p>B-Day: Kristin Cameron</p>
<p>5 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany</p> <p>B-Day: Jacob Campitelli</p>	<p>6 7:30 pm N.A.</p> <p>B-Day: Seth Schultheis</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 8:00 P.M. A.A.</p> <p>B-Day: Dria Trimble</p>	<p>9 3:15 pm Junior Choir 7:00 pm Handbell Choir 7:45 pm Senior Choir</p>	<p>10 8:30 am ELS Chapel</p> <p>B-Day: Regina Siverls</p>	<p>11 9:30 Ministry Team Leaders 8:00 pm N.A.</p>
<p>12 Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany</p> <p>4:00 pm Linc's Celebrate the City Dinner</p>	<p>13 7:30 pm N.A.</p>	<p>14</p> <p>B-Day: Katherine Jenkins</p>	<p>15 7:00 pm Church Council 8:00 P.M. A.A. .</p>	<p>16 3:15 pm Junior Choir 7:00 pm Handbell Choir 7:45 pm Senior Choir</p> <p>B-day: William Reese</p>	<p>17 8:30 am ELS Chapel</p> <p>B-Day: Christie Milton</p>	<p>18 8:00 pm N.A.</p>
<p>19 Transfiguration of Our Lord</p>	<p>20 7:30 pm N.A.</p>	<p>21 7:30 pm PTL Meeting</p> <p>B-Day: Denise Izzi, David Post</p>	<p>22 Ash Wednesday 8:30 am ELS Chapel 12 noon Worship 7:00 pm Worship 8:00 P.M. A.A.</p> <p>B-Day: Janet Stollenmaier, Donald Doyle, Samuel</p>	<p>23 3:15 pm Junior Choir 7:00 pm Handbell Choir 7:45 pm Senior Choir</p>	<p>24</p> <p>B-Day: Bernard White, Christopher Izzi</p>	<p>25 8:00 pm N.A.</p> <p>B-Day: Edward Lukemire, Daniel Donnelly</p>
<p>26 First Sunday in Lent</p>	<p>27 7:30 pm N.A.</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 12 noon Worship 6:30 Dinner 7:00 pm Worship 8:00 P.M. A.A.</p>			

Memorials

Emmanuel's Building Fund in memory of Rev. Gerald Schader

By: John and Mimi Boblitz

Emmanuel's Current Fund in memory of Samuel and Elizabeth Bosley

By: Shelton and Louise Bosley



Radio Sponsors - February 2012

**Our 11 a.m. service is broadcast live each Sunday on WBAL, 1090 AM.
Sponsors for February are:**

February 5

Bob and Anne Donaldson thanking God for their many blessings and
Leeann Morin thanking God for her many blessings

February 12

Nora Lee Colby in loving memory of her husband Wilbur on their anniversary and
Mike Hall and Pat Krenzke in memory of Pat's grandfather, John Gunter,
on his birthday

February 19

Dick and Ginny Weinknecht in memory of Edna and Thomas Kershaw
and Louise Spedden in memory of her loved ones

February 26

Virginia and Martin Krenzke, radio listeners and Susan Vanko in memory
of her parents

Thank you to everyone who supports the radio and internet ministry as we spread the word of God's love throughout the Baltimore region and beyond. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast, the requested donation is \$100. The money can be donated in full at one time or included in your weekly offering in any amount that fits your budget (\$2, \$5, \$20, etc., per week); please mark it for the radio fund on the envelope. If you sponsored a broadcast last year, I will call you to confirm that you want to be a sponsor again this year. If you are a **new** sponsor, please contact me, Marilyn Liebegott, to let me know which Sunday you would like to sponsor. I need this information a month in advance (i.e., by September 30 for a November broadcast). Call me at 443-386-8844 or e-mail me at MLiebegott@juno.com. I look forward to hearing from you.