



The Emmanuel Epistle

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The Peace of God

One of my favorite blessings from the Book of Common Prayer is, “The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen (p.339).” The language is borrowed from Paul’s letter to the Philippians 4:7. The few verses before it are important to gain understanding of what Paul is asking of us: “Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” (Phi 4:4-7). Paul’s purpose for writing this letter to the Roman citizens of this colony outside of Rome, is to thank them for their generosity when he was in prison there and to encourage the Christ followers of Philippi to stand strong in the face of persecution.

I’m using this passage to remind myself that worry is not a spiritual principle, God is near, and when I pray, to come to God with an open heart. I have faith and trust that the Holy Spirit is present in everything we, as a community, do, whether that is opening a new early learning center or renting our sacred space to a community of Christians who are not only blessing north Orange County with their ministry, but are blessing us also. Our prayers to grow as God would have us grow are being answered, and things can get a little scary when change happens. Which is why it’s so important to remember to focus our attention on God, notice the Holy Spirit at work, and open our minds and hearts as Jesus would have us do, with every new thing that we face. Life will happen and things won’t go

according to plan but we can be sure that change is going to come. And in the midst of that change, we can rejoice in the Lord, know God is near, let our prayers be known to God with thanksgiving, and let the peace of God guide our hearts and minds in all we do.

Summer blessings,
Rev. Holly+

***SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 AT 2PM
REV. HOLLY'S INSTITUTION CELEBRATION***

Institution Ceremony Update
Loren Maxwell, Senior Warden

Party time! As we have been announcing in the Sunday services, we are having an Institution Service for Rev. Holly on Saturday, September 11 at 2:00pm with a reception following. Bishop Taylor will be presiding. Part of the liturgy after the sermon involves the presenting of symbolic gifts from various ministries of the church such as the Altar Guild, Catechesis, the Community Garden, The Daughters of the King, the Discovery Gardens Early Learning Center, Pastoral Care, and the Prayer Chain. The only individual presenters will be Rev. Holly's mother, Donna, the Bishop, the Dean of the Deanery, and the Senior Warden. Due to time constraints, we are not able to include every ministry that Emmanuel is involved in or to allow for individual presentations other than the ones noted above. However, there are several ways that you can honor Rev. Holly and help defer the expenses of service and the reception:

- Flowers: We are estimating that flowers for the service and the reception will cost \$700.
- Music: In addition to having musicians play for the service, we will also have a jazz ensemble which will play at the reception. Estimated cost: \$1,000.
- Reception: The reception will be a catered afternoon tea. We will not know the exact cost until we send out the invitations and the guests RSVP. We are currently estimating a cost of \$3,300.
- Rev. Holly's Discretionary Fund: If you prefer giving to Rev. Holly directly, you can donate to her discretionary fund.

If you wish to donate to any of these areas, be sure to designate it on your contribution. There will be envelopes in the Sunday bulletins with boxes you can check. If you do not check a box, your contribution will go into the Operating Fund, not to the Institution. You

will be receiving an invitation via email in a few days. Please RSVP as to whether you are coming or not. We need an accurate count for both the Eucharist and the reception. Reserve the date. It will be fun.

Junior Warden's Corner

Howard Minkley

In the next few issues of the Epistle, I will be listing all the work that has been done since January 2019 so that you know how much change has taken place. Many of you were not on the church property during the long months of the pandemic. And some of you have not been able to come back yet. These renovations have been funded mostly by private donations, with a small contribution from the church's capital fund. We did not have to take out loans. Please ask for a tour of our renovated buildings. You'll be amazed!

Patio

- New fountain and surrounding garden
- Redesigned patio with engraved pavers
- New pergola and new plantings around the pergola
- Sidewalk in playground area upgraded to pavers
- Drainage issues next to Havermale resolved
- Area around the high voltage box near playground replanted

Edwards Hall

- New flooring replacing the carpet
- Entire interior repainted, including the kitchen cabinets
- New LED ceiling lights
- New modern fans with remote controls
- New window blinds
- All doors rekeyed and new security system installed

Havermale Hall

- New flooring replacing both carpet and kitchen/bathroom vinyl
- New LED lighting
- New dual pane energy-efficient windows
- Entire interior & exterior painted, including fascia boards and roof flashing
- Water damaged ceiling and wall repaired and repainted, with roof and HVAC system repaired to prevent future damage
- New Security system installed
- Men's restroom completely modernized: flooring, tile, new toilet and urinal, painting, and fixtures installed along with a controlled entry lock



An Important Message from Your Treasurer

Thank you so much for your continued financial support for Emmanuel!

Operating income for June was \$18,088.91 while expenses were \$30,294.58. This means we had a net operating fund loss of \$12,205.67 for the month. We had expenses of about \$5,300 related to the reopening of the Emmanuel Environmental Early Learning Center (EEELC). Our new playground fencing will be installed during the week of August 2nd. We have received donations to cover much of the cost but we're still about \$5,000 short, so we could really use your help to cover the remaining amount. If you'd like to contribute, please note "Playground Fence" on your check or make an eGiving online donation to the Preschool and send me an email to let me know that it's for the playground fencing project. It's going to look really great when the new fence is in. It looks like wrought iron but it's aluminum and will last for many years.

We had two other significant expenses in June. One was our quarterly Property and Liability Insurance (\$5,622.75) and the other was for Contracted Buildings Maintenance (\$2,376.00) which was substantially higher than normal because of the deep cleaning of the sanctuary we did in May before we reopened for in-person worship.

With much gratitude for your prayers and support!

Blessings!

Dave Dunlap, Treasurer

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Why Emmanuel?

Karen Carr

I have been attending Emmanuel Episcopal Church since 1994, and I absolutely love being a part of this Parish. How I ended up at Emmanuel was incredible; it's all part of an ecumenical and spiritual journey that covered many years.

I grew up in Burbank and attended the Presbyterian Church until we moved to Orange County because of my Dad's job. Then, because of my aunt, we started to go to Calvary Chapel of Costa Mesa. My mom died suddenly right after I graduated high school. I had

decided to teach Special Ed but had also taken French all the way through college at UCI and had the desire to live in France. I heard about L'Arche from a friend. It's an international community where people with disabilities live in a family environment with the assistance of people without disabilities. I took a one year leave of absence from my teaching job, but ended up being the House Leader at a L'Arche community in France for five years, from 1987 to 1992. While in France, I attended a Catholic mass during the week, and the Eucharistic mass became very important in my life.

In 1992, I came home from France and began teaching Special Ed in Whittier, but my desire was to found a L'Arche community in Orange County, where there were people and their sons or daughters with disabilities who desired one. I also started attending an old American Catholic church with friends. I attended that church for a few years but was looking for one that I could commit to for a long time. In 1994, three close friends who didn't attend Emmanuel but were led by the Holy Spirit told me about Emmanuel Episcopal Church. It had everything in the mass that I love: worship, the liturgy, including the Eucharist, as well as having a very welcoming and spiritual community. I had been a worship leader in another church and later became part of the worship team at Emmanuel.

The first day that I arrived, I felt at home and very welcomed. I was looking for a church like this, and I was so thankful to be there. I shed many tears and connected with Father Paul and Father Rob right away to tell them about the vision and dream to start a L'Arche community in Orange County. After Father Paul left and Mother Lyn arrived, she also encouraged me with my vision and dream of L'Arche. In 1995, Father Rob and Mother Lyn were part of our planning team to found the community. Later, Mother Lyn was part of the Founding Board of Directors. Father Rob and Mother Lyn as well as myself started to offer the Taizé service on a monthly basis, and we continue to have it with Rev. Holly.

It took 12 years to establish the first rented house, Abraham House, in Fullerton in 2003. The core members, Terry and Chris, attended Emmanuel for several years on a regular basis and we would hold our Board meetings at Emmanuel as well as the monthly gatherings that we still have to this day. We were able to purchase our first house in Orange in 2007 and opened a second home in 2020. I was the Founding Director until 2007, and I still participate in L'Arche Wavecrest as I continue to teach Special Ed. I am so grateful that I was guided to come to Emmanuel Episcopal Church!!!! I give thanks for Father Paul, Father Rob, Mother Lyn, Rev. Holly, and many members of the Parish who continue on this journey with me. This Parish continues to be a gift in my life in so many ways and nurtures me spiritually. What an amazing Episcopal church!!!!

August 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 AM Sunday Service in Sanctuary and online 2:30 PM EKKO Church	2	3	4 7:00 PM Taizé Service	5 7:00 AM EKKO Church	6	7 9:00 AM Men's Bible Study
8 9:00 AM Sunday Service in Sanctuary and online 2:30 PM EKKO Church	9	10	11	12 7:00 AM EKKO Church 6:30 PM Early Birds	13	14 9:00 AM Men's Bible Study
15 9:00 AM Sunday Service in Sanctuary and online 2:30 PM EKKO Church	16	17	18 6:30 PM Vestry	19 7:00 AM EKKO Church	20	21 9:00 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Plant Sale and Garden Work Day
22 9:00 AM Sunday Service in Sanctuary and online 2:30 PM EKKO Church	23	24	25	26 7:00 AM EKKO Church	27 6:30 PM Movie night	28 9:00 AM Men's Bible Study
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This Month's Happenings

We returned to services in the Sanctuary at 9 am on May 23. Services are also online.

Mondays at 7 p.m.

Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

Saturdays at 9 a.m.

No Bible Study until September

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Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, August 4, 7pm

Thursday, August 12, 6:30pm

Saturday, August 21, 9-12

Friday, August 27, 6:30 pm

Taizé

Early Birds

Plant Sale and Garden Work Day

Movie Night

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