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Sunday Schedule:
Sunday School-9:45 am
Worship-11:00 am

The doors of this Church are open wide.

We welcome every man, woman, youth and child who is disturbed by a sense of need, who hungers for a nobler life, who seeks a better world and who aspires to faithfully follow Jesus.

We summon you:

To the beauty of the worship of God-

To the service of bewildered humanity-

To a friendly fellowship with others who seek the best-

To the dangerous adventure of building a new world.



Peace Sunday

EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH
MAY 3, 2009

OUR 35TH YEAR AS A UNITED CHURCH

Emmanuel United Church
Rev. Jerrie Shepard Matney, Interim Pastor
Ben McCormack, Organist
Mary Beth Fusco, Choir Director
May 3, 2009
Peace Sunday of Easter

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Prelude, Ben McCormack

Gathering Song

Call to Worship

*Hymn 13 - *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God, we are surrounded by evils of all kinds. We are plagued by the evils of war, injustice, greed, poverty, prejudice, exploitation and abuse. We feel the pain of those who have wronged us, and we know we have wronged others by our own evil. We have hurt our enemies, and even those we love. Lord, we seek your forgiveness for our sins and all the hurt they have caused. We know that the evil in our hearts is overcome by Jesus' love and grace. Transform us, Lord, that we may overcome evil by your good in us. Grant us your peace, and make us also instruments of your peace. In the name of Christ, the Prince of Peace, we pray. Amen

SHARING OUR GIFTS AND TALENTS

Offering and Offertory Music

*Doxology (No. 623) and Prayer of Dedication

Anthem

Children's Time

PRAYING AND GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Sharing of Announcements, Joys, and Concerns.

Silent Prayer

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,

On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

*Hymn, *"Let There Be Peace on Earth"* (bulletin)

Reading from the Word: John 14:25-27, Phil. 4:4-7

Communion Meditation: *"The Things That Make for Peace"*

MEETING AT CHRIST'S TABLE

*Communion Hymn *"This is Bread"*, (bulletin)

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

*Hymn 138 *"Blest Be the Tie that Binds"*, vs. 1

*Benediction

*Postlude

*You are invited to stand

Please remember to keep your cell phones and iPods turned off during worship. Thank you

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome each of you to worship today, and hope you receive a blessing from the service. We especially welcome visitors, as we celebrate the Lord's Supper this morning. All who are believers in the Lord Jesus Christ are welcome to the table. If you are visiting with us today, please sign our guest book located in the back and pick up a church brochure.



Thought for the Day:

"Peace making is not an optional commitment. It is requirement of our faith. We are called to be peacemakers, not by some movement of the moment, but by our Lord Jesus." Pope John Paul II

**"Peace is people talking together with a heart in between them."
Bobby, age 8.**



What's Happening at Emmanuel United Church

Today: 9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 -Worship, Communion
12:30 - Board of Elders meeting

Monday: 6:30 – Musical Rehearsal

Wednesday: 6:30 – Musical Rehearsal

Thursday: 7:00 - Bible Study
7:00- Choir

Saturday: 2:30 –Play Rehearsal
4:30 – Baptism class

Next Sunday: 9:45 - **Baptism Class -No Sunday School**
11:00 -Worship, **Happy Mother's Day**



Special Days this Week:

Birthdays- 5-Florence Amann, 6- Hayley Ingraham, Mike Wood,
8-Meghan Salmon, 9- Raymond LaValley

Anniversaries- 9 Anne & Frank Morin

Blessings to you all!

Pastor Jerrie is in the office (or home office) Wednesday-Friday mornings. Abby Bee is in the office this week on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10-1pm.

We still have LOTS of cookie dough to distribute and would those people who purchased it please pick up their order. If you did not get a chance to order earlier, it's not too late to get some. Please see one of the Elders.

You may pick up a May newsletter this morning, or find it on the web page, www.eucmech.org.

Camp brochures for both **Camp Vick and Pathfinder** are on the back table in the sanctuary. Please feel free to help yourself!

YOUTH GROUP

Spring Spin ticket orders are due by the end of church today

There is no musical rehearsal today. Our next rehearsal is tomorrow (Monday) night from 6:30-8:30. There will also be one Wed. night at the same time.

Flyers for the musical "*Lifesong*" are available! Invite your friends and neighbors to a performance on May 15 or 16 at 7:00 p.m. the church, or May 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the Arts Center on the Hudson. The cast and crew are working hard in preparation, so make plans now to be here one evening - or all three! We are referring to our website in all our publicity, so check the "*Lifesong*" link for info and pictures: www.eucmech.org. The play is also first on the calendar of events on arts center website: www.artscenteronthehudson.com. Check it out! There are flyers on the back table to take around the community - please help yourselves!

SAVE THE DATE! The Cast Party is June 6 "Murder Mystery in the Wild West. We'll be meeting at church. Watch for more information!

Donations to the food pantry are needed. Our monthly food donation goal is 100 items each month. We have been able to meet the emergency needs of many in our community through our donations to the food pantry; the need is great.



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STILLWATER UNITED CHURCH

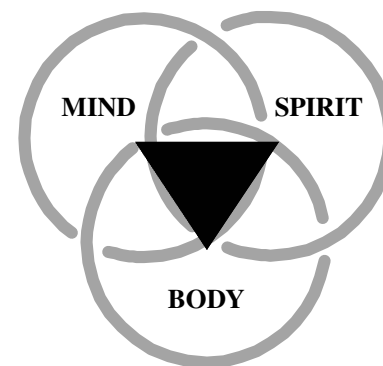
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In Collaboration with its
**FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE AND HEALTH
CABINET**

Offers to the Community A
HEALING SERVICE
WITH COMMUNION

Wednesday, May 6th, 7:00 p.m.

“JOURNEY TO WHOLENESS”



Wholeness comes from God, through community faith and Worship. Find the peace, balance, inspiration, and flow through praise, prayers, and healing.

This service is open to all. An elevator is available for those who have difficulty with stairs.