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EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH-664-5204

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Worship in November

**November 1 – Mission Guest Speaker
Bob Brillig**

**November 8– Mission Guest Speaker
Mark Chaffin**

**November 15- Pastor Richard Mc Sherry's
1st Sunday**

November 22 – Thanksgiving Sunday

November 29 – First Sunday of Advent

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From the Pastors Desk...

Firstly, I would like to thank each and every one of you for the warm welcome I received to Emmanuel and to the community of Mechanicville. It was truly wonderful! From the luncheon on Saturday, to the open house/diner Saturday evening, to the Sunday following, hospitality was shown in abundance. I look forward to meeting each and every one of you in the days and weeks ahead as we get to know each other. The Apostle Paul has written, *"Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."* (Romans 15:7) That gift of hospitality was certainly in evidence during my stay with you.

We are entering a season of thanksgiving. This is a special and unique time in our lives in which we can more intentionally pause and reflect on all our blessings, great and small. One of the greatest blessings that we have are the people that God has placed in our lives. Family and friends give profound meaning to our lives. Community is an extension of that meaning. The Church, what the Scriptures refer to as the Body of Christ, is that divine agency that gives spiritual meaning to our lives. Each and every one of us have been gifted by God in order to serve and all of us serve together. The life of faith is a life of adventure! Francis W. Parker has said, *"We are marching along the endless pathway of unrealized possibilities of human growth!"* And we do so together in Christ who has called us. What a journey! What an Adventure!

In Christ,

Education Ministries

Our Sunday school was invited on Nov. 1st to the Mechanicville United Methodist Church to worship with the *Kings Clown Troupe*, from prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Clifton Park. This is a group of middle and high school students who conduct worship through mime, music and dance.

Youth News

Sun., Nov. 1: "Amadeus" 1p.m. in the Round Room. Lunch is on your own. We will only be watching the film this month and discussing in Dec. Bring a dollar for a Raffle Ticket, as we will have a prize available!!

Fri. - Sun., Nov. 13-15: American Baptist Youth Convention in Syracuse, NY. Meet at the church - time to be determined. I will send out more info after I receive our paperwork back from the Convention, but I will need to know ASAP if any of you are designated peer leaders this year. It will affect our departure time so the sooner I know, the better. We will return late Sunday afternoon (before 5p.m.)

Sat. - Sun., Dec. 5-6: 30 Hour Famine Overnighter. More details will follow.

Sun., Dec. 20: Discussion of "Amadeus" 1p.m. in the Round Room. Lunch is on your own. Please plan to attend even if you missed the film - the film is only a starting point for our discussion.

30-Hour Famine!!!

The Youth Group will be raising money for World Vision, and our event date is set for **Sat-Sun., Dec. 5-6.** Before we get really rolling into the holiday season - a season of celebration but also of excess - we want to pause a moment and focus on the *real* reason for the Season - and that is Christ taking human form and coming to live with us. His sole purpose was to bring to us His salvation and to set an example of service and obedience that we are called to follow. So to start the holiday season off right,

Church Ministries

the Youth will be participating in a 30-Hour Famine, and the funds raised will be sent to

World Vision, which will use that money to feed hungry children all over the world.

Please be in prayer for us as we prepare for this important ministry and for the coming of Christ, and stayed tuned for more details!!

Elders News



Fall Mission Campaign: **"With Willing Hands"**

The fall mission Campaign continues until November 15. Our goal for this campaign is **\$1200.00**, and we are well on the way to making that goal a reality. Mission money goes to support ministries that transform lives, churches, and communities, both locally and in other areas.

The Board of Elders is also participating in the Saratoga County

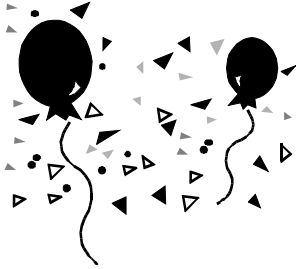


We will be sponsoring 2 children from Saratoga County who face many needs this holiday season. Watch for more information and the ornament tree coming in mid-November.

Church Growth and Care Ministries

Please send in articles for the December newsletter **by November 22nd**. You can leave them in the office or E-mail them to: eucmech@yahoo.com. Thank you!

November Milestones



Birthdays

4-Nina Wendell
4-Andrew Colin Wilkinson
7-Mark Rowland
10-Jillian Salmon
11-Anne Fraser
11-Rose Nichols
12-Kate Elizabeth Bobear
18-Andrew Petronis
20-Michael Eric Simkulet
25-Carol Wood
27-Elizabeth Fraser
30-John Fusco

Anniversaries

6-Casey & Jon Wilkinson



Upcoming Dates

There will be a CABA Meeting Tuesday November 3rd from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at 1st Baptist Church, Ballston Spa. For information, or if you are interested in going, please call 885-8361.

From Pastor Jerrie – Thank-you, everyone, for a wonderful last Sunday with you. Thanks for the gracious words, the nice notes, the flowers, and the absolutely perfect gifts. The plates will have a special place in my living room, and the very generous gift card at Lowe's will be well-used by this new home-owner! Rick's pictures of the church and the house, and Laurie's ornament of the park are treasures as well. I will keep you posted on where I land next, but if you find yourself in western Mass., be sure to call or stop by at **45 Conrad St., Chicopee, MA, 01013. (413) 331-0342**. God bless you all!

Kids Klips

Color the Dog

If you don't have a pet... Here is something you might wish you had. Think of ways you could help someone with a dog so you could play with one. (Example: Take a neighbor's dog for a walk.)



Color the dog.

Word Find

Sometimes we wish we had something we see on TV or that our friend has. Paul has some advice in Philippians 4:11. Unscramble Paul's words.

... O F R I V H E A R D A E E N L
 O T E B T C E O N N T H W T I
 R T E A V H E W I V H E A

Answer: ... for I have learned to be content with whatever I have.

November 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>7:00 Choir</i>	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 <i>7:00 Choir</i>	10	11	12	13	14
15 <i>Rev. Richard Mc Sherry's 1st Sunday Welcome! Mission Campaign ends</i>	16 <i>7:00 Choir</i>	17	18	19	20	21

ABY Convention
 In Syracuse
 Nov 13-15

<p>22 <i>3:00 p.m.</i> <i>Ecumenical</i> <i>Thanksgiving</i> <i>Service</i> <i>St. Luke's</i> <i>(Mc Bride Rd)</i></p>	<p>23 <i>7:00 Choir</i></p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26 <i>Happy</i> <i>Thanksgiving</i></p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29 <i>1st Sunday of</i> <i>Advent</i> <i>Hanging of</i> <i>the</i> <i>Greens</i></p>	<p>30 <i>7:00 Choir</i></p>					

Sunday Schedule of Services
9:45 Sunday school
11:00 Worship