

The Latch – November 2020

Emmanuel United Church of Christ

Valley City, Ohio

Livestream Worship

As of this printing, the weather is suitable for at least one more week of drive-in worship. Plans are nearly in place to begin live streaming the weekly Worship service on Facebook. Those who wish to come to the parking lot will be able to listen to the service each week over their car radio by tuning to FM 107.7. A printed home devotional based on the weekly service will be available for people who don't use the internet.

You do not need to have a Facebook account to watch the livestream. Just go to www.facebook.com/euccvalleycity and scroll down a bit until you see the video. Or, follow this link: [Emmanuel UCC Facebook](#)

The decision has been made to NOT begin in-person/indoor worship for the foreseeable future, for the health and safety of all involved.

Missions: Mitten Tree

We have had a great response to the request for cash donations to the Missions fund with more than \$250 contributed in just three weeks! Hand in hand with this effort, a collection for the Mitten Tree has begun, and will continue throughout the month. The Lodi Family Center is in need of mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, and socks. Understanding that many people are not out shopping this year as usual, monetary donations that can be used to purchase needed items are welcomed.

Fellowship: Swiss Steak Dinner & 50/50 Raffle

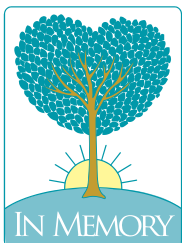
A Swiss Steak Dinner is planned for December 5, from 4:00-6:00 PM. This year we will offer curbside pickup and delivery options; no dine-in meal will be served. The cost is \$12 for pickup and \$14 for delivery. The meal includes swiss steak, mashed potatoes, corn casserole, a vegetable, applesauce, and pie.

Tickets are available now, and all meals must be preordered and prepaid by November 22. If you need a ticket, or want some to sell, please contact Celeste Scheutzow at celeste@marinerenergysystems.com.

A 50/50 raffle will be held in place of the usual basket auction. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5 and can be purchased before church services in the parking lot.

Contact Information Updates

In January 2021, we will transition to a new church management database, Breeze ChMS, to better organize all of our information about members and friends of Emmanuel, streamline financial recording and reporting, and improve communication. Please look for a mailing soon in which we will ask you to update your profile so that we have current info on everyone.



Hope in the Promise

We express our Christian sympathy to Wayne Pressnell upon the passing of his wife Nancy on November 4, 2020. Nancy had been hospitalized for just over two weeks with COVID. We celebrate her life and give thanks that she is now experiencing the promise of resurrection.

Special Occasions & Dates

November Birthdays

Bob Leibold 11/3	Amy Fodo 11/22
Jim Checkelsky 11/3	Henry Piovarchy 11/23
Abbey Weyls 11/3	Bonnie Weber 11/24
Anthony Dangelo 11/4	Karen Maringer 11/24
Marilyn Kessler 11/6	Darla Phillips 11/30
Ben Checkelsky 11/6	

November Holidays

Veterans Day 11/11
Thanksgiving 11/26

Upcoming Meetings

Church Council: Zoom meeting December 8
Property Committee: TBD

Community Thanksgiving Worship Service

The Buckeye Area Ministerial Association (BAMA) is sponsoring an online-only Community Thanksgiving Worship service on Tuesday, November 24 at 7:00 PM. The service can be watched via this YouTube link: <https://youtu.be/I2mJYBAW-IQ>. The video will go live as the service begins and will be recorded for those who miss the live-stream and choose to watch it later.

Clergy from several different local churches will participate in the service and our own Pastor Brian will be preaching.



Living Water Association: Streams of Connection Newsletter

The Living Water Association (Northeast Ohio UCC) publishes a great weekly newsletter that offers spiritual support, news, and other information. Go to livingwaterone.org and look for the box that says Streams of Connection, or [click here](#) to go to the most recent issue.



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Have you "liked" us on Facebook? It's easy and will allow you to see posts from EUCC in your Facebook feed. Go to <https://www.facebook.com/euccvalleycity> and hit the "like" button. Please share our posts about worship, special events, and other activities on your page for your friends to see!

Office Hours

Pastor Brian is normally in on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. (It's best to call him in advance.) The church office is typically staffed at these times:

Tuesday	8:30 AM – 3:30 PM
Thursday	8:30 AM – 3:30 PM
Friday	8:30 AM – 11:30 AM

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