

*Founded 1871*  
*Celebrating 139 Years*  
*Immanuel's Messenger*  
*October, 2010*

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*From the Rector:*

*Stewardship Time...*

A wise mentor once told me, “Every problem in prayer is a problem in life, and every problem in life is a problem in prayer.” That sentiment holds true for me on many levels, but particularly when it comes to stressors or uncertainties we sometimes face. If I have trouble focusing in prayer, or if something keeps bothering me again and again, perhaps that means there is something to which I need to pay more attention in my daily life. If I have a problem that appears again and again in daily life, perhaps I will see that reflected in prayer, or I need to take it there!

As you have heard me say in my stewardship letter this year, we have faced many uncertain times in our past—as individuals and families, as a congregation, and as a nation. However, we are now facing a series of years when our financial health has been quite uncertain, and no one knows what the immediate future will hold. But we still need to pay our bills. We still have mortgages, electric bills, grocery bills, and all the other regular budgetary issues. Many of us are struggling, dipping into savings, or even borrowing from our retirement plans without knowing how we might pay it back. The same circumstances we face in our own lives we also

face as a Christian community together. Over a period of years, our expenses have risen, and our giving has declined. Like many individuals, the Church corporately is dipping into savings, borrowing from the endowment, and doing what we need to do to pay our expenses.

Our reality is our reality, and it is simply a statement of fact: We need more money to pay our bills and to continue to enjoy the ministries and programs we count on as a community. But at the same time, when I look around on Sundays and at programs and meetings, I do not see a group full of anxiety. I see people of hope with great love for God and for Immanuel Church. And I see excitement and dedication wrapped in happy faces, singing voices, helping hands, and praying hearts.

Please review my recent stewardship letter to you and consider how you might support our budget for 2011. In the meantime, we cannot guess. We cannot cut. We cannot grow. We simply cannot make a budget without you. I ask that you return your cards by October 24 when all the pledges will be blessed and our campaign will move to its next phase of budget planning. And please be in touch with questions, joys, or concerns anytime. Thank You!!!

God's Peace,

The Rev. Megan E. Stewart-Sicking

## Two “arches”

The first is “*arch-ives*,” the collection of Immanueliana kept since the 1870s: photos, building plans, vestry minutes, letters, treasurers’ reports, Women of Immanuel and church school records, bulletins and newsletters, reports to the Diocese, and, of course, “miscellanea.” These have been stowed in odd corners of the church buildings, and in parishioners’ homes. At last we have a safe, humidity- and temperature-controlled space--2 closets near the church office. I have gone through them just enough to assemble them into basic subjects, to toss out some papers that I knew were not worth keeping (we don’t need the bank statements from the 1930s), and to find some great materials that tell the story of how--and why--this parish came to be and managed to serve our community all these years. I am also seeing that there are gaps that need to be filled. Some can be learned from the F. Garner Ranney Archives of the Diocese of Maryland (one of the best collections in the Episcopal Church), and some may be lurking in the closets and drawers of parishioners and others. If you have any, bring them for us to copy or keep. Now we have two next steps: [1] to enlist (or draft) folks who will take the time to organize them. For this there are Guidelines for Parish Archivists; I guarantee you that for every 59 minutes of routine sorting there will be at least one “Eureka” moment which you’ll love to share with others.

[2] The second is to create an accurate roster of parish members. One key item which seems to have been lost forever is the Parish Register of communicants, baptisms, confirmation, weddings, and burials from 1976 through 1996, and no new one has been made, so constructing such a roster will take a lot of detail work. I have promised the rector that I would try to get this done before our next Annual Report in February. This will mean contacting many of you about details of your status, especially whether our members who are on our active list have been confirmed or transferred in.

The other “arch” is *arch-itecture*, Immanuel’s “built environment.” As Winston Churchill said, “First we shape our buildings, and then our

buildings shape us.” On Saturday, Sept. 11, a group organized by the Church Club of the Diocese toured Immanuel and four other North County churches, led by James Wollen, A.I.A., an enthusiastic and knowledgeable church historian. The church was built in 1871, a particularly fine example of the Gothic Revival which still helps to define the special place of the Episcopal Church in America. Jim Wollon admits that even he cannot find who the architect was, though we know that Dr. Philip Austen had a hand in some details; he was the brother of Anne McCulloch, founder of Oldfields .

Also, no-one knows what the turret over the west end is--it’s not a chimney or a bell tower. What do you think?

The parish house, in the same style, was opened in 1881, and the rectory, a fine example of a country home, was built in 1881. All three buildings have been enlarged and enhanced many times but retain their integrity; they belong where they are and they define what we are.

Devotion to the past can become merely “*arch-aim*,” the dead hand of the past. Our faith is “good news,” not “good olds.” But to know where we are going, we need to know where we have come from. What a blessing to have a church which is an *arch-type* of our pilgrimage in Christ!

~~Kingsley Smith

## *Highlights from the September 14th Vestry Meeting*

The Vestry met on September 14<sup>th</sup>. We discussed developing further written policies for the Church cemetery and making gifts to Immanuel. These policies will help clarify questions like “Who is responsible for maintaining headstones in the cemetery?” and “What is the gift acceptance policy of Immanuel Church?” We also began discussing the 2011 Operating Budget.

The Vestry is very pleased to welcome Jen Newgent, our new Interim Director of Music Ministries. Though Jen’s first Sunday at Immanuel was September 12th, she officially

began her duties on September 1st. Jen will be working with us on all aspects of music ministry at Immanuel.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the Bake-Off and Square Dance on Saturday, October 9th!

Nelly Perkins

## ***First Tuesday Education Series***

Beginning on Tuesday, October 5, we will have our First Tuesday Education Series. We meet the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. Our focus for 2010-2011 will be a study of *The Hidden Power of the Gospels* by Alexander J. Shaia, PhD. The cost is \$20 for a book and \$15 for a study guide. Please let Mother Megan know if you need a book. This will be a group of both study and spiritual formation, so please register in advance and plan to attend all sessions.

## ***Welcome our new Music Director, Jen Newgent***

I graduated from McDaniel College in 2007 with a Bachelor's Degree in music. During my time there, I was a soloist with the Westminster Symphony Orchestra. In 2009, I completed a Master's of Music in Organ Performance at Houghton College, located in Western New York. I have worked as the Music Director at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Poplar Springs, MD, and First Presbyterian Church, Olean, NY. I currently live in Westminster, MD, with 8 of my 9 siblings. Many of us have participated in plays and musicals together. My parts have included the back legs of a camel, a fearsome dragon, a 70-year-old woman, and one of Joseph's brothers in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* (complete with faux mustache that kept falling off). I also enjoy reading, astronomy, and gardening.

## ***Annual CROP Walk***

Last year, Immanuel Church moved the CROP Walk from the NCR Trail to our own parking lot. Our children experienced firsthand the challenges involved in hauling water, firewood and even siblings (caste as dolls) that millions of impoverished children overseas do on a daily basis. Plans are underway for this year's event, including selecting a Sunday in October, and will be published as soon as they are available. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Rudi Horner.

## ***Hereford Food Bank Collections***

Please remember to bring your canned goods and other non-perishable food items to church for the offertory every Sunday. As the baskets fill, we will continue to make deliveries to the Hereford Food Bank. Thank you!

## **POT-LUCK, BAKE-OFF AND SQUARE DANCE: Fun Comes in Threes**

If you like to eat, dance and have fun, don't miss Immanuel's Bake-Off and Square Dance on October 9<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall. Check out the flyer in this newsletter for details. If you haven't entered your dessert in the Bake-Off, there is still time. The more entries we have, the better. Everyone gets to have a say in the judging, so please bring your favorite potluck dish (anything but desserts – we hope to have plenty of them in the Bake-Off contest) and join us for a night of fellowship and fun. Last year's square dance was such a success that we are doing it again. Dancers ranged from age 5 to 90, so don't be shy. Caller Gene Fitta makes it easy. Please sign-up now at the *Bake-Off and Square Dance* table in the Parish Hall.

**We really need volunteers, especially to help set-up for this event. Please sign up to give us a hand if possible.**

MJ Shanks

## ***From the Parish Register***

### ***Deaths***

***Merlene Jane Gile Wilkerson***  
*September 2, 2010*

## ***Coffee Hour Fellowship***

Coffee hours are a time of fellowship and are held immediately after the 10:15 a.m. service (after 9:00 a.m. in summer). It is a wonderful time to catch up on news with friends and meet new ones. We need Coffee Hour Hosts. The coffee, tea and lemonade are provided. All you have to do is setup and cleanup. If you would like to bring a snack or two, that would be most appreciated. If you need assistance in setting up and/or cleaning up, please let us know. If you would like to host a coffee hour, please call Bobbie Ensor at 410-472-2206.

## ***Property Perusal***

Whew! It looks as if our aging boiler has passed inspection for another year. Hopefully Old Faithful will see us through a few more winters while we work on general upkeep.

The repair to the exterior of the rectory windows is coming along, and should be about finished by

the time you read this. We scraped off significant amounts of old paint and glazing, repaired the

glaze, repainted windows and doors, and then polished windows and storm windows before replacing. A professional painting team is scheduled as of late September to come in and finish the last high windows which have difficult ladder placements. (An all-female team, we might add...)

Thank you to everyone for bearing with a slow pace in the meantime on some other repairs. In how many churches would people be willing to manage with half a doorknob, while the missing portion is relocated, reglued, and replaced so that the original can once again open Immanuel's doors?

We welcome one and all regardless of age and ability to enjoy the festive atmosphere of Fall Cleanup Day. On Saturday November 13 we will be joined by our faithful scout troop and whoever of you wants to come either to work or just enjoy the view! In three short hours, we will rake as much of the campus as we are able, as well as attend to some autumn garden cleanup.

If we get a good group of volunteers, I have two other projects in mind: helping our rectory family turn over earth in preparation for a vegetable garden next spring and possibly... possibly!...doing some sweeping-out of the interesting, historic (and oh, yes, dusty) stone-walled rectory basement.

Time is 8:30 start, 11:15 wrap-up, donuts after. Bring tools for whatever task you like to do (rake, tarp, weed, sweep). Rain or shine!

Many thanks,

Katie Ritter  
Property Chair

## *Sunday School News*

The Sunday School year started last week with 26 children. The Psalm 23 lesson included decorating cookies, making a decoupage, and being in a maze. We will continue this rotation for 2 more weeks. Thanks to Ginny Gillam, Lynn Traynor and Michael Neubauer.

Our next rotation will be Jesus Blessed the Children. Then we will have a special one week lesson on baptism on November 7.

This year we start in Sunday School at 10:10 a.m. and go to church at the Peace and stay for the Eucharist. Please remember to have your children bring canned goods for the Offering.

Coleman Mettee  
Sunday School Coordinator

## *“Cash for Kids”*

**Thank you Sarah Ebert** for again volunteering to collect and tally the cash register receipts for the “Cash for Kids” program. Graul’s Market has just given us the particulars on this year’s campaign. The program began on September 23, 2010 and runs through March 27, 2011. The receipts are **PINK** this year. Please collect them and deposit them in the container provided in the church vestibule. For each \$25,000 collected in pink Graul’s cash register receipts, we will receive a check in the amount of \$250 to benefit our Sunday School.

Your participation in this worthwhile program is greatly appreciated!

## *2010 Parish Directory*

Please make the following changes to your 2010 Parish Directory:

***The following Broadmead parishioners have changes to their addresses:***

Bill Eddison moved from D-5 to S-106

Bette Hollyday moved from D-11 to A4

Franklin & Bunny Knipp moved from L-2 to S-315

Elsa Lundgren moved from S-315 to S-319

### ***From the Office:***

**Reminder:** My office hours are Mon. 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Wed. and Thurs. 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. You may reach me at 410-472-2828. If I am unavailable, please leave a voice message and I will return your call as soon as possible. You may also email me at: [office.imm@verizon.net](mailto:office.imm@verizon.net)

**Dary Schmidt - Your Parish Administrator**

### **Newsletter Deadlines**

All articles, photos, inserts, and updates are kindly requested by 2:30pm on:

**The second Monday of each month.**

Please give to Dary, or email to [office.imm@verizon.net](mailto:office.imm@verizon.net)

Following our long-standing, intentional practice, Immanuel Episcopal Church in Glencoe, Maryland, extends a warm welcome and an invitation to join us in community and worship to all people who desire to love and worship God, follow the example and teachings of Jesus Christ, and seek loving fellowship with others in His church. We extend this welcome and invitation especially to all who may have particular reason to think they may not be welcome because of physical appearance, physical or mental ability, ethnic or religious background, sexual orientation, financial circumstance, or past or present sins. We confess that we are not a community already perfected in love. But we want to become more fully loving, and we welcome into our community all who wish to join us in this endeavor.

## ***Clergy and Staff***

The Rev. Megan E. Stewart-Sicking, Rector, [immanuelrector@gmail.com](mailto:immanuelrector@gmail.com)  
The Rev. Kingsley Smith, Assisting Priest, [pksmith@comcast.net](mailto:pksmith@comcast.net)  
Ms. Jen Newgent, Interim Director of Music Ministries; [jen.newgen@yahoo.com](mailto:jen.newgen@yahoo.com)  
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Ms. Coleman, Mettee, Church School Administrator  
Ms. Cathy Tipper, Business Manager, [crtipper@aol.com](mailto:crtipper@aol.com)

## **Vestry and Officers**

Rudi Horner, Senior Warden, Doug Whatley, Junior Warden,  
Chuck Gilbert, Treasurer, Nelly Perkins, Registrar,  
Deborah Cunningham, Todd Ensor, Doug Gunn,  
Gayle Hagan, Bunkie Hopkins, Catherine Klein,  
Katie Ritter, Donna Saddler,  
Mary Jane Shanks, Pam Swanson,  
and Mary Frances Wagley

## October 2010

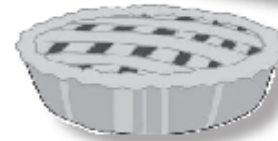
<p><b>Oct 3</b></p> <p>8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist I            9:00 a.m. Education Hour            10:10 a.m. Sunday School            10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist II            11:30 a.m. Acolyte Training</p> <p><b>Oct 5</b>    7:00 p.m. <b>Adult Education Series</b></p> <p><b>Oct 7</b>    7:30 p.m. <b>Choir Rehearsal</b></p> <p><b>Oct 9</b>    6:30 – 9:30 p.m. <b>Dessert Bake Off/Square Dance</b></p> <p><b>Oct 10</b></p> <p>8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist I            9:00 a.m. Education Hour            10:10 a.m. Sunday School            10:15 a.m. Morning Prayer &amp; H. E. II</p> <p><b>Oct 12</b>    7:30p.m. <b>Vestry Meeting – Parish Hall</b></p> <p><b>Oct 14</b>    7:30 p.m. <b>Choir Rehearsal</b></p>	<p><b>19 Pentecost</b></p> <p><b>20 Pentecost</b></p> <p><b>21 Pentecost</b></p> <p><b>22 Pentecost</b></p> <p><b>23 Pentecost</b></p>	<p><b>Oct 17</b></p> <p>8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist I            9:00 a.m. Education Hour            10:10 a.m. Sunday School            10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist II</p> <p><b>Oct 20</b>    2:30 p.m. <b>Newsletter Deadline</b></p> <p><b>Oct 21</b>    7:30 p.m. <b>Choir Rehearsal</b></p> <p><b>Oct 24</b></p> <p>8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist I            9:00 a.m. Education Hour            10:10 a.m. Sunday School            10:15 a.m. Morning Prayer &amp; H. E. II</p> <p><b>Oct 25</b>    1:00 p.m. <b>Newsletter Team Meets</b></p> <p><b>Oct 28</b>    7:30 p.m. <b>Choir Rehearsal</b></p> <p><b>Oct 31</b></p> <p>8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist I            9:00 a.m. <b>NO EDUCATION HOUR TODAY</b>            10:10 a.m. Sunday School            10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist II</p>
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**IMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
BAKE-OFF AND SQUARE DANCE  
Saturday, October 9, 2010**



**It's a Pot-Luck Dinner, too.**

**\$10 for Adults  
\$5 for Children Age 6-11  
(Bring a Dish to Share -  
but NOT a dessert)**



**BAKE-OFF  
5:30 to 7:00 PM**

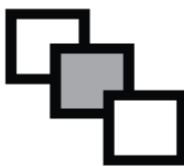
**"Stressed spelled backwards is desserts. Coincidence? I think not!" -- Unknown**

**TAKE OFF THE STRESS BY SUPPORTING OUR BAKE-OFF!  
Bring the whole family! Invite your friends to come,  
and if they wish, enter the Bake-Off, too.**

It's no secret that great bakers abound at Immanuel! Enter your Blue Ribbon cake, pie, or other sweet delight in our Bake-Off. Bake-Off entrants receive free entry for one person.

Use the attached ENTRY FORM or pick up one at the Bake-Off & Square Dance Table in the Parish House. Return the completed form to Christina Williams (3101 Brandon Hunt Lane, Baldwin 21013, 410-692-6714, christina.williams30@yahoo.com, or leave it in the designated basket on the table by SEPTEMBER 26.

Please sign-up at the "Bake-Off & Square Dance Table" in the Parish House if you are coming to the Bake-Off and/or to the Square Dance.



**SQUARE DANCE  
7:30 to 9:30 PM**

**Caller  
GENE FITTA**



Have a **SWINGING GOOD TIME** after the Bake -Off at a foot stomping Square Dance. Don't be shy...strut your stuff. Caller Gene FitTa makes it easy. If you can't come to the Bake-Off, don't let that stop ya from steppin' out to the Hoedown!



# BAKE-OFF ENTRY FORM

Please complete and return to Christina Williams (3101 Brandon Hunt Lane, Baldwin 21013, 410-692-6714, christina.williams30@yahoo.com), or leave in designated basket on "Bake-Off & Square Dance Table," by September 26.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION OF DESSERT \_\_\_\_\_

(Example: Cherry Pie or Pineapple and Cream Cake)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to the Rules of Competition \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Read Rules Listed Below)

**BAKE-OFF  
10/09  
5:30 PM**



## RULES OF COMPETITION

1. Entries to be homemade with wholesome ingredients. Please provide a list of all ingredients.
2. Entries must be brought in ready-made and served as prepared.
3. Entries must be in place in the Parish House by 5:00 PM.