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Immanuel's Messenger
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From the Rector:

Let the Pledging Begin!

It is tempting to start this note by saying that “stewardship season begins.” However, you will probably hear me talk a lot this year about our “annual pledge campaign” rather than “annual stewardship campaign.” As we have all been reminded many times, stewardship is not a season. It is not about one type of giving at one time of year. Stewardship is about our care for every resource, at all times. This is why we honored a “creation season” in September. We remembered our great responsibility for all natural resources, and we celebrated the joy we find in all God’s creation. The only change in October is that we go from considering stewardship of global resources to stewardship of personal resources.

Well, there is one other change. The actual pledge campaign begins! We cannot make a budget without you. We cannot figure out which ministry areas to grow without you. And we cannot figure out where we need to cut without you. Without a pledge, it’s like you making an annual budget when your employer hasn’t given you your income level for the next year yet. It would be impossible to make commitments!

Essentially, this is how our vestry struggles each fall. We must make the budget for 2012, and to do that, we need your help. Please remember that your pledge can change if your circumstances

change. But I cannot emphasize enough how much help it is to us to have a card from each of you.

My annual October letter that comes with pledge cards will be arriving at your home the first week of the month. Please take the time to read it, and take a look at the Treasurer’s letter on the back. Thank you for prayerfully considering your financial contribution for next year. Though names will be kept confidential, we will formally dedicate and bless all pledges received by October 23.

If you have questions about the budget, please contact me or one of the vestry officers. We are happy to help anytime, and we look forward to another wonderful year of continuing the ministries that are featured in this newsletter, and new ones yet to come!

The Rev. Megan E. Stewart-Sicking

Sunday, October 30

Children are welcome to wear Halloween Costumes to Sunday School and to church on Sunday, October 30. Happy Halloween!

Our New Middle School Group

Immanuel is blessed with a fantastic group of middle school age students. For those of you who went to a “junior high” or even “Hereford Jr. Sr. High”, this new term “middle school” most often covers 6th, 7th and 8th graders. Immanuel’s middle schoolers are: Giles Perkins, Dorsey and Bennett Ensor, Henry Traynor, Flannery Supplee, Ashley Earp, Tim Mettee, Rosemary and James Gillam, and Quinn Shiffer. They enjoyed a pool party at Bobbie Ensor’s at the end of August and made plans for the year. Drew and Nellie Perkins are serving as the first coordinators of this group. We count on the parents of these young people to get them to their scheduled events. And, we are counting upon other parishioners to lend a hand when asked --- especially you who may be “empty nesters” right now or otherwise do not have school-aged children in your household. When someone calls, please be ready to consider devoting a few hours to help out with a specific event to support this energetic group!

Thank you,
Rudi Horner, Senior Warden

Annual Meeting and Potluck

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will take place on November 13 after the 10:15am service. A pot luck lunch will follow, with the "Men of Immanuel" supplying main dishes. Like last year, we will see a variety of smoked, barbequed, and other special meats- so don't miss it! Please bring a side or dessert to share. Further details will be in the November Newsletter.

Highlights from the September 13th Vestry Meeting

The Vestry, meeting Sept 13, 2011, agreed that our existing part-time, paid position of Sunday School Administrator will be extended through the first half of the church's next budget year of 2012. The position had been confirmed through 2011 when this year's budget was finalized. The

Vestry heartily welcomes Anne Greene who's already an experienced Sunday School teacher at Immanuel.

The Vestry noted that the position of Sunday School Administrator is critical not only because of the popularity of our Sunday School and its pattern of offering exciting Sunday mornings to the children of the Parish, but because the Rector will be on maternity leave for 8 weeks sometime in winter - early spring 2012. Additionally, the Parish is beginning a Middle School/Youth Group during Sunday School hours, and the Sunday School Administrator will have a role in that program.

The Church's roof was professionally, successfully repaired before Hurricane Irene and the more recent extremely heavy rains. The plaster repairs in the Narthex will soon be made. The ceiling light in the Narthex and the big light over the exterior entrance of the Church are on the same circuit and switch. The timer-switch was replaced without fixing the problem, but verifying that an electrical repair to the circuit is required. This work will be performed before we have another evening service.

The tree removal next to the Rectory is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept 27, as already indicated on the Parish's on-line Calendar. The Vestry had studied our on-line Calendar in preparation for the meeting, so there was much praise for the on-line Calendar which goes through 2012. We hope this resource will allow members and friends of the Parish to add the dates, times, and natures of more distant, yet upcoming, events to their personal calendars before their personal calendars get filled.

Immanuel will run at least a couple of invitation/advertisements in the "County Chronicle" to encourage people who live in the area but are not affiliated with the Parish to visit and/or join us.

The Annual Parish meeting will be Sunday, Nov. 13. On Sunday, Nov. 6, we will celebrate All

Saints Sunday, including a Baptism. The Church plans to announce later the dates of one autumn 2011 and one spring 2012 Morning Prayer with Choir 10:15 a.m. service.

We are looking into what the Episcopal Diocese of Central Pennsylvania needs to assist its relief efforts following Hurricane Irene in that neighboring region. We will develop an Outreach Committee to stay in touch with all of the Parish's diverse outreach efforts.

Deborah Cunningham

Food Bank Collections Continue WEEKLY!

Please remember to bring your donations for the Hereford Food Bank *weekly!* As we did last year, the children are welcome to bring their items forward in the offertory procession and place them under the altar. Food will be taken as it accumulates every few weeks, and as the fall progresses, we will let you know of their special needs at the food bank. Thank you!!!

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.

Parish Register

*Helen Koch
September 19, 2011*

Property Perusal

Looking at October? No, November. Time to think ahead!

We have our semi-annual parish cleanup coming on Saturday, November 12th and we would LOVE to see a few new folks who like friendship in the fresh air.

It's easy and we keep it short: 8:30 to 11:30, snacks. You get to work on whatever you like. Please come and join us!

GUTTERS, ANYBODY? A generous parishioner paid for gutter cleaning earlier this year, but they'll be filled again come November. If you're inclined to climb ladders really high and throw dirt on the ground, have we got a job for you!

It looks as if the roof repairs orchestrated by Chad Crowe are holding well. Look forward to the plaster in the entryway being repaired soon!

Please let us know any items or issues you see with the church, parish hall or grounds. We may not get to it immediately, but we do keep a running list of items and work on them.

Katie Ritter, Property Committee

From our Music Department...

Thank you very much to Paul Schlitz, Clay Welch, Savitri Gauthier, and the Missing Chums, who performed a delightful concert on September 25! It was a pleasure to attend a recital of so much new, expressive music.

The adult choir has grown! Currently, our members include Susan Baxter, Page Crosby, Savitri Gauthier, Gayle Hagan, David Morris, and Clay Welch, and we have frequent visits from Paul Schlitz. We are still accepting new members - if you are interested, see Jen.

The children's choir is also off to a great start. They have remembered everything that we worked on last year and are already singing things much harder than they could last year! And we are having a blast! If anyone wants to join, see Jen. We meet from 11:45 to 12:15 on Sundays.

Jen

Immanuel to be at Hereford Fall Festival

Immanuel will be an exhibitor at the Oct 15 and 16 Hereford Fall Festival to benefit the Hereford Fire Department. We will have a table display highlighting Sunday School, including the new middle school curriculum.

We will also have a signup sheet in hopes of gathering names and contact information for people interested in learning more about us.

This festival attracts thousands and is typically a sellout for those wanting to exhibit so it will be an excellent opportunity to increase awareness of Immanuel and all that we offer.

Please contact me about your interest in volunteering for either day and for as many or few hours as possible. Many thanks.

Susan Anthony
Parish Growth Committee

Sunday School News

Sunday School has gotten off to a strong start this year! We began the season with Creation, and shared our artwork with the congregation in September. To learn about Stewardship in October, we will be donating to those less fortunate than ourselves, and giving back to the parish every week at coffee hour.

[Anne Greene](#)
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 will begin September 26, 2011 and run through March 25, 2012. The receipts will be **BLUE** this year. So be on the look out for those **blue** receipts starting September 26th. 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!

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

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

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.

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Mary Jane Shanks, Pam Swanson,
and Mary Frances Wagley

October 2011

Oct. 1	4pm-6pm	Middle School Youth Group Cook-Out (6th to 8th Grade)	Oct. 17	2:30 p.m.	Newsletter Deadline
Oct. 2		16 Pentecost	Oct. 20	7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist I	Oct. 23		19 Pentecost
	10:10 a.m.	Sunday School		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist I
	10:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II		10:10 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:30 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal		10:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II
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Oct. 6	7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Oct. 27	1:00 p.m.	Newsletter Team Meets
Oct. 8	530p-930p	Soup Cook-Off /Square Dance		7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Oct. 9		17 Pentecost	Oct. 30		20 Pentecost
	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist I		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist I
	10:10 a.m.	Sunday School		10:10 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II		10:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II
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Oct. 11	7:30 p.m.	Vestry Meeting – Parish Hall			
Oct. 13	7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal			
Oct. 15	& 16	12th Annual Hereford Fall Festival			
Oct. 16		18 Pentecost			
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	10:10 a.m.	Sunday School			
	10:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist II			
	11:30 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal			

**MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP
(6TH TO 8TH GRADE)
FALL EVENTS, 2011
IMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

1509 GLENCOE RD, SPARKS-GLENCOE, MD 21152 410-472-2828

Saturday, October 1

4:00pm-6:00pm

Cookout and Take over your new youth room!!!

Meet at the church at 4pm. We'll clean out the room that will become your new meeting room and talk about plans to decorate it! Cookout food provided. Please bring a snack (chips etc) or dessert to share. RSVP to your e-vite when it comes.

Newcomers: call the parish office to be added to the list.



Sunday, October 30

Meet Wes!

10:15am Church Service

Come to church and meet Wes Wubbenhorst, Canon for Youth for the Diocese of Maryland. That means Wes plans all sorts of fun activities for our youth all over Maryland. Hear him preach in church and then meet with him at coffee hour to learn about awesome events you might want to attend—like retreats, trips, etc! RSVP to

to your e-vite when it comes. Newcomers: call the parish office to be added to the list.

Sunday, November 20

Field Trip to the Baltimore Cathedral

Meet at church at 9:15am

We will meet at church at 9:15am and then carpool to our Cathedral on E. University Parkway. We will attend their service at 10:30 and then walk around the grounds, see some office areas, and learn exactly: What is a Cathedral? What is a dean? What is a diocese? What is a bishop? Who works for the bishop and what do they do? We will return to church for parent pick-up between 1:15 and 1:30pm. Cost \$10. Includes lunch. RSVP to your e-vite when it comes. Call the parish office to be added to the list.



**IMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH
SOUP COOK-OFF AND SQUARE DANCE
Saturday, October 8, 2011**



**\$10 for Adults
\$5 for Children 6-11
Children 5 and under FREE**

**SOUP COOK-OFF
5:30 to 7:00 PM**

**Hot or Cold, Mild or Bold
Will Your Soup Win the Gold?**

Enter your super-duper soup by filling out the attached entry form and returning it as directed by Sunday, September 25.

Diners will be the judges.

**DINNER RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED!
Please sign-up at the Cook Off & Square Dance Table
in the Parish House by October 2.**

A purple square sign with a blue border. The text on the sign reads: "SQUARE DANCE 7:30 to 9:30 PM", "Caller GENE FITA", and "(For Beginners)". To the left and right of the sign are decorative blue square patterns. To the right of the sign is a cartoon illustration of a man in a cowboy hat and a woman in a purple dress dancing together.

After the cook-off, STRUT YOUR STUFF at an ole time Square Dance. Don't be shy! Caller Gene Fita makes it easy. If you can't make it to the Cook Off, don't let that stop ya from comin' to the Hoedown!

SOUP COOK-OFF ENTRY FORM

Please complete and return to Dary Schmidt in the office, or leave in designated basket on "Cook Off & Square Dance Table," by September 25.
Questions? Call Mary Jane Shanks 410-557-6047

NAME _____

NAME OF SOUP _____
(Example: George's Gotcha Gazpacho)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

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

**Soup
Cook-off
October 8
5:30 PM**



**Will Your
Soup
Win the
Gold?**

RULES OF COMPETITION

1. All entries must be homemade with wholesome ingredients.
2. All entries must be brought in ready-made and served as prepared.
3. All soup entries to be contained in a functioning, standard sized Crock Pot.
4. Approximately 2 gallons of soup should be provided unless otherwise notified due to the final attendance count.