

# THE MOSAIC

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## *First Impressions*



Greetings, Friends!

As you probably know, it is hard to look at something you're used to with fresh eyes. When Dan and I moved into our house in Albany, I was irritated by a door knob that doesn't match the other door knobs. Now it doesn't really bother me any more. The truth is, I've stopped even seeing it.

The same holds true for the crabapple tree in front of our house. The first spring we were here, I couldn't stop looking at the blooming branches that brushed against our second floor windows. This week, I notice pink petals on the sidewalk under the tree and realized I hadn't even noticed that the tree bloomed.

I am not completely new to Emmanuel Baptist Church, but I'm not totally used to the place either. So I thought I would share a few observations--in case these are things you don't see any more!

- Most people enter the church through the side door. Visitors, however, usually enter the church through the front door. These doors lead to a vestibule at the front of the church which then leads to the sanctuary. There aren't usually people standing near these doors before worship.
- EBC puts kids in the center of the worship space--and the kids are completely comfortable there.
- After worship, people disappear from the sanctuary through a side door. It isn't clear to a visitor where they are going or why.
- There is a cabinet in the sanctuary, towards the front door, filled with interesting old things including a pile of rocks. It seems mysterious.



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- Choir members smile when they sing.
- The most energetic part of the worship service is the Doxology.
- The congregation holds the world in prayer--you don't just pray for yourselves.
- The Yahoo Group, "ebc-announce", helps me feel connected to the congregation. Is everyone a part of this list? Does everyone know they could join?

I am glad for the chance to share these observations now because I'm sure by the end of the summer I won't notice any of this anymore!

*Yours,  
Pastor Heather*



## *Open House at Pathfinder Lodge*

**June 1, 10:00 to 3:00**

**Rain or Shine**

*Free lunch, tours, crafts, campfire, fun and fellowship*

Questions? Speak with Marilyn Malone or other member of CGD

Pathfinder is in Cooperstown, NY on County Route 31, East Lake Rd. between 20 & 28  
(607) 547-2300



### **Emmanuel to Welcome Guest Preacher**

On Sunday, June 9, the Rev. Jill Farnham-Us will be our pulpit guest. Some of us remember Jill and her spouse, Karha Farnham-Us, who were co-pastors of the Metropolitan Community Church, which met at Emmanuel for many years.

Since Jill moved from Albany in 2007, she has worked as the Chaplain of Community Hospice in Amsterdam, and Hospice and Palliative Care in Herkimer, Oneida and eastern Madison County. She retired in January 2018 and is enjoying retirement at her home with chickens, alpaca, dogs and a cat. Karha

and she were married in 2011 and are celebrating 30 years together. She has been active in Indivisible Mohawk Valley since the Women's March in Washington on January 20, 2017. She is the co-chair of the InterFaith Coalition of Greater Utica, and Jill and Karha are planning to revive Pride in Utica with Pride Fest 2019 on June 23. Mark your calendar and join us to welcome Jill on the 9<sup>th</sup>.



**YOU ARE INVITED!!!**

**Celebrate Pride...**

**Sunday, June 9**

*Please join your Emmanuel Family at the*

**PRIDE Parade and Festival**

**Parade Steps off at Noon**

**Music, Laughter, Food Vendors,**

**People-watching, and lots of Color until 5 pm**

*Talk to Ruth, Curtis, or Andrea for more information, to let us know you want to help out, and to let us know you want to march in the parade!*

*The more folks behind our banner at the parade the better!!!*



**It's June...Picnic Time!**

**Join us for the Annual**

**Outdoor Worship & Picnic**

**NOTE: No service at Emmanuel that day**

**When: Sunday, June 16, 10:30 a.m.** (park opens at 10)

**Where: Town of Colonie Mohawk River Park**

71 Schermerhorn Rd., Cohoes

*(directions are available)*

**What to bring:**

- An appetizer, side dish or dessert (please indicate which you will bring on the sign up sheet)
- A folding/camp chair for each member of your family coming
- Outdoor games, if you wish
- Insect repellent (optional)
- Sunscreen (optional)
- Hat/visor/sunglasses (optional)



**Other Info:**

- Meat for the grill will be provided
- Beverages will be provided

*If you have questions, you may contact Ellen Corcoran or Karen Green.*

**All are Welcome!**

**Please Sign Up so we can assure plenty of food!**





### Focus Summer Worship Schedule:

All services will be held at **10:00 a.m.**

**Note:** *There is no service at Emmanuel on these dates*

- July 7 - at First Presbyterian
  - Aug. 4 - at Trinity Methodist
  - Sept. 1 - at Emmanuel Baptist
- All are Welcome!*

# Join us!

# Save the Date

### Teacher's Meeting:

Tuesday evening, August 6.

Watch for details as the date draws closer.

Executive Team Business Meeting: June 11  
*in the church parlor, 6:15 pm*



### Happy Birthday...

- Audrey Ford
- Elaine Spoor
- Donna Brown
- Danielle Johnson
- Barbara Lahut
- Bob Green
- Sarah Malone
- Edie Simpson
- Robin Bray
- Adele LaBarge
- Erin Wilkerson
- Ken Cole
- Eh Kui Do
- Edith Leet



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*If your birthday is not published in our monthly listing, please notify Dorothy at 465-5161*

## Remember the Food Pantry... June:

*toilet tissue*

**Deadline for the summer issue of the MOSAIC is June 18**

**NOTE:** That issue will include July and August events.



## Begins June 21!



# Pathfinder Camp Wish List

## Maintenance

Paint brushes (including disposable)\*\*

Brooms\*\*

Lysol Wipes

Rakes & shovels

Sponge mops\*\*

Dehumidifiers\*\*

Indoor Lightbulbs

## Other Kitchen Items

Liquid dish soap

Liquid hand soap

## HEALTH LODGE

Medical or sport tape

Shower curtains

Rubber or latex gloves

4x4 gauze

Large Band-Aids

## Sports Equipment

Life jackets – vest style (any size)

Canoe paddles

Canoes, kayaks

Rope

Tents

Volleyballs

Kick balls

Water shoes (all sizes)

Dive-quality masks & fins

(adult sizes)

## Crafts & Program

Construction paper, card stock

Beading thread, elastic cord

**Tape: masking, duct \*\***

Colored sand

Fabric dye

White T-shirts (all sizes)

Boondoggle

Ink pads

Tulip Tie Dye

**Unused birthday or note cards, with envelopes\*\***

**Gift cards to:**

**Price Chopper**

**Stewart's Shops**

**Home Depot**

**Lowe's**

**Ace Hardware**

**Tops**

**Hannaford Food**

**Walmart**

**\*\*these items are especially needed**

## Food Items

Cake & brownie mixes

Bisquick

Minute rice

Pasta

Peanut butter & jelly/Nutella

Peanuts

Chocolate chips

Raisins

Flour

Salt

Sugar

Kool-Aid Mix (Lg. containers, pre-mixed)

## Paper Goods

Paper towels

Toilet paper (white, single ply)

Napkins

Paper plates (heavy duty)

Cups, cold (7-9 oz.)

Zip-lock bags – all sizes

Plastic forks

**PLEASE NO egg cartons, yarn or dinner plates. We have plenty.**

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