

# EMILIE OUTREACH NEWSLETTER

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**PHILADELPHIA BRONZE HANDBELL CONCERT**

**Sunday, May 19th at 4:30pm**

Emilie UMC is blessed to be hosting Philadelphia Bronze for a concert on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:30. Philadelphia Bronze is an elite handbell choir whose members hail from the all over the Philadelphia region. These dedicated musicians boast over 300 cumulative years of ringing experience. Well-known for the highest level of excellency in ringing and ringing techniques, and a wide range of handbell repertoire, this concert is not to be missed. Invite your family, friends, and anyone else you may know with an interest in handbell ringing!

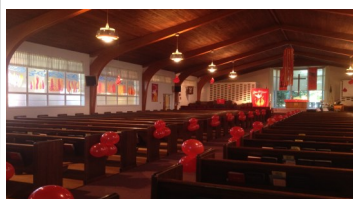
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**PENTECOST DECORATING**

After worship on Sunday, May 12



You are invited to help decorate the Sanctuary for Pentecost Sunday, as we celebrate the birthday of the Church and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Join us on Sunday, May 12th following worship. We will be painting the windows, hanging streamers, and blowing up balloons.

**GRASS CUTTING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Emilie's grass cutting team is looking to add a few volunteers to the rotation schedule for the coming spring/ summer season. If you would like more information or would like to join this vital team, please contact the church office or Ken Hahn.



Note: Ride on & push mowers options.



Easter Sunday, 2024

## April Newsletter

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

**HE IS RISEN!**

Easter isn't just a single day in the Christian Year. It's a season of 50 days, starting with celebration of the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday, and concluding with the celebration of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit that catalyzed the birth of the church on Pentecost (the 50th day!).

During this time in worship, we will be exploring the core dynamics of testimony, faith, and how God's saving power is made available to all in His name.

Speaking of Pentecost, I want to call your attention to Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, (which is Pentecost Sunday), when we will be hosting a special afternoon concert by Philadelphia Bronze, a professional bell choir. This is a wonderful opportunity to hear some truly inspiring music. See the specifics in this newsletter. Invite your neighbors and friends and make a plan to attend yourself.

I also wanted to say how great it is to be back at Emilie. While I enjoyed my time off, I want you to know that you were missed! A great thanks to Pastor Lori who worked tirelessly my absence. We are truly blessed to be in ministry together.

I encourage you to live the Resurrection in peace, love and joy!

In Christ,

*Pastor Marcia*

THE  
PASTOR'S  
CORNER

### PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND



The Pastor's Discretionary Fund is a designated fund made available to the pastor to distribute for emergency financial aid. The funds are collected through donations from the congregation throughout the year and distributed as needed by the pastors.

If you or someone within the congregation has a financial need, please contact one of the pastors to seek assistance. If you are in a position to financially help others within the church body, the best way to do that is through a donation to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

The congregation is strongly discouraged from providing financial assistance directly to other members of the church body. It is always best to direct those in need to speak with the pastors for financial assistance & guidance.

A special Pastor's Discretionary Fund collection is held during communion on the first Sunday of each month, however, donations can be made at anytime. *Please designate Pastor's Discretionary Fund on the giving envelope.*

### PENNSBURY COMMUNITY CHORUS



The Pennsbury Community Chorus will perform the Holocaust Cantata on Holocaust Remembrance Day, May 6, 2024 at Shir Ami, 101 Richboro Newtown Road, Newtown, Pa. at 7:00 p.m. All the songs in the Holocaust Cantata, originally in Polish, were found in the Holocaust Memorial Museum archives and were written by prisoners while incarcerated in Nazi concentration camps. Special guest, Avi Wisnia, will also perform. For tickets, go to [pennsburycommunitychorus.art](http://pennsburycommunitychorus.art) or see Jeff and Jacqui Pearson.

**SAVE THE DATES**

**APRIL SERVICE CLUB**

Sunday, April 14, 2024

**EARTH DAY**

Monday, April 22, 2024

**ADULT FELLOWSHIP NIGHT**

Friday, May 3, 2024

**MAY WOMEN'S CRAFT CIRCLE**

Monday, May 6, 2024

**MOTHER'S DAY**

Sunday, May 12, 2024

**PENTECOST DECORATING**

Sunday, May 12, 2024

**LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Sunday, May 19, 2024

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

**(WEAR RED)**

Sunday, May 19, 2024

**PHILADELPHIA BRONZE  
HANDBELL CONCERT**

Sunday, May 19, 2024 (4:30pm)

**MEMORIAL DAY**

Monday, May 27, 2024

\*Office will be closed\*

**GRADUATION SUNDAY**

Sunday, June 2, 2024

**DAY SCHOOL FLEA MARKET**

Saturday, June 8th



**DAY SCHOOL FLEA MARKET**

June 8th, 8am-1pm—\$15 PER SPACE

VENDORS MUST PROVIDE OWN TABLES

To reserve a space or for more information call:

Emilie Christian Day School: 215-945-3131



**GRADUATION SUNDAY**

**JUNE 2ND**

Emilie UMC would like to recognize all those graduating high school or from institutions of higher education. **If you or someone you know is graduating, please forward to the office** the *person's name, institution from which they are graduating, degree with which they are graduating, a digital picture of the graduate, plans for the future, and their relationship to you, by Sunday, April 28th*

Email or call the church at 215-945-5502/ [office@emilieumc.com](mailto:office@emilieumc.com).



**TRENTON THUNDER**

**FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT**

SATURDAY, JULY 20TH, 2024 (6:30PM)

-FIREWORKS NIGHT-

Take me out to the ball game! Emilie UMC & Emilie Christian Day School are is partnering with Trenton Thunder baseball to offer this fun summer fellowship. Contact the Church Office NOW to join your church family at the game & reserve your tickets (tickets are \$8 per person).

**Church Office Hours**

Mon: 9:00am-noon

Tue: noon-3:00pm

Wed: noon-3:00pm

Thu: noon-3:00pm

Fri: 9:00am-noon

[office@emilieumc.com](mailto:office@emilieumc.com)

call: 215-945-5502

Closed on holidays





## EMILIE THRIFT STORE

Emilie's Thrift Store will be open the following dates in April:

Wednesday (5:30-7:00pm) - 4/10, 4/17, 4/24

Saturdays (9:00-10:30am) - 4/6, 4/20



Needs: Prayer for this outreach ministry.

Donations of clothing & shoes ONLY!

\*All donations must be clean, gently used and in wearable condition.\*

\*\*No Undergarments, Linens or Household items\*\*

### THRIFT STORE NEWS!

Dear Friends,

One of the most important ministries here at Emilie needs your help!

I recently met with Kim Kamerzel who heads up our Thrift Store ministry. My goal was to get a better idea of its impact and learn who is using its services. I was humbled by what I learned.

The Emilie Thrift Store serves our homeless community, those in our area who are living in sober communities and others who are struggling financially. People are often sent to us by various service organizations.

The Thrift Store specializes in clothing and helps both individuals and families meet their most basic needs. Perhaps someone will be going on a job interview and needs appropriate clothing. Perhaps a family needs help with back to school clothing. Perhaps a person is cold and needs a coat. The needs are endless.

I learned from Kim that not only are we providing a place for people to come and find clothing, we provide a place where they can do so with dignity! Not judging! Instead, serving with patience and kindness and understanding.

In addition, the clothing we provide is at minimal or no cost to the individual who is seeking it.

Now, here is where the help part comes in. Kim will soon be retiring so we are in need of one or two people to act as coordinators. We already have a talented group of folks who volunteer their time to work in the Thrift Shop, so that is not an issue. You would be stepping into an already functioning ministry.

I am asking that you prayerfully consider joining our Thrift Shop ministry team.

Please feel free to reach out to me personally with any questions you might have.

In Christ,

*Pastor Marcia*



### ADULT FELLOWSHIP NIGHTS

**FRIDAY, MAY 3, 6:00 PM**



Our Adult Fellowship group will meet on Friday, May 3, at 6:00 p.m. for a picnic at Jeff and Jacqui Pearson's house. Our address is 115 Mark Drive, Morrisville, Pa. 19067. The main course and beverages will be provided. We are asking that you contribute a side dish or dessert for the meal.

A sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board at the bottom of the ramp leading to the Welcome Center. This will be our last meeting until September. Thank you to all that have joined us in fellowship- it has been a lot of fun. We are looking forward to seeing you at the picnic.

Please contact Sue Ermer or Jacqui Pearson for any questions or concerns.



## APRIL SERVICE CLUB

APRIL 14

All are welcome to join us for our **next meeting**  
**Sunday, April 14 immediately after worship.**

You are invited to join us for our final Service Club meeting before summer break. We will be writing note cards to the members on our TLC list, putting together Teacher appreciation gifts for the Day School staff, working on Random Acts of Kindness to help spread the message that 'Jesus loves you' and taking a prayer walk through the Day School.

If you have any questions or future Service Club ideas, please contact Cindy in the church office.

*We hope to have you join as we Serve People for Christ!*

## BLESSING BOX

-DONATIONS NEEDED-

In October of last year we installed a Blessing Box out front of the church. We knew there was a need for this in our community, but have been surprised by the response that we have seen from the homeless and people in need within our community. Just about as quickly as we fill the box it has been being emptied. This means that hungry people are being fed and Emilie is Serving People For Christ! We would like to be able to continue this ministry, but it requires specific types of items.

**If you would like to help provide items to be distributed through the Blessing Box please see the list below.**

**Individually packaged oatmeal, granola bars, fruit bars, canned meat (with pull tabs), canned ravioli & pasta (with pull tabs), Pop tarts, small boxes of dry cereal, easy Mac, cup of soup and hotel toiletries.**

Note: items that need to be cooked on a stove or require a can opener are better left on the Share Shelf in the Welcome Center, the main goal of the Blessing Box is to serve the homeless within our community.

## BULLETIN & ALTAR FLOWER SPONSORSHIP

Bulletin & Altar Flower sponsorship give an opportunity to honor, celebrate or remember someone or a special event. All sponsorships must be set up and confirmed through the church office at least a week in advance to ensure time to coordinate with florist and church staff. For both forms of sponsorship, an announcement will be added to the bulletin for that Sunday.

Bulletin sponsorship cost is \$15.

Altar flower sponsorship cost is \$30 per bouquet (2 max). The flowers can be taken home by the sponsor following worship that Sunday.

\*Please note the church will put the carnation on the altar when announcing a passing of a church member & the rose on the altar to announce a birth at no charge. The church must be notified by Wednesday of that week.

## WORSHIP OPTIONS AT EMILIE UMC



### WORSHIP

**10:00am** - Blended Worship Service  
Childcare for children in 5 years old and younger.



### ONLINE WORSHIP

**10:00am** - Livestream of Worship Service.  
Livestreams on our Facebook page and is then available to watch anytime thereafter.

### PROFESSIONAL CHILDCARE PROVIDED

**5 years old and under**

Professional nursery care is provided in our Emilie nursery for children ages 5 and younger during Sunday School and our 10:00am worship service.

**ONGOING BIBLE STUDY & SMALL GROUPS AT EMILIE**

**Sunday School [Sept-May]**

- Sundays, 9:00-9:45 am.
- Little Children’s Club  
Kindergarten & younger  
Meets in Nursery
- Bible Club  
1st –5th grade  
Meets in Front Conference Room
- Club 30  
6-12th grade  
Meets in Youth Room

**Tri-Club, Adult Sunday School**

This adult Bible Study meets Sunday mornings at 9am in the church library and uses a quarterly study. This spring, our Bible lessons follow the theme “Encounters in Prayer and Love.” Because Lent falls during this quarter, the first unit has five lessons and ends with Easter Sunday. The second unit has eight lessons.

**God Squad**

This group is for students in grades 2-5, and meets Sundays from 6:00-7:00pm [Sept-May].

**Chaos Jr. High Youth Group**

This group is for students in grades 6-8, and meets Sundays from 6:00-7:00pm [Sept-May].

**Chaos Sr. High Youth Group**

This group is for students in grades 9-12, and meets Tuesdays from 6:00-7:00pm [Sept-May].

**Service Club [Oct-Apr]**

This group will meet the 2nd Sunday of each month, following worship to participate in a wide range of activities to live out the 3rd part of our church mission statement “serving others for Christ”.

**Women’s Crafting Circle**

The 1st Monday of each month this group of women (high school –adult) share a time of devotion, crafting, & fellowship.

Meetings are held in the Emilie Library at 7:00pm. No previous craft skill needed, crafts selected are for crafters of all skill/ability and instructions and guidance is provided.

May 6, Jun 3

**Men’s Prayer Breakfast**

Every Saturday at 8:00am the men of Emilie gather in the gather in various locations for a time of prayer, food & fellowship. Contact Frank Fabian with questions about this group.

**For more information about any of these Bible Study/ Small Groups, contact the church office.**

**215-945-5502/ office@emilieumc.com**

**DAY SCHOOL NEWS**

APRIL 2024

The Day School continues to grow as they prepare to expand into additional classrooms, planning to fill all of the classrooms within the Education Wing with the start of the school year (fall 2024).

In February & March the school focused on Black History month and preparing their hearts for Easter. In Chapel the classes learned that we are to Love one another as Christ loved us, and that Jesus is Risen.

In April classes will be observing the “Week of the Young Child” (4/8-4/12), learning about our earth and how to reduce, reuse, and recycle, as well as holding a school wide collection for the Emilie Blessing Box (collection ends 4/26). In Chapel students are learning that God’s Word is a lamp to guide our feet.

Contact the school for more info. about enrollment and staff opportunities.

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