

EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# 2013 ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

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## **The Mission of Emmanuel Church**

The Mission of Emmanuel Episcopal Church is to worship and serve God so that all people may experience and grow in God's love, acceptance, and grace. We meet the needs of families and individuals, in our community and beyond, in the spirit of love, friendship, compassion, fellowship, and fun.

## **Our 10-Year Vision for Emmanuel**

Emmanuel Episcopal Church is a thriving, engaged, and creative parish working to educate and meet the needs of children, youth, and adults; live and demonstrate our Christian values; and create a more humane and just world through community service and outreach.

## **Emmanuel Episcopal Church Values**

The following five Core Values represent the shared beliefs of Emmanuel Episcopal Church. These tenets guide our individual lives and behavior and define the culture and character of our church. We are dedicated to expressing these values as we relate to one another and the communities we serve.

**Faith.** We believe in God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—as we confess our faith in the creeds and live the Gospel in our daily lives.

**Family.** We care for, nurture, and support individuals and families in every stage of life and circumstances.

**Honesty.** We earn trust through open, truthful communication and we act with integrity by aligning our behavior with our words and values.

**Loyalty.** We demonstrate allegiance to the people and ministry of Emmanuel.

**Community.** We enrich lives for our congregation, neighborhood, and beyond by building relationships through worship, fellowship, and service.

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## STAFF OF EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Rector	The Rev. Charles C. McCoart, Jr.
Priest Associate	The Rev. Rosemari Sullivan
Seminarian	Alex Allain
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## 2013-2014 VESTRY

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Senior Warden	Russ Haymes
Junior Warden	Vonda Delawie
Treasurer	Gene Lange
Vestry Members	Christina Bartley
	Emily Buckman
	Bob Carragher
	Bob Feden
	Joe Scott
	Michelle Vaughan
	Meredith Wade

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**AGENDA**

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Appoint Secretary.....	Russ Haymes
Annual Report .....	Chuck McCoart
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## VESTRY NOMINEES

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**Leo Cruz** has been a member of Emmanuel Episcopal Church since January 2013. He and his family moved to Virginia from Florida and have been grateful to find a home in Emmanuel. Leo is a Navy veteran and served in the Persian Gulf during Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is now working with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Hire Our Heroes program helping veterans transition into the civilian workforce. Susan, his wife, is a nurse at Alexandria Hospital; they have been married since 2004. Thomas is 5 years old and a student at the Emmanuel Preschool; he will be attending Maury Elementary in the fall. Rachael is 2 years old and looks forward to attending Emmanuel Preschool in the fall. The Cruz family has been active in the church with the TnT group and look forward to becoming more active as their family grows within the church.

**Bryan Moore** was born in Columbus, Ohio and raised in Kalamazoo, Michigan, and was raised and baptized Catholic. Bryan went to Stanford University Undergraduate and received an Electrical Engineering degree and worked in that field for a few years. He then went to law school and graduated from Georgetown University. Bryan worked as a patent lawyer for 14 years and then was appointed a Patent Judge. He is married to former Vestry member Andrea McBarnette and has two daughters, Bailey (8) and Taylor (2). Andrea introduced Bryan to the Episcopal church.

**Adam Schildge** has been a member of Emmanuel Episcopal Church since December of 2012. Adam and his wife Amy and their 4-month old son Theo live in Del Ray, Alexandria. Prior to moving to Virginia in 2010, Adam and Amy lived in Brooklyn for several years, where they had an excellent view of the Statue of Liberty and a short walk to Prospect Park. While living in New York, Adam competed regularly in bicycle races throughout the northeast, and now bicycles frequently to his office at the Department on Transportation. Adam is originally from New Jersey and attended Middlebury College in Vermont and Hunter College in Manhattan. Adam and Amy are grateful to be part of the Emmanuel community, and Adam looks forward to contributing to the church as a member of the Vestry.

**Joe Scott** and his family decided to join Emmanuel Episcopal Church in spring of 2009 after receiving a warm welcome and experiencing the strong sense of community. Since then, he has been contributing to multiple Emmanuel ministries. Joe accepted a half term in the Vestry one and one-half years ago. Before that, he started co-leading and leading Emmanuel's annual retreat to Shrine Mont in 2010, recruiting helpers to bring supplies and organize activities, tracking its budget, and ensuring we get as many people as possible to a worry-free weekend in western Shenandoah County, Virginia (a must for any Emmanuel parishioner). He is also part of the counting team, who makes sure all our parishioner's offerings are organized after each service. He spends as much time as he can with his wife and two sons, dabbles in classic cars and tries to spend as much time outside as possible.

**Doug Wheeler** has been a member of Emmanuel since 1977. He is past chair of several Every Member canvas campaigns; served as chair of the first Shrine Mont retreat; Steering Committee for the Emmanuel Renovation campaign; served as Senior Warden twice and Junior Warden once; Steering Committee for Emmanuel Legacy Campaign; choir member for twenty years; and President Emeritus, at the Washington Performing Arts Society.

**We Are the Ones We Have Been Waiting For.** As you know, I'm Irish, so please bear with me; I know this is our annual report, but I must begin with a story—perhaps one of my all-time favorite stories—and since I was called as your rector in June of 2013, I have been waiting nine months to share this story with you! At the end of one of author/social activist Jim Wallis's books he tells this story:

“One of the best street organizers I ever met was Lisa Sullivan. Lisa was a young African American woman who earned the trust of urban youth in Washington, D.C. Lisa was a smart kid from a working-class family who went to Yale and earned a PhD. With early jobs in major national foundations and nonprofit organizations, Lisa felt called back to the streets and the forgotten children of color who had won her heart. With unusual intelligence and entrepreneurial skills, she was in the process of creating a new network and infrastructure of support for the best youth-organizing projects up and down the East Coast. But at the age of forty, Lisa died suddenly of a rare heart ailment. At her graveside, Marian Wright Edelman and I held each other and wept for the loss of one of the most promising leaders of her generation, a friend to us both. Lisa had worked with Marian's Children's Defense Fund and was on the board of Sojourners.

“Lisa's legacy is continuing through countless young people whom she inspired, challenged, and mentored. But there is one thing Lisa often said to them and to all of us that has stayed with me since Lisa died. When people would complain, as they often do, that we don't have any leaders today or would ask where the Martin Luther Kings are now, Lisa would get angry. **“We are the ones we have been waiting for!”** she would declare. Lisa was a person of faith. And hers was a powerful call to leadership and responsibility and a deep affirmation of hope.

“Lisa's words are the commission I want to use to conclude this book. It's a calling the prophets knew and a lesson learned by every person of faith and conscience who has been used to build movements of spiritual and social change. It's a calling that is quite consistent with the virtue of humility because it is not about taking ourselves too seriously, but rather about taking the commission seriously. It's a commission that can only be fulfilled by very human beings, by people who, because of faith and hope, believe that the world can be changed. And it is that very belief that changes the world. And if not us, who will believe? After all, we are the ones we have been waiting for.”

As I said, I'm Irish. And I cry during Hallmark commercials. And I cried when I read this story about Lisa Sullivan. And as Jim Wallis pointed out so brilliantly, her story illustrates the life and ministry of every church I have ever served. The challenging work of the church is not easy. Not for the faint of heart. But the work of the church is ultimately the Great Commission as Jim mentioned, referring to Matthew 28:19-20. *“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you to do. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”*

During the first half of the calendar year 2013, Emmanuel Episcopal Church baptized seven children, married one couple, received five individuals from other denominations, welcomed 12 new families and one returning family into our fellowship, and bid goodbye to three of our loved ones who have gone on before us marked with the sign of faith.

During the second half of the calendar year 2013, we said farewell to our loving interim rector, Rev. Martha Wallace who served selflessly for 18 months after Rev. Dan Eckman retired and during the search process for a new rector. We owe Martha a huge debt of gratitude and welcome her back anytime she is in the area.

[Today, on the day of our Annual Meeting, we also welcome back Rev. Dan Eckman and his wife Barbara and we thank them deeply for the love and leadership and friendship they selflessly gave to our parish for more than a decade. Welcome home Dan and Barbara and please know you have a home among us always.]

In mid-2013, you called me—your grateful servant—to serve as your rector, and I remain deeply humbled and honored by this privilege. Thank you.

Since June we have baptized six additional babies, married one couple, said farewell to Jerry Howell, may he rest in peace. We have welcomed 43 wonderful new families into our fellowship.

In the last six months of 2013 we also saw renewed energy by the parish finance committee, which is now chaired by Stewart Bartley, a very successful Fall Planned Giving Committee under the leadership of Bob Carragher; created a new directory; hired a new Preschool Director, Jeanna Reidy, and a new Music Director, Ryan Fitch; began to have seasonal Taize services under the direction of Anne Seville; began a Wednesday night Bible Study; started up a Prime Timer group initiated by Jim Bradley; and welcomed Evelyn Hutton as our interim Director of Spiritual Faith Formation for Children and Youth.

I owe a debt of gratitude to Russ Haymes, who served as our Senior Warden during this time of transition, and to Lola Beggs and Bob Carragher who co-chaired the Search Committee which recommended me to the Vestry. Special thanks also to Kelli Corts, our Parish Administrator, who daily—behind the scenes—keeps Emmanuel running!

For more than 100 years, we the people and parish of Emmanuel Episcopal Church have worshipped God and dedicated our lives to serving God in this place. During this past year we have carried on this rich tradition and our future is bright. **We Are the Ones We Have Been Waiting For.**

Today, because of all of our combined efforts, the Grace of God and more than a little luck, we have more people and more resources and more energy than ever before to live strongly into this next season of shared leadership. These gifts coupled with a healthy vision mean we need to set a strategic plan for ourselves and accomplish the good work we have been given to do. It's an honor to minister alongside you.

Please keep me in your prayers and know that you are in mine as well.

*Peace,  
Chuck*

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## RECTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

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Following an extensive effort to draft a Parish Profile, an Open Letter to Candidates, a series of questions to pose to rector candidates and the transition to a new website platform, the Emmanuel Search Committee filed its Call for a Rector with the Diocese in early March and received 26 applications during the month-long posting, which closed on April 5. After a thorough review of all applications submitted, the Search Committee identified and contacted eight candidates to interview via Skype. From there, we decided to invite two candidates to personally meet with the Search Committee and to conduct a short service in the Emmanuel Chapel. After a thorough vetting of the candidates and frank discussions among its members, the Search Committee presented the Rev. Charles C. McCoart, Jr., to the Vestry as our choice to serve as the next rector of Emmanuel. After deliberations with the Vestry, Rev. McCoart answered Emmanuel's call to be our Rector.

Looking back over this months-long effort, we firmly believe that our prayer for a congregation in search of ordained leadership was answered.

*Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose ordained leadership for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

*—from the Book of Common Prayer*

*The Emmanuel Search Committee*

*Lola Beggs and Bob Carragher, Co-Chairs*

*Members: Ruth Bilodeau, Joe Dresen, Geoff Frank, Steve Hartell, Susan Nealon, Anne Seville, Molly Watson*

*Vestry Liaisons: Nancy Dupree and Sarah Orndorff*

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## CELEBRATION OF NEW MINISTRY SERVICE

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On Thursday, November 7, Emmanuel Episcopal Church was filled with joy as we celebrated the official installation of Chuck McCoart as Emmanuel's new rector. A long processional of crosses, torches, banners, choir, visiting and home clergy in a splendor of red, parishioners, and Bishop Susan Goff began the service with appropriate "pomp and circumstance." Immediately, our Senior Warden, Russ Haymes, and Junior Warden, Vonda Delawie—along with members of the Search Committee—presented Chuck to the Bishop, confirming his selection and qualifications to lead us. Bishop Goff then charged not only Chuck, but the entire congregation, to commit ourselves to our joint ministry with Chuck as our rector. She later emphasized the nature of that shared ministry, in both her puppet conversation with the children and her sermon for adults.

At one point in the service, members of Emmanuel and representatives of the Diocese presented Chuck with gifts that symbolized his various roles as rector: a Bible for proclaiming the Word, water for baptism, oil for healing, the keys to the church, and other gifts. The evening ended with a lovely reception and the presentation to Chuck of a new blue chasuble from the congregation and a photograph of Emmanuel Church from the Vestry.

More than 30 Emmanuel parishioners played a formal role in the service and reception. Many more worked behind the scenes to ensure the evening's success. We were already demonstrating our commitment to the shared ministry to which Bishop Goff called us.

*Beth Boland*

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#### SENIOR WARDEN

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Clearly, 2013 is the most exciting and important year for Emmanuel Episcopal Church in recent memory. The most exciting and important event of the year, as you all know, is hiring the Rev. Chuck McCoart to be our new rector. Chuck has made a huge impact on our parish in so many ways already. I think one of the things the Search Committee recognized in Chuck was a heart for ministry and a gift for preaching. He has certainly demonstrated both. The fruits of those gifts are many and we all benefit from them. One of the most important to our parish at this time is the steady growth in attendance we have seen over the last six months. Welcome and thank you, Chuck.

Your vestry has worked hard this year to provide leadership and direction for the parish. In November we held our annual retreat which included time for us to meet and talk about our vision and direction for the parish. We had a spirited and substantive discussion focused on how to revitalize our committee structure to further the mission of all aspects of parish life at EEC. In the end, we concluded we need to focus on a limited number of mission areas until we can increase the number of volunteers who can help the vestry accomplish our goals. Over the next year, your vestry will focus on newcomers, volunteers and communication as the areas of parish life on which we can have an impact and help to grow as a parish.

Our retreat also included the opportunity to spend a day with Bishop Ted Gulick at his farm in Catlett, Va. It was a wonderful day of worship, discussion and learning. Let me just say that Bishop Gulick clearly showed his commitment to Emmanuel and our parish in the time and energy he put into a day-long event he called Rite Three. I will long remember the day at Bishop Gulick's farm.

I think 2014 holds great promise and excitement for Emmanuel. I hope it is as evident to everyone as it is to me that Emmanuel is once again a vibrant and alive parish with a great deal to offer. With Chuck and your vestry's leadership, this will be a very eventful year.

*Russ Haymes, Senior Warden*

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#### JUNIOR WARDEN

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The Junior Warden traditionally takes on the responsibility of maintaining the church's physical plant. In a building as old as ours, this presents an on-going challenge. The Building and Grounds Committee assists the Junior Warden in meeting this challenge. Thanks go to the committee members for 2013: Meredith Wade, Jim Bradley, Sarah Orndorff, Phil Kasik, Geoff Frank, Judi Brush, and our newest member, who signed up at the Ministry Fair, Barry Bennett. New members are always welcome.

Major maintenance items during 2013 included replacing an air-conditioning unit that may have been struck by lightning. Part of the cost was borne by insurance, and thanks are due to Bucky Mills for tireless negotiation with the insurance company and repair/replacement contractor. Significant roof and gutter work done in late 2012 seemed to keep many water-related problems at bay, although new water problems occurred during heavy rains. More gutter and downspout work is planned for 2014. Exterior painting is badly needed, but must wait until the school year is over in the summer of 2014. The maintenance estimate in the 2014 budget is higher than in 2013 to cover some of these planned projects.

Smaller but still important activities related to maintaining our buildings included repainting the parish hall and front doors, replacing over 60% of the light bulbs in the parish hall with CFLs, re-organizing the pantry closet to allow access to the electrical breaker boxes, assisting with relocating items stored in the new Youth Room, and many other small projects. We are all grateful for the services of our go-to handyman Bill Martineau, who provided quick and cost-effective assistance on many of these projects.

Thanks go to Meredith Wade, Jim Bradley, and Judi Brush for their meticulous care of the grounds, including planting bulbs, replacing mulch, putting in new flowers and shrubs, and reporting a dead tree to the City of Alexandria (which subsequently removed it).

And finally, my sincere appreciation and gratitude go to our able administrator Kelli Corts, who is always the first person to get the emergency calls (water in the Memorial Room!), the complaints (the front doors look terrible!) and the tough questions (how much was the snow-removal contract last year?), and handles them all with grace.

*Vonda Delawie, Junior Warden*

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## MUSIC

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What a welcoming place the Emmanuel music program has been for me for the past five months! It's been so wonderful getting to know the singers and instrumentalists of Emmanuel. Likewise, it has been nice to learn about and participate in the musical traditions of Emmanuel, as well as try a few new things!

**Children's Choir.** The children's choir has been meeting following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. As we move forward, I will be recruiting a parent or another adult to assist with this weekly rehearsal for the remainder of the year. For the future, I am interested in coordinating with the new Christian Education director to make music a part of the weekly Sunday school program. This will not only be fun and beneficial for the Sunday school students, it will automatically build a children's music program that will involve both parents and children in the Family Sunday worship. Also, with a variety of age levels within the group, I look forward to implementing more instrumental music and a greater variety of music to be inclusive of older children's abilities and interests, as well as engaging the younger members.

**Adult Choir.** The adult choir sang at weekly services throughout the fall and winter. Thank you to our wonderful, loyal, and devoted choir members who give time and energy to make worship more

meaningful for others. As the music budget and funds provide for paid singing positions, I look forward to utilizing professional singers for Holy Week/Easter and other special events. The St. Petersburg Russian Men's Ensemble, a group of four talented male singers, performed a half hour, pre-service musical offering in December during Advent. The choir members and I are planning to meet for a social gathering for me get to know them better, but also to plan ahead for the next year, to brainstorm some unique events for the choir, and to come up with some creative ideas to encourage more choir membership, especially from our men!

**Instrumentalists.** There is quite a bit of hidden instrumental talent at Emmanuel that I have uncovered during the past months. I have met several instrumentalists, worked with some, and hope to hear more in the future. Over the next year, I would like to encourage and facilitate the development of an Emmanuel ad hoc instrumental ensemble to provide special music, hymn accompaniments, and other types of music for special events, holidays, and festivals. This music would be accessible, beautiful, and fun. For many, playing in a larger group is much more rewarding than solo work!

**Continued Education.** I have used a bit of the continuing education funds on dues for some professional organizations—including the American Guild of Organists. I also very much appreciate having funds to receive a bi-monthly journal *The Organist* from Lorenz publishing. This provides articles, and ideas, but mostly a variety of music from new and well-known composers that can be used in worship.

Lastly, please know that I welcome all of you to be part of music at Emmanuel. Music is not a craft for some, but music is a part of all of our lives. Whether you want to plunge your whole self into music-making or just dip your toes, please know that there is a place for you. My closest family, friends, and colleagues would tell you that my heart has always rooted for the people who are willing to learn and try, so this music teacher would love to have you involved!

*Ryan Fitch, MM*  
*Music Director, Organist, Countertenor*

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## MINISTRY

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**Acolytes.** Acolytes continue to be a very valued part of the worship tradition at Emmanuel. With that in mind, we seek to increase our numbers to allow more members of our church, particularly young members, to serve in this capacity.

We are grateful to Claire Haymes for her dedication and service to building our acolyte numbers and for continuing to encourage and facilitate the training of new members. We are also very appreciative of Ham Beggs for training our new acolytes.

We want to extend a big thank you to our young, experienced acolytes who have consistently served throughout the year: Katherine Conner, Will Stiers, Henry Watson, Andrew Buckman, Hannah Buckman, John Dresen, Torrence Delawie, and Thomas Haymes. We are also blessed to have adult acolytes who not only step up when we are short, but who are also great mentors and examples to our youth—thank you to Bob Carragher, Anne Seville, and Rance Willis especially.

We encourage the entire Emmanuel family to consider whether you or your child might be interested in serving as an acolyte. This is a very visible and rewarding part of our worship, and we will all be blessed by even greater participation.

*Dave Buckman*

**Altar Guild.** Emmanuel's Altar Guild is a group of men and women dedicated to the care and set-up of each Sunday's communion service and floral arrangement, as well as the additional decoration and set-up of the church for special seasonal events that occur during the church calendar. The Altar Guild also assists as needed for weddings, funerals, baptisms, and confirmations.

Our parishioners were quite generous in 2013 (thank you one and all), allowing us to meet our floral costs and have a balance of enough money to replace one of the brass flower containers which was in especially bad repair. We will celebrate Easter with the beautiful new container holding a floral arrangement on the Altar back shelf. Another special purchase was the handsome blue chasuble given to Chuck and worn at his Celebration of New Ministry on November 7.

The Altar Guild makes every effort to self-fund by paying all the bills from donations made toward Sunday flowers. We suggest \$50 for these donations made in memory, honor or celebration of someone or some special event. For your convenience these donations can be made at the church's e-giving website just like pledges or any other monetary gift. Whether you use e-giving or write a check made out to Emmanuel, please be sure to make a comment/note that the money is to go toward the Altar Guild and include details on the associated commemoration.

Our faithful Altar Guild members during the year 2013 were:

Team 1: Christina Bartley, Lola Beggs, Irène Harris, Jeanie Lange, Lucy Mustin

Team 2: Peggy Conner, Bob Feden, Jeanne Feden, Kim Scott

Team 3: Nancy Dupree, Barbara Helsing, Michelle Vaughan, Rance Willis

Team 4: Mary Ann Frank, Sarah Markel, Molly Watson

We'll close this annual report with an entreaty for new members. If you have a talent for floral arrangement or want to learn floral arrangement, either way, we need you! If you have a desire to be an integral part of the sacred communion set-up and/or if you have been involved with another church's altar guild, we need you! Please consider your parish involvement interests, and if Altar Guild could help satisfy any of those, please contact Christina Bartley or Lola Beggs.

*Christina Bartley and Lola Beggs, Co-Chairs*

**Lay Readers and Prayers/Chalice.** The past year has shown a marked improvement in parishioners willing to come forward and volunteer for these important ministries. Due in large part to Chuck's dynamic leadership, the average attendance has increased significantly at both the 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday morning services. This has placed an increased burden on the existing volunteers to serve at more services. As the year went on, however, the number of new people who were willing to serve increased significantly.

There is nothing quite as rewarding as participating in the actual church service. You perform a valuable service and learn about our traditions and liturgical uniqueness in the Christian Community. There are worse ways to spend a Sunday morning.

These are the people who have served or indicated they want to join our Merry Band:

Lay Readers:

Jennifer Adams	Beth Boland	Ken Kolson
Lee Edgar	Barbie Frank	Gareth Markel
Nancy Kuhn	Sarah Orndorff	Vonda Delawie
Catherine Wheeler	Anne Seville	Claire Haymes
Meredith Wade	Bonnie Fairbank	Linda Berg
Bob Carragher	Joe Dresen	Ted Sullivan
Elizabeth Massey		

Prayers/Chalice:

Jennifer Adams	Ham Beggs	Beth Boland
Barbie Frank	Allan Knutsen	Nancy Kuhn
Sarah Orndorff	Catherine Wheeler	Meredith Wade
Linda Berg	Bonnie Fairbank	Claire Haymes
Ted Sullivan		

Thanks to all who serve. Please let me know if you are interested in taking part.

*Jerry Boykin*

**Ushers.** I want to take this opportunity to thank the current roster of ushers for their help during the 10:30 a.m. services: Jennifer Adams, Lola Beggs, Beth Boland, Jerry Boykin, Bob Carragher, Doug Garthoff, Phil Kasik, Nancy Kuhn, Pete Petersen, Bonnie Fairbank, Russ Haymes, Adam Schildge, and Bryan Moore. I also want thank to the ushers for the 8:00 a.m. services: Larry Tinsley, Meredith Wade, Don Simpson, and Oscar Fitzgerald.

It is difficult to predict availability to usher several weeks in advance due to illness or other unexpected changes in schedules, and as summer approaches vacations will have an impact on availability. For these reasons there is no limit on the size of the usher team. For those in the congregation that can help us out, please contact me (703-836-5036 or rc54d@nih.gov). Again I want to express my thanks to the team who helped out this year.

*Bob Callahan*

**Counters.** We have four teams of counters who faithfully collect your offerings after each service. They then count the cash, arrange the pledge envelopes in numerical order and the loose checks in alphabetical order, and complete a short form report confirming the total of checks and cash received. The recording of pledge and other income into the church's accounting system is then

done the following Monday morning by our Parish Administrator, Kelli Corts. It is important that each team have at least three and possibly four members, so that on any given Sunday, there are at least two of the members available to perform the count. It is a very simple process which takes no more than 10 or 15 minutes after the Sunday 10:30 a.m. service. If this is a ministry you think you could do once a month, please contact me at jsbradley25@gmail.com.

- Team 1: Pete Petersen, Joe Scott, Barry Bennett
- Team 2: Barbara Harslem, Joe Dresen, Bob Feden
- Team 3: Jim Bradley, Bob Callahan, Phil Kasik
- Team 4: Barbara Helsing, Rance Willis, Kerry Adams, Russ Haymes

*Jim Bradley*

**Coffee Hour.** A corps of dedicated baristas provides coffee, tea, and sweets for Emmanuel's post-service fellowship. As individuals each Sunday or as a group for special events like the Bishop's visit or holidays, we are pleased to welcome everyone to the Parish Hall each week.

The 2013 Baristas were:

Jennifer Adams	Marybeth Edgar	Anne Seville
Bambara Family	Barbara Helsing	Catherine Wheeler
Buckman Family	Elizabeth Johnson	Margaret Wohler
Gudrun Callahan	Jane and Ken Kolson	Meredith Wade
Kelly Dresen	Markel Family	God & Donuts Group

Special thanks go to Barbara Helsing for conducting inventory, purchasing supplies, and making sure that coffee hour is fully stocked.

*Jennifer Adams*

**Ministry Fair.** On October 20 after church, the festive annual Ministry Fair filled the parish hall. Parishioners enjoyed a fabulous coffee hour (thanks, Kelly and Joe Dresen, for those cucumber sandwiches!) while browsing among tables set up to provide information about many different parish activities. How truly fortunate we are at Emmanuel, to have such a diversity of ways in which to demonstrate our Christian values. Thanks to those who staffed a table, thanks to all who took the time to learn about opportunities to serve God and our neighbors at home and abroad, and thanks especially to the folks who signed up to bring their time and talents to these shared ministries. If you missed the fair, don't worry! Contact information for each activity is now provided monthly in the newsletter.

*Vonda Delawie and Pat Hadley*

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## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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**Adult Spiritual Faith Formation.** In 2013 we continued the tradition of holding adult education classes at 9:15 a.m. in the Memorial Room, between the two Sunday worship services. Attendance at these sessions ranges from three to 10 people, occasionally with as many as 30 when a special series is held. During the last six months of the year the discussions have included segments of *The Wired Word*, an adult Sunday School curriculum which addresses the most current media and social issues of our time. On other Sundays we discussed the Sunday readings of the day.

Another group of approximately 12 faithful members meets on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. This year we have discussed *The Wired Word* as well as begun the video and book series, *Walking the Bible: A Journey by Land Through the Five Books of Moses*, by Bruce Feiler.

The winter of 2014 saw the creation of an enthusiastic Adult Faith Formation Committee, and that group is off and running and has great things planned for the Easter Season and beyond. Stay tuned!

*Chuck McCoart*

**Sunday School.** Emmanuel offers Sunday school during the 10:30 a.m. service in three age classes: Pre K/K, grades 1–3, and grades 4–5. We meet in preschool classrooms and together explore lessons from the Bible as we learn to live as Jesus would have us do. This year, for the first time, we began using the Mustard Seed Curriculum.

As our Advent offering, the Sunday School joined forces with Emmanuel Preschool to collect mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, underwear and socks for ALIVE! With the help of the congregation we gathered quite a collection, which was delivered to the ALIVE! Child Development Center before Christmas.

The Sunday School Resource Room (at the foot of the steps down from the back of the foyer) is being organized and will also become the office of the Director of Spiritual Formation for Children and Youth.

Finally, I can't thank the teachers enough for the gifts of their time, talent, and love as they work so diligently to make our Sunday School such a welcome and vibrant place. This program would not be possible without their dedication. Please, please consider joining their ranks. What you learn from the children will be as much a blessing to you as what you teach them is for the children.

And a thank you as well to the parish for the warmth I have felt since my arrival last November. It has been a joy to be here, and I will certainly miss you all and Emmanuel as I head back to St. Mary's in Arlington. I am leaving the Sunday School in great hands: Toni Buranen will begin here in early May, working with both the children's and the youth programs.

*Evelyn Hutton, Interim Director of Christian Education*

**Youth Group.** The God and Donuts Class meets two Sundays a month and is designed for 6<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> graders. On the other Sundays, the youth are encouraged to serve as acolytes, readers, or ushers. Inspired by Claire Haymes’ vision for a “youth space,” a storage room at the back of the Parish Hall stage was reclaimed as a classroom for the group. The Conner family donated a sectional sofa and purchased a new rug, directors’ chairs were given by Nancy Dupree and the Stiers family, and just like that—a new Youth Room! Meredith Wade and Sarah and Aaron Hoffman led the class, using a curriculum called *God Talks*.

Other activities of the group were a pool party at the Bartley’s, selling coffee and doughnuts at the Yard Sale (funding purchase of posters for the new room), assisting at the Bazaar, preparing Valentine Care Packages for EEC college students and military personnel on the Prayer List, and hosting the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper (which netted over \$400 for the outreach budget).

*Meredith Wade*

**Confirmations and Receptions.** The 2013 class for those preparing to be confirmed or received into the church included Katherine Conner, Leo Cruz, Susan Cruz, Ginnie Murphy, Molly Overstreet, Adam Schildge, Amy Schildge, Will Stiers, and Morgan Vaughan. Interim Rector Martha Wallace, Education Director Claire Haymes, Anne Seville, and Beth Boland rotated leading these discussions in pairs each Sunday evening last spring. Over the course of six sessions, the group explored the questions: What is God? What is the Bible? What is the Church? What is the Book of Common Prayer? What are the Sacraments? What am I called to do? The mix of young people and adults made for an interesting blend of perspectives in the conversations. Following an hour or so of learning and sharing, we enjoyed lighter fellowship over dinner (provided by different parents/adults each week) for another half hour to 45 minutes. It was a prepared and committed group of faithful who stood with their Emmanuel sponsors to receive Bishop Ted Gulick’s blessings during the 10:30 a.m. service on April 28, the Fifth Sunday of Easter.

*Beth Boland*

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## FUNDRAISING

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**Holiday Bazaar.** The annual holiday bazaar was held on Saturday, November 16, earning approximately \$9500. Bazaar Planning Committee was made up of the following:

Chair: Mary Ann Frank  
Internal Communications: Sarah Markel  
External Communications: Jeanne Feden, Anne Reinke, Bryn Baisley  
Silent Auction: Mary Ann Frank, Molly Watson  
Children’s Activities: Kim Thomas, Tom Craig, Marianne Bambara  
Bake Table: Vonda Delawic, Jennifer Palmer  
Luncheon: Irène Harris, Meredith Wade  
Finance and Security: Bob Feden  
Set Up: Christina Bartley, Nancy Dupree, Peggy Conner

***Sewing Group.*** The Emmanuel Sewing Group meets every Wednesday making items to sell at the bazaar, and once again they outdid themselves with their offerings! Adjacent to the sewing group was Moina and Lee Ratliff selling their gorgeous antique linens. This was the second year in a row for Moina and sales were very good.

***Silent Auction.*** Wonderful contributions from parishioners and preschool teachers included vacation homes, a Kindle, concert tickets, original artwork and themed gift baskets. Molly Watson led the set up with help from Bonnie Lilley, Christina Bartley, Peggy Conner, Sarah Markel, and Nancy Dupree.

***Lunch Service.*** Lunch featured delicious homemade sweet potato soup (Irène and Hank Harris) and homemade chili (Ham Beggs, Doug Wheeler, Ruth Bilodeau, Nancy Dupree). We also offered frozen casseroles to go, and this continues to be extremely popular.

***Bake Table.*** This year's bake table was gorgeous with an abundance of pies, cakes, cookies, candy, and breads; and again, nothing was left! We had bake table sales in the Narthex this year, and this proved to be a great new location. It allowed us the extra space to offer hot spiced cider! Prior to the bazaar Vonda Delawie once again organized an apple pie baking session, and this really helped our sales.

***Children's Activities.*** Coordinated by Kim Thomas, Tom Craig, and Marianne Bambara. The children had a great time shopping for their family in the Secret Santa Shop, making crafts, having their faces painted and enjoying a performance from a local teen-aged magician!

***Vendors.*** We had some terrific vendors offering jewelry, wine glass charms, hair bows, Byer's Choice Christmas figurines, colorful homemade bags and pillows. Christina Bartley made and contributed some advent wreaths, and we had our usual flower bulb kits. We also decided to try something new and sell Emmanuel shopping bags. Barbara Harslem expertly coordinated this area.

***Publicity.*** Jeanne Feden advertised in the local papers and on Craig's List. Anne Reinke and Karen Coda got the word out to everyone in the neighborhood, and Bryn Baisley made sure everyone in the preschool was well informed.

***Set Up.*** A lot of thought goes into setting up and decorating for the Bazaar. Thanks to Molly Watson and Geoff Frank for re-hanging the lights around the windows.

***Bank.*** Bob and Jeanne Feden handled the finances and security.

*Mary Ann Frank, Chair*

***Yard Sale.*** The annual yard sale was held on August 31 from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The yard sale team began collecting donated items on August 4, 2013, according to a donations drop-off schedule. A volunteer was present for a few hours, for a few days every week, to receive donations, help parishioners unload their goods, distribute donation forms, sort and price donations, and allow Kelli to work in the office without interruption. Torrence and Fred Delawie, Judy Carlton, Barbara Helsing, Meredith Wade, Jennifer Adams, Kathy Clatanoff, Barbara Harslem, Christina Wohler, and Nancy Dupree served in this role.

We collected so many donations during August that the stage was overflowing and things were stacked on the pews, and in the elevator room, in the parish hall. Volunteer help was solicited both in church service announcements and coffee hour sign up, but also online via SignUp Genius (<http://www.signupgenius.com>).

Tables were set up to receive the donated goods on August 25; we began organizing and moving the donations immediately. We began pricing on August 28. Generally, a few more volunteers to help price, especially, would be great, but people are reluctant to volunteer to price items. Apparently, criticism is directed at those who price items if they are deemed inaccurate in their evaluation: either too cheap or too pricey. Donated goods carry a bit of emotional weight and parishioners are sometimes offended seeing their items “under-priced,” as though the donation is not valued. A solution could be to request that donations come with a price tag fixed to the item by the donor. (Books don’t seem to carry this emotional weight; no one objects to bulk pricing).

We held two “Pricing Parties” on August 29 and August 30, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., to make sure every item had a price sticker. Many volunteers showed up to help: Emily, Josh, and Hannah Buckman, Jennifer Adams, Nancy Dupree, the Haymes family, Jim Bradley, Amy Schildge, Fred and Vonda Delawie, Mary Ann Frank, Brett Wohler, Sarah Orndorff, Katherine Flowers, and a few shoppers from the preschool. I spent \$50 on refreshments for these two parties since they were scheduled over dinner hours.

Other expenses included \$16 to mail the smocking machine to Wisconsin, \$50 for 2 Amazon gift cards for Fred and Torrence Delawie (as thanks for doing the bulk of collecting donations during August...no one worked as much as they did). Total Expenses: \$116.

Profits:

Early Sales (expenses deducted): net total \$735.40

Online sales: lawnmower (\$75), Smocking machine (\$50), Rug (\$300): \$450

On site sales: \$285.40

Event Day Sales: ~\$2065.00

Post Yard Sale Online Sales: autoharp (\$25), 2 coffee tables (\$100), table (\$40): \$165

Total Profit: \$3,294

I would like to expand the online sales of donated items under the Yard Sale event. We typically collect higher prices for online sales and have less hassle in transportation since transporting the donation is the buyers’ responsibility. Many parishioners may be uncomfortable receiving unknown buyers to pick up donated items, in their home, if they are unfamiliar with Craigslist...but many parishioners don’t mind it, since they then don’t have to lug the items over to the church.

Generally, I think we could enhance sales, by pricing items more appropriately, if the yard sale team had more time, and storage space, to research and price the donated items. We had less than a week to sort and price, quite literally, thousands of donated goods, in addition to running online sales and advertising the event, which resulted in our possibly underpricing the merchandise because we were overwhelmed with the task. We really began to resent those late donations: a large box with dirty, unrelated, unsorted items with jewelry entangled in electronics, and toy boxes spilling puzzle parts, which we had to clean and repair. Several of us stayed at the church until midnight on several nights to prepare the donations for sale. A larger team of pre-event volunteers, more storage space, and more time in the Parish Hall, would solve this problem. It would be helpful if parishioners could organize, clean, price and sort their donated items before bringing them to the church.

The Yard Sale is a terrific fundraiser for a few reasons:

1. Offers collaborative fellowship among volunteers (it's fun!);
2. Allows ALL parishioners to participate, as donors or volunteers;
3. Brings in good profit;
4. Provides excellent outreach to low-income Alexandria families; and
5. Allows prospective parishioners to come in the church, look around, meet members of our community, and “try on” Emmanuel as a church home.

*Margaret Wobler, Chair*

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## COMMITTEES

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**Communications Committee.** Sarah Markel, Sarah Orndorff, and Meredith Wade (chair, meredithswade@gmail.com) serve on the Committee. The Committee was organized late in the year to assist groups and committees and staff members in developing materials for distribution to the congregation and to develop and support the church website and social media activity. Its first project was the bookmark detailing Advent and Christmas events and services. Current projects are to revise or create materials for newcomers and visitors and to recruit a small team of individuals to keep the website current. Interested parties with web and graphic design skills are encouraged to contact Meredith.

*Meredith Wade, Chair*

**Hospitality Committee.** Melissa Bennett, Ted Sullivan, Barbara Helsing, and Meredith Wade (chair, meredithswade@gmail.com) serve on the Committee. The Committee was organized late in the year to provide support to groups and committees hosting congregational events. New members are needed, and short-term commitments are welcome.

*Meredith Wade, Chair*

**Inreach Committee.** The main purpose of the Inreach Committee is to keep in touch with members of the congregation in various ways—whether in a crisis, during an ongoing illness, or when checking on folks we have not seen in awhile—generally letting our members know we are concerned about them and want to be available when needed. This may include taking meals, visiting, keeping the prayer list active and up-to-date, and keeping the bulletin boards current and informational. Many people at Emmanuel are very involved in Inreach without actually being on any committee. We like to try and keep up with our friends at the Goodwin Houses and those who are no longer able to come to a service at Emmanuel. There is always a need for volunteers to take flowers after a Sunday Service or to write notes to parishioners.

*Nancy Dupree, Barbara Harslem, and Nancy Kuhn*

**Newcomer Committee.** Committee members are Lola Beggs, Bonnie Fairbank, Sarah Kolo, Dave Kolo, and Joe Scott. You can't help but notice that Sunday service attendance has grown since last June when Chuck accepted the call to be our new rector! So, of course, we now have a welcomed need to energize our newcomer program. Last spring, we had an intimate newcomer's lunch in the memorial room where we welcomed people to the church and had an opportunity to chat about Emmanuel and parish activities. The February 9 event was slightly different with lunch for everyone and lots of opportunities for newcomers to meet our established parishioners and get information on whatever might interest them. Our committee will be flexible and creative, partnering with other parish groups to further our work with folks coming through EEC's doors for the first time. The tag of "newcomer" should be short lived, but the tag of "active member of Emmanuel" can be a moniker for a lifetime.

*Lola Beggs, Chair*

**Transition Committee.** Members include Ruth Bilodeau, Nancy Dupree, Bob Feden (chair), Geoff Frank, and Anne Seville. The Transition Committee was formed by the Vestry to support Reverend McCoart during his introductory phase at Emmanuel Church. Emphasis for the initial meeting was placed on discussing present parish life, customs and past history. The goal of the Committee for the future is to be a resource to Rev. McCoart whenever he may need a sounding board for his ideas, changes he may be contemplating, issues that need addressing. The Committee members may be tasked with getting a sense of the EEC congregation on innovations he might want to investigate.

The Committee will meet once a quarter (or on an as-needed basis) for at least the first year of Rev. McCoart's tenure.

*Bob Feden, Chair*

**Worship Committee.** The Worship Committee was reformed this past year. Its lay members include Anne Seville, Ryan Fitch (music), Bob Callahan (ushers), Jerry Boykin (lay readers and chalice bearers), Christina Bartley (altar guild), David Buckman (acolytes), and Emily Buckman (vestry liaison). The purpose of this group is to plan meaningful services and to help keep them running smoothly. The Worship Committee meets quarterly and welcomes ideas and suggestions from parishioners.

Some highlights from the last few months include the following. The Celebration of New Ministry service in November showcased so many talents of our church, welcomed Bishop Susan Goff to her first official visitation of our parish, and truly celebrated this milestone for Chuck and Emmanuel. The Comfort and Healing Service in December offered a seasonal service without all the fanfare of the holidays. It was a spiritual respite in what can be a challenging time. Emmanuel also restarted its Taize service in early December. This simple service of readings and chants is being held semi-regularly on Tuesday evenings in the Chapel. A big thank you to all who have helped with our worship services in 2013!

*Anne Seville, Chair*

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## OUTREACH

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**Alexandria Tutoring Consortium (ATC).** The mission of Alexandria Tutoring Consortium is to provide the foundation for future learning success by helping to ensure that children in the Alexandria City Public Schools can read at or above grade level by the end of third grade. Emmanuel provides support to the Alexandria Tutoring Consortium in two ways. A financial contribution supports the ATC mission to help purchase books for the Book Buddies program and to help fund overall ATC programs. Most importantly, Emmanuel parishioners volunteer with ATC in schools across Alexandria. Volunteers work on reading readiness skills with kindergarten students or on individual reading achievement with first grade students.

*Kelly Dresen*

**ALIVE! Alexandrians LIVing Ecumenically.** In the spring the Outreach Committee decided to make ALIVE! one of Emmanuel's four main outreach efforts. Long-term representative Jim Bradley stood down, and into the breach stepped the Brits, John and Katherine. We are all extremely grateful for all the work Jim has done.

An early decision was made to collect food on a weekly basis rather than bi-annually, and our fantastic parishioners stepped forward with gusto, regularly filling the basket with much-needed food (something John's back can attest to!). Furthermore, the congregation was reminded of the need for volunteers to help distribute food at the Last Saturday Food Distribution at three sites in Alexandria. Once again the church members stepped forward to help out with regular attendance at two of the sites.

Nominated as the congregation to staff the Furniture Collection/Distribution in January and July, Emmanuel once again managed some of the highest congregational turnouts for both dates. The Outreach Committee also presented a generous check to the ALIVE general fund, which helps assist families with their bills and rent.

Our thanks go out to all those who have volunteered with ALIVE (upwards of 50) and for the well over 2,000 items of food donated since May. Finally, we should not forget that there are many other ALIVE! activities that members of Emmanuel can get involved in. If you want to find out more, please contact one of us.

*John and Katherine Rider*

**Backpack Ministry.** The generous support of Emmanuel parishioners made a dramatic difference in the start of the school year for the children living in Community Lodgings, a transitional housing program to move families from being homeless to having jobs and a home of their own. Community Lodgings serves about 90 children and teens who often cannot afford the required school supplies. The children were able to shop for just the right backpack or notebook or pencil box to get the school year off to a good start; and on the first day of class, they had all the supplies on their teachers' lists.

*Barbara Harslem*

**Bag Lunch.** A group of Alexandria churches takes turns providing lunches to local homeless and needy. About every seventh week, Emmanuel volunteers prepare, package, and deliver 60 bag lunches a day to Meade Memorial Church in Old Town, where the meals are served. Each bag includes a sandwich, applesauce, and cookies; we also provide a drink in the summer and soup in the winter. Our volunteers supply the sandwiches; Emmanuel supplies the rest.

Emmanuel volunteers who supported the bag lunch program in 2013 include Lola Beggs, Jim Bradley, Karma Brown, Judi Brush, Gudrun Callahan, Peggy Conner, Betty Coombs, Kelli Corts, Judy Davis, Fred DeLuca, Kelly Dresen, Pat Hadley, Barbara Harslem, Bayanne Hauhart, the Haymes family, Nancy Kuhn, Sarah Markel, Bucky Mills, Larry and Mary Tinsley, Pat Tyler, Meredith Wade, Amanda and Jeff Wallingford, Catherine Wheeler, Anne Withers, Margaret Wohler, and Karen Wykle.

New volunteers are always welcome, and training is provided!

*Karen Coda*

**Haiti.** Emmanuel's relationship with Rev. Sonley Joseph, Priest in Charge of St Martin de Tours, Delmas, Haiti is a cornerstone of our Outreach program. Many of you will remember when Sonley was here at Emmanuel when he was a student at VTS. In the past year we have made significant contributions to St. Martin de Tours to support Sonley's salary and to provide scholarships for children attending the parish school. In our meetings, the Outreach Committee took a deliberate decision not to make mission trips a focus of our outreach and relationship with Sonley. This is not to say Emmanuel will never make a mission trip to visit Haiti but the committee concluded that we could better support St. Martin de Tours' needs at this time by putting all our resources and energy into financial and spiritual aid instead of a mission trip. We did, though, establish a connection with St. Mary's Episcopal in Arlington who has been working with Sonley's church for some years and who sponsors to Haiti as well as travel by Sonley and others to Virginia. Through his relationship we hope to have Sonley visit us soon.

In addition to our monetary support to Sonley, we have undertaken several other activities. We have maintained regular communication with Sonley on activities in his church and updated him on activities at Emmanuel. The Sunday school has prepared a variety of communications as well for the children at St. Martin de Tours. And, we have started to sell Haitian coffee at events and during coffee hour. The proceeds of the coffee sales also go to support Sonley's parish. The focus in the future for our relationship will be on where Emmanuel can contribute most effectively to the work that Sonley is doing. Our aim will be to spread the support for Haiti across the whole church, e.g. Sunday school relationships, craft group, etc. Coffee sales were a first step in that and there is a lot more to be done.

*Russ Haymes*

**Meals on Wheels.** In this program, which is overseen by Alexandria's Social Services Department, meals are provided to local residents who are either very elderly or unable to provide meals for themselves. The deliveries are made by volunteer crews from local churches. Emmanuel makes deliveries on the first Monday of each month. Our volunteers are Nancy Dupree, Chris Makris,

Ralph Fairbank, Bucky Mills, Nancy Kuhn, Mary Kasik, Jim Bradley, and Fred De Luca. We deliver food on a number of routes, with each route having between seven and 12 residences to visit. Typically, a route may require somewhere between one and two hours to complete.

*Fred De Luca*

**United Thank Offering.** United Thank Offering (UTO) is a ministry of the Episcopal Church for the mission of the whole church. Through UTO, men, women, and children nurture the habit of giving daily thanks to God. Placing a small offering in a blue box is a physical reminder of our gratitude for the many small and large blessings of our daily lives and a wonderful way to foster giving in our children. Every penny collected from the Blue Boxes is granted. The overhead expenses of UTO are paid through the Memorial and Gift Trust Funds and a small stipend from the National Church.

Some parishes collect these gifts twice a year but our parish has decided once a year works best for us. In 2012 our contribution was \$940.48 and in 2013 it was \$1,291.78. This increase shows that something good is happening here at Emmanuel. Let's do even better in 2014.

The next UTO ingathering will be held in March 2014 by our new coordinator, Bonnie Fairbank.

*Judi Brush*

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#### PARISH ACTIVITIES

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**Breakfast with Saint Nicholas.** A large number of children and their families enjoyed breakfast with St. Nick in 2013! During the 10:30 a.m. Service, St. Nick and Chuck had a dialogue homily based on the life of St. Nicholas. The breakfast started after the Service. Children who had left their shoes in the Parish Hall during the Service received gold chocolate coins. Molly Watson masterfully chaired the event and Jerry Boykin delighted the children as St. Nick. The event was advertised on the local community list serves.

*The Rev. Chuck McCoart*

**Christmas Pageant.** 'Twas the night before Christmas and such wondrous music rang through his house, "Whose very important birthday could this be?" mused the church mouse....

Emmanuel's 2013 Christmas Pageant was a joyous success by all accounts. Preparation for this beloved Emmanuel tradition began weeks in advance with a call for actors, assignment of readers, and program planning. Behind the scenes, scores of details were masterfully set in place by Emmanuel's finest—the Altar Guild decorated, office staff prepared, musicians practiced, and helpers helped—costumes were refurbished, luminarias assembled, and flowers beautifully arranged in remembrance and celebration.

The big day came and at 4:30 p.m. it was standing room only—for the first time, we nearly ran out of costumes. Our young children—both regular and visiting kiddies—enjoyed dressing up, and it was a pleasure to see the more experienced actors encourage our young “Stars” to play their parts. The older youth spoke with gusto in sharing the story of Jesus’ birth. At the close of the pageant, parents were delighted with the photograph opportunity reserved during “Go Tell It on the Mountain.”

Following the service, worshipers were greeted by luminarias surrounding the church and sang “Silent Night” under a star-lit sky by candlelight. Thanks to a hearty crew who generously braved the frigid wind to set hundreds of luminarias, even the 10:30 p.m. worshipers enjoyed the display, and Emmanuel reached out to truly share the good news of Christ's birth with the neighborhood it has served for over 100 years.

As much as we wish to recognize everyone who had a part in making the eve of Christ’s birth so memorable at Emmanuel, were it even possible for us to catch all their names, there is not enough space to list them here. So we simply say “Thank You”...a Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!

*Lee and Marybeth Edgar*

**Easter Egg Hunt.** About 100 plastic eggs stuffed with pieces of candy, press-on tatoos, and little plastic animals or dinosaurs were hidden. “Hidden” means eggs were sprinkled all over the lawn. Andrea McBarnette donated \$30–40 dollars for the creation of the eggs. The eggs were hidden on the lawn a few minutes after the service started so that the kids and parishioners didn't walk past the eggs as they arrived for the service.

At the end of the service, Rev. Martha asked all of the kids to go to the back of the church near the doors. Once the kids were there, then Martha ended the service. This way the children could leave before the adults, because once service is over, the kids run outside like wild horses and scoop up the eggs so quickly that if a child is trapped behind adults in a line to get outside, that child will miss out. Next time, it may be a good idea to have a section designated for toddlers. The lawn to the left (if your back is to the door of the church) for children over 3 and the right for children under 3. Toddlers are slow and tend to come out of the church with their parents, which means they are in danger of getting out too late.

If you want to take pictures of the event for the church newsletter or website, you will have to be quick—the eggs disappear within minutes. The church has a photo waiver policy and only uses photos of those children whose parents have permitted pictures of them to be used.

Finally, there is a contingency plan for rain. The eggs are to be hidden inside the church.

*Andrea McBarnette*

**Goodwin House Dinners.** Dinners are held twice a year, in the spring and fall. Emmanuel parishioners living at Goodwin House Alexandria and Goodwin House Bailey’s Crossroads are invited. Milton Jobe, an Emmanuel parishioner living at Goodwin House Alexandria, coordinates arrangements for the dinner with the residents and staff of Goodwin House. Typically, about a dozen parishioners—including the pastor, residents, and non-residents—attend and enjoy a full-

course, sit-down dinner with wine. It is a wonderful way to stay in touch with our fellow parishioners at Goodwin House. Please see Nancy Dupree or Jim Bradley if you would like to participate in the program.

*Jim Bradley*

**Pet Blessing.** The Pet Blessing was held after the 10:30 a.m. service on a fall afternoon from 12:00–1:00 p.m. We advertised for the special blessing via the church website and via flyers that were dispersed in Del Ray, and after every church service during the month leading up to the event. On the day of the event, we put water out for the pets on the front steps and put out dog treats.

There were close to 25 pets (all dogs, except for one guinea pig and one cat) that came for the special blessing. For every three to five pets, Pastor Chuck led the group through a special prayer in honor of our pets. It was a great outreach program as we had several folks that were not parishioners stop by as they were walking their pets. It was very low key and just a wonderful time to rejoice in the love we all enjoy as pet owners. Chuck was our very own St. Francis of Assisi. Many folks stayed long past their pet's blessing and just enjoyed the camaraderie.

*Emily Buckman*

**Picnic.** Due to some scheduling conflicts with the Virginia Theological Seminary, our annual picnic was relocated to the Bartleys' back yard. It was a successful and fun-filled event, and we were also able to say farewell and thank you to The Reverend Martha Wallace with some gifts from the parish. We had a great turn out, and many thanks to Bob Carragher and all the volunteers who helped with the shopping, setting up, and cooking!

*Christina Bartley*

**Shrine Mont Retreat.** Emmanuel Episcopal Church held its annual Shine Mont weekend, May 3–5. We will return in 2014 on May 2–4. This past year we had Randall Prior walk us through a great program focusing on who we are as a church. In addition, we had plenty of free time for families and friends to relax and enjoy the community of our parish. The weather was once again beautiful and mild, allowing us to take full advantage of hiking, playing around the pond, a hayride, golf, a bonfire, painting, games, and the opportunity to just sit around and talk. The food was great, as usual, and our Shrine Mont hosts were very accommodating. We have started to organize the May 2–4 weekend with another program, kids' activities and another request for good weather. Feel free to reach out if you want to contribute to making this a great experience for all. We are looking forward to another great weekend with friends and family.

*Joe Scott*

**Super Bowl Party.** The Super Bowl Party was held again in February of 2013. It could not occur if it were not for the assistance, planning, and work of Jennifer Adams. She is the person who should get total credit for the party. Again I have to thank Gregory Lange for his TV and Bucky Mills for his communication skills. Without them, there would have been no program. We have the party

down to a science and all of us truly appreciate all of the Church members who attend. We have a very nice time and good fellowship is enjoyed by all.

*Gene Lange*

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## FELLOWSHIP

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**Guitar Circle.** During 2013, Emmanuel's Guitar Circle entered its fourth year of finding fellowship and fun through music. The group generally met in the sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. each Thursday to play folk tunes, pop, blues, and sacred music; learn from each other; and share laughs. Some of the tunes came from song books, but the group also experimented with music that individual members found and brought to practices. Members of the Guitar Circle are Stewart Bartley, Beth Boland, and Bucky Mills. Although we usually play acoustic guitars, one night we met at Stewart Bartley's house and he generously broke out his electric guitars! From time to time other friends, including Amy Schildge and Paul Frank, joined us. Former music director Linda Maguire also played with the group occasionally. In addition to practicing for the fun of it, we also prepared for and played the music for Emmanuel's Shrine Mont Sunday, the Sunday service during Emmanuel's Shrine Mont retreat, and the Christmas Day service.

Emmanuel's Guitar Circle welcomes other guitar players to join us. Please contact one of the members if you are interested. Currently we meet at 5:00 p.m. on Thursdays in the Memorial Room, but we can be flexible.

*Beth Boland*

**Prime Timers.** The Prime Timers is a newly forming group, composed for the most part of individuals who are over qualified, age-wise, for the TnTs (i.e., the Twenties and Thirties group).

Currently the group has settled into a nice routine of seeing a movie a week on Seniors Discount Day at the Shirlington Cinema—at least as long as they keep offering films that we want to see. Sometimes everyone goes to the same movie and sometimes we split up to see different movies that start within 15–20 minutes of each other. Regardless, we all get together at Busboys & Poets for coffee and conversation afterwards.

In the longer term the Prime Timers would like to consider other activities such as museum tours/exhibits, wine-tasting, concerts, etc. If you have an idea or have something you've been hoping to do and which would be even more fun with company, let the group know by contacting Jim Bradley or Beth Boland. Likewise, if you are not on our email list for notices of our activities, also let Jim Bradley know at [jsbradley25@gmail.com](mailto:jsbradley25@gmail.com). Either way, consider joining us! We're really still in the formation stage.

*Jim Bradley*

**Sewing and Craft Group.** The Sewing and Craft Group provides many items for our annual holiday bazaar. We offer a selection of Christmas/holiday ornaments and decorations as well as

many other handmade items. Hand-knit baby items such as blankets, sweaters, and hats are especially popular. This year the group's items netted \$1390 for the church bazaar.

The Sewing and Craft Group meets each Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Pat Burnham Sewing Room. Members (and associate members) include Dottie Gibson, Judy Carlton, Mary Kasik, Sheila Beattie, Nancy Dupree, Jeanne Feden, Mary Tinsley, Meredith Wade, and Gudrun Callahan.

We are always happy to welcome new members! You don't need to have talent, just time. If you are unable to attend our weekly meetings but would like to donate your hand-made items for our bazaar, that would be wonderful.

*Nancy Dupree*

**Twenties and Thirties (TnT).** Since arriving at Emmanuel a little over a year ago, and seeking to fill a desire of ours for fellowship with people of a similar age and situation, we decided to set up a Twenties and Thirties group (TnT). The aim of the TnT group is to provide an outlet for fellowship, faith formation and service. We want to encourage sharing of life concerns and events; and through spiritual and social discourse, we want to help each other to be good stewards in our congregation and the larger community. We are a varied group (singles, parents, couples), and children are always welcome to join us.

We have had film nights, gone for walks, had potluck suppers and Secret Santa, and shared many brewery secrets. Our numbers are growing (which is fantastic!), so please encourage any new members to get in touch. Let us know of any suggestions of activities you may have. We look forward to you joining our group!

*Katherine and John Rider*

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## PRESCHOOL

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In 2013, Emmanuel Preschool offered children and their families an enriching, nurturing, and play-based preschool experience. The Preschool continued to face some organizational and leadership challenges. Jeanna Reidy was hired in late July 2013 as the new director. In the first few months of school, the Preschool Board also underwent some changes and acquired some new members—church parishioners, preschool parents, and faculty alike. Each of them brought a renewed energy, investment, and engagement in supporting the efforts and success of the preschool.

At the start of the 2013 school year, many existing Emmanuel Preschool teachers returned: Julie Dwyer, Christy Finn, Sarah Higgins, Kate Hilderbrand, Anne Hubbard, Dana Mutscheller, Cappie Stiers, Sara Tiedemann, and Mary Anne Troxell. Nancy Palmer returned as our music and movement specialist. Bryn Baisley, Preschool Administrator, returned for her second year, and Kelli Corts continued as the Preschool bookkeeper. Some new and wonderful teachers also joined this amazing faculty: Michelle Brayman, Mary Beth Conry, Amy Ernst, Debbie Rumph, Denise Stanley, and Cyndie Trehwitt.

We finished out the 2012–2013 year under enrolled with vacancies in 4/5s classes. Some felt it was due to the formal pre-K programs offered at area private elementary schools. We began the 2013 school year fully enrolled in all classes. We did have two 4/5s families withdraw as of December winter break due to family moves and military orders. We filled one of the vacancies with a new student upon our January return to school. We participated in the Annual Preschool Fair this past October and advertised our school and admissions event throughout local list serves, moms' clubs, and word of mouth. We completed our Open House and Public Lottery in January; and we currently have wait lists for all 2s, 3s, and 4/5s classes for the 2014–2015 school year.

Collaboration with the church continued to grow and be nurtured. Pastor Chuck, Board of Directors president Gene Lange, and preschool director Jeanna Reidy met monthly to discuss the status of the school and any topics of need or interest. The Preschool Board of Directors met monthly, or every other month, depending on needs that arose. Pastor Chuck continued to meet with the 4/5s classes every Wednesday morning for chapel time. Both the preschool and the church shared upcoming news and announcements in one another's newsletters and messengers.

In 2013, the preschool continued to maintain its financial independence from the church by covering its own expenses. The preschool also focused its efforts on replacing some classroom carpets, the children's bathroom floors, and broken permanent equipment in the classrooms, and on updating some children's space in the office. In addition, professional development for teachers was and will continue to be an area of focus for the preschool. In the fall, the faculty were lucky enough to attend a one-day, annual NAEYC conference together, which yielded amazing and rich conversation among the faculty and then trickled into the classrooms, environment set up, equipment, curriculum, and planning for the year and beyond.

Friday, April 26, 2013, was the 25th anniversary of the preschool's annual spring gala fundraiser. Susan Stockton, the gala chairperson, worked tirelessly to make the evening a success and raised over \$24,000 for the preschool. The theme, *Take Me Out to Emmanuel*, provided a wonderful opportunity for party goers to get in the spirit by sporting their favorite team jersey or donning their own school colors. Parents and supporters of Emmanuel dined on traditional ballpark fare such as chicken sandwiches and wings, hot dogs, soft pretzels and popcorn. Baseball cake-pops and cupcakes completed the menu. The walls of the Parish Hall were decorated with jerseys, hockey sticks, baseballs, and basketballs—all designed and created by preschool students. The evening's "referee" led the live auction which featured amazing items such as an autographed football by Redskins quarterback Robert Griffin III, Disney Park-Hopper Passes, tickets to a taping of *The Daily Show* with Jon Stewart, and a week in Siesta Key, Florida. The silent auction and raffle featured terrific items donated by parents, teachers, church members, and area businesses. *Take Me Out to Emmanuel* was a fun-filled evening and a wonderful opportunity for our community to show support for the preschool.

In addition to this major fundraising effort, the Resource parents, in collaboration with the parents of the school, ran many other fundraising efforts. Through fundraiser donations that used to go toward baskets, the families raised over \$1,500 in support of the faculty's professional development focus, and helped cover much of the cost to attend the NAEYC conference in November 2013. In the fall of 2013, parent volunteers also offered wrapping paper and home gifts from Innisbrook and gifts showcasing their children's artwork through HandArts, both of which yielded healthy profit for the preschool's programs and initiatives. The preschool offered two ways for families to show their

school spirit—with Emmanuel Preschool t-shirts and car magnets, both a big hit among the community.

Emmanuel Preschool continues to be a place where families and children feel welcomed, supported, and part of a community. It is a play-based preschool experience dedicated to inspiring children and enriching their lives: emotionally, socially, and academically.

*Jeanna Reidy, Preschool Director*

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**PRESCHOOL BALANCE SHEET AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2013**

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<b>Assets</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
Checking Account (BB&T)	139,793
Checking Account (SunTrust)	38,538
Petty Cash	<u>145</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b><u>178,476</u></b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>178,476</u></b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
Advance Tuition	5,824
Advance May Deposits	<u>41,830</u>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b><u>47,654</u></b>
<b>Equity</b>	
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b><u>130,822</u></b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Equity</b>	<b><u>178,476</u></b>

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**PRESCHOOL STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES**  
**2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR**

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<b>Income</b>	
Tuition (including summer camp)	362,208
Fundraiser (net of expenses)	24,147
Supply Fees	11,531
Registration Fees	9,890
Other Income	81
Reserves Contribution	<u>7,493</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>415,350</b>
 <b>Expenses</b>	
Salaries (including summer camp)	325,781
Contributions to Emmanuel Church	34,509
School & Camp Supplies, Snacks, Hospitality	7,275
Office Supplies and Equipment	3,666
Building Maintenance, Repairs, Cleaning	20,705
Trips, Assemblies, Parent Resources	2,730
Substitutes	3,941
Professional Dues, Fees, Licenses, Services, Advertising	3,784
Insurance	5,400
Reserves Contribution	<u>7,493</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>415,284</b>
 <b>Net Income</b>	 <b>66</b>

**CHURCH STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES**  
2012 AND 2013 ACTUAL / 2014 BUDGET

	<u>2012 Actual</u>	<u>2013 Actual</u>	<u>2014 Budget</u>
<b>Annual Giving</b>			
Plate	13,541	28,952	13,000
Current Year Pledge	233,245	241,280	275,310
Prior Year Pledge	2,255	2,160	2,000
Newcomer/Renewed Pledges			15,000
Rector Search Campaign	19,740	0	0
<b>Subtotal Giving</b>	<u>268,781</u>	<u>272,392</u>	<u>305,310</u>
<b>Other Income</b>			
Investment Income	53,291	53,026	52,600
Fundraising	12,491	12,653	11,000
Offerings, Memorials, Flowers, Other	23,949	24,106	14,600
Building Use Fees	13,621	13,586	12,000
Preschool Reimbursements	8,450	30,500	0
Preschool Annual Contribution	35,000	9,409	44,000
Foundation for Section Leaders	5,395	0	3,630
Shrine Mont Registration Fees	0	13,140	13,500
<b>Subtotal Other Income</b>	<u>152,197</u>	<u>156,420</u>	<u>151,330</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>420,978</b>	<b>428,812</b>	<b>456,640</b>
<b>Administrative</b>			
Utilities (Gas, Electric, Water)	25,695	26,638	27,500
Phone (incl ADT)	4,759	4,789	6,000
Copier	9,659	9,565	9,700
Other Admin Expenses	16,598	11,530	13,600
<b>Subtotal Administrative</b>	<u>56,710</u>	<u>52,522</u>	<u>56,800</u>
<b>Property</b>			
Maintenance, Repairs, & Landscaping	34,681	28,141	38,400
Building Cleaning	19,104	14,742	16,000
Property Insurance	7,242	7,315	7,500
Capital Account	0	3,000	0
<b>Subtotal Property</b>	<u>61,026</u>	<u>53,198</u>	<u>61,900</u>
<b>Clergy &amp; Staff</b>			
Rector Compensation (split from staff in 2014)			126,191
Staff Salaries (incl housing 2012 & 2013)	173,403	195,054	122,752
Expenses (incl taxes & substitutes)	26,019	23,368	20,213
Benefits (incl pension)	42,826	40,559	12,074
<b>Subtotal Clergy &amp; Staff</b>	<u>242,248</u>	<u>258,981</u>	<u>281,230</u>
<b>Other Expenses</b>			
Worship	5,649	6,558	6,450
Christian Education (incl confs)	3,029	4,197	5,600
Section Leaders & Guest Musicians	5,700	0	3,630
Parish Activities	826	713	2,000
Shrinemont	295	13,443	13,500
Diocesan Pledge	23,000	26,000	26,000
Outreach	10,610	17,893	13,600
<b>Subtotal Other Expenses</b>	<u>49,109</u>	<u>68,804</u>	<u>70,780</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>409,093</b>	<b>433,503</b>	<b>470,709</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>11,885</b>	<b>(4,691)</b>	<b>(14,069)</b>

**CHURCH BALANCE SHEET  
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2013**

	<u>December 31 2012</u>	<u>December 31 2013</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Checking/Savings		
Petty Cash in Office	40	100
Checking Account (BB&T)	71,127	70,814
Interest Bearing Account (BB&T)	19,265	26,958
Total Checking/Savings	<u>90,432</u>	<u>97,872</u>
<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	90,432	97,872
<b>Other Assets</b>		
Investments at Fox-Thomas	247,635	247,635
Land & Building	2,091,496	2,091,496
Furniture & Equipment	73,411	73,411
<b>Total Other Assets</b>	<u>2,412,542</u>	<u>2,412,542</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><b>2,502,974</b></u>	<u><b>2,502,974</b></u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Prepaid Pledges	31,250	47,300
Rector Search Campaign		11,504
General Outreach		774
* UTO	79	33
Haiti		332
* Mission Trip	9,573	9,573
* Fundraiser For Our Future	2,135	2,135
* Sewing Group	106	69
* Altar Guild	17	1,100
Music Program (funded by Foundation)	0	(1,265)
Capital Reserves	0	3,000
Other Funds Due/Owed	(655)	(430)
Total Current Liabilities	<u>42,506</u>	<u>74,125</u>
<b>Long-Term Liabilities</b>	0	0
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>42,505</u>	<u>74,125</u>
<b>Total Equity</b>	<u><b>2,460,468</b></u>	<u><b>2,436,289</b></u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<u><b>2,502,974</b></u>	<u><b>2,510,414</b></u>

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EMMANUEL FOUNDATION

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The Emmanuel Episcopal Church Foundation Board is pleased to report on its activities and accomplishments in 2013.

**Finances.** At the direction of the Vestry, the Foundation allocated \$41,465 in 2013 for the following expenditures: \$40,000 for the rector's housing allowance and \$1,465 for the Music Program. As of December 31, 2013, the Foundation's assets had grown by 9.4% through asset appreciation and a \$5,000 gift, to \$770,313.

**Membership.** The Board experienced a modest membership shuffling in 2013. Kathy Clatanoff resigned as the Board's Treasurer, and Jennifer Adams rejoined the group after rotating off the Vestry. Rance Willis assumed Kathy's responsibilities as Treasurer, for which we are grateful. Other members of the Board include Jane Kolson, President; Stewart Bartley; Jerry Boykin; Tony Brush; Douglas Garthoff; and Donald Simpson.

**Programming.** The Foundation hosted a workshop on April 14, entitled "Hospice and Palliative Care: Caring for Those at the End of Life." Presented by Martha Huffman, Volunteer Services Coordinator at Capital Caring Alexandria, the workshop was very well attended by parishioners hoping to learn about the services provided by hospice and others interested in volunteering at hospice.

**Bequests, Bequest Commitments, and Gifts.** The Foundation received no bequests or bequest commitments in 2013, but Board members were pleased by and grateful for a significant gift from Jim Bradley in memory of his late wife Ginny.

**1910 Society.** Membership in the 1910 Society did not change in 2013. Members include:

Jennifer Adams	The Rev. Daniel and Barbara Eckman
Hamilton and Lola Beggs	Jane and Ken Kolson
Frank and Beth Boland	Nancy Kuhn and Bucky Mills
James Bradley	Sarah Orndorff
Carol and Ronald Clark	Jean C. Simpson ( <i>deceased</i> )
Kathy and Bud Clatanoff	Catherine and Douglas Wheeler
Vonda Delawie	Rance Willis

The Foundation's goals are to (1) steward Emmanuel's quasi-endowment prudently, and (2) offer Emmanuel's parishioners and the larger community periodic opportunities to learn about estate planning strategies and, as part of these strategies, planned giving arrangements that can benefit both Emmanuel Episcopal Church and its parishioners.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Jane Kolson, President*

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**EMMANUEL FOUNDATION TREASURER'S REPORT  
ALL FUNDS HELD BY THE DIOCESE (TOTF)  
JANUARY 1, 2013 TO DECEMBER 31, 2013**

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Beginning Value, January 1	\$ 717,493.09
Withdrawals	
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Payment to EEC (Feb.)	(10,000.00)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Payment to EEC (May)	(10,000.00)
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Payment to EEC (Aug.)	(10,000.00)
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter Payment to EEC (Nov.)	(10,000.00)
Music Program*	(        )
Increases	
Gifts and Gain for the Period	92,819.89
Ending Portfolio Value, Dec. 31, 2013	**\$ 770,312.98

Funds Reserved for Music

Lois Knox – Beginning Balance	\$ 25,000.00
Less: Piano Movers (2009)	(430.00)
Less: Choir Section Leaders (2011)	(1,884.15)
Less: Choir Section Leaders (2012)	(6,450.85)
Balance Remaining for Music	16,235.00

\* Note: \$1,465 was spent for music during 2013, but funds were not transferred until 2014

\*\* These funds are exclusive of the Fox-Thomas Trust which has a balance of \$318,229.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Rance Willis, Treasurer*