

Messenger

A monthly newsletter of the Emmaus of the Midlands Community

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Upcoming Events:

Board Meeting:

February 10, 7:00 pm @
Red Bank UMC, Lexington,
SC

February Gathering:

February 28, at 7:00 pm at
Brookland UMC in West
Columbia, SC.

Board Meeting:

March 9, 7:00 pm @ Red
Bank UMC, Lexington, SC

March Gathering:

March 27, at 7:00 pm at
Red Bank UMC, Lexington,
SC.

Board Meeting:

April 13, 7:00 pm @ Red
Bank UMC, Lexington, SC

April Gathering:

April 24, at 7:00 pm at to be
determined.

Board Meeting:

May 11, 7:00 pm @ Red
Bank UMC, Lexington, SC

May Gathering:

May 22, at 7:00 pm at to be
determined.

Board Meeting:

June 8, 7:00 pm @ Red
Bank UMC, Lexington, SC

June Gathering:

June 26, at 7:00 pm at to be
determined.

Spiritual Director's Message

Friends,

As we begin the month of February and our thoughts turn to love (and Valentines!), I share this with you. I found this several years ago and thought it was worth reflection.

DeColores,
Linda

Beatitudes of Love

Blessed are those who find love everywhere,
for they may never be lonely.
Blessed are those who always give love,
for they shall always have more love to give.
Blessed are those who make it easier for others to love them,
for they shall always have plenty of friends.
Blessed are those who leave love wherever they go,
for the world will be a better place because they have lived.

Blessed are those who love to work,
for theirs is the kingdom of service.
Blessed are those who love to share,
for their is the kingdom of joy everywhere.
Blessed are those who love to praise others,
for theirs is the kingdom of appreciation.
Blessed are those who love to put others first,
for theirs is the kingdom of humility.

Blessed are those who love God first, and above all,
for theirs is the kingdom of right relationship to God, people
and things.

Blessed are those who love Jesus Christ,
for they share His tender compassion for the whole world.
Blessed are those who love and receive the Holy Spirit,
for theirs if the kingdom of holiness.

Blessed are those who love what is right and good,
for theirs is the kingdom of justice and mercy.
Blessed are those who plan to practice love always,
for they shall live in the house of love and dwell
in the city of God forever and ever.

The Chairman's Corner

We had a great Gathering on January 24th at St. John UMC in Lugoff. Thanks to all who attended.

Sponsors remember to encourage your pilgrims to come to the next Gathering to be held on February 28, 2020 at Brookland United Methodist Church in West Columbia, SC.

Upcoming Walks

Upcoming EMMAUS walk dates:

The Spring Walks have been cancelled due to not having the minimum number of Pilgrims. The Camp Directors, Allen and Bonnie, are retiring this year and the dates for Fall Walks have not been determined yet. We need pilgrims for these Walks. Please be diligent in identifying pilgrims for them. Get your pilgrim applications to Mary Brown as soon as you can. Let's pray for full Walks!

Board Vacancy Announcement

We have several board members that will be rotating off soon. Please prayerfully consider running for one of these positions.

If you would like to host a gathering at your church in 2020 contact Sid at (803) 206-1022 or at sidhawkins@aol.com.

May God lead you all in your Fourth Days.

Prayers, Concerns and Praises

- Pray for upcoming Emmaus events: Walks, Gatherings, Board Meetings, etc.
- Pray for those serving our country at home and abroad.
- Pray for all pastors and churches

Sponsorship

Sponsorship training is held a few times per year about twenty minutes prior to a monthly Gathering. The next Sponsorship training session will be held before a future Gathering as the need arises. Please submit Pilgrim applications as soon as you can. Pilgrim applications should be mailed to:

Mary Brown (Registrar)
320 Blanding St.
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803-447-0179 (cell) maryb1025@gmail.com

Just a reminder, if you have any information from your church (example: yard sales, concerts, special events, etc) for upcoming newsletters please notify me at my contact info below. Also, if you know of a community member that is not receiving the newsletter, either electronically (check your spam folder) or via hard copy, let me know.

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