

EMMAUS NEWS

Gatherings

JUNE 8TH	TAPPAHANNOCK UMC
JULY 13TH	BETHEL UMC
AUG 10TH	FUMC

The Board meets at 2:00 pm
Bring snacks to share during
Fellowship time at 3:30 pm
Gatherings start at 4:00 pm

Tappahannock UMC
345 Earl Street
Tappahannock, VA 22560

From Rt 1 at Massaponax, turn
left onto Rt 17 S. Continue on Rt
17 for approximately 41 miles.
Turn Left onto Earl Street.
Church will be on your left.

Upcoming Walks

FE-115 (M)
Oct 24th-27th, 2019
Larry Jenkins, Jr.

FE-116 (W)
Nov 7-10, 2019
Bonnie Wells

Please contact Pat Lonergan at
pjl0857@icloud.com if you are
interested in helping the Emmaus
community through any of the
various volunteer positions listed.

If your church can host a
gathering, please email the CLD
Pat Lonergan at
pjl0857@icloud.com

Prayers:

To send a Prayer Request to our
daily internet prayer chain or to
become a Daily Prayer Warrior, email
fredemmausprayers@yahoo.com
or 1973.bliss.debbie@gmail.com

CLD NOTE

In the summer of 1990, our family moved to Fredericksburg. Our daughters were 7, 9, and 11. We soon began to attend Fredericksburg United Methodist Church. The girls became involved with the children's choirs and eventually with the Youth program. John and I found an adult Sunday School class. It seemed we had found our spiritual home.

In the Fall of 1998, Larry Tubbs sponsored John to the Walk to Emmaus. In the Spring of 1999, our daughters, Amy and Tracey, flew on Chrysalis, the youth version of Emmaus. A week later, our oldest daughter and I made the Walk to Emmaus in Fredericksburg.

Wow, how our spiritual life and our service for God changed! When I look back now, I realize how important our Walks were. We were serving through the ministries of our church, but our service grew. We joined reunion groups and practiced the disciplines and accountability the groups encouraged us to. Our study deepened.

We also found time to become involved in the Emmaus community. Through attending Gatherings and teaming, we were blessed with so many new friends in Christ. One of my favorite parts of Emmaus is that I can drive all over the Fredericksburg area, see various churches, and think of the people I know there as a result of Emmaus. We had the privilege to serve

in so many capacities on teams and at Gatherings. Emmaus friends supported us through several difficult experiences.

John and I are taking on a new adventure now. We are moving to Fluvanna County near Charlottesville to be nearer to our oldest daughter and her family. Leaving Fredericksburg after 29 years is tough in many ways. We will miss neighbors, longtime friends, and our church family very much. We will also miss our dear Emmaus friends greatly.

I have stepped down from the position of Community Lay Director as of May. Patrick Lonergan, the current Assistant Community Lay Director, has stepped up to finish 2019 as our Community Lay Director. The current Board is a great one and have been very supportive of me. Patrick will enjoy such support as well.

As hard as it is to leave Fredericksburg Emmaus, I realized that there are Christians everywhere! I have even heard that the Charlottesville area would like to get an Emmaus community started there. I venture to guess that John and I will find ourselves becoming involved in an Emmaus community again. Perhaps you can come join us someday for teaming or Candlelight!

De Colores,
Kitti Mann

FROM THE NEW CLD

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it! Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks. For this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. But, it's really hard to do these things when sadness is weighing on your heart.

If you're like me, you've made friendships within the Emmaus Community since you've walked, or even before. The people within this Community aren't just our friends, they're our family. So, while I rejoice that the Lord has called John and Kitti Mann to a new adventure in moving close to their eldest daughter, my heart still aches at the thought of the departure of these two dear friends from our community.

I first met John on my walk, and Kitti soon thereafter at a gathering. I've watched both of them devote countless hours to the mission of Emmaus among us, and deeply value their friendship. While the thought of them moving away saddens me, I fully embrace the fact that we'll worship and fellowship together again. To John and Kitti I'd like to express heartfelt thanks on behalf of the entire community. You will both be missed!

DeColores!

Pat Lonergan

FE-101, Table of Matthew

PRAYER REQUESTS

Mary Lee hurt her leg; not broken but prayers for healing

Lillian Pearmon – in Hospice care

Karen who is suffering from cluster headaches

Pray for Mark Lewis – health needs

Prayer for new worship schedule.

Prayer for friend with serious health issues.

Praise for niece graduating college w/ BSN

Kelsey is having problems with her shins again – awaiting MRI results.

Prayers for healing and restoration.

Ann T. – healing

Kathleen – healing, pain relief

Hope3 weekend

Prayer for our service members, particularly those in harms way.

Mantz – healing

Hope3 ministry

Matt Carley – surgery and for complete healing

Prayers for our country.

John E. Bradham

Mary C. Usher

Usher family, health, sons, grandsons.

Maranatha church, retirement, finances

CSD NOTE

The other day I was listening to the Christian radio station when I heard an interesting comment. A preacher was describing life like the warm up period before a concert or show by an orchestra. He described the warm up period like life without Jesus. Everyone warming up with their instrument all alone without any regard to their fellow players. The sound to those waiting for the show sounds like loud confusion. No one really knows what the other is playing. It's just loud noise. However, when the conductor arrives and starts the concert, everyone is taking direction from him and it is beautiful music. Everyone works well together. There is leadership and direction.

Is the same true with our lives? When we go it alone or try to be the center, we fail. There is mass confusion and incoherency to our lives. God and Jesus are the conductors who pull us all together to move us to unity and therefore beauty and hope to those around us. A thought to ponder. De Colores, Brad Phillips

BOARD NEWS

In May, the Fredericksburg Emmaus community had a different kind of Gathering. We actually began the day in work at Camp Happyland. We were invited by the camp to help prepare their grounds for the upcoming camp season. We met at 9am with Lenny and Kyle, two members of the Camp Happyland staff. After opening with a prayer, they gave us our assignments. One group went off to "gut" the inside of two of the older buildings, Monkland and Beulahland. Some of us had the "pleasure" of staying in those two buildings as teamers in the early years at Happyland. We cheered! Those buildings had a lot of mold and mildew in them! The guys who worked there had a blast tearing stuff apart.

The second group was assigned cleanup up in the art centers around the camp. Some little critters, possibly a racoon, had invaded one of the art centers. We spent the morning cleaning out their mischief and leavings.

At lunchtime, the camp provided lunch for us and a welcome break. Other

groups had arrived and after lunch, we went out to continue our work.

Work finished up about 3:30pm or so as a few people began to arrive for the Gathering. We were a small, but enthusiastic group. Matt McBride brought his guitar and led us in music. Tom Wells did not have his guitar but accompanied Matt on a drum box. It was his first attempt at a drum box, and he did well. We dubbed him Ringo Starr! Several members of the group shared testimonies of changes that have taken place in their lives as a result of doing the Walk to Emmaus. We prayed with one another and then Rosemary Blankenship led us in communion. After the Gathering, we enjoyed a great potluck dinner and each other's company. A good time was had by all. It was a pleasure and a privilege to help Camp Happyland prepare for their summer season. When such an opportunity comes around again, don't miss it.

VOLUNTEERS

Board of Directors:

Class of 2019

Chris Campbell

Butch Farley

Joyce Keene (Secretary)

Vonda LiCalzi

Randy McCollum (SD)

Class of 2020

Jenn Bumbrey

Pat Lonergan (CLD)

Brad Phillips (CSD)

Tom Wells

Class of 2021:

Ava Hanger (Treasurer)

John Blosser

Mary Jenkins

Bob Pickett,

Robert Bumbrey (SD)

WLD Committee Chair – Kitti Mann

Team Selection Committee Chair – Pat Lonergan

- Team Registrar – Karen Campbell

Pilgrim Selection Committee Chair –

- Pilgrim Registrar – Debbie Bliss

Nominating Committee Chair – Vonda LiCalzi

Face to Face Representative – Bob Pickett

Fourth Day Training Chair – Kitti Mann & John Blosser

Communications Chair – Tom Wells

- Website – Chris Campbell
- Database – Chris Campbell/Mary Lee Hensel
- Email – Chris Campbell
- Newsletter – Brooke Ferguson
- Daily Prayer Chain – Debbie Bliss
- Social Media – Chris Czubowicz

Weekend Supplies Chair – Chris Campbell

- Trailer – Chris and Karen Campbell
- Name Badge – Gary Adkins
- Fourth Day Packets – Joyce Keene

Agape Chair – Vonda LiCalzi

- Agape Bag Coordinator – Karen Campbell
- Prayer Vigil – Mary Lee Hensel/C. Campbell
- Snack Agape – Open
- Agape Book – Mary Lee Hensel
- Community Baker – Vonda LiCalzi
- Placemats – Mary Lee Hensel

Gatherings Chair – Kitti Mann

- Scheduling Coordinator – Bob Pickett
- Music Coordinator – Tom Wells

Group Reunions Chair – Jenn Bumbrey

Manuals Chair – Tom Wells

REUNION GROUPS:

SUNDAYS: Bethel UMC Men's Group, Bethel UMC Woodbridge, Va 7:30 am POC:
Brian Lewis 703-590-9343 Email: bb3253@aol.com

St. Matthias Reunion Group, St. Matthias Social Hall 12:15-1:30pm
1st Sunday of each month POC: Tammi Ellis

MONDAYS: Ladies in Waiting, Falmouth, Va Meets every other Monday
POC: Vonda LiCalzi 540-446-2682

Rainbow Group (Women), Lake of the Woods, location varies 10:00 am
First Monday of month POC: Barbara Miller 540-972-7418

TUESDAYS: Lord's Lions & Lambs Group, First Christian Church 6:00 pm
POC: Mike Remington 540-373-7716 first.christian.church@verizon.net

Great Is Thy Faithfulness, Prince of Peace UMC, Manassas, VA 7:30 pm
POC: Lloyd Biller 703-590-1512

THURSDAYS: His Joyful Croakers, Hillcrest UMC 9:00 am
POC: June Riel 540-710-5949

His Seekers (Women), Jane Carwell's home, 703-969-4019 7:30 pm
POC: Sandy Crossley 703-221-6977 or Jane Carwell tjcarwell@yahoo.com

Are you interested in joining or starting a new reunion group?
Email Jenn Bumbrey at livsnana3111@aol.com

Application Fee \$25 - Due when you submit the completed application. If this fee is not included with the application the application will not be counted as valid until fee is received.

Sponsorship Fee \$200 - Due, (not mailed, but in the Treasurer's hands), no later than one week before the Walk, but preferably earlier. It is not acceptable to bring the Sponsorship Fee on the night the Walk starts.

A check must be written to Camp Happyland the morning of the Walk and is deposited the next day. Therefore, for Emmaus to be good stewards and to be in line with strong business practices, you must send your fees in a minimum of one week before the walk.

Team Fee - \$200 - Due, (not mailed, but in Treasurer's hands), no later than one week before the Walk, but preferably earlier. It is preferable that this is given to the Board Rep, for your Walk, during teaming.

Mail to: - All payments, applications, fees, correspondence, etc... should be mailed to P.O. Box 42094, Fredericksburg, VA 22404

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