

NEWSLETTER The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 11, 2022 Emmanuel Church West Roxbury, MA, 2022

Fellow Parishioners

"Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people...And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people" (Exodus).

"Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving kindness; in your great compassion blot out my offenses" (Psalm 51).

- "...I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy..." (1 Timothy).
- "...Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents" (Luke).

Our Lessons/Psalm for the week have a central theme: Mercy. It is one of the most spoken words in the Bible. I love all that I read, I hope you do, too. After having the opportunity to read Fr. Jon's sermon on September 4, which was a powerful rendering of three powerful Lessons, I look forward to hearing his sermon this Sunday. How may it capture the events of 21 years ago (9/11).

Going forward, we have a busy next few weeks. On September 18, we will witness the baptism of KJ Chance William Belfon. Seraiah has created a beautiful invitation to join the celebration. It is currently posted on our Facebook and Instagram pages.

We are also excited to announce that our former priest, the Rev. Dr. Joyce Caggiano will be the baptismal Celebrant. Please make time to enjoy this special day with the Emmanuel and Belfon families.

Also coming up in October are the combined, we hope, Blessing of the Animals and Music on the Lawn events. This event will take place on October 2 at 11:30am on the Clement Ave yard. Last year these were two different events that were hosted on two separate dates. With a number of other things taking place during October we decided to combine the two. So, please save these dates on your calendars as must do events. As with last year we will have a memorial table for pictures of beloved pets of our past. I can say that it was wonderful to have one of my heavenly dogs receive a blessing!

I hope to see you all Sunday at our 10am service and remember to visit our FB/Instagram pages and watch our must-see YouTube of the 9/4 service with Fr. Jon's powerful message.

Thank you.

Terri, Co-warden

WATCH EMMANUEL VIA YOUTUBE

Missed the in-person service? No problem. You can catch the service late Sunday night or on Monday morning via our website, https://emmanuelwr.org/ or by going directly to the Emmanuel YouTube site, https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEQm5KH2wGB_XbZ8h9jIdhA

PRAY FOR UKRAINE



As the war continues now for over six month, we prayer for Ukraine and its people. Our prayers truly help, as they keep us mindful of God's love for us all and the miracles that occur even when all seems lost.

Please consider donating to one of the many organizations raising money for Ukraine. If you prefer to donate directly to an organization focused on helping children in Ukraine, there is Save the Children: https://support.savethechildren.org/site/Donation2?df id=5746&mfc pref=T&5746.donation=form1

Another worthy organization is World Central Kitchen a nonprofit founded by Chef José Andrés providing food onsite in Ukraine and to refugees coming into border countries. Learn more at: https://wck.org/

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PRAYER LIST



We pray for this who are homebound or ill: Paul, Mary, Catherine, Michael, Parker, Sergio, Martha, Gail, Anne H, Patricia, Anne J, Barbara., Maureen, Tony, and Edmond.

Please email us the names of those who need special prayers---<u>info@emmanuelwr.org</u>. Only first names will be used.