

# NEWSLETTER January 1, 2023 Emmanuel Church West Roxbury, MA 2022

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Fellow Parishioner's and Friends

We want to take this opportunity to thank you all for your commitment to our practice of faith.

I have been here for almost 24 years and can say that 2022 stands out as a banner year for so many things. We started, like many other parishes, wondering if we would even have enough attending faithful to continue our practice. Well, we did! And although we were not able to move into 2022 with professional clergy on board we moved forward in Morning Prayer. We gave all of those wishing to participate a chance to lead the parish as an officiant in Morning Prayer. A positive response was almost universal.

Having secured the incredible talents of the Rev. Jon Eden, Bridge Priest, Emmanuel has continued to move forward, pushing a few boundaries thanks to his presence. We are now very much in the digital world as Fr. Jon uploads a video of our service each week. He has been a great support in helping us figure out a way to live stream if we can get past our ancient knob and tube electricity! We have weekly updates on Facebook, and we do attract a lot more people than the like/love and comments show. We strongly encourage you to take part in all or one of our digital experiences. We hope to attach an online donation portal on our website in 2023.

Our Annual Meeting will be scheduled for the end of January so keep following for more details. We hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and we wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year!

Terri and Ken Co-wardens

### WATCH EMMANUEL VIA YOUTUBE

Missed the in-person service? No problem. You can catch the service, usually posted by Monday evening, via our website, <a href="https://emmanuelwr.org/">https://emmanuelwr.org/</a> or you can go directly to the Emmanuel YouTube site, <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEQm5KH2wGB\_XbZ8h9jIdhA">https://emmanuelwr.org/</a> or you can go directly to the Emmanuel YouTube site, <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEQm5KH2wGB\_XbZ8h9jIdhA">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEQm5KH2wGB\_XbZ8h9jIdhA</a>

### PRAY FOR UKRAINE



As the war continues to now escalate, 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:

 $\underline{https://support.savethechildren.org/site/Donation2?df\_id=5746\&mfc\_pref=T\&5746.donation=form1$ 

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: <a href="https://wck.org/">https://wck.org/</a>

# СЛАВА УКРАЇНІ!

## PRAYER LIST



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

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