

Emmanuel C.S.I. Church, Philadelphia  
4937 Church Avenue,  
Feasterville-Treose, PA 19053

Newsletter of  
Emmanuel C.S.I. Church, Philadelphia  
April 2020

Sunday school at 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship at 10:00 a.m.

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> - Malayalam Holy Communion  
2<sup>nd</sup> - English H. C. with Praise & Worship  
4<sup>th</sup> - English Holy Communion  
5<sup>th</sup> - Malayalam Matins

Teleconference Prayer - Every Wednesday @ 9:00 PM

Fasting Prayer - Every Saturday @ 10:00 AM

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## Birthdays Greetings:

The following members will be celebrating their birthdays in the month of April. They are requested to attend the Thanksgiving prayer during the Service.

Mrs. Punnya Ann Andrews	04/01
Mr. Koshy K. Varghese	04/04
Mr. Sajo Joy	04/04
Mr. Joseph Cherian	04/11
Mr. Maxwell P. Gifford	04/12
Mr. Shaji P. Oommen	04/12
Mrs. Annamma Cherian	04/14
Mr. Jenith Jacob	04/15
Miss. Tintu Merin Mathew	04/22
Mr. C. C. Cherian	04/22
Mr. Binju Oommen	04/22
Mrs. Anie Shaji Peedikayil	04/23
Master Darius M. John	04/24
Mrs. Seeja Prasad	04/28
Mr. Sebin Jacob Easo	04/29



God's richest blessings be upon you as you celebrate yet another year on this journey with Christ and as you commit each day into the hands of the Lord.

## Wedding Anniversaries:

Congratulations and best wishes to all the couples who will be celebrating their anniversaries in the month of April. They are requested to attend the Thanksgiving prayer during the Service.

Mr. Abraham & Mrs. Lizy Kunnel	04/03
Mr. Johnson John & Mrs. Dhanya John	04/16
Mr. Shaji P. Oommen & Mrs. Anie Shaji Peedikayil	04/25

*May you truly sense God's love as you celebrate your Wedding Anniversary and see the future years together as memories to be made. **By M.S.Lowndes***



## From Achen's Desk

### Remind Yourself

Greetings to you all in the matchless name of our resurrected lord and savior Jesus Christ. Now the world is under the threat of Covid 19. The corona virus is undoubtedly evidence of God's wrath against human sin. It is another way in which the creation groans under the weight of sin, awaiting the day of redemption ((Rom 8:18-23). At the same time this trial is an opportunity for growth. It is an opportunity to be reminded that we are not in control. We never were. The sooner we recognize that, the sooner we will cast ourselves on the Lord and trust his control of all things. Now what's app and other social medias has become the center of posts that are misleading and adding to the stress. Worry is our inability or unwillingness to trust God. Ouch, that kind of hurts, doesn't it? But if we really get to the issue of worry, we have to admit that we just don't know if God will do what we want Him to do in our lives. So, we worry and ask questions amidst our doubts. Will He...

...protect our kids?

...provide for our families?

...bring healing?

Since we don't know what lies ahead, we must choose to walk in faith and trust the God we have come to know. When we remind ourselves of what He has done in the past, we can rest in the present and have hope for the future. There is so much we can remember about God, His ability, and His character. Here are just a few things:

He is everlasting, never becoming tired or growing weary while simultaneously depositing new strength in us (Isaiah 40:28).

He is our Provider of help, never sleeping but instead, watching over us (Psalm 121:2-4).

He grants overwhelming victory to us and never allows anything to separate us from His love (Romans 8:35-39).

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## Lectionary for April 2020

He holds our concerns because He cares so deeply for us (1 Peter 5:7). This God, our God, is the One whom we can trust. Let us trust in his resurrected power. There's no one like Him anywhere, ever. He's all-powerful, all-knowing, and present all the time. There's never a place where we'll be that He's not already there. He guides, comforts, supplies, strengthens, and provides for us because we are His children, and He adores us. Reminding ourselves of this and living it out every day should help us eradicate the symptom of worry from our lives. The resurrected Jesus appeared to His disciples and wiped out all their worries when they locked down on their house, and said to them 'peace be with you'.

We weren't born to be worriers. We were born to be warriors. ***The same power that raised our Savior Jesus from the dead*** is available to us through our Heavenly Father. Here is what God says about us:

He says that we are His children and co-heirs with Christ Jesus. (Romans 8:17)

He calls us more than conquerors. (Romans 8:37)

He created us as His masterpiece and His workmanship, to do good works. (Ephesians 2:10)

He has chosen us, and we are His very own possession. (1 Peter 2:9)

He has called out of darkness into His marvelous light. (1 Peter 2:9)

Eliminating worry from overtaking our lives just takes intentionality on our part. We have to stop toxic, worrisome thoughts so that they don't stop us from living the life God has called us to. And we do this by claiming and applying God's truth to our lives and trusting Him in faith since we can't see what tomorrow holds. Our God is good all the time and has the very best plan laid out for us to be a part of. Don't carry our mistakes around with us. Instead place them under our feet and use them as stepping stones.

Yours loving,

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*Motto: Year of Service*

### **April 05 Malayalam Holy Communion Sunday before Easter – Palm Sunday**

**Theme: Christ: The King of Peace**

1<sup>st</sup> Lesson Zechariah 9: 1–12

Psalm 24

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson Ephesians 2: 11-22

Gospel Mark 11: 1-11

**Songs:** Hymn – 102, 100, 103, 180

**Lay Ministry:** Mr. Biju Muthuthottathil & Family

### **April 10 Good Friday**

**Theme: Cross: Self Giving Love**

**1 Lesson:** Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12

**Psalm 22**

**2 Lesson:** 1 Peter 2: 21-25

**Gospel:** Mark 15: 22-41

**Songs:**

**Lay Ministry:** Emmanuel Family

### **April 12**

#### **Easter Sunday**

**Theme: Resurrection: Celebrating Life in Jesus**

**1 Lesson:** 1 Kings 17: 17-24

**Psalm 118:** 1-4, 14-17

**2 Lesson:** 1 Corinthians 15: 42-58

**Gospel:** Luke 24: 1-12

**Songs:**

**Lay Ministry:** Cherian Abraham & Family

## Lectionary for April/May 2020

April 19

**First Sunday after Easter**

**Theme: Affirmation of Christ as Lord and God**

1<sup>st</sup> Lesson Exodus 3: 13–17

Psalm 93

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson Colossians 1: 15-23

Gospel John 20: 24-29

**Songs:**

**Lay Ministry:** Mr. Jacob Easo & Family

April 26

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Easter**

**Theme: Invitation to Christ's Hospitality**

**1 Lesson:** Genesis 18: 1-10

**Psalm** 15

**2 Lesson:** Hebrews 13: 1-8

**Gospel:** John 21: 1-14

**Songs:**

**Lay Ministry:** Mrs. Jiji Varghese & Family

May 03

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Easter**

**Theme: Communion with the Risen Christ in Daily Life**

**1 Lesson:** Exodus 40: 34-38

**Psalm** 23

**2 Lesson:** Philippians 3: 8-16

**Gospel:** Luke 24: 13-33

**Songs:**

**Lay Ministry:** Mr. Koshy K. Varghese & Family

## ❖ Reminders... .

Due to the Social distancing guidelines provided by the Federal Government as well as State/Local Governments, all church services, prayer meeting and Fellowship meetings will be done only through Video conference/Telephone conference calls. We will continue with our Sunday School classes and church services once the restrictions are lifted.

### **Passion Week Prayer Meetings and Worship Services:**

Monday thru Thursday, Prayer meetings will be held at 9:00 PM using Video/Teleconference facilities.

Join Video Conferencing thru ZOOM or Teleconferencing by dialing (978) 990-5000; Enter 650346 when prompted.

On Good Friday, at 10 AM, we will have the Good Friday service using the same facilities listed above.

On Easter Sunday, we will have the service at 10:00 AM using the same options listed.

For rest of the month, the regularly scheduled Teleconference Prayer meeting will be held on Wednesdays at 9:00 PM.

**Dial: (978) 990-5000; Enter 650346 when prompted.**

On every Saturday, at 10 AM, we will have a teleconference fasting prayer meeting.

If you are able to contribute any amount, please send a check to our Treasurer Mr. Shaji P. Oommen, 10221 Selmer Plaza, Philadelphia, PA 19116. Thanks to everyone who already contributed.

Church Committee Meetings will be scheduled as needed with the permission of the Vicar/President.

## 2020 Year Plan



### Emmanuel CSI Women and Laity Fellowship one-day Retreat

Date	Event
04/05/20	Palm Sunday
04/06/20	Passion week Prayer
04/07/20	Passion week Prayer
04/08/20	Passion week Prayer
04/09/20	Maundy Thursday Prayer
04/10/20	Good Friday (Service at 10:00 AM)
04/12/20	Easter Sunday
04/25/20	Sunday School Retreat @ St. Paul's and Resurrection, NJ
05/10/20	Mother's Day
06/21/20	Father's Day
06/25-27/20	VBS
07/09/20	Youth Conference July 9-12, 2020 @Detroit, MI
07/11/20	Church Picnic at Core Creek Park, Pavilion # 5
TBD	Annual Gospel Convention
07/19/20	Harvest Festival (First Day)
08/02/20	Harvest Festival (Second Day) & Almaya day
08/07-08/20	CSI Council Meeting
08/16/20	Back to School
08/23/20	Back to School
09/06/20	Choir Sunday
09/13/20	Grandparent's Day
09/27/20	CSI day & Senior Citizens Day
10/04/20	Youth Sunday
10/18/20	Family Sunday & Church Day
11/01/20	Sunday School Sunday
11/29/20	Thanksgiving Sunday – (Malayalam Holy Communion)
12/05/20	Door to Door Carol Rounds Day 1
12/12/20	Ecumenical Fellowship Christmas Program
12/19/20	Door to door Carol day 2
TBD	Christmas Carol
12/25/20	Christmas Day
12/31/20	Watchnight Service
TBD	Sunday School Competition at Hudson Valley CSI.

