



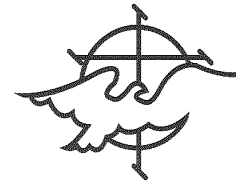
EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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Our Mission: Feeding God's Lambs His Love and Hope!

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December 4, 2011
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8:30 & 11:00 Liturgical—Sanctuary
11:00 Praise & Worship—Gymnasium

Second Sunday in Advent

This Week's Calendar

Monday, December 5

Shelter Lunch
12:45 pm: Pastor's Small Group (room 104)
5:30 pm: PTL Meeting (media center)
5:30 pm: Cub Scouts (Fellowship Hall)
7:00 pm: Nordmeyer Small Group
7:00 pm: Kaeding Bible Study Group
7:00 pm: Schallhorn Bible Study Group

Tuesday, December 6

3:00 pm: Piano (Sanctuary)
6:00 pm: LWML at Carrabbas

Wednesday, December 7

8:10/10:00am School Chapel (Sanctuary)
9:00 am: Women's Bible Study (room 104)
12:00 pm: Church Service
12:45 pm: Pastor's Small Group (room 104)
6:00 pm: Handbells
7:00 pm: Advent Worship Service
8:00 pm: Choir

Thursday, December 8

8:00 pm: Moms In Touch (Sanctuary)
2:30 pm: Piano Lessons (Sanctuary)
6:30 pm: Parish Administration Meeting (room 104)
7:00 pm: Worship Team

Friday, December 9

6:15 pm: Jnr Youth meet for Bingo at Emerald
Ridge (church parking lot)

Saturday, December 10

9:00 am: ELS Open Gym
9:00 am: Eagle Service Project (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 pm: Confirmation Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
7:00 pm: Faculty Christmas Party at Giese Home

Sunday, December 11-Youth Sunday / Confirmation

8:30 am: Church Service
9:45 am: Sunday School
11:00 am: Church Service—Confirmation
12:30 pm: Reception (Fellowship Hall)
4:00 pm: Congregational Christmas Caroling

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Michael McFarland
Associate Pastor: Rev. Mark Seaman
Principal: Luke Schmelzle
Music Director: Dr. Kevin Lorenz
Organist: Ed Schallhorn

Serving This Week

Acolytes

8:30: Karel Koon 11:00: Will Strum

Lectors

8:30: Jim Mitchell 11:00: Nicholas Black

Communion Servers

8:30: Jim Mitchell, Karl Koon
P&W: Don Baker

Ushers

8:30: Elaine Schallhorn, Don Groh, Steve & Frieda Cooper
11:00: David Meyer, Brian Arldt, Ken Bailey, James Leyva
P&W: Mark & Nancy Jankowski

Greeters

8:30: Richard & Amy Bair
11:00: Peter & Lisa Causer
P&W: Mark & Nancy Jankowski

Altar Guild

8:30: Stephanie Hanson
11:00: Stephanie Hanson, Jo Senn, Mitch Huff
P&W: C.Wills, M. Greene, T. Carpenter, S. Rauschenplat

Children's Message:

8:30: Christine Smith 11:00: TBA

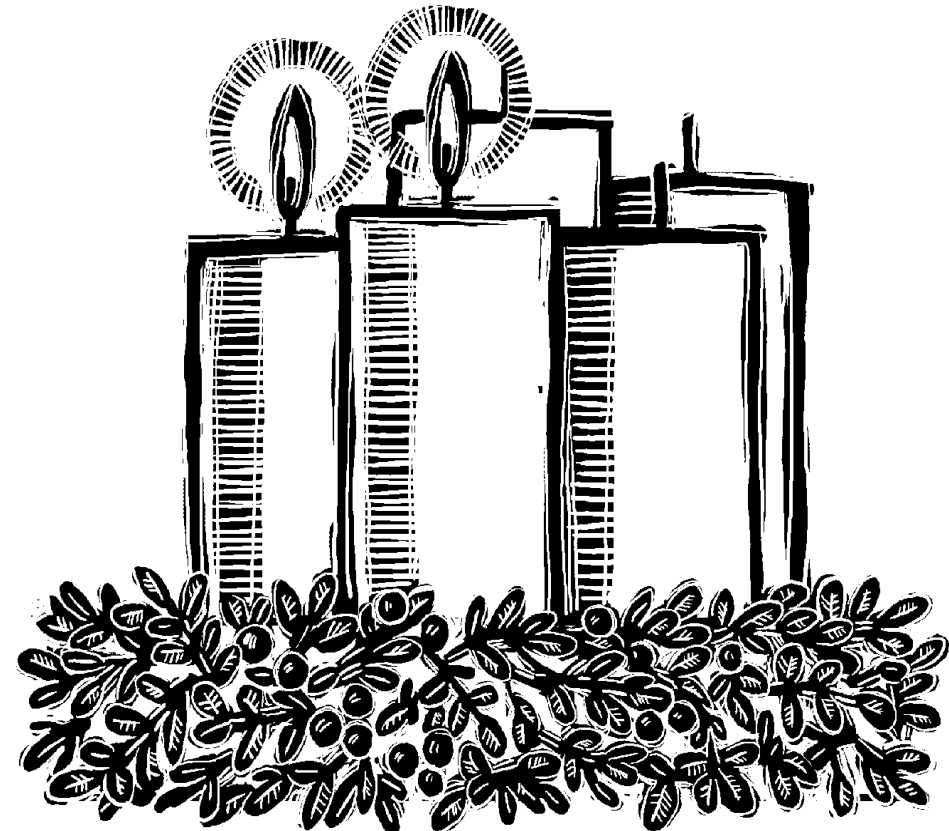
Last Week's Attendance

Sunday: 8:30—69 11:00—102 P&W—58
Thanksgiving Eve Wed 7pm—42 Wed Noon 11/30—16
Wed Advent Service 7pm 11/30—50 Total: 337

Last Week's Offerings

General Offering needed: \$11,658.00/week
Last week we received \$ 8,436.56
Building Funds needed: \$ 1,476.00/week
Last week we received \$ 1,070.00

Second Sunday in Advent



Today's Order of Worship

Service Setting

See bulletin worship service insert.

Welcome Members and Visitors!

We delight in your presence as we worship. If you are a visitor or a member, please fill out a white attendance card (located in the card holders on the back of the pews) and turn it in to the acolyte during the offering. Please pass the prayer request cards in to the acolyte during the singing of the Opening Hymn.

NURSERY NEWS: The nursery is open from 10:45 to 12:15 for the 11:00 services today downstairs beneath the sanctuary in room 108.

WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS! Let's move those walls! Laborers for Christ needs church and school volunteers to help with the construction of our new elevator, narthex and office expansions. Sign-up sheets, skills and volunteer agreement forms are located out in the church narthex area. For more information, contact Sharon Norris at 236-3957.

NEED VOLUNTEERS TO FEED—PLEASE SIGN-UP TODAY! Laborers for Christ and local labor volunteers Saturday Lunches—please sign-up on the sheet on the table in the narthex. Lunch Time will be at 12:00. Contact Sharon Norris for more information at 236-3957.

The LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) will have their annual Christmas party on Tuesday, December 6 at 6:00 pm. The place will be Carrabbas Italian Grill at 10 Buckstone Place off Tunnel Road near the Asheville Mall. All ladies of Emmanuel are welcome to come—the more the merrier! A gift exchange of \$10.00 or less is optional. Most of us enjoy participating in this activity. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the narthex bulletin board with directions to the restaurant. Questions? Contact Dot Fastenau at 645-4029.

The Leisurites' Christmas Lunch will be on Tuesday, December 13, at 11:00 am at the Monte Vista in Black Mountain. Please see the sign-up sheet or contact Irene Kaeding for more information.

Poinsettia Memorials! A sign-up sheet for the purchase of Poinsettias to adorn the Sanctuary for Christmas in honor/memory of a loved one is now posted on the narthex bulletin board. The cost is \$6.00 each. Only 48 were ordered so sign-up for yours now! Deadline is Sunday, December 11.

PECANS: Please check the cart at the lower entrance for the pecans you ordered, but haven't picked up; or for extras you'd like to purchase! During the week, please check in the library! Thank you.

ADVENT TEA: It's not too late to attend this afternoon's Advent Tea! Bring a snack for the sharing table and come and enjoy a time of quiet and meditations about the season of Advent. The event starts at 4:00 pm in the Fellowship hall. (*Decorating a table? Please have it decorated by 3:30. Thanks!*)

The Greene/McMahan Monday Night Bible Study group will not meet again until after the new year.

A gift for you and your family! CD ROM Advent Calendar for computer-Filled with Christmas facts, music and colorful images, this CD is great fun for learning about our Christmas traditions and links to the first Christmas! This is a gift for all Emmanuel church and school families. If you haven't already received one, please pick up your gift today after service. Please see Pastor Mark.

Mid-Week Advent Services: Please come and join us Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm for our Mid-Week Advent services. Feel free to bring along family members and friends. We will have Holy Communion at each of the services. This Wednesday, 12/7 Rev. Charles Litterer of the Labors for Christ will do a sermon entitled "Proclaimed by the Angels."

Junior Youth will be leading Bingo at Emerald Ridge Nursing Home on December 9. We will meet in the church parking lot at 6:15 pm and start at 7:00 pm. Don't forget, **Youth Sunday is December 11, so mark your calendars and be ready to sign-up to serve!**

ABCCM Donation for December: Self-Rising Flour. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.



This Sunday's Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Gerry and Peg Hardesty in loving memory of Pastor Fred Stiemke.

LET'S GO CHRISTMAS CAROLING! All interested church members (both adult and Jnr/Snr youth) are invited to come Christmas caroling on Sunday, December 11. Please meet in the church parking lot at 4 pm and expect to be gone for a few hours.

Adult Choir: New members are needed for all sections of the adult choir. The choir meets on Wednesday nights at 7:30. If you are interested please contact Kevin Lorenz at ext. 135 or 775-9389.

ALL BOYS 6th grade and up! ELCS is exploring starting a Boy Scout Troop. We need adult volunteers and interested boys to contact Julie Strum at strumj@yahoo.com. Eagle Scout Pastor Seaman, is excited to assist. We hope to have a Troop by Spring.

UPDATE: **Daniel Sullivan's Eagle Scout service project** is putting together care packages for our troops overseas. We have reached our goal of 100 tubes of toothpaste! Thanks so much to all the folks at Emmanuel Lutheran who helped out—especially the folks who attend the Nordmeyer Bible Study group.

THE ALTAR FLOWER CHART FOR 2012 IS UP! The sign-up chart is now up on the narthex bulletin board. Please take the time now to sign-up for flowers for next year. Flowers are still \$20.00 per arrangement and we ask that members please pay at time of sign-up so that the money will be in place when we order them. Please make check payable to *Emmanuel Lutheran Church* and put "Altar Flowers & date" in the memo section so that we may be sure your funds get credited to the right account. If you have questions, please contact the church office; thank you.

Return to Bethlehem: An ABCCM sponsored event that tries to re-create the Bethlehem marketplace as it might have been on the day Jesus was born. Runs December 8-11 at Groce United Methodist Church on Tunnel Road. Times: 6:00-8:30p Thur & Fri; 2:00-8:30p Saturday and 2:00-6:00p on Sunday.

The Monday Nite Bible Study Group will resume meeting in December for 12/5 and 12/12, and then start back again in January.

ADOPT A HOMELESS VET FOR CHRISTMAS! This year our giving tree will be collecting items for the homeless Veterans in our community. ABCCM's Veteran's

Restoration Quarters and Transitional Housing address the needs of our local veterans by providing housing, medical care, job training and placement. Veterans can live at the Quarters for up to two years, no Vet is discharged to the street, and every veteran graduates to appropriate housing with Income.

The Giving Christmas Tree is located down by the desk near the Fellowship Hall. Attached to the tree will be pictures of Veterans and on the back a list of the greatest needs of the shelter. You can purchase all the items listed or a few, but every gift is appreciated. Please have gifts returned here to Emmanuel by 12/12/11 as the Vet's Christmas Party is the following week. Please share the love of God with these men who gave up so much to defend our country. Questions? Contact Caroline Marino at 281-8182 ext. 133.

Help the DeBerry's Ring in 2012! On the Saturday of New Year's Eve, please bring your favorite chili or dessert. We will have home-brew and other goodies. Also bring a gift (gag or not) for a fun White Elephant gift exchange. Sign-up at church or RSVP via e-mail at ashevilledeb@gmail.com. Come when you can. We will open the door at 6:30!

Help is needed preparing for the Christmas cantata on Sunday, December 18th. If you can help with costumes, set up, gym decoration, etc, please contact Shirley Parker or Kevin Lorenz. Also, this year the Christmas Cantata will again celebrate the distinct musical flavors of Appalachian, Irish, Latin, Cajun and Early American folk styles of music. To help create an ambiance of the Appalachian Christmas and life style in the late 1800's we are inviting everyone to bring in items for the use of decorating the gym. We are looking for quilts, old pieces of furniture, hand tools, kitchen wares, anything that would make us think of what folks would have been using in the late 1800's. Any kind of Christmas decorations that make you think of that time period would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to participate or have questions please call or talk to Shirley Parker at 252-7618.

Birthdays: 12/6 Clark Dey, Jerry McMahan, Benjamin Poppy; 12/7 Ben Mathis; 12/8 Megan Cravener; 12/9 Sharon Norris.

Anniversaries: 12/4 Robert and Barbara Peterson