

Announcements - December 23, 2018

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WELCOME GUESTS AND VISITORS!

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ. We are glad that you have come to worship with us. Please help us to know you by introducing yourself to those you encounter and please be sure to sign our guest book (located on the stand in the Narthex).

- **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** are available. •
(Please ask an usher)

Current Prayer Requests: Jean Salazar—health (Schmidt); Kim Hankal—cancer healing (Kraft); Watkins—healing & well-being (Watkins); Van Allen—healing & comfort (Allen); Donnie—healing (Nelson); Aaron Schmidt—healing & recovery (Schmidt); Robert Dieterich—healing (Dieterich); Aaron Strait—spiritual strength and connection to the Word (Strait); Priscilla Pino—health, healing & well-being (Ixcot); David Romano (Barbara Bauman’s son-in-law) - healing; Julia Polillio—healing & well-being (Silva); Penny Zaratte—health & well-being (Dieterich); Laurie Spinuzzi—healing, (Silva); Ian McKenzie—mental healing & acceptance (Schmidt)

Beard Brook Park “Village” If you have anything that you would care to donate, contact Paula Barton (call/text 209-988-3169 or email p.l.barton@mac.com)

Volunteers are needed for the Point in Time annual census of homeless on January 24. Training required. Register online at www.scostan.com/pit.

Choir rehearsal after the service.

Tuesday Breakfast with MJC in Katie’s Kitchen. You are welcome to come and enjoy breakfast with the students on Tuesdays at 7 am. We are on break until January 15.

Text Study Tuesdays at 12:00 noon. Lively discussion on upcoming texts. Bring along your lunch. No meeting 12/25 or 1/1/2019.

Thursday Bible Study— 9:30 am in Katie’s Room. On break. New study on Peter begins January 10.

First Saturday Worship Every 1st Saturday of the month at 5:30 pm. An informal & interactive worship experience.

1st Sunday Care Cupboard

Bring your donations for the Care Cupboard (please refer to the list for current needs). Donations will be accepted anytime. Next Care Cupboard date is 1/14/2019.

Community Service Project—Alora Skustad

Donations are needed for those experiencing hospital stays, chemo treatments, etc. See the flyer in the Narthex for a complete list and further instructions.

Please use your “soft” voice during and following the Prelude, as others may be in prayer and meditation. Thank you.



The Joy
of CHRISTMAS
CELEBRATE THE SEASON



Just a reminder to check the Coffee Hour Sign-up Sheet >>Please consider volunteering to host a Coffee Hour, especially the 1st, 4th, and 5th Sundays of the month.

The Fellowship Committee

THIS WEEK @ELC

Monday, December 24

ECHOES DEADLINE
OFFICE IS CLOSED
Day Care is closed until 1/1/2019

Christmas Eve Services
5:30 pm & 9:00 pm

Tuesday, December 25

OFFICE IS CLOSED

Wednesday, December 26

OFFICE IS CLOSED

Saturday, December 28

10:00 am Organ Practice

Sunday, December 30

9:30 am Service of Lessons & Carols

Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 27 after the service.

Ministry & Council Meeting Updates The regular meeting dates and times have changed. Please be sure to mark your calendars. Both meetings happen after worship in Katie's room.

Ministry Meetings—1st Sunday—January 6

Council Meetings—2nd Sunday—January 13

There's a convenient way to make donations to Emanuel.

Simply install **Give+Church** on your Apple or Android phone or tablet, or with your computer, visit www.emanuellutheran.org.

On the website, choose the "Contact Us/Donations" menu item. Both options are extremely easy and walk you through the process.



Emanuel Lutheran Care Cupboard

Thank you! Thank you! The 1st Sunday each month is Care Cupboard Sunday, but donations are accepted every week. **We are currently in need of:** small jars of jelly, individual servings of apple sauce and breakfast cereals, Ritz crackers, boxed milk, Pasta-Roni, Hamburger Helper, salad sides, tuna pouches, canned chicken. We also need fresh fruit, canned vegetables, beans (canned & bagged), bagged or boxed cereals and egg cartons.

Thanks so much for your generosity! =)

Worship Assistants

December 24—Christmas Eve (5:30 pm/9:00 pm)

Asst. Minister—Barbara Crawford/Suzanne Wilke
Min. of the Word—Wilke-Hollinger/Epting
Cantor—Paula Barton (9:00 pm)
Communion Asst.—Suzanne Wilke/Mike Epting
Acolyte—Jennaca Hollinger (5:30 pm/9 pm-open)
Usher/Greeter—Smith-Knoll/Clarke-Rowland
Altar Care—Van Diepen-Kroeze (both services)

December 30—First Sunday of Christmas/Lessons & Carols

Asst. Minister—David Holtz
Min. of the Word—Reuter-Epting/Wilke-Cousins
Communion Asst.—Marilyn Rowland
Acolyte—Suzanne Wilke
Usher/Greeter—Bob Reuter
Altar Care—Lois Silva

Weekly Bible Readings

December 30—First Sunday of Christmas/ Lessons & Carols

January 6—Epiphany of Our Lord

Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14
Ephesians 3:1-12
Matthew 2:1-12

Beginning in January, Katie's Kitchen will be serving breakfast for MJC students and faculty two days per week. If you would like to be a part of this exciting ministry, you can help in several ways:

- ◆ We always need the following: frozen orange juice, eggs, turkey sausage or bacon -- all are very popular menu items.
- ◆ Another way of helping is a monetary donation, perhaps your tithe on tithe.
- ◆ And if you would like to actually be part of the serving team, come on down any Tuesday or Wednesday morning between 6:00 – 10:00 am. We'd love to have you join us. *Thank you!*

