Fourth Sunday in Advent



December 22, 2024

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We welcome you to our worship today!

Please remember to sign the fellowship pad each week. Thank you. There are large print hymnals available in the narthex.

The Mission Statement of Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, White Clay Lake, is to provide for the Christian welfare of all God's people through the administering of the Sacraments, worship services, gatherings of Christ-centered groups, caring for the sick and needy, offering the forgiveness of sins through the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, and reaching out to the unchurched, showing love and concern.

Today's Worship Service

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Opening Hymn #347 *Comfort, Comfort Ye My People*Sermon Hymn #357 *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

Closing Hymn #392 God Loves Me Dearly

CHURCH CALENDAR & SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 22 8:30 AM Worship 9:10 AM Sunday School (SP) 9:45 AM Sunday School 10 AM Worship (SP) 1-5 PM Shut-in Caroling Greeters - Betsy S. & Diane S.	Sunday, December 29 8:30 AM Worship 10 AM Worship (SP) Noon - Christmas Lights Bus Trip Greeters - Ann & Alyvia Boerst Acolyte - Mackenzie Stanke
Monday, December 23 9 AM Matins 6 PM Chimes 7 PM Choir	Upcoming Advent/Christmas Services Wed, Jan. 1 - 9 AM Joint Worship (SP)
Tuesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve 8-Noon Pastor at IM 9 AM Matins 4 PM Children's Service (SP) 6 PM Children's Service 9 PM Joint "Silent Night Service (IM) Greeters: 6 PM Treptow Family 9 PM Kathy Voelz & Wickesbergs	Attendance for Dec. 15 - 71 Giving for Dec. 1 - 15: General - 4301 Missions - 452 Roof/Furnace - 1900 Tim - 165 Fuel - 160
Wednesday, December 25 - Christmas Day 9 AM Joint Christmas Day Worship (IM) Greeters - Arvey Family Acolyte - Deanna Smith	<u>Upcoming Greeter Schedule</u> January 5 - Brusky's & Angie Smith January 12 - Daskam's
Thursday, December 26 8-Noon Pastor at SP 9 AM Matins	<u>Upcoming Acolyte Schedule</u> January 5 - Logan Brede January 19 - Grady Rosenlund
Friday, December 27 9 AM Matins	Elder for December Steve Daskam

Church Prayers

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Immanuel Members: Rebecca Bonnin, Roy & Mary Ellen Fischer, Judy Manthei, Steve Olson, Al & Tammy Manthei, Bill Voelz, Bob Hoppe, Brice Huntington & Glenn Schreiber

LCMS Presidents: Rev. Dr. Matthew & Kathy Harrison, Rev. Dr. Dwayne & Cheryl Lueck

St. Paul Members: David Korth, Judy Specht, & Lois Weisnicht

Expectant Mothers: Jamie Cannon, Tonya Rosina & Katherine Krause

Friends: Ernie Pelky, Pam Beilfuss, Lucille Tess, Marvin & Judy Kostka, Parker Koeppin, Bo Halla, Carissa Baker, Ginger Heller, Marlin Wiskow, Luke Torbeck, Bryan Poirier, Lavern Styczynski. Terri Kowalczyk, Jessalyn & baby Bo Kopitzke

Mourning: family of Jordan Bliss

Church Announcements

Some of you may have noticed that the **mailboxes** have been rearranged. Council Members are all on the bottom row for easier access. Your **2025 envelope**s are in your mailbox. if you did not receive any please let Tasha know. PLEASE do not use them until next year, your number may not be the same as it was this year.

Our LWML has set our little **Christmas stockings** in the narthex for anyone interested to pick up, take home and fill up. Put your dimes, change, dollars in the sock and return to the large Santa boot which will be put out beginning next Sunday. These "mites" go to support district and national projects.

Here are our **Advent & Christmas events** at our parish, gathering to share the joy of our celebrations of Christ's birth, as well as seeking to serve others:

TODAY - Dec. 22: Shut-in Caroling: from 1-5 PM

<u>Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Services:</u> 4 PM-Children's Service (SP), 6 PM - Children's Service (IM) & 9 PM - Silent Night Worship (IM)

Dec. 25: Christmas Day: - 9 AM Worship (IM)

<u>Dec. 29: Christmas Light Trip to Chippewa Falls</u> - The bus we will be taking is a converted greyhound (owned and driven by Nathan Orlando). It does not have conventional seats but couches and chairs. The bus is now full and should be able to accommodate everyone.

Jan. 1: New Years Day: - 9 AM Worship (SP)

New year means a new **greeter schedule**. If you would like to help out with greeting before services, please sign up in the narthex (ASAP) so you can be added to the 2025 schedule. Duties include handing out bulletins and inserts and helping with the elevator. If you have any questions you can contact Sheila Raddant.

"Thank you, everyone, for all of the cards and prayers. And I'd like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year." ~ Judy Manthei

New year also means that the **2024 Annual Meeting** is coming up (Council will meet on Jan. 19 & Voters on Jan. 26). Please consider becoming a voting member if you aren't already, see Ann Boerst if interested. Also, there are several council positions available: Chairman, Elder, Trustee, Recording Secretary, Board of Education and Finance Committee. If you are interested in being nominated for any of these, speak to Tim Treptow, an Elder, or Pastor.

Check out the **Weekly Devotions** mailbox for this week's devotions for you to use at home in the narthex, produced from Around the Word Journal. Also on the table in the narthex is a printed guide to **A Year in the Confessions** to read the formula of Concord in 2025.

Please have bulletin information turned in by Noon on Thursday. You can email the information to MWCLsec@gmail.com or tashatreptow@gmail.com. They can also be left on my desk or in my mailbox. Thank you!

Camp Luther Upcoming Events

- 2025 Summer Registration Opening!!! Pre-Registration: January 13-17
- Kindercamp | Quest | IMPACT: January 19
- Explorer | Pathfinder | Trailblazer | High School Week: January 26
- Men's Retreat | Jan 30 Feb 2 | Men! Come for a relaxing or adventurous weekend together with other men of God to be built up in your faith, encouraged, and challenged. This full weekend retreat will be a time of disruption of the norm while being surrounded by God's creation and in fellowship with each other and Jesus.

Visit <u>campluther.com</u> for more information.

The Lutheran Hour for December 29 "No Getting Better Than This" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Chad Lakies The Good Life--what is it? Pastor Chad Lakies says life is truly good when it's life the way God meant it to be. (Colossians 3:12-17) The Lutheran Hour can be heard on Sundays at 10 AM on 102.7 FM WRVM.

Wolf River Lutheran High School NEWS

- Registration for Little Eagles Basketball Camp is now open, forms are available on the bulletin board.
- The WR Junior class is selling Kwik Trip Car Wash Cards to help raise money for the upcoming Prom, spring of 2025. Cards are available for sale in the office.

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