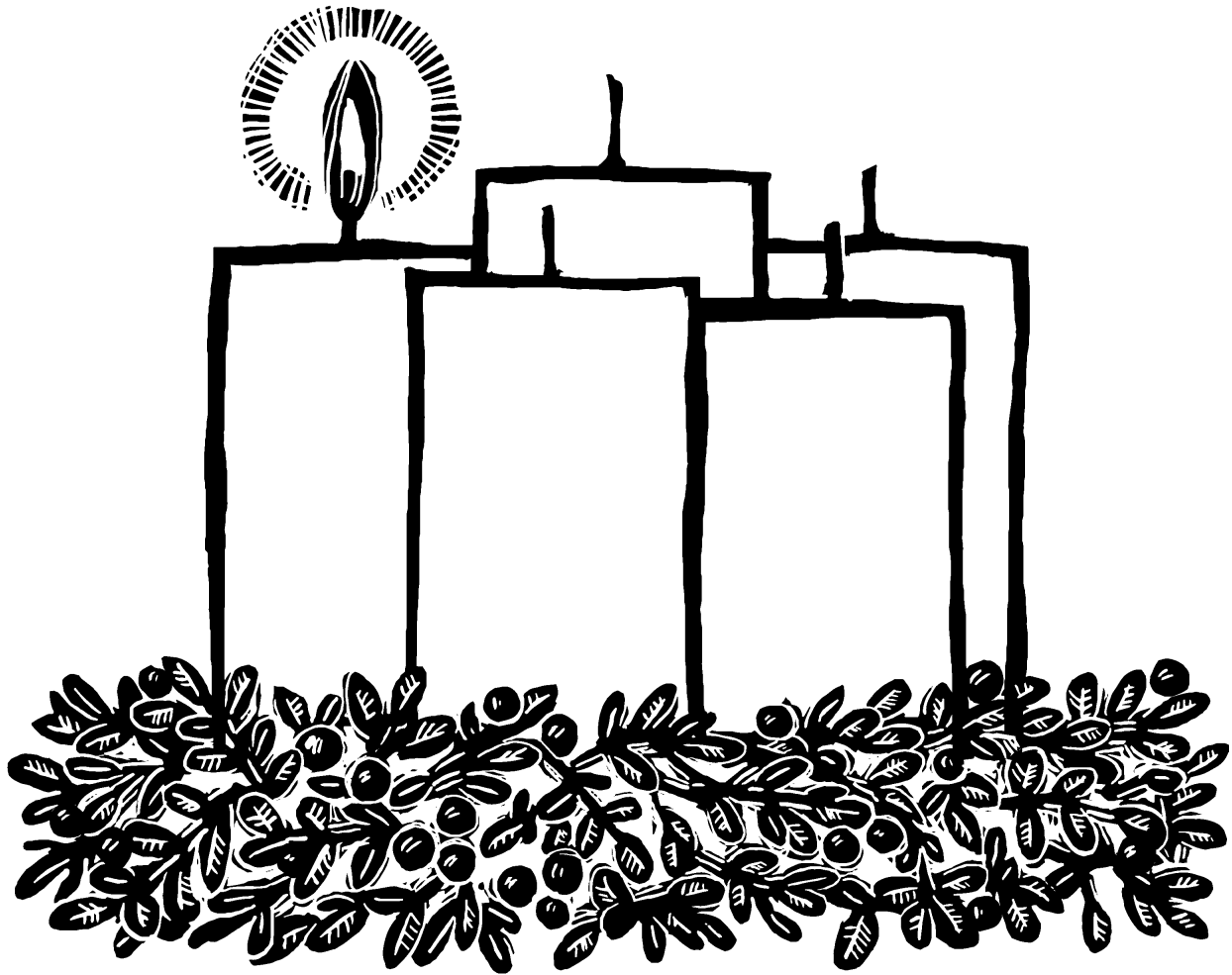


Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church

Sunday, December 2, 2018

Advent 1



— FIRST SUNDAY OF —
ADVENT

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Sunday Worship – 9:00am

Monday Worship - 6:30pm

**OUR MISSION IS TO SHARE THE TIMELESS MESSAGE OF SALVATION IN LOVE
AND TO SHOW OUR FAITH IN WORDS AND ACTIONS.**

Welcome We welcome you to this hour of worship and pray that this time together might be a blessing for all of us.

Large print hymnals and hearing impaired receiver units are available in the Narthex by the bulletin board. Just ask an usher. We are also equipped with a Hearing Loop System that can be used with hearing aids featuring a t-coil.

If you are a resident of this area and have no church home, we invite you to give consideration to Immanuel. Please worship with us again!



We ask that everyone in attendance please take the time to sign our Friendship Register. These red folders can be found in each pew. Thanks!

Hearing Loop System We are pleased to offer a Hearing Loop system to aid members & guests with hearing loss. If you wear hearing aids with a telecoil (T-coil), the system will either automatically amplify the sound or you may need to turn that function on. If you do not wear hearing aids or your hearing aids are not equipped with the T-coil, please ask an usher for a headset. If you experience problems with the hearing loop receivers, please ask an usher for help.

A Special Note to Visitors Regarding Holy Communion

The Bible tells us that those who take Communion together must:

1. Recognize that Christ's true body and blood are present in the Sacrament (1 Cor. 11:29),
2. Examine themselves (1 Cor. 11:28), and
3. Be perfectly united in faith with the congregation with which they commune (1 Cor. 1:10; 10:17).

For these reasons, we ask:

1. That only communicant members belonging to either this or another congregation within our (WELS or ELS) fellowship come forward to commune with us.
2. That all who come forward be properly prepared to receive the sacrament. (See page

156 in the front of our Christian Worship Hymnal as an example of such preparation.)

If you are interested in learning more about our teaching and practices, or want to join our fellowship, please speak to the pastor after the service.

Service Theme:
Prepare with Prayer

Advent means “coming.” As we prepare to celebrate Jesus’ first coming as our Savior, we remember that He is coming again as our judge. Let us prepare for that day with prayer.

Introduction

- M:** We light one Advent candle, remembering Jesus, who is coming again. He will come to gather his people from everywhere, both the living and the dead.
- C:** **We remember Jesus, who will come at the end of time. None of us know what day that will be.**
- M:** We hear his call to watch.
- C:** **We light one Advent candle as a sign of our watchfulness and waiting.**
- M:** Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest.
- C:** **Through your Word and Spirit may our souls be blessed.**

Hymn:
CW 1 “The Advent of Our King”

Order of Service:
Common Service (p.15)

Prayer of the Day

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Lesson:
1 Thessalonians 3:9–13 (EHV)

⁹Indeed, how can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have before God on account of you? ¹⁰Night and day we are praying earnestly to see you in person and to supply what is lacking in your faith.

¹¹May God our Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord increase your love and make it overflow for each other and for all people, just as ours does for you, ¹³so that he may establish your hearts as blameless in holiness before our God and Father, when our Lord Jesus comes with all his saints.

Verse of the Day:

Alleluia. He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Alleluia. (Revelation 22:20)

Gospel:
Luke 21:25-36 (EHV)

²⁵“There will be signs in the sun, moon, and stars. And on the earth nations will be in anguish, in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the surging waves, ²⁶people fainting from fear and expectation of the things coming on the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸But when these things begin to happen, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is near.”

²⁹He told them a parable. “Look at the fig tree and all the trees. ³⁰As soon as they are sprouting leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is actually near. ³¹So also, when you see these things happening, know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Amen I tell you: This generation will not pass away until all these things happen. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

³⁴“Watch yourselves or else your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness, and the worries of this life, and that day may come on you suddenly. ³⁵For it will come like a trap on all those who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Stay alert all the time, praying that you may be able to escape all these things that are going to happen and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.”

Sermon Hymn:

CW 9 “Jesus, Your Church with Longing Eyes”

Sermon:

1 Thessalonians 3:9–13

“Prayer Thoughts Until Our Lord Jesus Comes”

Offering

Prayer for Advent (p.123)

Contemporary Lord’s Prayer

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Holy Communion

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Distribution Hymn:

CW 7 “Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers”

Final Hymn:

CW 322 “On What Has Now Been Sown”

Children’s Bulletins Available! Children’s Worship Bulletins are available in the Narthex.

Worship Service Dvd's The A/V committee makes DVD copies of each service and they are available in the Narthex. Please take one and share it with a family member or friend.

Forward in Christ This monthly publication from the WELS is available in the Narthex free of charge. Please take a copy home with you.

Saturday Worship Service The next **4:00pm Saturday Afternoon** Worship Service with the Sacrament of Holy Communion will be on **January 5th**.

Stewardships

Attendance Last Weekend: Thanksgiving – 121
Sunday – 125 / Monday - 23

Received for Budget Week: \$5,064.00 or 98%
Needed Weekly for Budget: \$5,174.00

Sunday School Mission Collection: \$11.00

November ALMS to date: \$191.00

Memorials The Family and Friends of Orville Kudick gave the following to Immanuel in his memory: \$10 WELS Missions, \$45 Debt Retirement, \$20 MLHS, \$25 A/V Fund, \$70 FLC Upkeep, \$115 General Fund.

December Alms Recipient - *Immanuel Member Help Fund*

Divine Call On November 27th a Divine Call was sent to Rev. Daniel T Naumann, currently at Grace Lutheran Church, Prairie du Chien, WI. He is Married - Elizabeth- Education BS from Martin Luther College and has five children, ages 7,5,4,2,1. His email is pastornaumann.gracepc@gmail.com. Please ask for God's guidance and wisdom as he deliberates this opportunity both here and at Grace Lutheran Church.

Meditations The next edition of Meditations is available in the Narthex.

Church Greeters Dick Stuebs is updating the Greeter list for 2018. Please contact him at 920-388-4355 if you would like to be a greeter or make changes for 2019.

OWLS Christmas Party The OWLS will meet at Kunkels for lunch at 11:30am on Tuesday, **December 4th**. Reservations should be made with Eunice Siebert of Lois E. Siegmund by November 30th. We'll head back to the Fellowship Hall after lunch. Please bring a white elephant gift.

Ladies Aid Christmas Party The Ladies Aid Christmas Party is Saturday, **December 8th** with a Potluck meal at **Noon**. All ladies of the congregation are invited!

Christian Music Worship Service We will be welcoming **Stephen Bautista** back to Immanuel on **December 9th and 10th** as he leads us in Worship prior to Christmas. He is a full-time Christian Music Missionary that seeks to “enlighten the lost and encourage the found” with his original, Christ-centered music. Along with his daughter Marissa, Stephen shares his music in a very

compelling yet soothing style, while conveying a solid Gospel message. He tours the country with his wife, their eight “roadschooled” children, and a cat, while living in a travel trailer they pull behind a Chevy Express van. Please consider supporting Stephen’s music mission by purchasing his CDs and/or contributing a freewill donation that will help him continue sharing the Gospel with his music. *The Fellowship Committee will be serving a light lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the service so people can mingle and visit with the Bautista Family.*

Little Lambs Bedtime Christmas Event On **December 16th** from **6:00-7:00pm**, Little Lambs will be hosting a special Christmas Bedtime event. Enjoy Christmas Songs, Games, Snacks and Crafts. Older siblings are welcome, but please note this is geared for ages 0-5. Invite a friend or two to share in the wonder of Jesus Birth. Call/Text Jill at 920-606-1433 with questions.

Farewell Event for Pastor & Laura and Family It’s time for us to extend our well-wishes and God’s Blessings to Pastor, Laura and Family as they get ready to leave for Ottawa, Canada. Please join us on **Saturday, December 29th** in our Family Life Center from **3:00-7:00pm**. There will be a DJ, hot dogs, and beverages. If you choose, finger foods would be a welcome addition. Sign up at the back of church or call Mari Fager at 920-388-2841 to let us know you are coming.

Immanuel Fellowship Group Invitation Mark your calendar for **Friday, December 21st** to attend the Christmas Concert by the Manitowoc Lutheran High School Music Department. We will take a school bus. We will leave Immanuel's parking lot at 12:30pm. First we will tour Manitowoc Lutheran High School, (there will be places to sit down during the tour), next have a meal at Four Seasons Restaurant before attending the 4:30 concert at the Manitowoc Capitol Civic Center, returning to Kewaunee at approximately 8:30. The cost for the bus ride and meal will be \$20.00. Sign up with payment to Dick Stuebs (920-388-4355) by Dec. 10.

The Key Card Entry System to church has been installed and is operational. In agreement with the Church Security Office, Wayne Kittell will be issuing the new cards to congregational members and collecting their keys. All members with keys will need to see Wayne sometime in the next couple of weeks. At some point in the near future the doors will have the key locks changed and only a few individuals will have key for emergency purposes only.

The AV Committee Needs Help on Christmas Eve. Two members will be out of town that evening. Come on Sunday mornings or Monday evenings to learn how to operate the equipment. Age requirement; In High School or older. Able to attend the last two or three Children’s Christmas Eve rehearsals would be a benefit for planning camera shots.

Koine Christmas Concert Koine will be at the Green Bay Distillery on December 13th & 14th. Tickets are available at GreenBayDistillery.com and includes a Dinner Buffet at 6pm with the Concert to follow. The concert will be a presentation of our favorite Christmas songs, mostly familiar hymns from our two Christmas albums, Anno Domini and Emmanuel Lux, plus a few new surprise arrangements.

Christmas at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary The Seminary Chorus, a 52-voice men's choir composed of students at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, will present its annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, **December 9**, at 3:00 and 7:00 p.m. in the campus auditorium. Featured will be traditional and contemporary anthems for choir and hymns and carols for the audience. There are no advanced tickets sales; a free will offering is appreciated. The seminary is located 11831 N. Seminary Dr. in Mequon. Find more information on Facebook and at wls.wels.net.

Birthdays:

(3) Abby Purzner, Karen Schneider; (4) Gary Bertrand; (5) Greg Habeck; (6) Kevin Hardtke, Kroy Robinson; (7) Paxton Chaudoir, Gail Ihlenfeldt.

Anniversaries:

(4) Wayne & Eileen Heuer.

Bible Class Opportunities at Immanuel

Sunday Morning: 8:00am
 Tuesday Morning: 9:00am

IMMANUEL'S CALENDAR

December

SA (1)	9:00am	Sunday School Christmas Practice
	2:00pm	Advent by Candlelight
	4:00pm	Saturday Afternoon Worship w/Communion
S (2)	7:45am	Sunday School 8:00am Bible Class
	9:00am	Worship Service w/Communion
	10:15am	Choir Practice
M (3)	10:30am	Kewaunee Care Center Devotion
	6:30pm	Worship Service w/Communion
T (4)	9:00am	Bible Class
	11:30am	OWLS Christmas Party at Kunkel's
W (5)	6:00pm	Confirmation Class for Grades 5-8
SA (8)	9:00am	Sunday School Christmas Practice
	Noon	Ladies Aid Potluck Christmas Party
S (9)	7:45am	Sunday School 8:00am Bible Class
	9:00am	Worship Service w/ Stephen Bautista
	10:15am	Choir Practice
M (10)	10:30am	Kewaunee Care Center Devotion

	6:30pm	Worship Service w/ Stephen Bautista
T (11)	9:00am	Bible Class
	6:30pm	Elders Meeting
W (12)	6:00pm	Confirmation Class for Grades 5-8
SA (15)	9:00am	Sunday School Christmas Practice
S (16)	7:45am	Sunday School
		8:00am Bible Class
	9:00am	Worship Service w/Communion
	10:15am	Choir Practice
	6:00pm	Little Lambs Bedtime Christmas Event

Organist: Lacy Siegmund (SA/M); Tonya Fenendael (S)

Greeters: Carl Pelnar & Karen Karnopp
Next Week Scott & Connie Karnitz

December: Kathy Gerdman, Mari Fager, Sandy Hlinak

Secretary: Julie Siegmund: 304-0228/ juliesiegmund@outlook.com