

Connections

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*"The First Noel the Angels did say,
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay."*



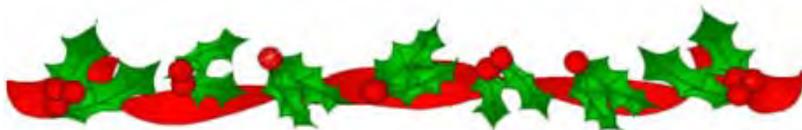
Yes, we've all sung the familiar refrain. I can't help but hum the tune even as I write this, but have you ever stopped to think about what it actually means?

The word "Noel" means "Christmas" or even a "Christmas song." It's a borrowed word from a French word that was borrowed even earlier back from a Latin word simply meaning "birthday." Those angels so many years ago were singing "Happy Birthday!" The Lord of the Universe had been born into human flesh so that He could reconcile all creation back to himself. What wonderful news! The wait was over; salvation was here. The beginning of the end to sin, brokenness, and even death was at hand.

The angels were singing this anthem to all creation, but they had a special audience that night. They didn't seek out the news media or local gossips, they didn't seek out the town crier or even an audience with the kings of the land. Instead they chose every day normal guys like you and me. They had the greatest news the Universe had heard since God said, "Let there be light" and they chose to give that message to you and me.

They did this for two reasons. First, both you and I NEED this message ourselves. We need God to come and rescue us from the brokenness in the world. (*Yes, the brokenness that's still around even during Christmas time.*) Noel is especially for you, but that's not the only reason the angels brought the message to guys like us first.

They also knew that all those other people just like you and me need the message of joy and hope as well. Who better to spread a message of joy and hope to a bunch of normal people (*i.e. broken sinners*) than a bunch of normal people like you and me? This Christmas as you receive the message of the joy of Christ and the eternal salvation that He brings to you, remember to sing that Noel to the average person God puts next to you in your life.



*~Merry Christmas
Pastor Jeffrey W. King*



Do you remember the Church Pot Luck Dinners? Each family member brought a dish to share for the church meeting or social. Boy, it was something! Spread all out

on tables were the different dishes, just like for a special holiday meal. The mistake I always made was to try to sample everything. I would hear mothers tell their children, "Take only what you can eat!!" Well that was my sin. My idea to meet each ECE Teacher and Aide, including the children, was like a plateful of food that I couldn't finish. This month, the ECE teachers, aides, and students began practicing their Christmas presentation, including Christmas carols. I started late with my idea of having them learn carols in Spanish. I did it several years ago when they were all crowded in one large room, not so this year.

I visited the two classrooms down the hall from the school office. The first room was empty, but it had the schedule of the day posted so one could see what was going on. The second classroom was Mrs. Audrey Cooper's room. It had a weather chart, birth dates, alphabet, and numbers charts. This classroom also included children from the first classroom who attend only on Tuesday and Thursday. While I was in the classroom the teacher began to separate the children who had gymnastics while the others had recess time.



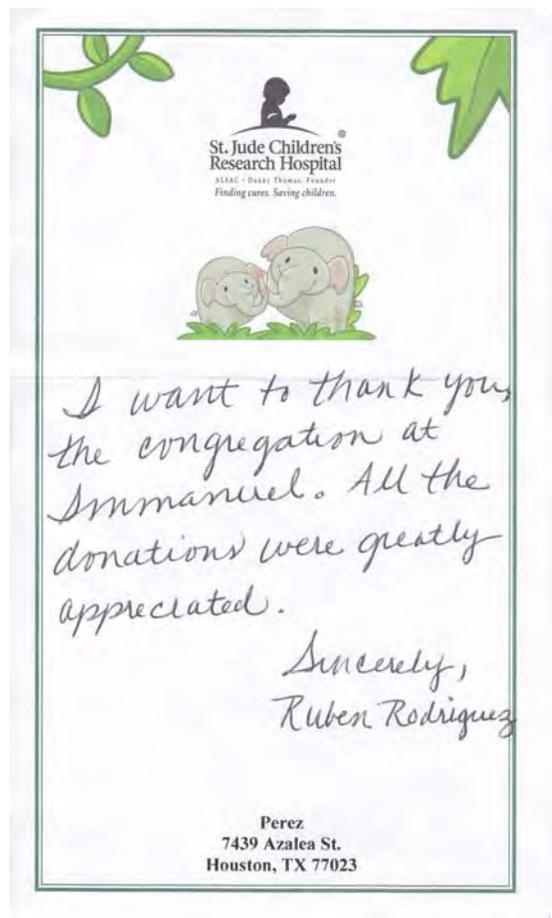
Outdoors were older children and younger children using the playground equipment. They were divided into two groups according to the size of the equipment and the size of the

children. That ended my day and I planned to visit the following day. Upon my arrival the next morning, the whole school was coming out of Chapel where they had been practicing the Christmas presentation. I had come to drill them on the Spanish Hymn "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem." Most of them went on to the playground after that.

I wandered over to Ms. Winnie's class. She had 3 girls and 1 boy. Wow! What an opportunity to teach them "Dos Ojitos" or "Two Little Eyes" in Spanish. It was an experience. Their attention was short and they wanted me to do the singing.

Although I was able to get some things done, my plate is still too full!

~Rev. Claudio Perez



Thank you from Elisa Perez's cousin for Immanuel's assistance after Hurricane Harvey

Fall Gathering 2017



On October 31st, Immanuel held their annual Fall Gathering. It was a cold, wet, rainy night...ok, maybe it wasn't that cold, but it was still rainy and wet.

Despite the rain, and the impending World Series Game 7 of the Houston Astros, we handed out over 300 hot dogs and candy bags. Popcorn and waters were also available to trick-or-treaters as they passed by Immanuel on their yearly trek around the Heights neighborhood.

Some ECE families with small children in costume also joined us as we dodged intermittent rain showers under the church porte cochere.

We even handed out a few Bibles to those who were interested. All-in-all, it was a wonderful time of fellowship and a time to reach out and let people know Immanuel is here. I want to thank everyone who came out and helped put this together.

~Julie King



Reformation Celebration



Immanuel celebrated the 500th anniversary of the Reformation with organ, bells, and an appearance of someone who appeared to be Martin Luther himself!



Photos by Joel Norris

The service was made especially memorable by the return of Diane Robinson at the organ and directing the handbell choir and Joel Robinson directing the choir for that service. Their musical talents, warm smiles, and festive red attire brought an added joy to the celebration. We thank them for working with us during October and being a part of this special service!

~Barbara Szalkowski



Christmas is an exciting time. We welcome all children from ages 3 and up to join us this Christmas season as we study the amazing story of the Birth of Jesus. We meet downstairs in the middle room on the right side. Our door is always open and we have plenty of chairs. Join Us!

Merry Christmas



"Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it."
Proverbs 22:6.

*~Cathleen Chevallier
Sunday School Superintendent*

2017 Albuquerque Turkey



Dressed with feathers made by the ECE families of Immanuel.

~photo and text by Connie Meave

Ooey, Gooley Pumpkin



A pumpkin is a fascinating thing. It comes in all shapes, sizes, and colors. Inside is even better; it smells funny, it is slimy, it has seeds, it is ooey, gooey, and messy!

If you are two years old, you really love the fun of opening the pumpkin up and learning exactly what's inside.

Monarch Butterflies

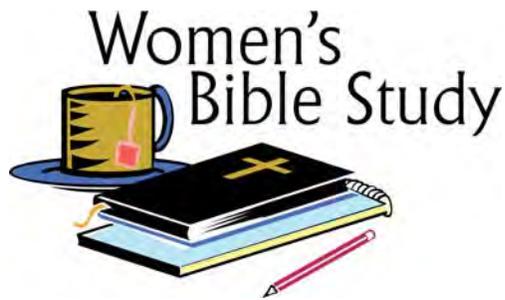


Most of the ECE classes have had a rare opportunity to study the Monarch life cycle closely due to the tremendous number of Monarch eggs deposited on milkweed plants in Immanuel's butterfly gardens these past few weeks. This journey north



for the Monarch has yielded hundreds of caterpillars on the milkweed plants around our campus. Almost every child can tell you something about a Monarch butterfly. We've hatched and released a record number of butterflies this year. Each class has had a great time giving the butterflies names, but had even more fun watching the caterpillars grow and change right before their eyes. As the song says, *I could never make one, not even if I tried 'cause only God in Heaven can make a butterfly!* How special for us all to watch the miracle of the butterfly occur right before us.

~ Winnie McNamara



We Are Poets!

The Ladies' Wednesday Morning Bible Class is doing well. The preference of the group has, thus far, been to continue in the Psalms, and one of our more recent studies looked at Psalms 111 and 112 as a pair.

One thing we learned was that in the original Hebrew, these psalms were acrostic poems, which means that each subsequent line of each psalm started with the next letter of the Hebrew alphabet than the one before it. After presenting the group with a very simplistic, four-line sample using the English alphabet and challenging them to write their own, we got some very nice results.

God is almighty;
He knows my every thought, word, and deed.
In Him I believe.
Jesus paid the price of my salvation.
~Dora Schulle

God loves his children.
He blesses those who love him.
In God will I put my trust.
Jesus, His Son, died for our salvation.
~Bonnie Thomas

Praise the Lord, all my soul.
Queer is the universe.
Redeem us, oh my Lord, today.
Salvation for me is from You alone.
~Lorna Rhodes

Jesus died for all my sins,
Keeps me close in all I do;
Loves me even when I fail;
Makes His promise sure and true.

Never will this promise fail;
On His death this is made sure.
Paradise awaits for me;
Quiet assurance I have, so pure.

~Sandi Hrozek

Ladies, join us every 1st and 3rd Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am.

~Sandi Hrozek



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Sunday School Rally Month Wrap Up



During the month of October and into November the Sunday School focused on **“Love”**. Each week they used their talents to create ornaments that were shared with the congregation on the **“Love”** tree located in the Narthex.



The children along with the teachers decorated over **275 “Love”** messages that were sent out to church members and ECE families.



The last Sunday, the children enjoyed a special cookie bouquet. Each child received a cookie with **“Jesus Loves Me”** on it.

Our **“love”** projects continued with **Operation Christmas Child**. Filling shoeboxes that will be shipped to children all over the world. Exciting details of this project to be shared in the coming months.



ECE Thanksgiving Feast

On Saturday, November 11, the ECE Staff served Thanksgiving dinner to and supervised a variety of fun activities for the ECE students and their families.



~photos by Liz Cooper, submitted by Connie Meave



Focus on Stewardship

Christmas is coming. It is a joyous time of feasting. The Church feasts upon the Word of God in sermon, song, and sacrament.

We hear the proclamation of the message of the angels: "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord" (*Luke 2:10–11*).

We mingle our voices with theirs as we sing, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased" (*Luke 2:14*)!

We receive the proclaimed Savior, Christ the Lord, not wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in manger, but wrapped in bread and wine placed into our mouths for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.

We feast in great joy indeed because of this great blessing from our Lord and God.

God's people in ancient Israel also feasted with great joy. The Lord showered His abundant blessing on His people. And He commanded them to feast upon it (*Deut. 16*). The people were to go to the place appointed, where the Lord would make His name dwell, and give offerings, each man as he was able, according to the blessing of the Lord that He had given them (*Deut. 16:10, 15, 17*).

And there the Lord would bless them with joy as they feasted upon what the Lord had provided. They ate of the choice parts of their offerings. They enjoyed the company of all the people of God as they together heard His promises of blessing, sang of His bountiful goodness, and partook of what He gave.

We feast on the Word who became flesh to dwell among us, not just during Christmas, but throughout all the year.

We feast not just on the salvation He has wrought for us in His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, but we feast also on all the temporal blessings that God gives out of His fatherly divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in us.

We enjoy the rich bounty that God provides, not only in Word and Sacrament, but also in house and home, property and income, family and friends.

Let us then, as did our brothers in the faith from ancient Israel, give as we are able, according to the blessing of the Lord our God that He has given us.

Let us, like them, give generously of the first fruits of our income, which He gives, so that all may know and enjoy the salvation He gives and the joy we have in the Savior born in the city of David, who is Christ the Lord.

(Stewardship newsletter insert for December 2017, from the LCMS website <https://www.lcms.org/Document.fdoc?src=lcm&id=4879>)

~submitted by Kathy Angst



Treasurer's CORNER



Sunday, Dec. 10th

Christmas concert @ 3:00 pm

Friday, Dec. 29th

Class of 2007 Reunion @ 6:30 pm
@ Cottonwood

Home Games

Varsity Boys Basketball

Dec. 5th, 12th, 14th all @ 7:00 pm

JV Girls Basketball

Dec. 16th @ 12:00 pm

Varsity Girls Basketball

Dec. 7th @ 6:30 pm, 15th @ 6:00 pm,
Dec. 16th @ 1:00 pm

JV Boys Soccer

Dec. 5th @ 5:30 pm

Varsity Boys Soccer

Dec. 4th @ 6:00 pm, 7th @ 6:00 pm,
Dec. 11th @ 6:00 pm, 13th @ 4:00 pm

Varsity Girls Soccer

Dec. 4th @ 4:00 pm, 7th @ 4:00 pm

~Lynn Eickemeyer

We are approaching year end and will be producing giving statements for your tax records. If you would like to receive your statement electronically please email me at tevens.treasurer@gmail.com. We will continue to send statements via the mail unless notified otherwise. Please take the time to call the church office to confirm your contact information with Karen at (713) 861-8787.

Statements will be issued prior to January 31st, 2018. I appreciate your help and thank you so much!

~Toya Evans



It was announced at the November 19 regular Voters' meeting that Council has set the 2018 schedule for Voters' meetings.

All meetings will be held on Sundays @11:30 a.m./immediately following the Bible Class/Sunday School hour. Please mark your calendars:

January 28 th	March 18 th
June 3 rd	July 22 nd
September 23 rd	December 2 nd



Mission Report

The Fritsche Family: A La Republica Dominicana

[Excerpts from the Frische's September-October 2017 newsletter. See the full issue at <https://www.dropbox.com/s/bbyqle5ubco4j3j/Sept-Oct%202017%20Newsletter.pdf?dl=0>]

Calm Before the Storm. Greetings in the name of Jesus from the Dominican Republic! The first two months back in the DR after home service were filled with re-adjusting to life in the field, including the change of living in two cities, making preparations for the opening of our seminary, and pastoring our congregation in Santo Domingo. Honestly, I thought that was a lot. Literally, it was the calm before the storm. Well, let's say two storms. That is, two hurricanes to be exact. Although, thanks be to God, both hurricanes passed far enough north to spare us major damage, preparations were necessary. Before Irma, our team, including a few newly arrived seminary students, prepared disaster response kits to distribute in our communities. The kits included things like rice, beans, soap, laundry detergent, baby wipes and other essentials. We also loaded an entire pallet of bottles in our van and another in the Preus family van.

Teams of missionaries and church members assembled the kits. I was proud of my boys, Viktor and Sergei for helping assemble the kits. It was a spur-of-the-moment course of action, but it was wonderful to see our missionary community, one of our church communities, and our new seminary community come together to be the Lord's hands and feet in front of a potential disaster. What a thing for our new students to be a part of, even before

setting foot in the classroom to study theology. Our theology of mercy was put into action even as they stepped off of their planes into a new country for their new journeys toward pastoral ministry. How is that for opening the doors of a seminary? God's mercy in action. As seminary Director, that fills me with great joy!

Beyond the Storm. Currently at the seminary we have 8 students in residence from six different countries, including the Dominican. We are still wrestling with visa complications for two students from Bolivia. For now, they are participating in classes online. We just finished a workshop on culture shock for students and their wives. Even though they are all Latino, not all Latino cultures are the same, and the Dominican Republic isn't Chili, Mexico or Peru.

Joel attended the LCMS Disaster Response conference in Ft. Wayne. A significant number of presidents from our Latin American church bodies were in attendance. This gave him the opportunity to meet them and establish a relationship with them as we work together to receive their students and send them back prepared for pastoral ministry.

*~In Christ,
Rev. Joel & Clarion Fritsche
Viktor, Sergei and Andrei*





[Excerpts from November 10 email]

December 20th will mark the third anniversary of our arrival to Alaska. With all that has happened in 2017 around the world and in the U.S. one might begin to think God has not been watching over things. The reality is far from the perception! The presence of Christ is with you always, even unto the end of the age!

This is the very message that we continually seek to bring to the people we serve in Alaska! The presence of Christ was felt this year in many ways: First and foremost: the regular presence of Word and Sacrament. The last several months have seen our Sunday morning attendance average 12 native attendees. Second: we continue to be a presence in a variety of village activities such as Alcoholics Anonymous meetings, Culture Camps, Pot-latches (funerals), Birthday celebrations, Dog sledding and more. Third: Mission Teams over the summer have coached basketball camps, taught VBS, and even remodeled homes and built porches.

Of course, there are many other things that have taken place. None of these things would be possible without your continued support. The prayers and financial gifts we receive are vital to the mission of proclaiming God's Grace Alone by Faith Alone through God's Word Alone.

I will be in the lower 48 during January and hope to have a chance to visit with you, your congregation or organization. My schedule has

me in Texas from Jan 7–17 and Illinois/Indiana from Jan 18-28. If you would like a visit please get in touch with me and share these dates with your Pastor, family and friends.

As for our family...

Stacey is working full time now for the Alaska Gateway School District as the Program Director for the new alternative school called Pathways, as well as the Home-school Coordinator for REACH Academy. The Pathway Program she runs targets at-risk students and those who have not succeeded in a traditional school setting utilizing a variety of "pathways" to help them achieve a high school diploma and vocational training.

Trey is in Sitka, AK once again for his Sophomore year of high school at Mt. Edgecumbe. He made the Varsity wrestling team this year.

Kaleb now has eight sled dogs and for the first year, he will work with the same group of dogs all season to get them ready for the races. He also advanced to eighth grade this year (skipping 7th). Quite the athlete, he made starting team for Varsity Jr. High Basketball.

Micah continues to be a ball full of energy. He plays basketball, but as a sixth grader and the second shortest on the team, he hasn't seen as much playing time.

Anna and Stacey take off to town for a girls night once in a while. They organizing a "Little Dribblers" basketball event this winter and she is quite excited. She also sang a solo at the Veterans Day celebration the school hosted this month.

*~Keeping you in prayer,
Rev. Keith Aschenbeck*



Benefiting Houston Area Women's Center and
Friends of Down Syndrome in Miertschin Hall:

HOLIDAY BAKE SALE

December 2

Noon to 5:00 p.m.

December 3

After Worship Service

Please bring homemade or store-bought baked goodies or candy to Connie in ILS office by **November 30th** to help raise money for these great causes!!



Immanuel Lutheran Church and Early Childhood Education

6th Annual Christmas Community Service Project

November 1 – December 5, 2017

BENEFITTING THE HOUSTON AREA WOMEN'S CENTER

The Houston Area Women's Center (HAWC) is in need of toys and monetary donations to stock their 2017 Holiday Gift Express Store. Families participating in HAWC programs will be able to shop for their child/children and children will make a handmade craft for their parent/caregiver.

There is no charge to children and parents "shopping" in the Holiday Express Store.

Goals:

- ◆ Raise \$6,000 in monetary donations for purchases for the store
- ◆ Collect 50 New and Unwrapped toys (Ages Infant – 10 years)
- ◆ Collect items for 100 Boy Gift Bags (Ages 11-17 years)
- ◆ Collect items for 50 Girl Gift Bags (Ages 11-17 years)
- ◆ Collect 25 riding toys (Ages 1-5 years)

Make Your Donation by:

- ◆ Check (payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church)
- ◆ Cash
- ◆ Placing New Items into a Donation Box on our campus

Donation boxes including a cash/check box will be located in the Church Narthex, Miertschin Hall and School Office. You may also drop-off donations in your child's classroom through December 5.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord! Luke 2:11



Holiday Gift Express Wish List



The holidays can be a difficult time for families dealing with the effects of domestic violence. Many children in these situations have themselves been the victims of or witnesses to violent crime. You can help brighten the holiday season for these children by donating to the Immanuel Lutheran Church and Early Childhood Education - 6th Annual Community Service Project benefitting the Houston Area Women's Center Holiday Express Store.

This holiday season, clients will be invited to the HAWC offices (transformed into a mini-toy store) to select gifts for their children. The children will be making a handmade item for their parent/guardian/caregiver! The children are overjoyed to be able to give something to the person who lovingly cares for them. Most families are in dire circumstances and many have been affected by flooding this year. This Christmas event may be the only one the children participate in and for some the only Christmas gift received.

These families experience Christ in Christmas as they benefit from your generous donations and from the hard work of volunteers and staff at HAWC who toil for hours to make Christmas just the tiniest bit special for them.

Gift Ideas for Babies, Toddlers, and Children ages Infant - 10: Arts and crafts sets, blocks, board games, books, building sets (Legos and Tinkertoys), baby dolls and accessories from all cultures, cars, play sets (farm sets, princess castles, doll houses, car/road sets), puzzles, remote control vehicles, riding toys, sports gear, trucks, wagons, and winter coats.

This year, because the need is so great, we committed to make 50 TEEN GIRL and 100 TEEN BOY gift bags that will go along with a \$25 gift card from HAWC. The items don't have to be expensive and shouldn't total more than \$20)

Gift Ideas for Teen Boy Bags: Adult Coloring Books and Colored Art Pencils, (Prismacolor are excellent quality - set of 24 on Amazon for less than \$9), Axe Body Wash, Axe Deodorant, Axe Hair Care, Brain Teaser Games, Card Games, Cologne (small or sample sized), Fidget Spinners, Headphones, Mini-Simon Games, Rubik's Cube, Thumb Drives, etc.

Gift Ideas for Teen Girl Bags: Adult Coloring Books and Colored Art Pencils, Bracelets, Cologne, Earrings, Fidget Spinners, Games, Headphones, Journals, Make-up Bags, Make-up Kits/Sets, Nail Polish, Notepads, Pens, Toiletry Sets, Thumb Drives, etc.

Volunteer opportunities will be available. More on that later!

Thank you for helping with our project!

Need More Information: mcnamara.ils.ece@gmail.com (Ms. Winnie)

Candy Sale

Join us for a

Homemade Christmas Candy Sale

Sunday, December 17th

Minimum donation of \$5 per plate



All proceeds will go to the Immanuel Lutheran Church technology fund to support the purchase of new projectors

Please see sign-up sheet in Narthex or contact Lauren Neu if you would like to donate candy

Immanuel Lutheran Welcomes you to an

“Outdoor Christmas Celebration”

Join us for the Story of Christmas & Caroling



December 16th starting at 6:30

Designed by Vecteezy

Join Us for a Christmas Lunch!

Free Will Offering

Date: December 17th

Time: 12:15

Christmas Salad

Roast Beef

Mashed Potatoes

Dressing w/ cranberry sauce

Winter Vegetable Medley

Rolls

Desserts

Coffee and Tea



Please call (713-864-2651) to reserve a seat by December 10th



Immanuel Lutheran Church - December 2017



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
(MH) – Miertschin Hall BC & SS – Bible Class & Sunday School					1 Santa Pictures @ 8:00–11:30 am Unveil Lutheran Church Gym Setup 6:00–8:00 pm FOD Set-up (MH) Christmas Market	2 FOD Christmas Market @10:00–5:00 pm Holiday Bake Sale Noon-5 pm (MH) Unveil Worship (Gym) @ 10:30 am
3 Usher Team #5 Worship Service w/Communion @ 9:00 am Holiday Bake Sale @10:15 am - Narthex Bible Class & Sunday School @ 10:30 am	4 Jr. Confirmation @ 4:45 pm Young Life Club In Gym @ 5:30–9:00 pm Evening Bible Study @ 6:30–8:00 pm	5 Life Screen (MH) @ 8:30–5:30 pm FOD Work Day (MH) @ 10:00–1:30 pm ILC Youth Night @ 6:30 pm RDCDS @ 7:30–9:30 pm	6 ECE Chapel @ 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study @ 10:00 am Dinner by ECE @ 5:30–6:30 pm Usher Team #1 Advent Service @ 7:00 pm	7 Bingo @ 1:00–3:00 pm FOD Work Day (MH) @ 10:00– 1:30 pm Men's Basketball @ 6:00–9:00 pm Bells @ 7:00 pm	8 Unveil Lutheran Church Gym Setup 6:00–8:00 pm FOD Christmas Dance Set-Up @ 6:00–9:00 pm	9 Unveil Worship Service (Gym) @ 10:30 am FOD Christmas Dance @ 4:00–9:00 pm
10 Usher Team #2 Worship Service @ 9:00 am Bible Class & Sunday School @ 10:30 am Naomi Christmas Luncheon 2:00 pm	11 Jr. Confirmation @ 4:45 pm	12 FOD Work Day (MH) @ 10:00–1:30 pm	13 ECE Chapel @ 9:30 am Usher Team #3 Dinner by Youth @ 5:30-6:30 pm Advent Service @ 7:00 pm	14 FOD Work Day (MH) @ 10:00–1:30 pm Men's Basketball @ 6:00–9:00 pm Bells @ 7:00 pm	15 Newsletter Deadline Unveil Lutheran Church Gym Setup 6:00–8:00 pm	16 Unveil Worship Service (Gym) @ 10:30 am Live Nativity & Caroling 6:30 pm
17 Usher Team #4 Worship w/Communion @ 9:00 am Christmas Candy Sale BC & SS @ 10:30 am Christmas Dinner @ 12:15 pm Caroling to Shut-Ins 2 pm	18 Jr. Confirmation @ 4:45 pm Evening Bible Study @ 6:30–8:00 pm	19 FOD Work Day (MH) @ 10:00 – 1:30 pm ILC Youth Night @ 6:30 pm	20 ECE Chapel @ 9:30 am Dinner by Elders @ 5:30–6:30 pm Usher Team #5 Advent Service @ 7:00 pm	21 FOD Work Day (MH) @ 10:00–1:30 pm Men's Basketball @ 6:00–9:00 pm Bells @ 7:00 pm	22 Unveil Lutheran Church Gym Setup 6:00–8:00 pm	23 Unveil Worship Service (Gym) @ 10:30 am
24 Usher Team #1 Worship Service @ 9:00 am BC & SS @10:30 am Usher Team #2 Christmas Eve @ 7 pm	25 Offices Closed Usher Team #3 Christmas Day w/Communion @ 9:00 am	26 Offices Closed	27 ECE Daycare Open	28 ECE Daycare Open Men's Basketball @ 6:00–9:00 pm	29 Unveil Lutheran Church Gym Setup 6:00–8:00 pm	30 Unveil Worship Service (Gym) @ 10:30 am
31 Usher Team #4 Worship @ 9:00 am w/Communion Social Ministry Door Offering BC & SS @ 10:30 am						



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SPECIAL DECEMBER EVENTS

Wednesdays December 6, 13 & 20

Dinner 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Midweek Advent Service • 7:00 p.m.



Saturday December 16 • 6:30 p.m.

Outdoor Christmas Celebration

Live Nativity & Caroling

Sunday, December 17

12:15 p.m.

Christmas Dinner

(free will offering)

Caroling to Shut-Ins

2:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 24 • 7:00 p.m.
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Monday, December 25 • 9:00 a.m.

**Christmas Day
Communion Service**

