

# EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP 9:30 a.m.

### Greeting

**Gathering Song—WOV #638**  
Holy Child within the Manger

### Introduction to the Day

**The Advent Wreath**  
**Second Week of Advent**  
**Lighting the Advent Candle**  
Candle Light, Sacred Light  
(Tune of *Silent Night*)

### Prayer of the Day

**Canticle of Praise—ELW p. 169**  
Glory to God in the Highest

### Readings

Isaiah 11:1-10

### Gospel

**Gospel Acclamation—**  
Alleluia (Tune of *Infant Holy*)  
Matthew 3:1-12

### Sermon

Pastor Cara Knutson

**Hymn of the Day—ELW #249**  
On Jorfan's Bank the Baptist Cry

### Nicene Creed

### Prayers of Intercession

### Blessing Christmas Bags

### Sharing of the Peace

### Offering

**Offertory—Harmonicas**  
**Offering Song—ELW #487**  
What Feast of Love  
**Offertory Prayer**

### The Great Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving at the Table  
**Lord's Prayer**  
Invitation to Communion  
Communion Distribution  
Communion Song—  
Lamb of God  
(Tune of *O Little Town of Bethlehem*)  
**Prayer After Communion**

### Announcements

### Blessing

### Dismissal

**Sending Hymn—ELW #248**  
People Look East

## Calendar and Reminders Week of December 08, 2019

### Sunday, December 8

9:30 am Worship with Holy Communion  
10:30 am Fellowship & Coffee Hour  
10:45 am Kidz Kamp (Program Practice)  
10:45 am Wider Ministries  
11 am Confirmation

### Monday, December 9

11 am Tai Chi

### Tuesday, December 10

8:30 am ROMEOS meet at Village Inn East  
5:30 pm Girl Scouts in Community Room  
6:30 pm Children & Youth Committee Meeting



In case of pastoral emergency,  
please call (712) 796-7887.

### Wednesday, December 11

9:30 am Mission Action Quilters  
11 am Adult Fellowship at Pizza Ranch  
6:30 pm Choir Practice

### Thursday, December 12

11 am Tai Chi

### Friday, December 13

Office Closed

### Sunday, December 15

9:30 am Worship with Holy Communion  
10:30 am Fellowship & Coffee Hour  
10:45 am Kidz Kamp (Program Practice)  
10:45 am Worship & Music Meeting  
3 pm Winter Piano Recital

Copies of the sermons are  
available at the usher station and  
online at the Emanuel website.  
Sermon videos are available on the  
website, facebook and youtube page.

Thank you to all who helped with worship today!

### Assisting Minister

Amy Garreans

### Ushers

Larry & Sharon Hansen

### Acolytes

Reegan Haats & Nikki Rickard

### Advent Reading

Rosie Spangenberg

### Lector

Elaine Sasso

### Communion Assistants

Amy Garreans, Angel McGee, Mike Winter

### Communion Set-Up

Carol Fahrenkrug & Deb Ebsen

### Visual Tech

Peggy Jarrell

### Coffee Hour

Ruth Sullivan & Sharon Hansen



Come as you are! Be who you are!  
Make us a better community, congregation and people!





Elizabeth Miller  
Paul Heath  
Jim Fowler

Glen Fahrenkrug  
Deloris Christensen  
Phyllis Fowler

Darlene Smith  
Esther Bender

Robert Hesseltine  
Kaye Bird

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## SHARE ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

Emanuel events are on the Emanuel Facebook page and website.  
Feel free to share these with others, check-in, share photos, videos, go "live".



**POINSETTIA ORDERS:** If you would like to order a poinsettia for the Christmas Eve services, ordering envelopes are available at the usher stand. Please fill out completely and turn in by December 8<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$6 per plant. Poinsettias can be taken home after the 7 pm service on Christmas Eve.



**THANK YOU:** Thank you for all the cards, best wishes and those who helped celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. We feel humbled and blessed to have such a loving church family.  
—Oscar & Deann Over



## GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

**PLEDGE CARDS:** Those of you still needing to fill out a pledge card for 2020, may do it in two ways. You may place it in any Sunday's offering or mail it to the church office, attention Stewardship committee. If you need a pledge card, they are available at the usher station or in the church office. Our budget process becomes much easier if we are able to arrive at anticipated income from submitted pledges for 2020. Again, thank you to those who have responded. If you haven't had the opportunity to fill out your pledge card for 2020, we look forward to hearing from you.



**WORSHIP HELP:** Each Sunday we have a minimum of 12 people who help with the service and coffee hour. We are grateful for their help each week, but we can always use more volunteers! If you would like to help with any of the tasks listed on the front of the announcements, please contact the office or mark that you would like to help on the back of your attendance sheet. All sign-ups are also available on our website. We are hoping to have most of the tasks assigned for the first quarter of the year by the end of December.



**ANGEL TREE:** If you would like to purchase a gift for a child in need this holiday season, angels are being added to a tree in the community room. More are added as names/gifts are confirmed with families, so check back weekly! Please bring gifts to church wrapped with the angel part of the tag attached by December 15<sup>th</sup>. For more details, contact Deanne Skovgaard.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE

November & December during Kidz Kamp\*  
Sundays at 10:45 am

We have already started on program rehearsals for the Christmas program. We would still like to have some more kids (all ages welcome) to participate. We are looking for volunteers to help with practices, costumes and scenery. Please contact Stephen Lewis with any questions at youth@emanuelcb.org.

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### BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Wednesday, December 18

Dinner at 6 p.m.

Service at 7 p.m.

The Holiday season can be hard for those who's hearts are hurting. You are not alone. Blue Christmas is a gentle, contemplative service for those who are carrying pain or loss during this season of celebration.



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### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>

During 9:30 am Service

Invite friends and family!

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### ANGEL TREE PARTY

Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>

2 pm

For families of our angel tree recipients. If you would like to help with the party, please contact Deanne Skovgaard. Angel tags are on a tree in the narthex. If you would like to help, please choose a tag and fill out the information on the clipboard.

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### MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL LOCK-IN

Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup>

4 pm—8 pm

Bring friends, a drink and a snack to share. We will order pizza and have games and activities.

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