Advent Worship - Advent is a season of preparation and anticipation. Our midweek Advent services will be held at 6:30 PM on December 5th, 12th and 19th. A light supper will precede each service at 5:45 pm.

A Night in Bethlehem - Our annual outreach event is coming up this Saturday, December 8th, from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. We need your help! Each year we need over 60 volunteers to make this night happen. On the table outside of the Fellowship Hall is a list of items that we need donated or you can donate money to buy the items. There is also a sign-up list for people willing to work in the shops, actors, builders, greeters and more. Please stop and sign up to help wherever you are able. All items that are being purchased need to be at church by *THIS* Thursday, December 6. If you have any questions, please speak with Angie Hintz.

Change of time for Sunday Worship - Next Sunday, *December 9th*, we will be having only *one* worship service at 9:00 am. Our Preschool - 1st grade will help proclaim the birth of our Savior through song and recitations during the service. The theme of the service is "Our Christmas Show and Tell". They will be showing and explaining different symbols used during Christmas, such as a bell and present. After the worship service we will have a food and fellowship time in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us next Sunday at 9:00 am.

Live Poinsettias - If anyone would like to contribute towards the cost of the live poinsettias that were purchased to beautify the front of our church, please put it in an envelope and mark it "Poinsettias". You can also give money to Mrs. Conklin in the office.

The congregation is invited - to attend the wedding ceremony of Daryll Wondrak and Maribeth Traveler on Sunday, December 9th at noon. Cake and refreshments will follow immediately in the Fellowship Hall.

Children's Bulletins and Books - We have special bulletins for our children each Sunday. The ushers will have them when they are handing out the weekly bulletins. Please feel free to ask them for this bulletin. Crayons are also available from the ushers. Christian books are also available for ages 0 to 10 + to look at or read during the service! Please ask an usher to direct you to the books so you or your child may pick out an age appropriate book bag or book.

Bathrooms/Baby Changing Tables - are located in the Fellowship Hall, which is the large building in front of the church. (The building closest to the parking lot) There are changing tables in both bathrooms for your convenience. The bathrooms are located on the east end of the building.

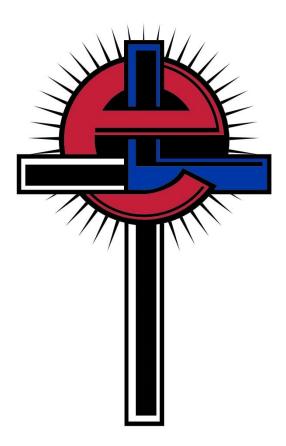
Worship Attendance

Sunday, November 25 - 145 (79 - 8:00 am, 66 - 10:30 am)

Thanksgiving Day - 72

Income from week ending N	lov. 25, 2018	Month Total	Monthly Budget
First Fruits Offering	\$5377	\$17,457	\$19,552
School	\$3118.38	\$20,917.28	\$22,951
Preschool/Extended Care	\$1761.02	\$3862.84	\$5439
Mortgage	\$120	\$645	

"The Lord Jesus comes in humility to redeem us"



Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Church December 2, 2018 The First Sunday in Advent

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE BEFORE HIM

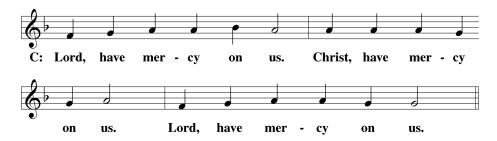
OPENING HYMN "Lift Up Your Heads, You Mighty Gates" (CW #3)

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



P: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, pleading with Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

All: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed You in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Organist: Mrs. Janean Plocher Worship leader: Pastor Ross Else

This Week at Emmaus

TODAY	Worship w/Lord's Supper Bible Study and Sunday School Worship Christmas Caroling	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 4:30 pm
TUESDAY	Board of Education Board of Elders	6:00 pm 6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	Soup Supper Advent Worship	5:45 pm 6:30 pm

SATURDAY A Night in Bethlehem 6:00-7:30 pm

NEXT SUNDAY Preschool - 1st grade Christmas Worship Service 9:00 am

Fellowship Breakfast 10:00 am

<u>Lord's Supper</u> - is celebrated today in the 8:00 am service. Our Savior gives us his body and blood along with the bread and wine for our forgiveness in this Blessed Sacrament. Because he also wants us to examine ourselves prior to communing (1 Corinthians 11:23-29), and that those who commune with one another be united in doctrine and practice (1 Corinthians 10:16-17; Romans 16:1-17; 2 John 9-11), we respectfully ask that those who commune with us this morning are members of Emmaus, or members of congregations in fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. If you are not a member and would like to join us for communion, please speak with Pastor Else, so we can set up a time to study what God's Word has to say to us concerning Lord's Supper and church fellowship. Thank you for your understanding.

Announcements

Those with ongoing health and other struggles - Joyce Matney; David Conklin (surgery); Gary Boyd; Pastor Retberg; Darwin Stellmacher; Jean Bagley; Roger Wilde (surgery); Ricardo Soriano; Barb Wendt; Sandy Griffiths' nephew, Riley Ernst; Kimberly Fritz (cancer); Shaun Eversole (cancer); Chuck Widmann; Barb Widmann; Barb Osborn; Judy Frank; Brad Anderson; Roger Wilde's wife, Carol; Polly Mackenzie; Vince Wallenberg; Ellen King; Diane Scheel; Linda Thompson's friend Kathy Desch (cancer);

Those who are - sick, unemployed, traveling, celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, serving in the military, single, married, parents, children.

<u>Memorial Service</u> - for Kathy Boyd will be Saturday, December 15, at 1:00 pm at Emmaus. You will be able to offer condolences to the family after the service in the Fellowship Hall.

<u>Christmas Caroling</u> - You are invited to join us for Christmas Caroling today, Sunday, December 2nd. Please meet in the parking lot at 4:30 pm. We will load up on trailers and drive through the neighborhood caroling and handing out flyers for our Night in Bethlehem event. We hope you can come help us tell of our Savior's birth through song.

#2 & #14 O LORD OF LIGHT

Christian Worship #3;

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O C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ; O O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on For you on-ly are holy; us. you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father.

P: The LORD be with you.



P: Let us pray. 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.



Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 23:5-8

5 "Look! The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch. And he will reign wisely as King and establish justice and righteousness on earth. 6 In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. This is his name by which he will be called: The LORD Our Righteousness. 7 "Therefore, look! The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when it will no longer be said, 'As surely as the LORD lives who brought the Israelites up out of Egypt,' 8 but, 'as surely as the LORD lives who brought up the descendants of the house of Israel and led them out of the land of the north and from all the countries where I had driven them.' Then they will dwell in their own land." (EHV)

PSALM 24 (p.73 in front section of hymnal)

SECOND LESSON

Romans 13:8-14

8 Do not owe anyone anything except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. 9 For the commandments—do not commit adultery, do not murder, do not steal, do not covet (and if there is any other commandment)—are summed up in this statement: "Love your neighbor as yourself." 10 Love does no harm to a neighbor, so love is the fulfillment of the law. 11 And do this since you understand the present time. It is already the hour for you to wake up from sleep, because our

*SECOND SERVICE CLOSING PRAYER

P: Almighty God, grant to Your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above. Let nothing hinder Your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve You in steadfast faith and confess Your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

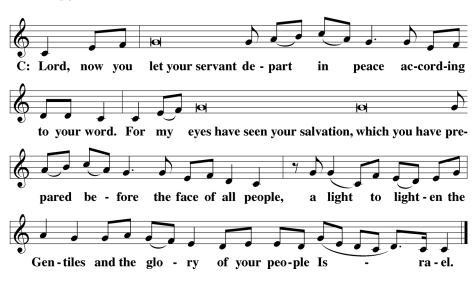


CLOSING HYMN

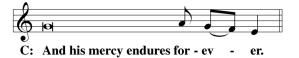
#31 – "O Lord of Light who Made the Stars"

On page 14





P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



P: We give thanks, almighty God, that You have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. We pray that through it You will strengthen our faith in You and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. 12 The night is almost over, and the day is drawing near. So let us put away the deeds of darkness and put on the weapons of light. 13 Let us walk decently as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual sin and wild living, not in strife and jealousy. 14Instead, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not give any thought to satisfying the desires of your sinful flesh. (EHV)

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Alleluia. (Revelation 22:20)



Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 21:1-9



As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, 2 telling them, "Go to the village ahead of you. Immediately you will find a donkey tied there along with her colt. Untie them and bring them to me. 3 If anyone says anything to you, you are to say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." 4This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: 5 Tell the daughter of Zion: Look, your King comes to you, humble, and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

6 The disciples went and did just as Jesus commanded them. 7 They brought the donkey and the colt, laid their outer clothing on them, and he sat on it. 8 A very large crowd spread their outer clothing on the road. Others were cutting branches from the trees and spreading them out on the road. 9 The crowds who went in front of him and those who followed kept shouting, Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest! (EHV)



THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

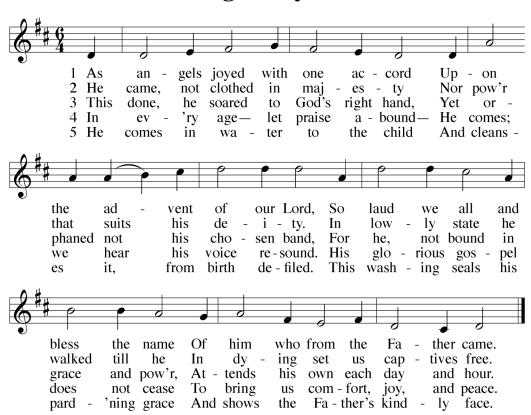
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION (During the distribution the congregation will sing Hymn 5)

ADVENT

5 As Angels Joyed with One Accord



- 6 He comes to us in bread and wine To give himself—and gifts divine. Oh, praise him for this sacrament, Redeeming love's great testament!
- 7 Lift up your heads! All grief and pain Shall vanish when he comes again. Where we shall see him face to face, There joy alone shall have a place.

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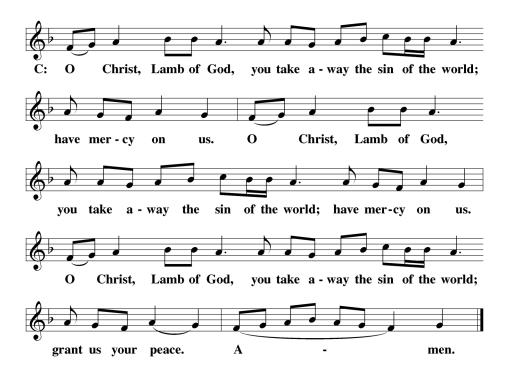
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.





Please be seated

HYMN

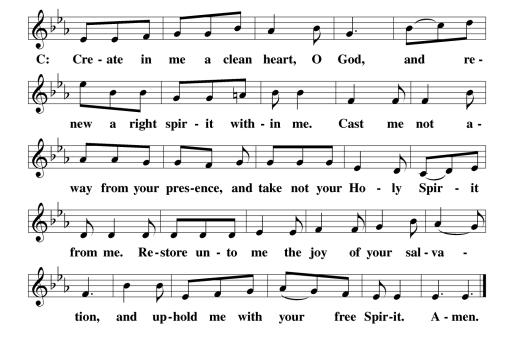
#2 "Savior of the Nations, Come"

SERMON

Matthew 21:1-9

"Your King Comes to You with the Peace of His Salvation"

- 1. He is your Mighty King
- 2. He is your Humble King
- 3. He alone is Worthy of your Hosannas



OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SERVICE continues with the Sacrament; SECOND SERVICE concludes with closing prayer and hymn on page 13.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts.



P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared when he called people to repentance and pointed to Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

THE SANCTUS

