

Immanuel Lutheran Church—Bristol, Connecticut

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Our Mission Statement

The people of Immanuel Lutheran Church are living proof of the Grace of God through salvation in Jesus Christ. Empowered by Christ, our mission is to reach out in love to those who have not yet responded to the Gospel that all may be united in Christ.

SERVING YOU IN DECEMBER

Ushers:	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:45 am</u>
	Robert Bergeron	Donald Smuda
	David Follo	David Peplau
	Ed Bodick	Gary Bell
	Brian Winter	Joseph Reed
	Ethan Beaudoin	Rudy Finger
	Bill Mazzaccaro	Jay Pickhardt

Today's Acolytes:	Nicholas Madigan	Maliki Matthews
Mid-week Advent 7pm	Melanie Moliengo	
Next Sunday's Acolytes:	Kacie Therrien	
Altar Guild:	MaryAnn Kalwat	Pat Wollenberg
	Don Kalwat	

Last Week

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

8:00 — 103
10:45 — 59 HC — 49
TOTAL — 162

CONTRIBUTIONS: \$13,212.73

MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS IN OUR CONGREGATION IN DECEMBER

Elizabeth Wilde 12/6	Virginia Schultz 12/14	Janice Sonstroem 12/24
Robert Wilde 12/12	Arlean Jensen 12/22	Albert Smith 12/29
Marion Schroeder 12/13	Myrna Gamache 12/23	Edward Young 12/30

COMMUNION STATEMENT

ADVENT means "coming". Christ came in the flesh at Bethlehem, He comes now in word and sacrament, and He will come again in judgement. As we look forward to His final coming, we find our deepest joy and comfort in His present coming with His very body and blood for our forgiveness. As we receive the Lord's Supper today, guests desiring to commune are asked to speak with the pastor before the service. For Scriptural reasons, we practice close communion.

STEWARDSHIP BIBLE VERSE FOR DECEMBER 4, 2016

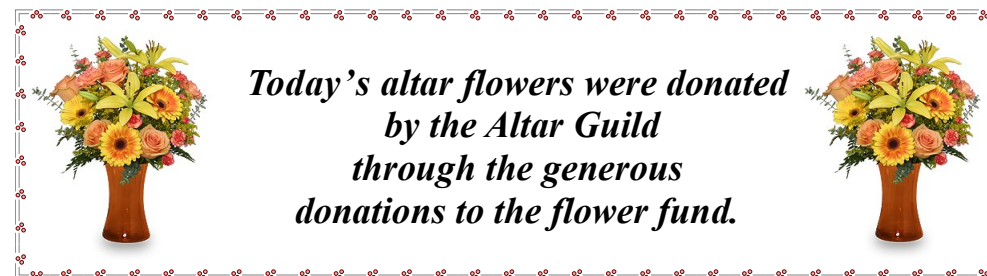
Matthew 3:1-2 "In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, 2 "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." John prepared the way for Jesus by preaching repentance. Then, when Jesus' ministry was complete and He was raised from the dead, He sent out his disciples to preach "repentance and the forgiveness of sins." We never outgrow the need for repentance – for examining our lives, turning away from our pet sins, and turning toward Jesus in faith to receive his forgiveness and strength for a renewed life of godliness.

MEMORIALS and THANK OFFERINGS

In Memory of Raye Bohn

By Jan Riemer, For Local

Advent
A Season of Hope
& Expectation



Welcome in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ

We pray that this morning's service will strengthen you in your walk with our Lord.

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8:00 Divine Service/Holy Communion
10:45 Divine Service

Opening Hymn #344 v. 1-4
"On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

HYMN OF PRAISE—omitted

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Scripture Lessons: (see half-sheet insert)

Old Testament Isaiah 11:1-10

GRADUAL 8:00

GRADUAL 10:45

Epistle Romans 15:4-13

GOSPEL Matthew 3:1-12

HYMN OF THE DAY #346
"When All the World Was Cursed"

SERMON Matthew 3:1-2
"No Excuses"

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

If you're visiting with us today, please take a moment to sign our guest register, so we can acknowledge your visit with us.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

#343

"Prepare the Royal Highway"

#624

"The Infant Priest Was Holy Born"

CLOSING HYMN #344 v.5

"On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY 12/4

- 8:00 Divine Service/Holy Communion
- 9:15 Fellowship Coffee
- 9:30 Youth Sunday School and Adult Bible Study
- 10:45 Divine Service
- 12:00 Tree Decorating - Sanctuary, following 2nd service
- 1:00 Bristol Chamber of Commerce Holiday Reverse Parade- High Street near the library
- 5:00 Adult Instruction Class-Library
- 5:30 Men's Basketball

MONDAY 12/5

- 1:00 Adult Fellowship-Parish Center

TUESDAY 12/6

- 11:30 Young-at-Heart-Nuchie's

WEDNESDAY 12/7

- 10:45 Advent Worship Service/Chapel
- 11:30 Advent Lunch-gym
- 7:00 Advent Worship Service
- 8:00 Choir-Balcony

THURSDAY 12/8

- 7:00 Emmaus Walkers
- 4:15 Public School Confirmation-Room 10
- 6:00 Woman of Immanuel Christmas Potluck-OSB

FRIDAY 12/9

- 6:30 BBT Quilt Guild

SATURDAY 12/10

No Church Activities

SUNDAY 12/11

- 8:00 Divine Service/Holy Communion
- 9:15 Fellowship Coffee
- 9:30 German Christmas Worship Service /Holy Communion
- 9:30 Youth Sunday School, No Adult Bible Study
- 10:45 Divine Service/Holy Communion
- 5:00 Adult Instruction Class-Library
- 5:30 Men's Basketball

~ADDITIONAL WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES~

Our Sunday service is broadcast each Sunday at 1:00 P.M. on WNTY **990 AM** and **96.1 FM**

The Lutheran Hour is broadcast on WIHS 104.9 FM each Sunday at 7:00 P.M.

Lutheran Public Radio listen any time at LUTHERANPUBLICRADIO.ORG

Remember in Prayer:

Those in Military Service:

- Michael Behrendt, deployed to Kuwait
- Jordon Bender
- Samantha Shamson
- Brian Lutz
- Phil Parenteau

The Sick:

- Myrle Behrendt
- Kristina Pickering
Daughter of Rod Grekula
- Arthur Bruce
Son-in-law of Dorothy Tichanski
- Gerald Johnson
Husband of Dorothy Johnson
- Reinhardt Schultz
- Elsie Krampitz
- Denis McLeod
- Matt Page
Cousin to Josie Rindfleisch
- Gracie Marcantonio
Daughter of Christine Marcantonio
- Paul Tonn
- Judith Bergin
- Debbie Schmelder
- Angela Derouin
Sister of Mary Sylvia

Our Family:

To all the special **Care Givers** who work tirelessly each and every day.

For **Pastor Schumacher and Cindy** as they continue the work of our Lord in Ghana, West Africa.

Second Sunday in Advent

December 4, 2016

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Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

