

**Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church  
Fourth Sunday of Advent, Year C  
Sunday, December 19, 2021**

<b>Prelude</b>	<b>“Do You Hear What I Hear”</b>	
<b>Call to Worship</b>		<b>Bell Choir</b>
<b>Opening Greeting</b>		
<b>Prayer of the Day</b>		
<b>Opening Hymn</b>	<b>“O Come, All Ye Faithful”</b> <i>Lyrics Provided</i>	<b>#283 vss. 1,2</b>
<b>Advent Litanies—A Week of Love</b>	<i>See insert</i> <i>(Light the blue candle as we sing the following song)</i>	
<b>Hymn</b>	<b>“Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah”</b> <i>Lyrics Provided</i>	<b>#240 vs. 4</b>
<b>First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-20</b>		
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>		<b>pg. 142</b>
<b>Gospel: Luke 1:39-45 [46-55]</b>		
<b>Children’s Program and Bell Choir</b>		
<b>“O Come, All Ye Faithful”</b>		<b>Bell Choir</b>
<b>Child Reading</b>		
<b>“O Come, All Ye Faithful”</b>	<i>Lyrics Provided</i>	<b>#283 vss. 3,4</b>
<b>“Away in a Manger”</b>		<b>Bell Choir</b>
<b>Child Reading</b>		
<b>“Away in a Manger”</b>	<i>Lyrics Provided</i>	<b>#277 vss. 1,3</b>
<b>“On This Day Earth Shall Ring”</b>		<b>Bell Choir</b>
<b>Child Reading</b>		
<b>“Silent Night, Holy Night”</b>		<b>Bell Choir</b>
<b>Child Reading</b>		

**“Silent Night, Holy Night”** *Lyrics Provided* #281 vss. 1,3

## **Child Reading**

**“God Rest Ye Merry Gentleman”** *Lyrics Provided* **Bell Choir**

## **Puppet Show**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

### **The Lord’s Prayer**

**Hymn** **“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”** #282 v. 1  
*Lyrics Provided*

**Readings** about China #4, Greece #5, Japan #7 (Placemat)

**Hymn** **“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”** #288 v. 1  
*Lyrics Provided*

**Readings** about Romania #10, Bethlehem #13, Russia #16 (Placemat)

**Hymn** **“Angels We Have Heard on High”** #289 v. 1  
*Lyrics Provided*

**Readings** about Iraq #19, Haiti #22, Kenya #23 (Placemat)

## **Blessing**

**Reading:** Let Us Celebrate #28 (Placemat)

**Closing Hymn** **“Joy to the World”** #267 vss. 1,4  
*Lyrics Provided*

## **Dismissal**

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**Prayer Concerns: Thelma Bursik, Esther Osterby, Kathrine-Sylvia and Jazel (Pastor Sarras’ Family), April, Brianna, Alice, Charissa, Scott, Phyllis Hustedt, Ashley Nickolai, Laura, David, Sara, Jeff Groethe, Edie Smith, Joan Winterhoff, Pastor Mark (Dixie Burk’s Brother), Pat Stolen, Sonya McCutcheon (Jackie’s Sister-in-Law), Jim Palmer, Nancy (Reinertson friend), Linda Knott, Tom, Danielle (Reinertson Niece), Dan Westaby’s sister, Cookie, for health and recovery, Jancie Osswald (Donna’s Sister). (Contact ILC office to update.)**

## **News**

## **Adult Forum in Emmaus Room at 10:30 am**

The Sin of White Supremacy Christianity, Racism, and Religious Diversity in America by Jeannine Hill Fletcher

How have Christian theologies of religious superiority underwritten ideologies of white supremacy in the United States? According to Hill Fletcher, the tendency of Christians to view themselves as the "chosen ones" has often been translated into racial categories as well. In other words, Christian supremacy has historically lent itself to white supremacy, with disastrous consequences.

How might we start to disentangle the two? Hill Fletcher proposes educational strategies that will help foster racial healing in America, the first of which is to demand of white Christians that they accept their responsibility for racist policies and structural discrimination in America.

The schedule will be as following:

1. To be rescheduled. When Words Create Worlds
2. Sunday, January 9, 2022. The Symbolic Capital of New Testament Love
3. Sunday, January 23, 2022. Christ Crucified
4. Sunday, February 6, 2022. Christian Love in a Weighted World

**Today, Sunday, December 19, 2021**, Christmas Pageant. You are encouraged to bring Christmas Cookies to share during the coffee hour. 😊

**Monday, December 20, 2021**, Church Council Meeting at 6:00 pm.

**Friday, December 24, 2021**, Christmas Eve Service at 6 pm.

**Saturday, December 25, 2021**, Christmas Day. No service.

**Sunday, December 26, 2021**, Christmas Carol Service at 9 am.

**Monday, December 27, 2021**, Church Office Closed.

**Tuesday, December 28, 2021**, Deadline for Monthly Newsletter.

**Wednesday, December 29, 2021. Year-End Giving Deadline.** Members' contributions for the 2020 Tax Year must be submitted by this date.

**Sunday, January 16, 2022**, Community Dinner.



ILC is collecting **mittens and hats** during December to donate them to families in need in our community. Please place your donations under the Mitten Tree in the Narthex.

## **CHAIRS AND BOOKCASES NEEDED!**

Do you have any occasional chairs or bookcases in good condition that you are not using? Linda and the ILC children are remodeling the fish sandwich. Linda is looking for 4 to 6 colorful and comfortable occasional chairs. She will also need bookshelves. Please let Jackie in the office know what you have.

## **Afghan Refugee Support**

“God defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the foreigner residing among you, giving them food and clothing” (Deuteronomy 10:18).

The church council has voted to start a campaign to collect items to support the Afghan refugees in Wisconsin. Here is the list of items needed:

- Socks and underwear for men, women, and children in all sizes.
- New or very gently used and clean winter coats and hats for men and women, sizes small and medium. Please note: we are unable to accept any other clothing at this time. (LSS)
- Toiletries kits\*: personal items such as shampoo, soap, toothpaste/toothbrushes.
- Kitchen kits\*: pots and pans, tableware, mixing bowls, etc.
- Cleaning supplies kits\*: dish soap, laundry detergent, sponges.
- Linens kits: bath towels, sheets, blankets.

The deadline for collecting the items above is January 1, 2022. We will be asking for volunteers to assemble the kits. We will drop them at LSS Refugee Resettlement Office in Milwaukee, WI. If you are giving a monetary donation, please make your check payable to “Immanuel Lutheran Church” with LSS in the memo.

\*These individual kits will be securely packaged as individual kits.

<b>Worship Assistants – Today</b>		
Presiding Minister: Vicar Maggie		
<b>Pianist / Organist</b>	<b>Reader(s)</b>	<b>Usher</b>
Judy Kort		Mike Schwede
<b>Video Recorder: Volunteer</b>		
<b>Altar Guild: Dan &amp; Holly Westaby</b>		

**Attendance on 12/12/21: 45**

Our Sister Church is the Lobatla Parish. Address is: c/o Moruti (Pastor) Rev. G.M. Nkale, P.O. Box 160, Motswedi 2870, Republic of South Africa. Email for Pastor: [nkalesto@gmail.com](mailto:nkalesto@gmail.com)