

Our vision for ministry ... **"God calls us to reach out and to grow in Christ's love"**

**Today's theme:** On this final Sunday of the church year our gospel is Jesus' great story of judgment. In the end, the faithful are those who served Christ by ministering to those who are poor, hungry, naked, sick, or estranged. In the first reading God is the shepherd who seeks the lost, weak, and injured and feeds them with justice. We gather this day to celebrate the reign of Christ and his victory over death, yet we await the consummation of all things yet to come. Acknowledging Christ as our merciful ruler, we go forth that his reign may be known in our loving words and deeds.

**Altar Flowers ...** Presented to the Glory of God and in memory of **Gerald and Elizabeth Koehler** by **Terry and Mike Koehler**. In honor of the 9<sup>th</sup> birthday of **Kiersten Diehl** by **Jim, Julie and Katherine Diehl**.

**Bulletins...** Presented to the Glory of God.

<b>Please pray for:</b>	Ed Lavenberg	Leonard Frey	Scott Nicholas	Ginger Rutt	Donald Fisher	Linda DiBiao
Deb Fisher	Sheldon Mann	Janis Campbell	Rochelle Rinker	Thelma Silivius	Delores Allogio	Joyce Smith
June Myster	Deborah VanBrunt	Theresa Schafer	Jean Lotti	Phyllis Palamaro	Bobby Miller	Walter Haas
Bette Walker	Vernon Mann	Bill & Sue Witmer	Cindy O'Brien	Vernell Meyers	Anthony Hnatow	Doris Engle

**Bath Area Food Bank – November.** We are collecting: **Cookies and Canned Pasta.** **There is also a special need for Ramen noodles.** Monetary donations are always gladly accepted.

**COVID-19 Worship Survey...** The Reopening Committee is conducting a short survey to gather feedback, comments and suggestions about our worship practices during the COVID pandemic. You should have received your survey via the mail or you may use this link to complete the survey online. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/R2GN6BF>. The link is also available on the weekly eNews and Emmanuel.org Thank you for your help.

#### Worship Schedule:

Spoken Worship has now moved inside, alternating weeks between the sanctuary and Fellowship hall. **Holy Communion** will be celebrated each Sunday. Please read your October Informer for details and guidelines. Because space is limited you **MUST call the office by 3pm on Thursday to reserve your spot for Sunday.**

**VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED TO HELP WITH SCREENING PROCEDURES AND USHERING.** Please call the office if you are able to help.

Weekly Online Worship with Holy Communion at 8am (Traditional) and 9:30am (Celebration) will continue as an alternative to in-person worship.

**Dial-In Worship....**Call **610-477-0100** anytime to listen to our online services. Both Traditional and Celebration Services are available for your listening pleasure!



Nov. 22.....Spoken Worship  
in the Sanctuary  
 Nov. 26.....Happy Thanksgiving!  
 (All Sunday services during Advent will be held in the Sanctuary)  
 Nov. 29..Spoken Worship in the Sanctuary (Advent 1)  
 Dec. 6....Spoken Worship in the Sanctuary (Advent 2)  
 Dec. 13..Spoken Worship in the Sanctuary (Advent 3)  
 Dec. 20..Spoken Worship in the Sanctuary (Advent 4)



#### December 24, 2020

3:00pm Online Traditional Christmas Eve Worship  
 5:00pm Outdoor In-Person Worship  
 (please call if you will be attending)  
 7:00pm Online Celebration Christmas Eve Worship

## Mittens, Hats, Scarves and Gloves



This year we will be collecting mittens, hats, gloves and scarves for the students of the Bethlehem School District. These students can range between the ages of kindergarten through graduating seniors, so all sizes will be accepted. They should not be wrapped.

Due to the current unusual circumstances, we will not be putting up the mitten trees this year. Instead there will be labeled bins available in the Fellowship Hall and upstairs gathering area. In addition, there will be a bin in the small vestibule area outside the downstairs parlor to place any donations during the week. The deadline to drop off your donation is Sunday, December 6, 2020. As always, thank you for your generosity!

## GWOH (God's Work Our Hands) Women's Group.....Holiday Giving Project

We are collecting items for our seniors in the area to brighten their holidays and extend Emmanuel's love to them. We are looking for things such as:

Toiletries	Fuzzy socks	Soap	Blankets	Notepads	Handmade Thanksgiving or Christmas crafts
Chapstick	Tissues	Puzzle books	Pencils/Pens	Lotion	Anything else you think seniors would appreciate

Items will be used to make gift bags for Meals on Wheels clients and for the Christmas stockings we make for our homebound members. Please place your donations in the labeled bins in the Gathering Area (upstairs) or Fellowship Hall. They can also be dropped off in the downstairs parlor vestibule during office hours (Mon-Fri, 9-3). Thank you for helping!

**Advent Calendars** are available for you to take. We also have **Advent study booklets "God With Us"**. Please look for them in the Gathering Area on Sundays. They will also be available to pick up during the week (9am – 3pm) in the vestibule to the downstairs parlor..



**ELCA Good Gifts....We're going virtual this year!** Normally we have a Christmas tree with decorative tags on it so you can take a tag and make a purchase toward ELCA Good Gifts. This year we are going to offer a virtual Christmas Tree and you can pick a tag from our **on-line wish list** (see link below). Just click on the tag you want and make your contribution for that gift. You can also partner with other people to buy a gift as a group. Your online payment will go directly to ELCA Good Gifts and the wish list will let us know how many items on the list have been purchased. Our goal this year is to have at least 35 people participating in this annual project. Purchases can be made until December 30 and we will report the results in the February Informer. <https://goodgifts.elca.org/wish-list/emmanuel-christmas-gifts-2020>. A direct link can also be found in the weekly eNews or on our website (emmanuel.org).

**Poinsettias** - Once again, red poinsettias will be available to purchase as a memorial or as a tribute gift to beautify our worship spaces for the Christmas holiday services. The price is \$9.00 each. Reservation forms can be found in your November Informer, attached to the weekly bulletins or on our website (emmanuel.org). You may also call the church office..

**The deadline to place your order is Sunday, December 13.** Just complete the form and place it in an envelope marked "Poinsettia Order", and include the correct amount of \$9.00 per plant. Place your envelope in the offering plate, or mail your order and check (made out to Emmanuel's) to the church.



### This Week at Emmanuel's

#### **Today: Sunday 11/22/20:**

**Christ the King**

#### **All services w/Holy Communion**

8:00am Traditional Online Worship from the Sanctuary  
 8:45am Virtual Coffee Hour – Zoom  
 9:00am Spoken Worship in the Sanctuary  
 9:30am Celebration Online Worship from Fellowship Hall

#### **Monday 11/23/20:**

7:00pm Men's Group –OFH

#### **Tuesday 11/24/20:**

1:00pm Needlecrafters

#### **Thursday 11/26/20:**

Happy Thanksgiving!  
 Office is Closed

#### **Friday 11/27/20:**

Sec. Vacation Day  
 Office is Closed

#### **Next Sunday 11/29/20:**

**1 Advent**

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8:00am Traditional Online Worship from the Sanctuary  
 8:45am Virtual Coffee Hour – Zoom  
 9:00am Spoken Worship in the Sanctuary  
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