

NOVEMBER 24, 2024

A GOD'S SEASONS
LITURGY
FOR
CHRIST THE KING



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Our Mission Statement

To Worship, Live, Love, Learn and Teach the Word of God in Christ

Welcome!

At Emanuel Lutheran Church, we intentionally welcome all people seeking to live as Children of God. All are welcome, just as you are! We welcome people of all races, ethnicities and cultures, people of all sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, and people of all ages, abilities, marital status and social/economic status, and dedicate ourselves to racial and gender equity - respecting and embracing the uniqueness with which you are created. Whether you are an experienced church-goer or your faith journey is new, we invite you to join in our worship, fellowship, and ministries. Everyone who seeks God's love and grace has a place here.

LITURGICAL ART NOTES

God's Seasons for Christ the King

As we celebrate "**A God's Season's Service**", we are made aware of how colors serve to adorn the worship space and reflect the nature of the season or festival being celebrated. **Advent: Blue** is associated with hope as we await the coming of Christ. **White** or **Gold** is used for **Christmas** reflecting the purity of the newborn Jesus. White is also used for the Epiphany and the Baptism of Our Lord expressing joy in the Christ's birth. **Time after the Epiphany: Green** symbolizes our growth in Christ. **Lent: Purple** reflects the solemnity and repentant nature of the season. **Sunday of the Passion: Scarlet** suggests the deep color of blood. **Scarlet is also used for the Days of Holy Week and for Maundy Thursday. Easter Day: White or Gold** represents the joy in the Resurrection and is used throughout the Easter Season. **Day of Pentecost: Vibrant red** reflects the color of fire. **Time after Pentecost: Green** indicates our growth in faith as we follow the teachings and ministry of Christ. A lighter green can be used in summer and a darker green in fall. The **Alpha and Omega** symbol reminds us that God is the beginning and end of all things.

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Christ the King Sunday

Sunday, November 24th

8:00 and 9:30am

INTRODUCTION

In acclaiming Christ as king, we affirm that he is not like an earthly king. He is a king who has come to serve, not to be served, even to the point of giving his life for his followers. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth, voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day Christ is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.

Christ the King is the last Sunday of the liturgical year. This festival was started in 1925 by Pope Pius XI to celebrate the lordship of Christ over all creation as a response to the increasing secularism and materialism of the time, and the rise of dictatorships. Lutherans and other Protestant denominations soon began to observe this day also.

Our liturgy today is a God's Seasons service, in which we look back through the liturgical year, much like one would look through a yearbook, to remind us of our encounters with our King and how he has called us to be in relationship with him, and how he walks with us through all the seasons of our lives. He is our Lord and King forever!

*Indicates please stand

Bold font is read by congregation

PRELUDE

Concerto I
Organ & Keyboard Duet

P. Antonio Soler

GATHERING —The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Setting 3

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let us worship our King, who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood.

Ever since the world began his throne has been established;

he is our King forever.

He has made us to be a kingdom; priests serving his God and Father.

He is robed in majesty and armed with strength;

his dominion shall not pass away.

Yet, his kingdom is not of this world.

He came and lived among us, bearing witness to the truth;

he humbled himself, serving others instead of being served.

In his deep love for us, he laid down his life that we might have everlasting life.

He calls us to love and serve others, to be his heart, and hands, and voice in the world.

Christ, our servant-king, reigns at God's right hand.

Blessing and honor and glory and power be to Jesus Christ our Lord and King, forever and ever. Amen. -St. Lydia Press 2024

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end.
Amen.

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us
and has freed us from our sin.

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,
**we confess that sin has taken hold of us
and we are complicit in its power.
We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest.
Unbind us and set us free.
Lead us again to the waters of rebirth,
that we may live just and generous lives
for the good of your world
and the care of our neighbors,
following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.**

These words are trustworthy and true:
Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross,
swallowing up death forever.
For his sake, you are † forgiven
and God remembers your sin no more.
Let your heart be glad again,
and rejoice in your salvation.
Amen.

***GATHERING HYMN**

Crown Him with Many Crowns - vs. 1, 3, & 5

ELW 855

***GREETING**

May the grace of our Lord and King, Jesus Christ, who reigns forever and ever,
the love of God who sent the Son to save us,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit, who stirs our hearts to worship and follow Christ,
be with you all. **And also with you.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD—God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

ADVENT

During the four weeks of Advent, we prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of Christ among us, both in the story at Bethlehem and in his coming again. Our King is not an angry judge, but one who walks among us and cares for us. This season promises to show God’s radical solidarity with the human condition, even at its most vulnerable, to prepare us to be transformed.

Reading:

Luke 1: 26-33, 38

from the 4th Sunday of Advent

A reading from Luke:

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin’s name was Mary. And he came to her and said, “Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you.” But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end...” Then Mary said, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that would obstruct your mercy, that willingly we may bear your redeeming love to all the world, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*My soul proclaims your greatness, Lord;
I sing my Savior's praise!*

*You looked upon my lowliness, and I am full of grace.
Now ev'ry land and ev'ry age this blessing shall proclaim—
Great wonders you have done for me, and holy is your name.*

CHRISTMAS

During the Christmas season which lasts from Christmas Eve through the Epiphany of Our Lord on January 6th, we welcome our God Incarnate, who came to earth for all people. In the stories surrounding Christ's birth we hear a foreshadowing that Christ, our savior-King, will lay down his life for us.

Reading: Matthew 2: 1-6, 9-11*from the Epiphany of Our Lord**A reading from Matthew:*

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel.'

[When the wise men heard from the king, they set out for Bethlehem;] and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God****Prayer**

O God you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star. Lead us now by faith to know your presence in our lives and bring us at last to the full vision of your glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*As they offered gifts most rare at thy cradle, rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring Christ to thee, our heavenly king.*

TIME AFTER EPIPHANY

The time after Epiphany is the season when Jesus is revealed to us—as the Beloved, the Son of God, the bearer of the kingdom of God come near, healer, teacher, servant of all, transfigured Lord. Jesus invites us to be workers with him to bring in the kingdom of God by following him and serving others. This is our baptismal calling.

Reading: Mark 1:29—33; 35-39 from the Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

A reading from Mark:

[Jesus] entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; ... In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer

Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

*Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light;
Praise the One who frees the pris'ners, turning blindness into light.
Praise the One who preached the gospel, healing e'vry dread disease.
Calming storms and feeding thousand with the very bread of peace.*

LENT

Lent is a call to repentance—to turn around from the ways of the world and return to God who is gracious, merciful, and slow to anger. Lent is like a homecoming—we return to the one who loves us so deeply and longs to save us, our King of Salvation.

Reading: Mark 8: 34-38

from the 2nd Sunday in Lent

A reading from Mark:

[Jesus] called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Hymn verse

Lead on, O King Eternal! —verse 3

ELW 805

*Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning where'er your face appears.
Your cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might!*

HOLY WEEK

*If the kingdom of God were to be described in one word, that word would be **love**. We are reminded of this most profoundly during the Three Days—Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Vigil of Easter—that occurs during this week. God so loved the world that God sent the Son, that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life. Jesus' love for us, shown most keenly on the cross, is self-sacrificing love. We are to take this love and spread it around the world by following Christ's command to love one another.*

Reading: John 13: 12-15, 34-35

from Maundy Thursday

A reading from John:

After [Jesus] had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you... I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer

Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write the commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Hymn

Love Consecrates the Humblest Act—verse 3

ELW 360

*Love serves and willing stoops to serve;
What Christ in love so true
Has freely done for and all,
Let us now gladly do!*

EASTER

The joy of the Resurrection is much too great to be restricted to one day or one week, so the church takes fifty days to celebrate it! The season overflows with praise of what God has done in Christ and focuses not on what it means just for our own lives, but for the life of the world. Proclaiming that good news is the work of the church. Christ is our risen and victorious King.

Reading: John 10:11-18

from the 4th Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)

A reading from John:

[Jesus said,] “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I

know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us and we shall be whole. Make us one with you for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Hymn

The King of Love My Shepherd Is--verse 1 **ELW 502**
*The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.*

TIME AFTER PENTECOST

The time after Pentecost is the longest season of the church year and focuses on our response to what Christ has done for us. It is a season that encourages our growth in faith and discipleship. What we bring to serve others, as Jesus calls us to do, does not seem adequate for the great needs of the world, but it is the power of Jesus working through us that enables us to make a difference in the lives of others. Christ our King empowers us to do “God’s work. Our hands.”

Reading: Mark 6: 6b-13 *from the 7th Sunday after Pentecost*

A reading from Mark:

Then [Jesus] went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer

God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn Verse

To Be Your Presence—verse 4

ELW 546

*We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice,
To serve your people is our call and choice,
And in this mission we, the church, rejoice.
Alleluia!*

***CHRIST THE KING** John 18:33-38a

While not a season, just one Sunday, Christ the King, reminds us, although Jesus is given the royal title, the Anointed One, he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him. He exercises his power not through force, but through love, and we look to the day when he is given dominion, knowing that his victory will be the non-violent victory of love.

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” Jesus answered, “Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?” Pilate replied, “I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?” Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.” Pilate asked him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.” Pilate asked him, “What is truth?”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

MEDITATION

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Jesus Shall Reign, verses 1, 2 & 5

ELW 434

***NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

... Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

***PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

OFFERING

Now Thank We All Our God

ELW 840

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup, you offered yourself in love for the world, and in this meal you nourish us with your life. Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name. **Amen.**

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Dialogue and Preface

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table

We bless you, ...

Blessing and glory to you, O God:

Blessing and glory to you, O God.

O Christ Jesus, ...

Wisdom and thanks to you, O God:

Wisdom and thanks to you, O God.

On the night before he died...,

Honor to you, O God:

Honor to you, O God.

O Spirit, ...

Power and might to you, O God:

Power and might to you, O God.

O God the Father, ...

We praise you today, tomorrow, and forever. Amen.

Amen.

Once more:

Amen.

And once more:

Amen.

*Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

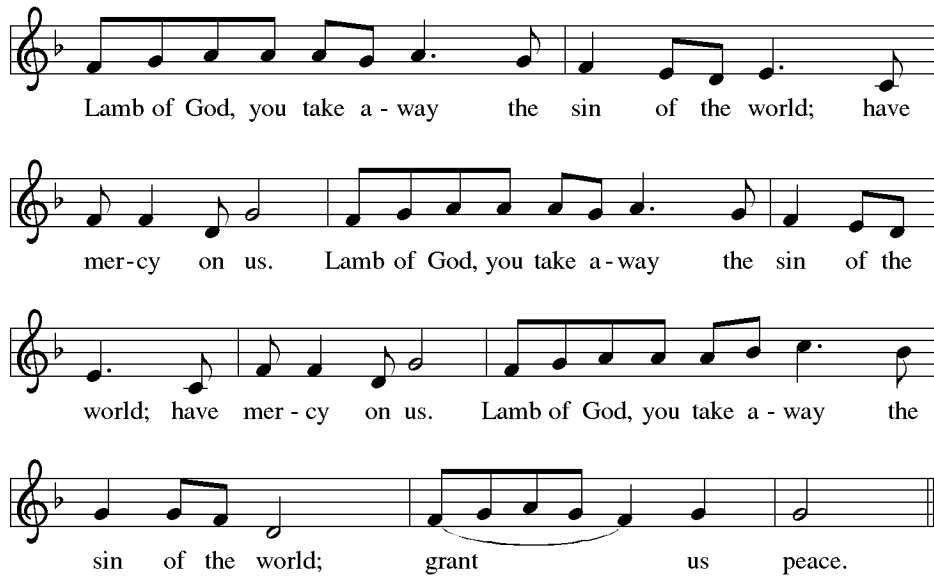
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold, God is making all things new. Take your place in the new creation.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

Beautiful Savior

ELW 838

***BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SENDING

***BLESSING**

The Ancient One, enthroned,
the Crucified One, now risen,
the Indwelling One, poured out,
✠ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN**

Come, Thou Almighty King

ELW 408

***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

There are many ways to give to Emanuel

- Visit our website: www.emanuelelc.org and click **GIVE** to make a one-time or recurring payment by credit, debit card or ACH withdrawal.
- You may also mail your offerings to:
Emanuel Lutheran Church, 197 Manville Road, Pleasantville, New York 10570.
- Or arrange for regular (no fee) electronic check or Zelle contributions through your bank checking account.

November 24th

Altar Guild: Nancy Schoener, Suzanne Reuter and Barbara Meberg

Worship Assistant: Deacons

Reader: The Deacons

Usher/ Greeter: Douglas Esposito, Gregg Gonzalez, Peter Olsen

Counters: George Johnson & Walter Postel

Coftea: Val Wiebke and Karyn Garnes

Flowers: Given to the Glory of God

December 1st

Altar Guild: Nancy Schoener, Suzanne Reuter and Barbara Meberg

Worship Assistant: Deacons

Reader: Suzanne Cantatore

Usher/ Greeter:

Counters: George Johnson & Walter Postel

Coftea: Val Wiebke and Karyn Garnes

Flowers: Given to the Glory of God

This Week at Emanuel

Sunday, November 24th

8:00 & 9:30 am Worship

10:30 am - Coftea

Monday, November 25th

7:00 pm - WRG

Tuesday, November 26th

6:45 pm – Emanuel Ringers I

7:00 pm – Deacon’s meeting

Wednesday, November 27st

7:00 pm – Emanuel Ringers I & II

7:00 pm – Thanksgiving Eve Service at St.

John Episcopal Church

Sunday, December 1st

8:00 am – Worship Service

9:30 am – Worship/Advent/Emanuel Ringers II

10:30 am – Coftea/Family Advent

Our Prayer Concerns

You may submit prayer requests by filling out a prayer request card, which can be found on the Narthex table and leaving it in the offertory. You may also call or e-mail the office We will include your prayer request for up to **four weeks** unless you request otherwise. We have recently updated the prayer list. Please contact the office to re-add someone for an additional 4 weeks.

For Healing

Joan Baum	Tom Ragusa
Lynne Beard	Louis Reuter
Lori Bueti	Bill Schmitz
Robyn Cantatore	Patty Thomson
Richard C. Cante	Mikey Traugott
Abi Gray	Jon Struss
Bonnie Hanssen	Lori Struss
Sue Jones	Eric Wiebke
Paul Kogelmann	Ginny Yensco
Julie Lonergan	
Raymond McLaughlin	
Paul Meberg	
Beate Noack	
John Nurmi	

Serving Our Country

Ryan Heitmann - Army Major Brian Moeller - USMC
Ali McFadden - USMC
Peter Struss - USMC
Morgan Tilley - Navy
Gabi Struss - Merchant Marine

Engagements

Emily Cairns & Conor Quinlan

Newlyweds

Chris Falco & Casey Bowen
Chelsea Frisbie & Ian Elliott

Expecting

Celebrations

New Parents!

Anniversaries

Tom & Jana McTigue - 11/24
Ed & Bonnie Hanssen - 11/30

Birthdays

Jordyn Carlson - 11/24
Brittany Betley - 11/25
Ernest Riefenhauser - 11/25
Allison Khouri - 11/26
Kristen Khouri - 11/26
Keith Beard - 11/29
Christopher Peck - 11/29
Joan Schmitz - 11/29

The Church

Our Bishops:
Elizabeth Eaton, Paul Egensteiner
Our Congregation at Emanuel
Koinonia

The Nations

God Bless the whole world

This Week's Announcements

Weekly Schedule

8:00 & 9:30 Worship

9:30am Sunday School

10:30 Coftea Fellowship

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WE BAKE, YOU TAKE COOKIE SALE

**Emanuel Lutheran Church
Front Lawn 2:45-3:45PM**

Emanuel Ringers are hosting a cookie sale to support fundraising for their trip to attend the International Handbell Festival in Aberdeen, Scotland in the summer of 2026.

Suggested Donation: \$20 per pound of cookies

Cash or Zelle emanuelringers@gmail.com

PLEASE JOIN US FOR

Thanksgiving Eve Interfaith Worship

WED. NOVEMBER 27, 7:00 PM
ST JOHN'S CHURCH
8 SUNNYSIDE AVE, PLEASANTVILLE

**MONETARY & FOOD DONATIONS WILL BE
COLLECTED FOR NEIGHBORS IN NEED**

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Hosted by:

- Emanuel Lutheran Church
- Holy Innocents Roman Catholic Church
- Pleasantville Community Synagogue
- Pleasantville Presbyterian Church
- St. John's Episcopal Church
- The Upper Westchester Muslim Society

Journeying IN ADVENT



Use this to help navigate you through the journey of Advent!

Recurring

- Wednesdays, Dec. 4 - 18: Bible Study @ 1 pm (Zoom) and 6 pm (in person)
- Sundays, Dec. 1-22: Worship Series on "Light Breaking Forth"

One-Time Events:

- Dec. 6: Christmas Party at the Schoener's House @ 6 pm
- TBD (Saturday): Christmas Caroling at Farmer's Market
- Dec. 8: Holiday Benefit Bell Concert @ 4 pm
- Dec. 15: Worship @ 8 & 9:30 am; Christmas Pageant @ 9:30 am; Church Christmas Party @ 10:30 am
- Dec. 18: Blue Christmas @ 7 pm
- Dec. 24: Family Christmas Worship @ 5 pm; Candlelight Christmas Worship @ 11 pm
- Dec. 25: Christmas Day Worship @ 9:30 am
- Dec. 29: 1st Sunday of Christmas Worship @ 9:30 am

* Office Hours vary between Dec. 26 and Jan. 2. We appreciate your patience as the staff takes some time to celebrate with families and rest.

Wish Our Seniors Good Luck With Finals



Please come downstairs after service to sign some cards to wish college students good luck on their finals. We are also looking for some monetary contributions so we can buy some Starbucks or Dunkin Donuts gift cards to help them in their studying efforts.

Thanks, Vicky Lee and Annmarie

MILITARY COUPONS

I wish to thank everyone who contributed to the military coupon campaign. Unfortunately, I will not be able to continue to collect those coupons. The last Sunday that I will pick up the coupons in the coupon box will be the Sunday after Thanksgiving, December 1, 2024. If there is anyone who is willing to take over the collection, please let me know. My phone number is 914-769-8012. Thanks again for helping to support our military families in Guam.

Alfred Hoft

Seafarers International House Christmas-at-Sea



Emanuel will once again participate in gathering items to fill Christmas-at-Sea satchels for the port ministry of Seafarers International House, an affiliated ministry of the ELCA.

With 90% of global trade carried on the seas, our daily lives rely on the supply chain delivered by seafarers, who are unseen essential workers.

Seafarers are at sea for months at a time, away from family and friends. These gift satchels, delivered by SIH port chaplains, bring them a bit of cheer during the holiday season.

Each satchel contains these **new** items:

- One Sweatshirt – hooded or unhooded (size M-L-XL)
- Three Pairs of Socks – thermal or gym
- One long-sleeved T- Shirt (size M-L-XL) in the same size as the sweatshirt
- One Knitted Winter Cap (coordinating scarf optional; no pastels please)
- One Can of Nuts, Large Bar of Chocolate, or Health Snack Bar

We will be collecting these new items in bins in the narthex starting on November 3rd. The last collection day will be **Sunday, November 24th**. If you don't have time to shop, you can make a monetary donation through Emanuel designating it for Seafarers, and Social Ministry will shop for you. Thanks for your generosity!

Gift Card Order Form for the Coachman Youth
Coachman Gift Cards

Please provide the following info for the cards you would like to purchase for the
Coachman Youth.

We would like to offer \$40 to each of the 50 youth who are at the Coachman.

Place your order and the cards will be given directly to Helayne once payment is received.
If you want to give a \$25 gift card and are looking for a \$15 gift card, please choose a \$10
card and the \$5 gift card option. The gift card program does only certain denominations,
but we will make it work so each child receives a total of \$40.

An ornament of your donation will be given to you to place on the tree in the Narthex of
the church.

Payment can be made by one of the following

via Zelle at emanuelgiving@gmail.com, please be sure to put COACHMAN in the
description, so that it can be directed to the ringers.

or

Sending a check made to the
Emanuel Ringers with Coachman written in the memo line and send to
Emanuel Lutheran Church
197 Manville Rd
Pleasantville, NY 10570

Thank you! Any questions about the form - please contact Eiko or Helayne. You can access
the form here

<https://tinyurl.com/2h2jv88b>

Christmas-at-Sea



This **Sunday, November 24th** is the **last day** to bring in **new** items to fill *Christmas-at-Sea* satchels or make a monetary donation to Emanuel and designated for *Seafarers* so that Social Ministry can shop for you. Port chaplains from **Seafarers International House** will deliver the satchels to seafarers in port during the holiday season. We need sweatshirts, hooded or not, zippered or not, in M, L or XL; long-sleeved t-shirts in M, L, or XL; gym socks or thermal socks; knit caps; and cans of nuts, or extra-large chocolate bars.

Seafarers are the often forgotten and unseen essential workers, laboring on cargo ships to bring us so many goods we used in our daily lives, from cars to clothes to fruit. These satchels will bring them some holiday cheer while they are away from family and home. **Thank you!**

Annual Benefit Handbell Concert

December 8, 2024 4:00 PM

Katonah Presbyterian Church
31 Bedford Road Your paragraph text
Katonah, NY 10536

Katonah Celebration Ringers

Katonah Presbyterian Church, Eunkyung "Grace" Woo, Director

Emanuel Ringers I

Emanuel Lutheran Church, Eiko S. Cornelius, Director

office@katonahpresbyterian.org, 914-232-4536



FREE WILL OFFERING TO BENEFIT AN AFGHAN MOTHER AND CHILDREN BEING BROUGHT TO THE U.S. VIA HEARTS & HOMES

CALL FOR PAGEANT RINGERS

Looking for advent and pageant ringers for December. Any Sunday school student or youth who would like to participate as an advent ringer or participate as part of the pageant - please contact Eiko. Requires a meeting for about 10 minutes before service to receive instructions.

Pageant Ringers are needed for Dec 1, 8, 15 and 22.

Your ringer can participate in one or all of the Sundays based on their availability.

emanuelringers@gmail.com



POINSETTIA FLOWER RESERVATION

In Celebration of the Birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, we will be decorating the Sanctuary with 6" poinsettia plants. Please use this form to order your flowers and/or to contribute to World Hunger. Place your orders and payment in the collection plate. **The plant order deadline is Sunday, December 15th.**

Your Name _____ Phone # _____

Envelope Number #: _____

Please indicate your choice:

___ **Poinsettias (\$12.50 per plant)**

___ **Donation to Lutheran World Hunger (Amount Given: \$ _____)**

I would like the gift designated as follows:

Given to the Glory of God

Given in memory of

*(Please print **very clearly** - thank you!)*

Given in honor of

*(Please print **very clearly** - thank you!)*