

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hearing Assistance Available: If you need assistance in hearing any part of the worship service, please go to the sound booth at the back of the sanctuary where we have devices to assist you.

Compost: Emmaus composts! Please add your coffee cups, napkins, stir sticks, tea bags, and any and all food scraps, to the bin by the coffee station. Thank you.

Communion: At Emmaus, we come forward to receive the elements of Communion. If it is difficult to come forward, please see an usher before the service and we will have someone serve you where you are seated.

Please pray for area churches: This week please be in prayer for the students, faculty and staff who worship at Boe Memorial Chapel, St. Olaf College.

Operation JOY!: Grab a gift tag off the tree in the Narthex and bring your new, unwrapped gift back to church by December 8. All gifts donated stay local and will be distributed by the Community Action Center.

Monday Coffee: Women are invited for coffee and devotions 8:00 am Mondays at Brick Oven Bakery. Contact Charlotte Whited charlottewhited@gmail.com

Gift Wrappers Needed: If you like to wrap presents, the Northfield Middle School could use your skills for an event called Tattered Pages. Students can purchase gifts using their library bucks. If you can help, contact Amy McBroom amcbroom@northfieldschools.org or call 507-663-0643.

Advent Vespers Service and Meal: Gather for a quiet, reflective service of Scripture and song on Sunday, December 8 4:30 pm. Afterward we will enjoy a meal together. RSVPs for the meal are needed by December 1. Please contact April at emmaus@emmauschurch.org to RSVP.

Women In Touch: December's WIT breakfast will be Saturday, December 14 8:30-10:00 am. Julia Kallsen will be speaking. All women are invited, so bring a friend!

Children's Christmas Program: Our kids will present their program Sunday, December 15 at 9:00 am with a reception to follow. Worship at 10:00 am. Reminder: the children will rehearse Saturday, December 14 3:30-5 with dinner to follow.

Year End Giving and Staff Love Offering: Each year at Emmaus we take an offering to share among the church staff. If you would like to contribute, please put the words "Staff Love Offering" on the memo line of your check. Also, a reminder that any financial contributions you wish to have counted as donated in the 2019 calendar year must be delivered to the church office or postmarked by December 31, 2019.

December Community Meal: Join us for dinner on December 18 for our Community Meal 5:30-6:30 pm. Santa and Nana Claus will be here to greet kids.

From The Treasurer

We have completed thirty-four weeks of the 2019-2020 fiscal year

Giving Last Sunday: \$13,554 (\$1,443 above budget)

YTD Giving: \$373,639 (\$38,153 below budget)

Capital Campaign Pledges made: \$193,745

Campaign Pledges received: \$158,802

This Week At Emmaus

Today: Coffee, Fellowship & Adult Sunday School 9:00 am (no Children's or Youth Classes today)

Worship 10:00 am

Monday: Mom's Group 9:00 am Nursery;

Praying Grandmas 9:00 am Conference Room

Wednesday: Men's Breakfast 6:00 am; WOW 6-7 pm at NRC; Youth Group at Canvas Church tonight

Thursday: Adult Ministry Board 6:30 pm

Next Sunday: Coffee, Fellowship & Sunday School 9:00 am; Worship 10:00 am;

Advent Vespers Service & Meal 4:30 pm

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EMMAUS CHURCH

The Good News

according to

Luke

Sunday December 1, 2019 | First Sunday of Advent

TODAY

Worshiping Together

Prelude

Welcome

Pastor Abe Johnson

Call to Worship

Advent Candle Lighting

Congregational Singing

The Lord's Prayer

Offering

Message and Prayer

Pastor Abe Johnson

Song of Response

Communion

Benediction

Encouragement Fund: On Communion Sundays we collect the Encouragement Fund Offering. These monies are used to meet the physical needs of those within our congregation who find themselves in need. You may leave your offering in the basket at the back of the Sanctuary as you leave today. Thank you.

Today's Worship Leaders

Tony Mathison, Lisa Gillispie, Elin Odegaard, Barry VanWieren, Tim Drake, Rob Ryden, Grace Ryden

Next Week

December 8, 2019

Series: The Good News According to Luke

Speaker: Pastor Abe Johnson

Sermon: Luke 1:26-38

Welcome to Emmaus

Welcome to all who have joined us today. As we gather together let our hearts be filled with gratitude for all the things God has done. Let us accept and encourage one another with the same love and grace that God has extended to us through Jesus Christ. And let us honor God in our songs, our speech, our reflections and all that we do here today.



Today's Message:

Luke 1:1-25

Pastor Abe Johnson

About Emmaus

We are a community of faith committed to growing in our love for God in worship and devotion; to cultivating a community characterized by love, grace and humility; and to loving our neighbors in service and hospitality. In all we are and in all we do we want to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.