

Emanuel Christmas Caroling

this coming Sunday December 18th at 12:30pm
Everyone (All AGES) invited



We will be visiting and caroling for those who have a hard time getting out. We will meet in Jacobs Hall at 12PM for pizza lunch and then leave for caroling at 12:30pm. We will return to Emanuel at ~3pm. If you have any questions, please ask Rebecca Nunez or Pastor Todd. Thank you.

Emanuel's Christmas Giving Tree

10 unclaimed ornaments



Thank you to everyone who picked children off the Giving Tree this year. There are 10 unclaimed ornaments. If you would like to take one, click on this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d45abad2fa5fbc52-giving>

If you haven't already, please drop off your gifts to the church **by Sunday December 18th**. Gifts should be wrapped, if possible, with a note indicating the # of the child.

Gifts can be dropped off at the church on:

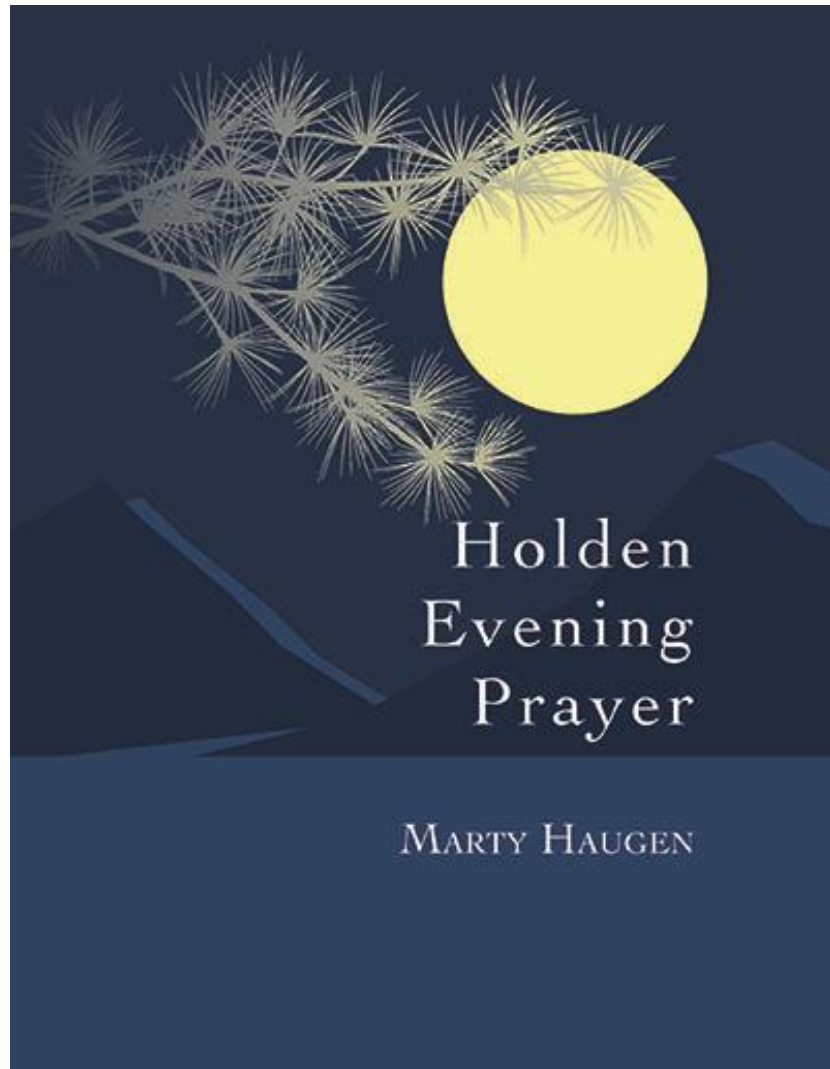
Tuesdays 9AM to 2PM

Fridays 9AM to 1PM

Sundays 8AM to 12PM

If one of these times doesn't work, please call to arrange a different time. Thank you.

Sunday Morning Holden Prayer



this coming Sunday December 18th @ 10:30am

On this darkest Sunday of the year we will be worshipping using the Holden Evening Prayer liturgy.

**"The Light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has not overcome it." John 1:5**

Let's have some fun!



If you'd like to be part of the cookie
exchange, please bring 6 dozen
cookies this coming
Sunday December 18th

*Any questions, contact Joanne Powers at
my3angels.3@juno.com*

Please no nuts or peanut butter
so we can share with family

Longest Night Service at Pilgrim Lutheran



**Pilgrim Lutheran Church has invited Emanuel to a
Longest Night Service**

Wednesday December 21st at 7PM

1817 Warwick Ave, Warwick, RI 02889

The Longest Night service remembers those who are experiencing grief and loss during this season of Christmas. It focuses on the Word and comfort of the Gospel with a candle lighting of remembrance.

Following the service there will be time
for conversation and refreshments.

Order Your Christmas Poinsettia



Only **Red** poinsettia this year & only one size!

Cost = \$10.00

To purchase a poinsettia for Christmas Eve, please complete a poinsettia form and place it in the offering plate or email/call Sue Wieboldt at

(401) 743-3843 susieq3380@gmail.com

Deadline for ordering is Sunday December 18th
with a maximum # of 50 poinsettia

Looking for Christmas Morning Readers

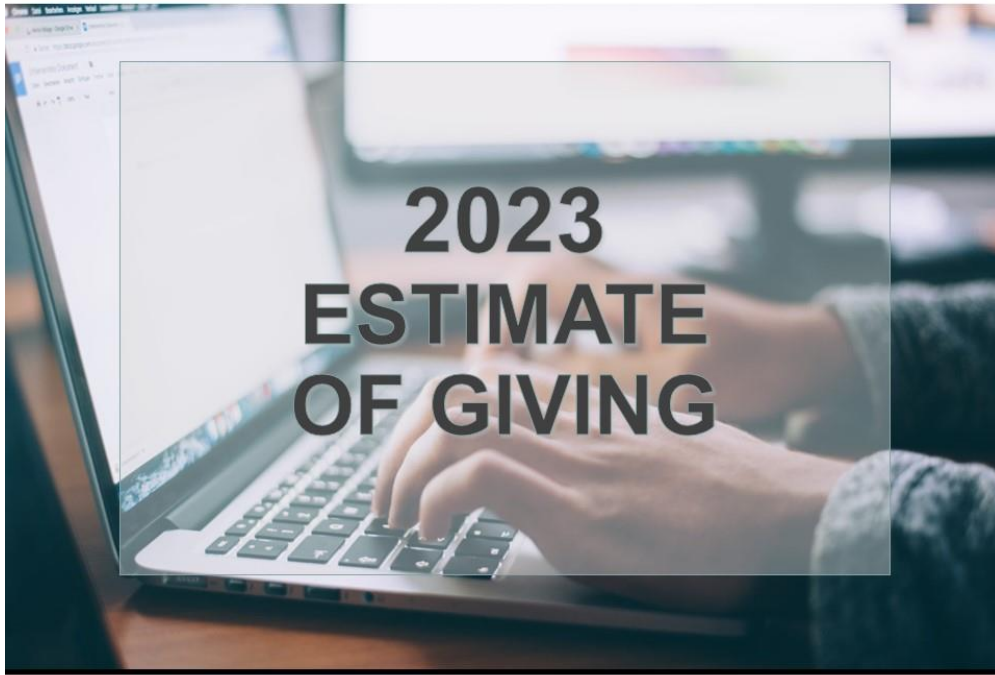


**On Sunday December 25th at 10:30am
we will be worshipping at Emanuel with a
Christmas lessons & carols service.**

We are looking for people to read the lessons. If you would like to help with this, please let Pastor Todd know.
Thank you.

Requesting 2023 Estimates of Giving

We have only received **22** so far.



Estimates of giving help us plan the budget for the coming year. Please take a moment to fill an estimate of given.

This can be done online at Emanuel's website:

www.emanuelww.org

(Click on "2023 GIVING FORM" under the "DONATE" menu item)

Or you can mail a paper copy of the estimate of giving form to the church office. A copy of the form is **attached** to the herald email.

If possible, please submit your 2023 estimate of giving by **Sunday December 18th**. Thank you.

**Do You
or someone You know**

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have T-Mobile as a cell phone provider?

If so, please let Pastor Todd know.

**He has a gift (gift card) he's hoping someone can
make use of this Christmas.**

pastor@emanuelww.org

Have You ever been to the New England Synod Assembly?



We are looking for two people to represent Emanuel at the New England Synod Assembly Friday June 9th and Saturday June 10th at the DCU Center in Worcester, MA.

Diane Gadoury and Kathy Plante attended last year's assembly. If you're interested or have questions, ask them or Pastor Todd.

Thank you.

After 25 years



the cost of memorial candles is going up.

**Starting in 2023 the cost of the memorial candle
will be \$20 per month.**

Good morning, just a reminder for the Herald. The cost of the memorial candle in the New Year has gone up to \$20 per month, the cost has been the same for the 25 years that I have been at Emanuel. The altar flowers for December 18th are in celebration of Kelley King given by Craig Mock. Thank you. Also, so sorry I couldn't substitute for Kym, I had plans for both Fridays.

Invitation to Help Plumbing repairs at church



Emanuel has just incurred **\$2,700** in some unplanned expenses for plumbing repairs at church.

This comes at a time when our regular church Offering contributions have dropped off.

If you can help, you can make a special contribution to help pay for some of these extra expenses.

You can make out a check, or give a donation in cash, via the offering envelopes located at in the church pews.

Please mark your check or envelope "*Plumbing repairs.*"
Thank you for any help which you are able to give.

**Could you use
...more belonging,
...more team work,
...more friendship,**



Considering joining Emanuel's council in 2023

**If you are interested or have questions, please
speak with Pastor Todd, President Ken Wieboldt, or
anyone on council. Thank you!**

Myron Gadoury, Bruce Johnson, Glenn Johnson, Elaine Marsh,
Ray Nunez, Pastor Todd Stange, Ken Wieboldt, Sue Wieboldt

Do you have Thrivent Choice Dollars?



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Thrivent Choice Dollars can be given to many organizations including Emanuel. Last year Emanuel received over \$1,500 in Thrivent Choice Dollars. These funds helped Emanuel's ministries. Thank you!

If you have Thrivent Choice dollars, you have to direct them, otherwise they are not given out.

To see if you have Thrivent Choice dollars and to direct them, go to:

- Online at www.Thrivent.com/thriventchoice.
- Phone: [800-847-4836](tel:800-847-4836) and say "Thrivent Choice" at the prompt. The Member Connection Center is open until 6 p.m. Central time, Monday – Friday.

On-line Worship at Emanuel Sundays at 10:30AM



What to Do - if You would Like to Come to On-line Worship

Just click on the Zoom link below on Sunday at 10:30AM:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/93690864460?pwd=CHZ5RVNsdnFYcDhhNVdMKzA2VEN1QT09>

You can also join us by phone by calling (929) 205-6099 and entering
Meeting ID: 936 9086 4460 and Password: 933328

A video of the service will be posted on Emanuel's website and
Facebook group page later in the day.

Offerings to Emanuel



Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who has been mailing in their offering or giving through Simply Giving and Givelify.

Offerings can be mailed to:

Emanuel Lutheran Church
9 New London Avenue
West Warwick, RI 02893

OR you can use either the Simply Giving program, which allows you to automate the giving of an offering from a checking account, or Givelify, which is online app that allows giving through a debit or credit card.

If you would like to find out more about either of these, please let Emanuel's Treasurer, Carol Johnson, or Pastor Todd know. Thank you.

You can give to Emanuel through Givelify by clicking on the DONATE button on Emanuel's website OR by clicking here: [Donate](#)

www.emanuelww.org

Christmas Eve Services at Emanuel



4PM – Service with Christmas Pageant

11PM – Late night candlelight service

Christmas Morning Sunday December 25th

Service of Lessons & Carols with Holy Communion

Just one service at 10:30AM

**Please keep these children of God
in your prayers this week:**

For Comfort & Healing: Kelly Schwab & David Cabral to find housing, Sarah Stearns & Pastor Chuck (friends of Laurie Phillips)

Worship Assistants

	<i>Serving December 18:</i>	<i>Serving December 25:</i>
Counter:	Glenn Johnson	Bob Maine, Mike Ricci & Mary Schabek
	8:00AM	
Lector	Kathy Garriott	
	10:30AM	10:30AM
Deacon:	Bruce Johnson	-
Acolyte:	Bryce Principe	-
Ushers	Donna Sennett & Mary Schabek	TBD
Lector:	Aubrie Suffoletto	Lessons & Carols
Coffee Hour	Cookie Exchange	-

December's Memorial Candle



The Memorial Candle for December is given in loving memory of **Douglas Auger** from his family.

This Week at Emanuel

Sunday, December 11 3rd Sunday of Advent	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Sunday school, Choir
	10:30am	Worship IN Person & Online
	11:30am	Coffee Hour
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Monday, December 12	10:00am	Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM)
	7:00pm	Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
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Tuesday, December 13	10:00am	Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM, Pastor's Office Hours 10AM – 2PM
	7:00pm	Scandinavian Women's Chorus
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Wednesday, December 14	10:00am	Ellie's Circle 10AM - 12PM (JH)
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Thursday, December 15	10:00am	Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
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Friday, December 16		
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Saturday, December 17		
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Sunday, December 18 4th Sunday of Advent	8:00am	Worship
	9:15am	Sunday school, Confirmation, Choir
	10:30am	Worship IN Person & Online
	11:30am	Coffee Hour
	12:30pm	Caroling

Next Week at Emanuel

Monday, December 19	10:00am	Deliveries to food pantry (10AM – 1PM)
	7:00pm	Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
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Tuesday, December 20	10:00am	Food Pantry 10AM - 12PM, Pastor's Office Hours 10AM – 2PM
	7:00pm	Scandinavian Women's Chorus
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Wednesday, December 21 Winter Solstice	10:00am	Ellie's Circle 10AM - 12PM (JH)
	7:00pm	Longest Night Service at Pilgrim Lutheran
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Thursday, December 22	10:00am	Al-Anon (Jacobs Hall)
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Friday, December 23		
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Saturday, December 24 Christmas Eve	4:00pm	Service with Christmas Pageant
	11:00pm	Late night candlelight service
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Sunday, December 25 Christmas	10:30am	Worship IN Person & Online
	11:30am	Coffee Hour

Upcoming Commemorations

Las Posadas (LLC)

Friday, December 16, 2022

This celebration, long popular in Mexico, takes its name from the "posadas," or lodgings, sought by Mary and Joseph in Bethlehem. Their search is reenacted in a neighborhood, unsuccessfully, until finally they are welcomed in, and a party commences.

Katharina von Bora Luther, renewer of the church, died 1552

Tuesday, December 20, 2022

Born to an impoverished nobleman, Katie eventually took vows as a nun, but around age twenty-four she and several other nuns who were influenced by the writings of Martin Luther left the convent. Six children were born to Katie and Martin.

Double click on link below to see Emanuel's online calendar:

[Emanuel's Online Calendar](#)

The calendar is on Emanuel's web site.