

Advent Four

Come, Lord Jesus- AS IMMANUEL



ST. JOHN'S & EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCHES

December 18th, 2022

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

We pray that you find comfort, peace, and motivation through God's Word today. In our worship bulletin, you will find an outline of **today's order of worship**. The entire service can be found in the hymnal, up on the screen on Sunday at St. John's and Emmanuel and livestreamed at

www.stjohnsmontello.org and also at St. John's in the Lower Level.

At St. John's, the **restrooms** are located in the link way, out the church entry way, to the left and down the stairs. At Emmanuel, they are located in the lower level, out the church entry way and to the right. You may also find a **nursery changing station** in the lower level of St. John's.

*"The virgin will conceive and give birth
to a son, and will call him Immanuel."
Isaiah 7:14*



TODAY'S THEME: Advent 4- Come, Lord Jesus-AS IMMANUEL!

ORDER OF SERVICE: Setting One, pp. 154-164, 171

HYMNS: 322, 327, 330

PSALM: Psalm 89: "Forever, I Will Sing"

SERMON: Isaiah 7:10-14 "Our Lord, Immanuel"

This time of year, it is so easy to get caught up in the beautiful trappings of Christmas and forget why this birth had to take place. Mankind fell into sin. Sin brings an awful burden. Hatred and oppression. Suffering and pain. Guilt and shame. The devastation of death. These are all natural consequences of sin. And what can we do about any of it? Nothing of substance. We can numb ourselves to pain, but we cannot avoid it. We can fill our life with distractions in an attempt to forget about our guilt. But our conscience is always nagging. And death... no one avoids that. Man can do nothing to shake off the burden of sin. Therefore, the Church prays that God would come in power to remove that burden for us. Since the Garden, there has been only one plan to do that: God would take on flesh and blood. To do what mankind could not do—remove all the burdens of sin—God became man. When you look into the manger, what do you see? A baby? Yes. But, more. That is Immanuel, "God-with-us." The Son of God became Mary's son, so that he could do for us what we could not do for ourselves.

LESSONS

Isaiah 7:10-14

¹⁰ Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, ¹¹ "Ask the LORD your God for a sign, whether in the deepest depths or in the highest heights."

¹² But Ahaz said, "I will not ask; I will not put the LORD to the test."

¹³ Then Isaiah said, "Hear now, you house of David! Is it not enough to try the patience of humans? Will you try the patience of my God also? ¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

Romans 1:1-7

Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God— ² the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures ³ regarding his Son, who as to his earthly life was a descendant of David, ⁴ and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the Son of God in power by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord. ⁵ Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith for his name's sake. ⁶ And you also are among those Gentiles who are called to belong to Jesus Christ. ⁷ To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be his holy people: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 1:23



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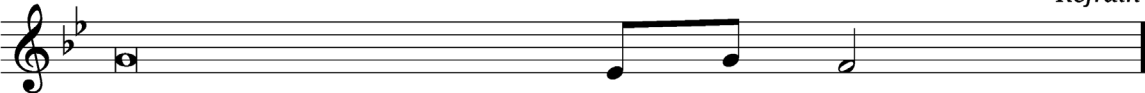
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Matthew 1:18-25

This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: ²³ "The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" (which means "God with us"). ²⁴ When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife. ²⁵ But he did not consummate their marriage until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus

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INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

- - For the sick and others facing trials, including: Gale "Blackie" Boyd, Darlene Burrough (Judy Fandrey's niece), Gene Crook, Florence Dahlke, Vicki Davis (Marilyn Riemer's sister), Reinold Eckelberg, Ken Elmer (Sally's husband), Earl Ewert, Judy Fandrey, Judy Freitag, Dan Finger, Donna Gatzke, Kelleen Gruzca (Judy Fandrey's daughter), Hunter Habersat (Judy Fandrey's grandson), Kim Hanko (Judy Fandrey's daughter), Jerry & Darlene Hunter (Bonnie Chapman's parents), John Kelm, Kris Kemp (Diane Hintz' daughter), Bob Klapper, Jeff Krueger (Diane Hintz's son), Thomas Marcelain (Dawn's son), Ciara Neuhauser, Steve Parrish, Melissa Prater, Karen Radke, Wanda Sellnow (Principal Larry Sellnow's mother), Carol & Tom Stempniak, Jennifer Strauss, Irvin "Toby" Stuckey, Michael Turner (Melanie Zuehls' relative), Betty & James Weber, Stacy Weisensel, Paul Weldon - (added this week:)

- For Mr. Joel Putz, currently serving at Immanuel--Manitowoc, called by the Lord at the 12/6 CALA meeting to serve as our middle grades teacher

-For Sound Doctrine

-For our Government

Announcements

This Week: December 18-24, 2022

Advent 4

Come Lord Jesus-As Immanuel

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School Christmas Service SJ
	11:00 a.m.	Jesus' Birthday Fellowship SJ Lower Level
	4:00 p.m.	CALA Christmas Service SJ
Monday	6:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Montello Care Center Devotion with Communion
Wednesday	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study "Book of Job" at St. John's
	2:15 p.m.	Public School Confirmation at St. John's
Thursday	6:00p.m.	NO Griefshare at St. John's
Friday	6:30 p.m.	Emmanuel Christmas Eve Worship
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	St. John's Christmas Eve Worship

Next Sunday: December 25, 2022

Theme: CHRISTMAS DAY "A Savior Born To Dwell Among Us"

8:00 a.m.	Christmas Day Service at Emmanuel with Communion
8:30 a.m.	No Adult Bible Study at St. John's
9:00 a.m.	No Adult Bible Study at Emmanuel
10:00 a.m.	Christmas Day Service at St. John's with Communion

Attendance

St. John's Emmanuel

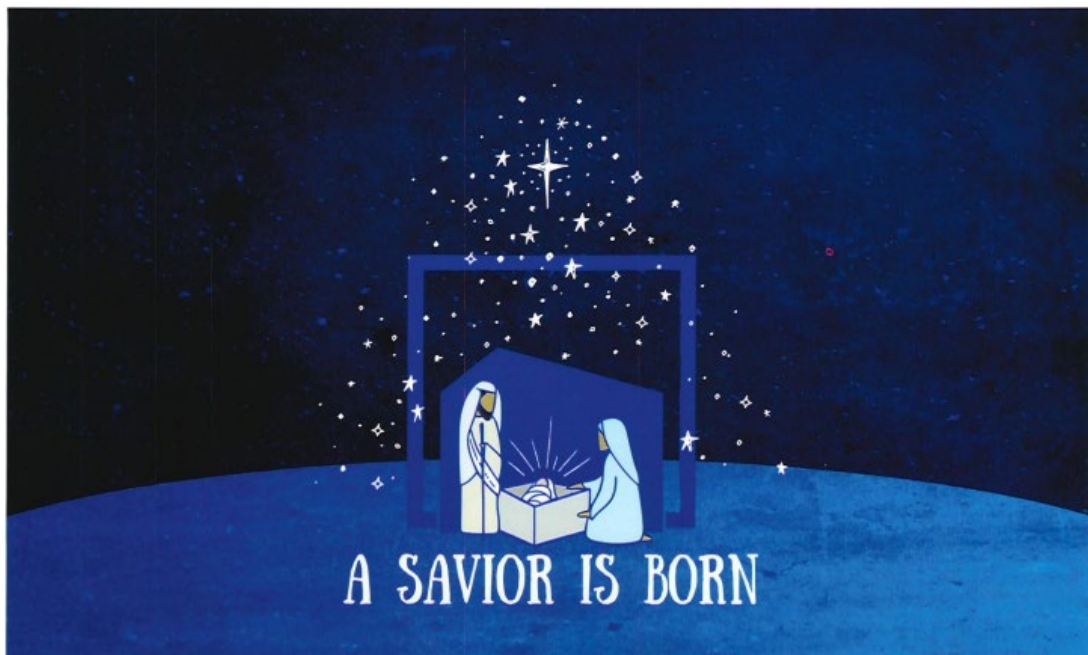
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**December Issue of
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FELLOWSHIP AND REFRESHMENTS after Emmanuel Christmas Eve Service on Friday, December 23 at 6:30 p.m. Members and guests are all invited to join us in the Parish Hall. If you have extra cookies bring a plate to share.

St. Johns Montello is looking to hire an aide for the Little Lambs classroom and Eagles Nest wrap around care! Hours would be 12:00-6:00p.m. on a Monday thru Friday basis. The after-care hours may vary from day to day but would never go past 6:00 p.m. Duties would include managing nap time, playtime, snack time, cleanup, and doing activities with the children. This position does involve the ability to work from the floor. Base pay will be based upon qualifications. Please call Barb Stelter or the school office (608-297-2866) to setup an interview. We look forward to our continued ministry with our Little Lambs!



Sunday: Emmanuel 8:00 a.m. and St. John's 10:00 a.m.

Saturday: St. John's 4:30 p.m.

See our special Christmas Service schedule below.

God bless you this Christmas season!



Come, Lord Jesus!

St. John's

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Emmanuel

W1568 Evergreen Lane

Mecan Twp. WI

(4 miles east of town)

Wed. 11/30	3:30 p.m.	Advent Devotion at Emmanuel
	6:30 p.m.	Advent Devotion at St. John's
Wed. 12/7	3:30 p.m.	Advent Devotion at Emmanuel
	6:30 p.m.	Advent Devotion at St. John's
Sun 12/11	3:00 p.m.	Christmas Piano Recital at St. John's
Wed. 12/14	3:30 p.m.	Advent Devotion at Emmanuel
	6:30 p.m.	Advent Devotion at St. John's
Sat. 12/17	11 a.m.	Little Lambs Christmas Service at St. John's
Sun 12/18	10 :00 a.m.	Sunday School Christmas Service at St. John's
	4:00 p.m.	CALA Christmas Service at St. John's
Fri. 12/23	6:30 p.m.	Christmas Service at Emmanuel
Sat 12/24	4:30 p.m.	Christmas Eve Worship Service at St. John's
Sun 12/25	8:00 a.m.	Christmas Day Worship Service at Emmanuel
	10:00 a.m.	Christmas Day Worship Service at St. John's

THE KIDS AT CALA NEED YOUR HELP

If you have any empty plastic coffee
Containers or similar items, CALA can use
Them for the kids to make drums
For the “Little Drummer Boy” skit
For their Christmas Party.
Please drop them off at the office
In Montello or Princeton.
Please drop them off by Wednesday
December 21. Thank you!

FREE Christmas trees for anyone interested.

Call or text Mark Emond 608-697-1600

Leave a message and he will return your call.



Happy Birthday,
Jesus!

YOU ARE INVITED TO JESUS' BIRTHDAY CAKE & ICE CREAM FELLOWSHIP following the 10 a.m. St. John's Sunday School Christmas service on Sunday, December 18. The service theme is "Happy Birthday, Jesus," so help us continue the celebration in the lower level. Freewill offering will go to the Sunday School's Kids C.A.R.E. mission project, Mi Amigo Jesus--Hispanic Family Outreach.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY,
Jesus!

SPECIAL NOTE

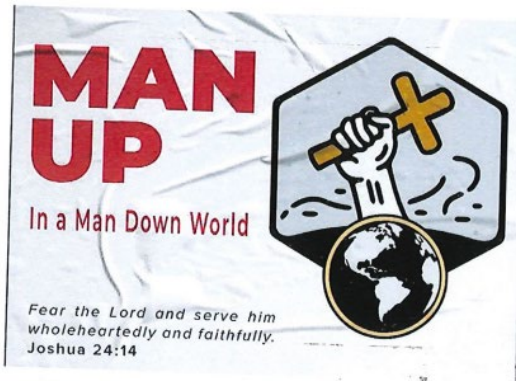
Some books were dropped off by the office for the book drive, unfortunately after the due date. Whoever dropped them off, please contact LuAnn Zieman (608)297-2422 if you still want them donated. Thank you.

MEN OF HIS WORD CONFERENCE

If any gentlemen plan on going to the conference on Saturday February 18th, and would possibly like to carpool, contact Matthew Kath in the Church office at 608-297-2866 or 608-494-0167 or

scsecretary@stjohnsmontello.org

Thank you.



The Fourteenth Annual Men of His Word Conference

Keynote: Pastor Dan Solofra

"MAN UP: in a man down world"

Worship Band: Koine'

16 Challenging Breakout Sessions

Saturday, February 18, 2023

Best Western Premier Waterfront

Convention Center – Oshkosh, WI

Register at: www.menofhisword.org

Ushers schedule (St. John's):

Christmas Day 12/25/22: Jerre Duerr, Joe Zauner, Sr., Joe Zauner, Jr., Gordon Kruase, Kevin Kaul, Corey Kaul, Joe Zauner, Nathan Zauner

New Year's Day 1/1/23: Ben Jaster, Jacob Jaster, Matt Neuhauser, Jeff Reimer, Mark Emond, Ethen Neuhauser

Sunday 1/8/23: Jon Vote, Glen Bubolz, Martin Schmanke, Joe Vote

Sunday 1/15/23: James Wachholz, Zeb Zuehls, Thomas Wojtalewicz, Kenny Wojtalewicz, Chuck Boetcher, Jesse Schable

Ladies Aid Meeting:

The January 2023 Ladies Aid Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 5th. The meeting starts at noon.

THE NEWSLETTER IS COMING BACK!!

Beginning in January, I am going to start back up the monthly newsletter. If there is information, news, etc., you would like to have in the newsletter, please email me by no later than the 25th of each month for the next month's edition, and I am planning on having them emailed or mailed by the 1st of the month (beginning with February's edition to coincide with Lent). If you would like a copy emailed to you as a PDF, email me to sign up. If you would like a hard copy mailed to you, please let me know (and provide the address), and please provide a donation to help cover the costs. I am looking forward to providing a newsletter!

Please contact me at church, or in the church office.

Matthew Kath.

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GRIEFSHARE

GriefShare sessions are being offered in Montello, Princeton, and Green Lake. All sessions will begin at 6:00pm.

Montello: Thursdays

Green Lake: Mondays

Special note: There will be Griefshare sessions at St. John's on Dec. 8 & 15, then will take a break until Jan. 12th. In Princeton, they will resume Tues. Jan 10th, and in Green Lake on Mon., Jan. 9th, and Montello Thurs. Jan. 12th.

Any questions, please call or text **Mark Emond 608-697-1600.**

BULLETIN INFORMATION: If there is anything you wish to have in the bulletin, please have it to me by no later than noon on Friday. You can call me at 608-297-2866 or 608-494-0167 or email me at scsecretary@stjohnsmontello.org

Help us stay in touch!

Scan the code below using your smartphone camera and fill out the prompted information. Don't have a smartphone? That's ok! Fill out an attendance card located at the end of each pew and place it in the offering plate located at the entry of each church.



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