

Sunday, December 9, 2018

Second Sunday in Advent

Serve the Lord with gladness: come before Him
with singing. Enter His gates with thanksgiving,
and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him;
bless His name. Psalm 100:2,4

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Cantata Choir- "Night of Miracles"

Hymn #2 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Opening Prayer/Confession of Sin

Worship in Spirit and Truth

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 40:9-11 John 10:11-18

Apostles' Creed

Reception of New Members:

Jerry Allen, Steven & Angie Lombardo, Kristen Mathre,
Gary, Vicki, Kaitlyn, Andrew, & Rebekah Maxwell, Jeff &
Lori Weigerding, and Rick & Cynthia Younce

Worship by Giving

Giving of our Tithes & Offerings

Pastoral Prayer

Doxology

Praise Choruses

Worship by Hearing and Responding

Message: "The First Christmas Rush" Luke 2:16

Benediction

Hymn #22 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

**Helmar Happenings
For the Week of
December 10th**

Today 7:00pm Cantata

Mon. 7:00pm Open Basketball

Tues. 6:30pm Deacon's Mtg.

7:00pm Trustee's Mtg.

7:00pm Bells Practice

8:00pm Council Mtg.

Wed. 7:00pm Advent Service

(Jr. & Sr. High invited to attend Advent Service)

7:00pm BLAST

6:30-6:55 & 8-9pm Open Gym

Thurs. 6:00pm Faith Circle at Linda Hanback's home

Fri. 9am WeeCare

9am Ladies Prayer Hour

5-7pm Food Pantry

Sat. 8:00am Men's Bible Study

9-11am Christmas Program practice

Sun: 8:30am Fellowship Time

9:00am Sunday School

10:00am Worship in FLC with Sunday School
and WeeCare Programs

Nursery: Laurie Chally & Kynsey Cryder

Following the conclusion of the service, all those in need of
prayer for any reason, are invited to the front of the
sanctuary. Prayer partners will be there to pray with you.



The “**Corinne Mathre Memorial Cantata**”, “Night of Miracles”, will be tonight at 7pm. There will be a time of fellowship in the basement following the program.



Next Sunday will be the last day to purchase Christmas poinsettias. They are \$8 each (make checks payable to Newark High School). Please give checks or cash to Sheila Marie Urton. Please indicate if you would like them in memory or honor of someone.

If you have questions, contact Sheila Marie at 815-617-2917.

Announcements

- ◆ **Sunday, December 16th-** Worship will be in the FLC along with the S.S. and WeeCare Christmas Programs.
- ◆ **2019 Calendars** are available by the mailboxes by Pastor’s office.
- ◆ **Check the bulletin board** in the narthex for a job opportunity. The YMCA Before & After School program Newark is looking for help in Newark.
- ◆ **Christmas Books & DVD’s** have been placed in the bookcases in the FLC and near the nursery. Feel free to check one out! We also have a two new DVD’s donated, “I Can Only Imagine” and “Paul, Apostle of Christ”.

Missionary Fund

Receipts:	Jan-Nov.	\$57,585.00
Payments :	Jan-Nov.	(\$61,875.00)
Shortfall YTD		(\$4,290.00)

Helmar Lutheran Church

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*Standing on the Word of God,
 Lifting Up Jesus Christ, Ministering to One Another*

Helmar exists to be a:
 Soul-Winning, Disciple-Making, Burden-Bearing Church

Preaching Pastor- Steven Lombardo

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Family & Youth Ministry Director- Gary Maxwell

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Sue Johnson, Secretary Cell Phone 630-688-7906

Announcements

- ◆ **Our Announcement email list is the best way to hear about last minute cancellations due to the weather.** Be sure to let Sue know if you’d like to be on the list. We also have a Prayer Chain and Newsletter email. Anyone can be added, just let Sue (in the office) know.
- ◆ **Faith Circle** date and time change! Faith Circle will meet this Thursday, December 13th at 6pm at the home of Linda Hanback in Yorkville. Please bring a salad or dessert, the main dish will be provided.
- ◆ **Advent Devotionals**, written by our high school youth group & Wednesday morning Newark Bible Study group are available in the narthex. Pick yours up today!
- ◆ **2019 DWWC Committee** sign up sheets are in the FLC lobby. Everyone is busy, but being on at least one task will in return be a blessing back to you. We can all be willing workers in the church. You do not need to be a church member to participate- **JUST (Do What We Can)!!**

Spiritual Discipline Sheet

Hide God's Word in your Heart

"And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth." John 1:14

Pray for: All men and women serving our country and specifically those from our congregation: Jeff and Terry.

Pray for: Our missionaries & other concerns of the church.

- Ray & Ruthann Gorrell in Texas
- David & Marivel Hiller in Bolivia
- Pregnancy Information Center
- Our nation's leaders

Welcome To Helmar Church Guest Information

First & Last Name _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

Email Address _____

I wish to be contacted:

- By Phone By Email
 By Personal Visit No Thank You

***Please tear off and place in offering plate. Thank you!**



...those who are sick, shut in or have other special needs, that the Lord's comfort and healing would be evident.

Clyde Borneman- health
Leonard & Leora Chally – health
Dave Chelsen- cancer
Bess Christian- health
Bob Christian- recovering from foot surgery
Don Funte- health
Jim Hagen Family
John- Alzheimers
Justin & Rebecca Leggett- health
Jim Leifheit – cancer
Virginia Mathre- continued rehab at home
Jon McKanna- health
Karl Michaelson- home with continued rehab
Emily Nash- cancer
Norma- cancer
Jackie Osmond – cancer
Laverne Spera- home healing from fall
Kelly Stanton – lyme disease
Natasha Stratizer- lyme disease
Brent Urton-health
Maxine Varness- health

(Please contact the office to add or remove someone to our list to help it stay current. Thank you.)

Pray for: Our Shut-ins.

Audrey Hodney- Bickford, Aurora
Elizabeth Johnson – home
Beryl McKanna- home
Lois Stangland- living with daughter in Sugar Grove
Doris Stevenson- Penny Lane Apts., Yorkville
Naomi Vatland- home

Your Name (Christmas Version)

by Glenn Packiam, Paul Baloche

Humbly to the earth You came
Born into this world to save
God with us Emmanuel
Now we adore Your Name

Chorus

Your Name is a strong and mighty tower
Your Name is a shelter like no other
Your Name let the nations sing it louder
For nothing has the power to save
But Your Name

Jesus in Your Name we pray
Come and fill our hearts today
Lord give us strength to live for You
And glorify Your Name

Chorus Twice

Ending

God with us Emmanuel
God with us Emmanuel
God with us Emmanuel
Now we adore Your Name

Emmanuel (Hallowed Manger Ground)

By Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash

What hope we hold this starlit night
A King is born in Bethlehem
Our journey long we seek the light
That leads to the hallowed manger ground

What fear we felt in the silent age
Four-hundred years can He be found
But broken by a baby's cry
Rejoice in the hallowed manger ground

Chorus

Emmanuel Emmanuel
God incarnate here to dwell
Emmanuel Emmanuel
Praise His name Emmanuel

The Son of God here born to bleed
A crown of thorns would pierce His brow
And we beheld this offering
Praise God for the hallowed manger ground

Chorus Twice

Tag

Praise His name Emmanuel



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