

December 2023



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Consider giving an alternative gift this year and donating in honor of someone as your gift to them! Check out our Alternative Gift Giving Fair on December 3, 10 & 17.

3 2nd Sunday of Advent 9:00 Worship 10:15 SS & Confirmation 10:15 Adult Choir Practice 11:00 Tri Church Confirmation at St. Paul Phone-In Worship 1-888-975-5536	4 6:00 Men's Group at St. John's	5 9:00 Community Clergy at Open Door Church in Sterling	6 9:00 Quilting 11:45 BBT at Benny's 2511 Locust St., Sterling 4:00 Worship	7 12:00 Pastor on Moses Project Zoom 5:00 Praise Team Practice 6:00 Bell Choir plays at Morningside of Sterling	8  Thanks be to God for the Bell Choir, Choir, and Praise Team!	9  Remember Our Homebound
10 3rd Sunday in Advent 7:45 Adult Choir Practice 9:00 Worship 10:15 SS & Confirmation 3:00 Worship at Parkway Ctr. Phone-In Worship 1-888-975-5536	11  REMEMBER OUR MILITARY THIS CHRISTMAS	12 9:30 Morningside Worship	13 Council Agenda Reports Due 9:00 Quilting 9:00 Conference Clergy at Immanuel Lutheran in Compton, IL 4:00 Worship	14 	15 Pastor is off.	16 10:00 SS Christmas Program Practice
17 4th Sunday in Advent 8:30 S.S. Get ready for Christmas Program 9:00 SS Children & Youth Christmas Worship Special Coffee Hour 10:30 6-12 Graders Pizza & Whoop Your Axe Phone-In Worship 1-888-975-5536	18 6:30 Council Mtg. Exec. Team Mtg.	19 9:00 WELCA Bible Study 	20 9:00 Quilting 4:00 Worship Christmas Potluck to follow	21 Winter Begins 6:00 Community Longest Night (Blue Christmas) Service at First Presbyterian 410 2nd Ave. Sterling	22 Messenger Mailed Pastor is off. 6:00 NAMI Connection Recovery Group 6:00 PADS Meal	23 
24 Christmas Eve 9:00 Christmas Eve Worship 4:00 Christmas Eve Worship 11:00 Christmas Eve Worship Phone-In Worship 1-888-975-5536	25 Christmas Day Office Closed 	26 	27 9:00 Quilting 4:00 Service of the Word Worship led by Ronda Borgmann	28 	29 Team Leaders: Please start to get your reports ready for the annual report. Deadline is January 8th.	30
31 New Year's Eve 9:00 Worship 10:15 Worship Planning Mtg Phone-In Worship 1-888-975-5536	Pastor Bree is off & on vacation from Dec. 25-30. For emergency pastoral care call the church office at 815-625-3575. Our Noisy Offering throughout December supports the Loaves & Fishes Breakfast Program! Thank you for giving as you are able!					



Congratulations to Alex Attig & Ethan Moeller who Affirmed their Baptism through the Rite of Confirmation on October 29th!



Altar Guild

Dec. 2 - Dec. 8 Sheryl Wagner
 Dec. 9 - Dec. 15 Linda Wolber
 Dec. 16 - Dec. 22 Sally Schumaker
 Dec. 23 - Dec. 29 Lisa, Sharon

Ushers for December

Paul Hackbarth, **Need Volunteers**

Greeter

Joyce Kereven

Door Manager

Jerry Adams

Readers

Dec. 3 Betty Clementz
 Dec. 10 Shirley Attig
 Dec. 17 Immanuel Youth
 Dec. 24 9 am Bill Wescott
 4 pm Ashleigh Sandrock
 11 pm Stacey Hackbarth
 Dec. 31 Ronda Borgmann

Acolytes

Dec. 3 Tenley Schumaker
 Dec. 10 Mya Nanninga
 Dec. 17 Abby Wright
 Dec. 24 9 am **Need Volunteer**
 4 pm Jack Sandrock
 11 pm **Need Volunteer**
 Dec. 31 **Need Volunteer**

Communion Assistants

Dec. 3 Bill Wescott, Sheryl Wagner, Mary Foscitt
 Dec. 10 Bill W., Betty C., Deb K.
 Dec. 17 Immanuel Youth
 Dec. 24 9:00 am Bill W., Terry A., Bonnie C.
 Dec. 24 4:00 pm Luke S., Nolan S,
 Dec. 24 11:00 pm Scott A., Stacey & Molly H.
 Dec. 31 Ronda B., Bonnie C., Sheryl W.

Sound

Dec. 3 Eli Attig
 Dec. 10 Adrian Johnson
 Dec. 17 Brendon Dravis
 Dec. 24 9 am **Need Volunteer**
 4 pm **Need Volunteer**
 11 pm Kayla Hackbarth

Advent Wreath Lighters

Dec. 3 Karen Goss & Remi
 Dec. 10 Dirks Family
 Dec. 17 Angie James Family
 Dec. 24 9:00 am Bonnie Cassens
 4:00 pm Wright Family
 11:00 pm Attig Family

**Thank you
 for helping
 the people
 of Immanuel
 worship God!**

**CELEBRATE
Emmanuel
 -God with us-
 this Christmas!**