



# IMMANUEL

**Broken & Loved, Saved by Jesus, Freed to Live**



When it comes to figures from scripture, no one makes an entrance quite like John the Baptist. From his opening line, everything he says can't help but capture the attention of the listener. Repent! The kingdom of heaven has come near! John the Baptist does not parse words. God's will coming to fruition is not necessarily comfortable. God's justice coming to light in Christ should disrupt us and make us pay attention. In this second week of Advent, may God interrupt your routine in holy and fruitful ways.

**PASTOR ANDREW**



**Week of  
December 7, 2025**

## **TODAY**

8:20 Choir Rehearsal  
9:00 In-Person Worship  
10:10 Bible Study Group Chat

## **MONDAY**

1:00 Quilting

## **TUESDAY**

3:00 WAMM

## **WEDNESDAY**

3:30 Faith Adventures & Confirmation  
5:00 Soup and Bread Supper  
6:00 Advent Holden Prayer Service

## **THURSDAY**

2:00 Budget Planning (@Parish house)

## **FRIDAY**

8:30 Cookie baking/Lefse making  
Pastor out of the office

## **SATURDAY**

7:30 Cookie Walk Prep  
9:00 Cookie Walk  
9:30-11:00 Christmas Program Practice

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

8:20 Choir Rehearsal  
9:00 In-Person Worship & Children's  
Christmas Program  
10:00 Breakfast (Youth fund raiser)  
10:10 Bible Study Group Chat

## **Gingerbread House Decorating Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup> 10 - Noon**



**Jesus is the  
reason for  
the season**



**Come join us for this fun and free activity. Each family will have the opportunity to decorate a gingerbread house to take home and enjoy for the holidays. We will supply all the items.**

**We will also be decorating gingerbread pieces for our gingerbread nativity scene. We will have the gingerbread nativity scene displayed at church for all to remember that Jesus is the reason for the season.**



**Hot Cocoa and cookies will be provided.**

## **Youth Christmas Program**

**Come join us**

**Sunday, December 14th at 9 AM.**

**Breakfast to follow**



**Join us this Wednesday evening for  
Soup & Bread Supper at 5, followed  
by our Advent Holden Evening  
Prayer Service.**

# Christmas Cookie Walk

\$8.00 Per Pound

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SATURDAY  
DECEMBER 13, 2025

9:00 AM - Until SOLD OUT



Assortment of:  
Christmas Cookies, Candies,  
Breads, Lefse and Rosettes



Don't forget to check out the Special Craft Table  
for the perfect Christmas gift!

Feel free to bring  
a nativity scene  
to decorate the  
window sills in  
the sanctuary.



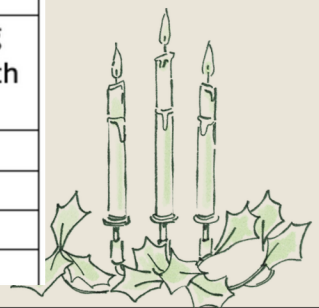
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Christmas Eve service  
can be brought in  
starting Dec 21<sup>st</sup>.

Thank you!



## ~ MARK YOUR CALENDARS ~

Wed, Dec 10	5:00 PM	Soup & Bread Supper
Wed, Dec 10	6:00 PM	Advent Service
Fri, Dec 12	8:30 AM-?	Cookie baking and lefse making
Sat, Dec 13	9 AM-Gone	Cookie Walk (prep at 7:30 AM)
Sat, Dec 13	9:30-11AM	Children's Christmas Program Practice
Sun, Dec 14	9 AM	Children's Christmas Program during worship, followed by a breakfast youth fund raiser
Wed, Dec 17	4:30 PM	Youth led Advent service
Wed, Dec 17	5 PM	Soup & Bread Supper
Wed, Dec 17	6 PM	Advent Service
Wed, Dec 24	4:30 PM	Christmas Eve Service



### Birds in the Sanctuary



You may have noticed that there are white birds floating above our heads in the sanctuary. We made them for Pentecost to remind us that the Holy Spirit brought and still brings us inspiration.

For the season of Trinity (all summer) is green so instead of taking down the birds we were "inspired" to give them greenery and glitter.

Advent has arrived so now they are carrying the beautiful blueness of This season. We enjoy their presence and seeing how they quietly move when we gather TOGETHER, like a flock ourselves, in wonder and gratitude.



## Financial Update

Weekly Income: \$3,091  
Month to Date:

### ~ Actuals ~

#### October

Income: \$22,549  
Expenses: \$14,741

#### January - October

Income: \$146,301  
Expenses: \$149,225

## PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Brian	Rhiannon Bondhus
Caiden	Sue Church
Damon	Jolene Philips
Tracy	Jodie Schmoker

## PRAYERS FOR CARE CENTER FRIENDS

Carol

## PRAYERS FOR PEACE, COMFORT & STRENGTH

The family of Debby Woosley  
(Sister of Stuffy Stephens)

***We're here to pray with you.***  
***Call Pastor Andrew 715-309-9640***

# MERRY CHICK- MAS



Chicks  
\$10

## ELCA

### Good Gifts

[www.elca.org/goodgifts](http://www.elca.org/goodgifts)

Select an ornament packet with an amount you want to give (only pay for one of the 2 ornaments.)

To pay, you can either:

- Place your money/check in the box with a sticky note to indicate your gift option and we will send it in
- Go to the website [elca.org/goodgifts](http://elca.org/goodgifts) to select and donate there

Use a clothes pin to hang one of the ornaments on the window ribbon in the narthex for us to celebrate the gift

The ornaments display is in the narthex near the base of the stairs leading to the sanctuary.

Hang the other ornament on your tree or give the ornament to someone.

Thank you for sharing the love of Jesus with those in need!

THANK  
YOU



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