

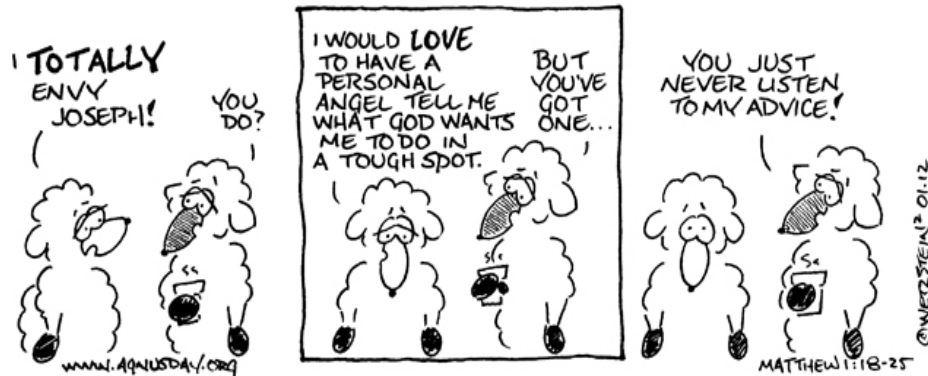
Statistics

December 15 Attendance.....57
December 15 Offering.....\$1,581.00

Those Assisting Us Today

ElderRoy Whitehouse
Altar GuildDebbie Lammle and Shirley Sprau
OrganistAlicia Haggin
AcolyteKenzie Delaney
Lay Reader.....Barb Gaines

Agnus Day



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For December 29 Bulletin announcements: **Noon on Monday, December 23**

For January 5 Bulletin announcements: **Noon on Monday, December 30**

For January 2014 Newsletter articles: **Noon on Monday, December 30**

You may contact me by email at SecretaryOsmanLutheran@frontier.com
or by phone at 309-828-5883. Thank you! Linda

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OSMAN

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 22, 2013 at 9:30 a.m.



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Welcome in Jesus' Name

We are pleased to have you with us and hope that you are enriched today in the fellowship of the Word. May the Lord bless you in the days ahead! If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book at the back of the church or complete a visitor card found in each pew.

The "Responsive Reading" for the "Lighting of the Advent Wreath" is taken from the great "O" Antiphons which were typically said in the church in ages past at daily worship services on December 17 through December 23. These "O" Antiphons are the inspiration for the hymn, "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel."

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The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Responsive Reading

P: O Key of David and scepter of the house of Israel,

C: You open and no one can close,

P: You close and no one can open:

**C: Come and rescue the prisoners who are in darkness
and the shadow of death.**

Response: Emmanuel (Choir)

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Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 7:10-17

A. This is the Word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

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A. This is the Word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

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Let Us Pray...

...for our members who are homebound:

Leona Albin, Alma Hassebrock, Carolyn Heinze,

Carol Martinie, Marge Morrissey and Paul Zimmerman.

...for God's healing hand that has touched the lives of those who have been ill recently;

...for Curt Nelson as he recovers from surgery;

...for Marty Callison for healing after a back injury;

...for Brad Hoyt as he recovers from surgery;

...for Austin Miller for healing;

...for those in need of the Lord's care and mercy, of whom we do not know at this hour;

...for our members and friends who are in the service of our country;

...All the people in the Gifford and Washington areas that were hit by the tornadoes;

...the Texas District;

...and for Osman's mission project for December - Mahomet School's program for needy children.

Announcements

The Eternal Flame is being sponsored during the month of December by Barb and John Gercken. We thank them for their donation.

Choir Practice! There will be a short choir practice after church this morning (December 22) to prepare for Christmas Eve.

Please join us for our annual Christmas Eve Children's Program on Christmas Eve at 7:00 p.m. Be sure to invite extended family and friends to come celebrate the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ! The children have been excitedly preparing for our annual Christmas Eve Children's Program to share the good news of Jesus' birth with you. Thanks so much to all the children from our youngest to high school for their help in the program. A special thanks goes to our Sunday School teachers and Alicia, our organist—your help is very much appreciated! I owe a huge thank you to Beth Bidner and Annette Warsaw for their assistance in all aspects of the program—I couldn't have done it without you!!! Children in the program are Will Delaney, Mitchell Gallier, Tyler Duncan, Jack Gallier, Addison Warsaw, Melia Warsaw, Megan Bidner, Jenna Clemmons, Reese Gallier, and high school students Jordan Bidner, Hannah Duncan, Cheyenne Zimmerman, Courtney Delaney and Mackenzie Delaney. Nikki Gallier

Treat Sacks! Donations for the goodies that will be put in the Christmas Eve treat sacks can be given to Roy Whitehouse, the elder on duty in December. The treat bags will be assembled on Tuesday, December 24th at 9 AM. All are welcome to help!

Thank you to Marsha and Steve Warsaw for donating the beautiful Douglas Fir Christmas tree in the church.

Thank you to Butch Sprau and Steve Warsaw for selecting, delivering, and setting up the Christmas tree.

Thank you to the members who donated their time to decorate the church and hall for Christmas. Many hands make the job easier!

Quarterly Voters Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 12, after the regular worship service. If you are a voting member, please attend this meeting to discuss some major projects for the church building and also to elect new council members. A potluck will follow the meeting.

Thank you to the ladies from our congregation who volunteered in Gifford for the tornado relief. Deb Lammle, Shirley Sprau, Connie Warsaw, Annette Warsaw, Terri Hooker, and Brenda Hendricks donated a few hours doing a variety of tasks. According to the local news, they are still in need of food donations. Keep them in your prayers especially during this holiday season.

Volunteers needed! The people who were effected by the tornado in Gifford are still in need of help. If you have any extra time, you can volunteer by call the Volunteer Emergency Number at 217-568-7411. There are indoor jobs organizing food, doing dishes and manning telephone lines and outside jobs picking up debris.