

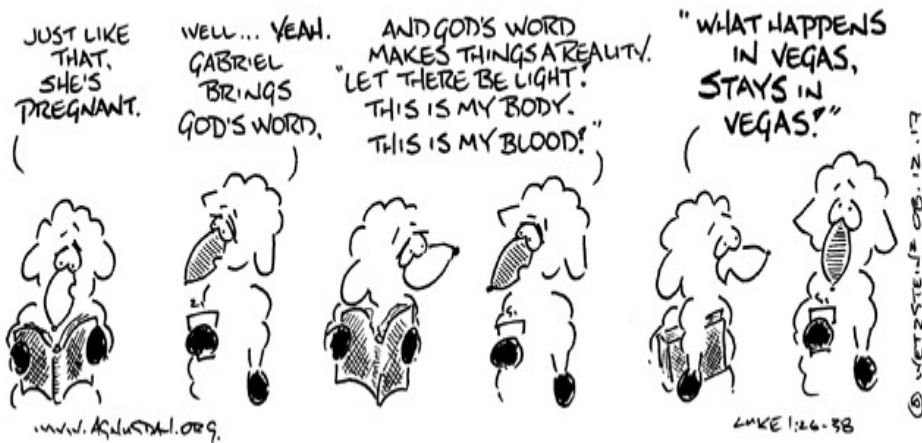
Statistics

December 17 Attendance 75
December 17 Offering \$2,300.00

Those Assisting Us Today

Elder Don Warsaw
Altar Guild Deb Lammle and Shirley Sprau
Organist Alicia Haggin
Lay Reader Marvin Clemmons

Agnus Day



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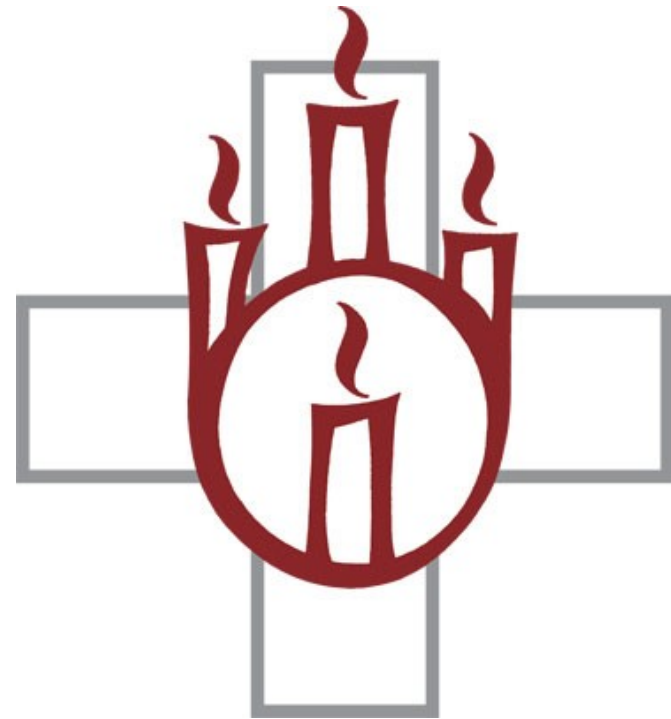
If you have announcements for the weekly Bulletin, please forward those to Linda Warsaw by **NOON on Wednesdays**. You may contact her by email at secretary@osmanlutheran.org or by phone at **309-828-5883**. Thank you!

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OSMAN

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 24, 2017 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.

DIVINE SERVICE, Setting Three

OPENING HYMN, "The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came" 356

Confession and Absolution (page 184)
Introit
Kyrie (page 186)
Salutation and Collect of the Day (page 189)
The Lighting of the Advent Wreath (Isaiah 9:2-7)

HYMN RESPONSE, "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" 357:6

Old Testament Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-11,16

A: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual (Insert)

Epistle: Romans 16:25-27

A: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse (page 190)

Holy Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

A: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed (page 192)

Chapel Talk

Catechism: Confession and Absolution (page 326)

HYMN OF THE DAY, "A Great and Mighty Wonder" 383

Sermon
Offertory (page 192)
The Offering
Offering Hymn, "Jesus, Name Above All Names" Choir
Prayer of the Church (page 193)
The Lord's Prayer (page 196)
Collect, Salutation and Benedicamus (page 201)
Benediction (page 202)

CLOSING HYMN, "O Sing of Christ" 362

Let Us Pray...

...for our members who are homebound: **Phyllis Burnett, Marge Morrissey, and Johanne Bloch**

...for thanksgiving and praise for our blessings;
...for God's healing hand for those who have been ill;
...for Kathy Brendel for healing and strength;
...for Jodi Burgess for healing and strength;
...for Steve Martin for healing and strength following surgery;
...for Esther Lutz for healing and strength;
...for Pastor Peter Kolb and family, LCMS Missionary;
...for those in need of God's mercy and care;
...and for the Texas District.

Announcements

The Eternal Flame is being sponsored during the month of December by Harry Henriksen in memory of his late wife Jeannine whom he met on New Year's Eve.

Tonight the Children's Christmas Eve service will begin at 7pm. May all be reminded of the reason for the season — celebrating the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

A special thanks to Barb Gaines, Bill McCleary, and John Lammle for decorating the church last Saturday.

A special thanks to the youth and their parents for sponsoring the Christmas Breakfast last Sunday, and for everyone who attended and generously gave to the free will offering.

Special thanks are extended to everyone who participated in the Festival of Trees. Those who brought a decorated tree included Annette and Jeff Warsaw, Bob and Diana Zimmerman, Darryl Redding, Debbie and John Lammle, Sue and Jim VanWakeman, and Theresa VanWakeman Wilson. The prize for the "Best Decorated Tree" went to John Lammle for his tractor tree. The youth sponsored tree was purchased by Butch and Shirley Sprau. Thanks to everyone for their support of our youth!

Getting Dressed: What should I wear? Does this look OK? We've all had those questions whether it's for a routine day or a special occasion. *Colossians 3: 12-13* tells us to put on holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Put on forgiveness and be thankful. So when we dress for that special gathering, put on these gifts provided by God.

Oscar Romero on Advent: No one can celebrate a genuine Christmas without being truly poor. The self-sufficient, the proud, those who, because they have everything, look down on others, those who have no need of God — for them there will be no Christmas. Only the poor, the hungry, those who need someone to come on their behalf, will have that someone. That someone is God, Emmanuel, God-with-us. Without poverty of spirit there can be no abundance of God.

Archbishop Oscar Romero

Homily on Christmas Eve, 1978.

Additional Announcements

Thanks to everyone who donated a Christmas poinsettia for tonight's service.

A special dedication of the outside ramp will be held on December 31st during our church service.