

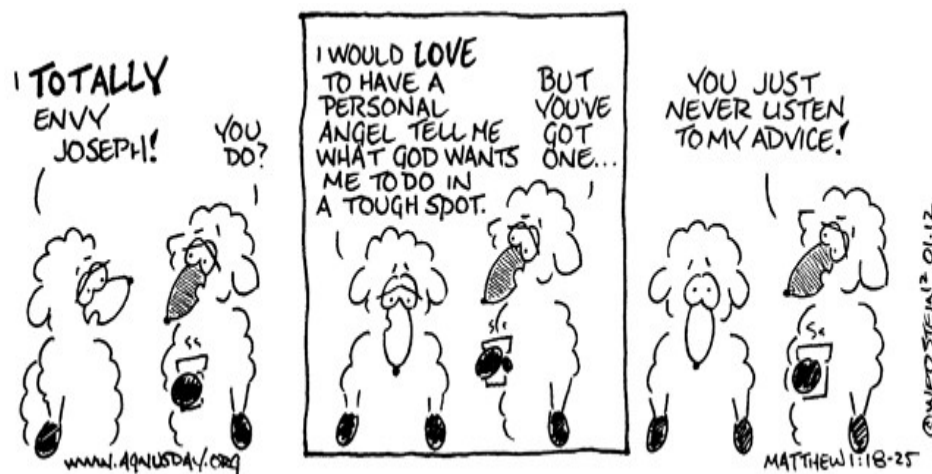
Statistics

December 4 Attendance	22
December 4 Offering	\$199.18
December 8 Attendance	59
December 8 Offering	\$1,862.94
December 15 Attendance	82
December 15 Offering	\$1,233.27

Those Assisting Us Today

Elder	Donald Warsaw
Altar Guild	Debbie Lammle
Organist	Alicia Haggin
Acolyte	Jack Gallier

Agnus Day



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Bulletin Deadline

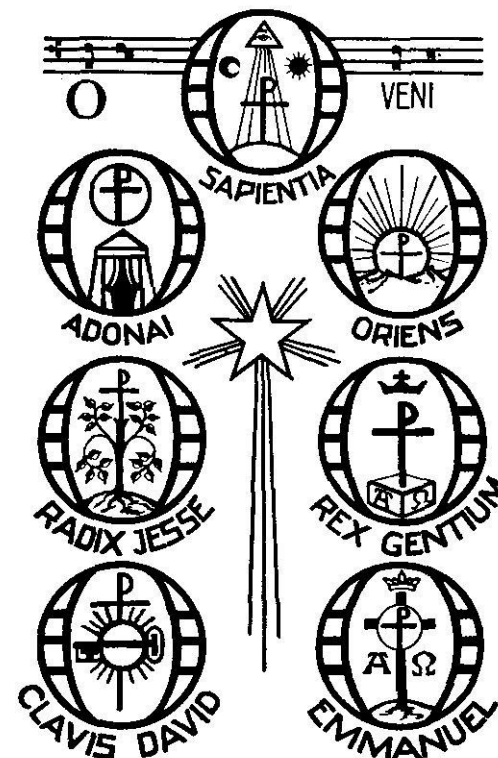
If you have announcements for the weekly Bulletin, please forward those to Linda Warsaw by **NOON on Wednesdays**. You may contact her by email at secretary@osmanlutheran.org or by phone at **309-828-5883**. Thank you!

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OSMAN

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 22, 2019 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.

Matins

Prelude, "Emmanuel" Choir

OPENING HYMN: Hymn Sing

Printed Matins (*see separate folder*)

Psalm — Introit on bulletin insert

HYMN OF THE DAY, "The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came" 356

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 7:10-17

Responsive Reading: "O Antiphon" for December 23 "Immanuel:
God with Us" (*read responsively by half verse*)

Hymn Response: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" 357:1

Gradual (Insert)

Epistle: Romans 1:1-7

A. O Lord, have mercy on us.

C. Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 1:18-25

Responsory: (see Matins folder)

Catechism: Lord's Prayer Introduction—Third Petition (pg. 323-324)

Sermon

Canticle Hymn, "Sing Praise to the God of Israel" 936

The Offering

Prayers (*please refer to the printed folder*)

CLOSING HYMN, "Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come" 350

Let Us Pray...

...for our members who are homebound: **Johanne Bloch, and Karen Bryan**

...for thanksgiving and praise for our blessings;

...for God's healing hand for those who have been ill;

...for Shirley Sprau for healing and strength;

...for Declan Luis Lammle for strength and growth as he continues to stay in the NICU.

...for Brandon Miller for health and healing;

...for Darryl Redding for healing and strength through his cancer treatment;

...for Bret Hassman for healing and strength following a stroke;

...for Dorothy Welborn for healing and strength;

...for those in need of God's mercy and care;

...and for the Texas District of the LCMS.

PLEASE return your Matins service folder to the Elder's Pew as you leave the church today, so that they may be reused. Thank You!

Announcements

About the cover: The inspiration for the well-known Advent Hymn, "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" are "O" antiphons, which considerably pre-date the hymn itself. First reference to them is in the sixth century. They were a part of the monastic worship of the church in the days leading up to Christmas in the end of Advent. The cover illustrates these antiphons, giving them in Latin. "Veni" in Latin means "Come". The specific words for each of the seven antiphons are *sapientia*, (wisdom); *Adonai* (Lord); *Radix Jesse* (tree of Jesse); *Clavis David* (Key of David); *Oriens* (morning star); *Rex Gentium* (King of nations); *Emmanuel* (which needs no translation, as we know it to be "God with us"). Four of these "O" antiphons will form the basis of our Advent wreath lighting this year.

The Choir will practice TODAY after church.

Christmas Treat Bags: Anyone who would like to contribute to the fruit and candy sacks which are given out on Christmas Eve, can give their money to one of the elders: Dwight Hooker, Jim Van Wakeman, Don Warsaw or Bob Zimmerman. Don Warsaw has applied for a \$250 Thrivent Action Team card to help pay for the goodies. We will be assembling the treat bags on December 24th at 9 a.m. and anyone is invited to help.

TODAY is the last day to sign up for a poinsettia for Christmas Eve. The cost is \$8.

The Christmas Eve service will begin at 7pm on Dec. 24th. Come share the "gift of the season" with your church family!

Please place your mite boxes on the elder's pew by December 24th.

The LA/LWML will be collecting used Portals of Prayer, stamps, bibles, and other religious materials. We no longer collect ink cartridges and cell phones. The box for these donations are in the corner under the balcony.

Agnes Watson's new address is %Daniel Watson, 904 Redondo Circle, Plano, TX 75075

Additional Announcements

Unfolding The Rosebud

It is only a tiny rosebud, a flower of God's design; But I cannot unfold the pedals with these clumsy hands of mine. The secret of unfolding flowers is not known to such as I. GOD opens this flower so sweetly, when in my hands they fade and die. If I cannot unfold a rosebud, this flower of God's design, then how can I think I have wisdom to unfold this life of mine. So I'll trust in Him for His leading each moment of everyday. I will look to Him for His guidance each step of the pilgrim way. The pathway that lies before me, only my heavenly Father knows. I'll trust him to unfold the moments, just as He unfolds the rose.

Author unknown.

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"Worship Anew" - Know someone who can't get to church? Lutheran Ministries from Concordia Theological Seminary produces "Worship Anew". It airs locally on WCIX-49 on Sunday mornings at 7:30am.

Osman Wi-Fi: The Osman Wi-Fi code for "OsmanChurch(public)" is "romans1017".