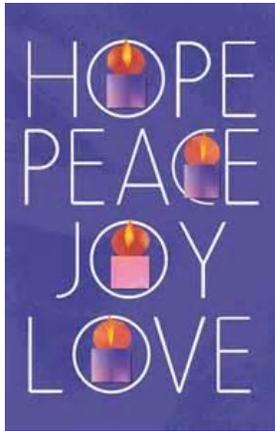


IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH DECEMBER NEWSLETTER 2022

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CONGREGATION MEETING: DECEMBER 4TH – BUDGET REVIEW FOR 2023

Drive-In worship participants we are asking you to drive up to the door/overhang at the Education wing in the main (south) parking lot. Communion, bulletins and offering plate available. Using the overhang, you will be somewhat protected from the weather.



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Grace & Peace
from the Pastor's Desk

Matthew 4:16

“the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.”

I've recently been introduced to a new podcast on saltproject.org called "Strange New World" by Matthew Myer Boulton. I was intrigued by his first Advent podcast and I'd like to share the essence of his message with you.

Boulton begins by talking about the Bible itself. ***Did you know it is the highest selling book every year, year after year?*** Something he did not mention, but I know from good sources to be true, the Bible is also the book that is the most shoplifted. Yet it is the most misunderstood book of all times. Boulton explains the Bible as a library contained in one volume. It is full of countercultural ideas that people try to dress up and twist to present as acceptable in our culture. Still, the Bible is the most influential book of all history.

Jumping from the Bible, Boulton asks you to think about the very most sacred space in your life. Now imagine it intentionally, completely, utterly, maliciously destroyed. How do you make sense of the destruction of your most sacred space?

That's where Mark, the first writer of the gospel books, begins his gospel. In a place of desolation. An apocalypse. The Roman armies have stormed the temple and taken away the most sacred place of their world. In the midst of loss, the angels appear to tell us that good news of great joy has come. In the rubble of desecration God is on the way. God has pulled away the veil, revealing the hidden rescue to come. A vision of hope is given when all hope seems lost.

Boulton says that Christmas begins in the dark, the rubble, the shadows, the ashes, the apocalyptic word, because only there can we hear the good news of the light coming into the world.

This leads me to think of the Advent Wreath in the sanctuary. It begins dull and dark. Then a candle is lit, a bit of light is breaking into the darkness, then each week another candle is lit until we have a full circle of light. The light has broken into the darkness. The light of Christ is lit on Christmas Eve and we know the darkness has been abolished. When Jesus came into the world the kingdom of light broke through the darkness and the world was never the same.

As much as we, at least I, love the Christmas tree lights, the tinsel, the decorations, that is not where Christmas begins. It begins in the darkness of time and light breaks through to overcome the darkness.

As always, I am available to talk with you about what is on your mind. I am usually in the office Tuesdays and Thursdays until 2:00 p.m. (Although Tuesdays I may be at the pastor's discussion group, so it is best to call first.) The office phone number is 814-833-4062 and my cell phone is 724-557-2386. Please leave a message if I don't answer. If you text, please feel free to text me to see if I'm able to talk.

The Advent Study for this year is *Great Expectations: Studies in Isaiah*. It will be held in the lounge on Sunday mornings following worship beginning November 27, (the Confirmation class is expected to join in the adult class for this study), and Thursday evenings, **beginning Dec 8** at 6:30 p.m.

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Grace and Peace,
Pastor Karen

Christian Education



~ *Sharing the
Good News* ~

We are ready, willing, and able to lead your young children into the life of blessings & hope shared in Sunday School. We feel this provides a firm foundation for the years ahead, both smooth-sailing & those that are challenging.

Our small classes are ideal for sharing, caring, and formative discussion. Sunday school for K-Adult starts after our 9:30 worship - approx. 10:30 am.

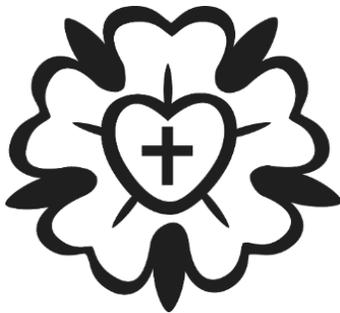
Contact the church office for more information.

P: 814-833-4062

Pastor Karen or an alternate will once again be offering Sunday School at 10:30 in the lounge for an Advent book study - Confirmants to attend as well.

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Join us for a lively discussion.



### CONFIRMATION CLASS SCHEDULE AND REQUIREMENTS FOR CONFIRMATION ON PALM SUNDAY 2023:

Attend class the 1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> Sundays of the month from 10:30-11:30 for ages 13 or older and one Sunday a month, minimum, church worship attendance at 9:30 with a bulletin signed by Pastor Karen.



OUR MITTEN TREES WILL BE GOING UP ON DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup> WITH THE HELP OF OUR CONFIRMATION CLASS. YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS - TIME TO GET THOSE CRAFTY HANDS BUSY OR KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN FOR GOOD SALES ON HATS AND MITTENS!

# Worship & Music in the News....



**Choir practice  
@ 7:15 pm  
All are welcome**

You can find Pastor Karen's latest sermons in print on our webpage here <http://www.ilc-erie.org/worship-.html> and the video is posted to our [Facebook page](#)

## **COFFEE HOUR 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH.**

It will be in the lounge after church service. The Eckmans will be hosting.



Please join us for worship each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. either indoors, or in our drive-in services.  
Sunday School K-Adult at 10:30 a.m.

## ADVENT BOOK STUDY

SUNDAYS 10:30 a.m. and THURSDAYS 6:30 p.m.

### **"Great Expectations"**



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### JOIN US TO DECK THE PEWS!! - SATURDAY, DEC. 3<sup>RD</sup>

All are welcome, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. – decorating, maybe some singing & lunch – please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.



### *CHRISTMAS PLAY – DECEMBER*

*18<sup>TH</sup>*

### *'T WAS THE NIGHT BEFORE ...*

Pastor Karen will be looking for persons to participate in the Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> Christmas Play.

#### **"'Twas the Night Before: A Christmas Pageant."**

Angels, Shepherds, Joseph, Mary, Inn Keeper, Wise Men, Servants, Priests, Herod and 2 Narrator Readers are needed.

*It will be a reader's theater so no memorization is necessary.*



**CHRISTMAS EVE: 5:30 P.M. &  
10:00 P.M.**

**CHRISTMAS DAY: 9:30 A.M. –  
SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY: 9:30 A.M. –  
SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS**

*The Worship & Music committee has been meeting regularly and will next meet on Feb. 8th at 6:30 p.m.*

*All are welcome to join this committee.*

*Faith*

*In*



**IMMANUEL SOCIAL MINISTRY**  
**COMMITTEE**

The Social Ministry committee will once again provide Christmas bags for the 36 men and women staying at the Community Shelter. We will be collecting washcloths, hand sanitizer, candy, hand cream, lip balm, razors, combs, pens, notepads, and hand warmers. Collection of items will begin Nov. 20. Look for the sign-up sheet of donations at the donation table.

*Action*

**Monetary donations are welcome. We will shop for you. Mark your donation Social Ministry bags. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.**

Also, a big thank you again to all those who were able to help with the West Millcreek Food Pantry Thanksgiving Fixins' gravy collection. We resulted in over 90 containers – you can never have enough gravy!!



The sewing group met on November 14th to make 36 fleece hats for the community shelter Christmas bags. The Social Ministry Committee has a sign-up board at the Donation Center to sign up for other items needed for the Christmas bags.  
**All items need to be dropped off by December 11th.**

# Sharing this interesting information provided by Debbie Redditt, one of our Immanuel quilters.

## HOW DO OUR DONATED QUILTS REACH THEIR DESTINATION?

In October, our quilts were dropped off at an ingathering in Zelienople, PA. The boxes of quilts are then transported to one of the main distribution centers for LWR in New Windsor, Maryland or South St Paul, Minnesota. At the distribution center, the boxes from the ingathering are moved by a conveyor belt and stored until they are ready to be repacked. The individual boxes from the churches are then opened, unpacked and the quilts are folded into a uniform shape. A compressor is used to stack 35 quilts, which are then compressed and baled. Each bale will weigh between 100 to 125 pounds. The bales are loaded on to pallets. Health, school & baby kits are also boxed in uniform boxes. The pallets are placed in a shipping container and shipped overseas to its destination.



BOXES FROM INGATHERINGS ARE STORED AT MAIN DISTRIBUTION CENTER



BOXES OF QUILTS FROM INDIVIDUAL CHURCHES ARE UNPACKED



35 QUILTS ARE LOADED INTO THE COMPRESSOR



COMPRESSED QUILTS ARE BALED



BALES OF QUILTS ARE PUT ON PALLETS AND READY TO LOAD ON THE SHIPPING CONTAINER

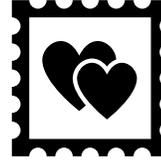


SCHOOL & HEALTH KITS ARE BOXED IN UNIFORM BOXES





***If you are sick or in the hospital, please notify the church office and if you'd like home communion or a copy of our newsletter ~ please let us know in the office.***



*Please remember the members of Immanuel who are "shut in," or having some health challenges and cannot make it to service, you may want to offer them a ride, give them a friendly call, send them a card. The current Shut-In Mailing List is available in the office.*

**KEEP IN PRAYER:** Denise Arnold's Mom Lucie Arndt and sister, Lana Huhn; Pam Anthony Lakewood VBS Coord.; John & Tim Botwright & family; Ian Byrne; Mary Hauser's sister - Alice Tillotson; Jim & Lorraine Hornaman; Kyle Husted; Carol & Gordon Ketchel; Janet Gray – Pastor Karen's sister; Carla – Pastor Karen's friend; Jim Kuntz; Leslie; John Leubin; Patrick Lewis–friend of S. Kocur; Bishop Michael Lozano; Debbie Redditt & Rick Kuntz's sister-in-law–Sherrill Kuntz; Diane McGranor; Carole Rickrode, Sharon Roemer, all of our members who are grieving; who are in nursing homes, who are serving on the "front line" during the COVID pandemic or who are ill at home. We pray for those in the military: Scott Case– Navy, (C. Geddes nephew) & Christopher Peterson – Navy (Grandson of the late Agnes & Chuck Peterson – serving stateside now per an update from Ann Neimann).

#### **COMMUNITY MEMBER UPDATES:**

Rev. Christin Moreland  
Glenshaw Valley Presbyterian Church  
1520 Butler Plank Rd  
Glenshaw, pa 15116

(shared by Mary Hauser – Christi's proud Mom)

Sharing the good news that Christi Moreland was ordained 10/30/22 (Presbyterian) and has been called and is presiding at a church in Pittsburgh.

#### **SAVE THE DATES:**

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**DEC. 4<sup>TH</sup> & JAN. 15<sup>TH</sup>**



*Here she is presiding over her first Communion.*

*Hard to believe that 2 of our youth are now pastors  
– Christi Moreland and Colleen Hetrick Montgomery-*

# Celebrations of Life and Love

## ALTAR FLOWERS AND

### SANCTUARY CANDLE SIGN-UP

WE ARE ONCE AGAIN POSTING OUR ALTAR FLOWER AND SANCTUARY CANDLE SIGN-UP SHEETS IF YOU WOULD CARE TO SPONSOR EITHER OR BOTH IN HONOR OR IN MEMORY OF SOMEONE -- IT WILL BE NOTED IN OUR WORSHIP BULLETIN.

PLEASE NOTE THAT CATHY'S FLOWER SHOPPE, WHO HAS BEEN PROVIDING THE FLOWERS FOR US FOR MANY YEARS HAS HAD TO INCREASE PRICES SO **FLOWERS WILL BE \$36/WK** – SANCTUARY CANDLE REMAINS AT \$5/WK - SO WHEN PAYMENT IS MADE, PLEASE INCLUDE THIS NEW AMOUNT IN YOUR PAYMENT STARTING IN JUNE.

YOU ARE ALSO WELCOME TO BRING IN YOUR OWN PLANTS/FLOWERS FROM YOUR GARDEN, ETC.



## December Birthdays

- 2 Nathan Paternosh
- 3 Connie Cooper
- 15 Rebecca Griffin Bureau
- 19 Thomas Kocur
- 20 Courtney Casler
- 21 Mary Cerveney, Leslie Rickrode
- 22 Tim Botwright
- 25 John Leubin
- 26 Kamryn Hall
- 27 Derek Nelson
- 29 Mary Kreger
- 31 Beth Siefert/Tim Summers

**Everyone loves a birthday card! Please remember a member!!**

## December Anniversaries

none that I could find

**Congratulations** to those celebrating!!!

Did I forget you? Please e-mail me or call me with your birthdays, anniversaries or a special day you would like us to share.

[immluthch@verizon.net](mailto:immluthch@verizon.net)



**Pennies for Poverty** collection is an ongoing effort in support of the Women of the ELCA – donations welcome in the Donation Center canister.

## **Holy Trinity - Soup/Pasta Kitchen & Food Pantry**

The Holy Trinity food ministry began the regular schedule of Tuesday evening dinner, and Wednesday and Saturday lunches on September 6th. The Food Pantry is in need of volunteers to assist in this ministry.

Volun-teers are needed to help sort food and pack the bags to be distributed, Tues-days from 4:00 to 7:00 pm, and to work at the registration/sign-in table, Tuesdays from 5:45 to 7:00 pm. If you are able to volunteer please see PA Ron King after the service or contact the church office at (814) 452-3518.

## LITTLE FREE PANTRY AT IMMANUEL

**IF IN NEED –**

**TAKE SOMETHING**

**IF YOU CAN SHARE -**

**LEAVE SOMETHING**

## Saving Energy this Winter

The Synod Green Team offers these Energy Saving Reminders for this winter:

1. Take advantage of the sun. Open southern exposure window drapes during the day (for natural heat) and close them at night (to reduce chill).
2. Use LED holiday string lights to reduce electricity costs.
3. Tape heavy-duty clear plastic sheeting on the inside of window frames. Make sure it is sealed tightly.
4. Identify “drafty” places and plug them up...even a rolled towel can help in a pinch.
5. Are you or a friend/neighbor struggling with energy bills? Do NOT hesitate to seek help. Contact your utility company to find out what’s available. Don’t wait until you get a shut-off notice...be proactive.
  - Call 2-1-1 to be connected with a social service agency that may be able to offer emergency assistance.
  - Call the LIHEAP (Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program) to request help at 866-857-7095.
  - Customers eligible for LIHEAP may also be eligible for the PA Customer Assistance Program (PCA) at 888-282-6816.

The Green Team’s purpose is to “raise awareness of and advocate for the care of creation”. Our mission is to support and encourage creation care ministries, raise awareness, model creation care advocacy consistent with ELCA teachings in our faith communities and public life.

[nwpasynodgreenteam@gmail.com](mailto:nwpasynodgreenteam@gmail.com)

<https://www.northwesternpasynodelca.org/nwpa-green-team.html>

As you are shopping for Christmas gifts this year, consider making decisions about what to purchase based on its impact on the environment. Here are a couple of suggestions:

**Read the labels when buying clothes.** Avoid harmful chemicals and harm to the earth. Organic cotton bypasses the pesticides and excessive use of water that are part of traditional cotton. Look for Oeko-tex 100 and GOTS (Global Organic Textile Standard), certifications that assure harmful chemicals were not used and sustainability practices are forefront. Check out this link of the chemical management policies of major clothing brands <https://www.greenamerica.org/2019-toxic-textiles-scorecard>

**Replace liquid soaps with bars.** That switch avoids petroleum as an ingredient, nixes single-use plastic, lowers emissions from transportation, reduces energy in manufacturing, and still does the job of cleaning. Browse “bar soap brands” or “shampoo bars,” or shop EarthHero.com or other similar sites that focus on sustainably produced products.



**HOLIDAY POINSETTIA AND HUNGER APPEAL**

I would like to give \_\_\_\_\_ flowers for the Special Offering for Christmas at \$8.50 each.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

*Please indicate your preference below*

\_\_\_\_\_ please deliver to shut in or local charity

\_\_\_\_\_ I will deliver to shut in or local charity

\_\_\_\_\_ I prefer to pick up after late service

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**Instead of flowers** I would like to give \_\_\_\_\_ for the Special Offering for Christmas to go towards Erie Meals On Wheels.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

**PLACE FORM & DONATION IN THE OFFERING PLATE OR SEND TO THE CHURCH OFFICE BY DECEMBER 5, 2022.**



**Immanuel Hour**

Church Office – 814-833-4062  
Hours: M-Th. 8:30am-12:30pm  
[immluthch@verizon.net](mailto:immluthch@verizon.net)

**Staff**

Pastor Karen Kostur 814-833-4062  
or Emergency #: 724-557-2386  
Pastor's Office Hours – Tues &  
Thurs.9:30am-2:00pm  
Church Caretaker: Wally Coughlin  
Organist/Music Director: Bryan  
Timm  
Admin. Ofc.: Lori Swanson  
Nemenz  
**Sunday School**  
Coord: Anita Byrne & Janice  
Kreger  
Teachers: Rick Kuntz & Pastor  
Kostur

**Congregation & Church  
Council Officers**

Pres:Debbie Redditt 814-449-1855  
  
VP:Bob Dorler 814-833-2719  
Sec.:D. Madurski 814-774-3590  
Fin. Sec.:C.Geddes 814-734-1286  
Treasurer: Bill Redditt

**Additional Council Members**

Cindy Eckman, George Pfeiffer,  
Sally Leubin, Bob Dorler, Cindy  
Geddes

***TIME TO THINK ABOUT THOSE  
ANNUAL REPORTS...***

**SAVE THE DATES:**  
  
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**DEC. 4<sup>TH</sup> & JAN. 15<sup>TH</sup>**

**Church Council Committees**

*We invite all members of Immanuel to join any of these committees and/or  
offer your gifts where you can – many hands make light work!!  
Council usually meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month*

**Christian Education**

Council liaison:  
**ADVENT BOOK STUDY  
MITTEN TREES  
CHRISTMAS PLAY – DEC. 18<sup>TH</sup>**

**Communications**

Council liaison: D.Redditt Committee Chair: vacant  
Check out our website and "FRIEND" us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/)  
Did you miss church? Need to keep updated and want easy access to the  
church calendar, newsletter or annual report?  
Check out our website <http://www.ilc-erie.org/>

**WATCH FOR US ON FACEBOOK, GOERIE.COM, ERIE NEWS NOW AND  
IN PRINT IN THE ERIE TIMES NEWS**

**Fellowship, Outreach & Growth**

Council liaisons: Sally Leubin & Cindy Eckman  
**COFFEE HOUR 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF THE MONTH  
AND ONGOING COLLECTION FOR LITTLE FREE PANTRY**

**Finance**

Council liaison: George Pfeiffer  
**2023 BUDGET**

**Property**

Council liaison: Bob Dorler Committee Chair: Stan Holsopple  
**FACILITY MAINTENANCE – STAIR ELEVATOR BROKEN, RENTAL  
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE – BATHROOM UPDATE POWELL AVE./  
NEW SIDEWALK W. 10TH  
ONGOING BOILER CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

**Stewardship**

Council liaison: Cindy Geddes  
**COMPILATION OF TIME & TALENT/2023 PLEDGE FORMS**

**Social Ministry Committee**

Council liaison: Debbie Madurski – Committee chair: Debbie Madurski  
**CHRISTMAS GIFT BAGS**

**Worship & Music**

Council liaison: Debbie Redditt Chair: Sue Pfeiffer  
**W&M COMMITTEE MTG: FEB. 8TH 6:30 PM  
DRIVE-IN AND INDOOR WORSHIP SERVICES 9:30 A.M.  
CHRISTMAS DECORATING – DEC. 3<sup>RD</sup> SAT. 10:00 A.M.  
CHRISTMAS EVE 5:30 P.M. & 10:00 P.M.  
CHRISTMAS DAY: 9:30 A.M. SERVICE OF THE WORD;  
NEW YEAR'S DAY: 9:30 A.M. SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS**

## Altar Guild 2023 Schedule

### January

Judy/Donna

### February

Penny/Sue/Sally

### March

Debbie Madurski

### April

Judy/Donna

### May

Penny/Sue/Sally

### June

Debbie Madurski

### July

Judy/Donna

### August

Penny/Sue/Sally

### September

Debbie Madurski

### October

Judy/Donna

### November

Penny/Sue/Sally

### December

Debbie Madurski

### Altar Guild

**Anita Byrne 814-397-7318**  
**Donna Dorler 814-833-2719**  
**Sally Leubin 814-838-3039**  
**Debbie Redditt 814-449-1955**  
**Debbie Madurski C:304-203-2941**

**Sue Pfeiffer 814-833-0797**  
**Judy Stewart 814-838-2639**  
**Penny Maloney 814-392-1422**

### Counting Schedule 2023

|                         |                  |                                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|
| Jan                     | Bill Redditt     |                                  |
| <u>Feb</u>              | Debbie Redditt   | 814-449-1855                     |
| March,                  | Stan Holsopple   | 814-833-8672                     |
| <u>Aug., Oct.</u>       | Denise Arnold    | 814-838-7068                     |
| April                   | Claudia Skerlong | 814-474-3151                     |
| <u>&amp; Nov.</u>       | Debbie Madurski  | 814-774-3590                     |
| May,                    | Cindy Geddes     | 814-734-1286/C: 814-572-2231     |
| <u>July &amp; Sept.</u> | Barbara Coughlin | 814-833-7198                     |
| June                    | Kim Lee,         | K: 814-602-4067 CF: 814-833-5865 |
| <u>&amp; Dec.</u>       | Cindy Geddes     | CG: 814-734-1286/814-572-2231    |

### SUBSTITUTES 2023

|                       |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| Bob Dorler            | 814-833-2719 |
| Cindy Eckman          | 814-833-2889 |
| George & Sue Pfeiffer | 814-833-0797 |

# DECEMBER 2022

## ADVENT & CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS



| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Monday                                                                                                             | Tuesday                                           | Wednesday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Thursday                                                                        | Friday                                            | Saturday                                              |
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| <i>TIME TO THINK ABOUT ANNUAL REPORTS AND LOOKING AHEAD TO 2023</i>                                                                                                                                    | <i>SAVE THE DATES: MEETINGS: 12/4 &amp; 1/15</i>                                                                   |                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1<br>CHOIR 7:15 PM                                                              | 2<br>AA 7:30 PM                                   | 3<br><b>DECK THE PEWS 10AM</b>                        |
| 4<br>9:30 Worship<br>10:30 Sunday School & Confirmation class<br>MITTEN TREES GO UP<br>QUARTER SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR<br> | 5<br>QUILTERS 9:30 A.M.<br><br>FLAGSHIP CITY CHORUS 7 PM                                                           | 6<br><br>AA 7:30 PM                               | 7<br>TOPS 9:00 A.M.<br>AA MTG 7:30 P.M.<br><br><br>Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day                                                                            | 8<br>ADVENT BOOK STUDY 6:30 PM<br>CHOIR 7:15 PM                                 | 9<br>AA 7:30 PM                                   | 10<br><br>STUMPO FACILITY USE – SWEET 16 PARTY        |
| <b>CONGREGATION MEETING</b><br>                                                                                       | <b>CHRISTMAS APPEAL DEADLINE</b>                                                                                   |                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                 |                                                   |                                                       |
| 11<br>9:30 Worship<br>10:30 Sunday School                                                                                                                                                              | 12<br>QUILTERS 9:30 A.M.<br>FLAGSHIP CITY CHORUS 7 PM                                                              | 13<br>AA 7:30 PM<br><br><b>COUNCIL MTG. 7 PM</b>  | 14<br>TOPS 9:00 A.M.<br>AA MTG 7:30 P.M.                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 15<br>January Newsletter Deadline<br>ADVENT BOOK STUDY 6:30 PM<br>CHOIR 7:15 PM | 16<br>AA 7:30 PM                                  | 17                                                    |
| 18<br>9:30 Worship<br>10:30 Sunday School & Confirmation class<br>CHRISTMAS PLAY<br>                                | 19<br>QUILTERS 9:30 A.M.<br>FLAGSHIP CITY CHORUS 7 PM                                                              | 20<br>AA 7:30 PM                                  | 21<br>TOPS 9:00 A.M.<br>AA MTG 7:30 P.M.<br><b>WINTER BEGINS</b> <br> | 22<br>ADVENT BOOK STUDY 6:30 PM<br>CHOIR 7:15 PM                                | 23<br>AA 7:30 PM                                  | 24<br><b>Christmas Eve 5:30 &amp; 10 PM service</b>   |
| 25<br>9:30 Worship<br><b>Christmas Day</b><br>Service of the Word                                                                                                                                      | 26<br><b>PASTOR ON VACATION (OFFICE CLOSED)</b><br>QUILTERS 9:30 A.M.<br>GEDDES PARTY<br>FLAGSHIP CITY CHORUS 7 PM | 27<br>AA 7:30 PM<br><br><b>PASTOR ON VACATION</b> | 28<br>TOPS 9:00 A.M.<br>AA MTG 7:30 P.M.<br><br><b>PASTOR ON VACATION</b>                                                                                                                                                                   | 29<br>CHOIR 7:15 PM<br><br><b>PASTOR ON VACATION</b>                            | 30<br>AA 7:30 PM<br><br><b>PASTOR ON VACATION</b> | 31<br>PASTOR ON VACATION<br><br><b>NEW YEAR'S EVE</b> |