

Advent Afternoon Tea

CONVERSATION AND BIBLE STUDY

DECEMBER 1, 8, 15 & 22 2:30PM

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN, CHENEY

Join Chris Booth for tea, snacks and conversations
around Advent themes and the anticipation of Christmas.



Help stock the Community Pantry
with essential items for those in need.

GIVING TREE

November 28 | Personal Care Items
December 5 | Hats and Gloves
December 12 | Socks
December 19 | Diapers

Please place unwrapped items
under the Christmas tree
in the fellowship hall.



First Sunday of Advent Holy Communion

Setting 10

November 28, 2021

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✘✘ November 28, 2021 10:30 a.m. ✘✘

***Please stand as you are able.**

PRELUDE AND WELCOME

CANDLE LIGHTING

☐ We have endured these past few years and know that there is more to face before us. We don't know if we have the strength to withstand what might be around the next corner. And we wonder who will stand with us, who will have our back, who will occupy our corner.

☒ Who is with us? That is what we begin to wonder these days. Who will light our way and chart our course? Who is on our side, who will welcome us home again?

☐ Home. The prophet Jeremiah speaks of a branch that will be raised. Jesus spoke of a Son of Man that will descend. Both point to a hope. A hope that calls us home. Our true home, where we're welcomed and loved and included. Where there is justice and equality and peace. It's time, this Advent season, time to go home.

☒ We light this candle, as a sign of our hope, our strong hope that there is a way to go home. To the home in Christ, and it starts with us, and it starts here, and it starts now. It's time to go home.

(Light the first candle on the Advent wreath)

CANDLE LIGHTING HYMN Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah vs. 1 ELW 240

GATHERING

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

☐ Blessed be the holy Trinity ✘ one God, who alone does wonders, who lifts up the lowly, who fills the hungry with good things.

☒ Amen.

☐ Let us confess of our sin, trusting in the tender mercy of our God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

☐ God for whom we wait,

☒ **In the presence of one another, we confess our sin before you. We fail in believing that your good news is for us. We falter in our call to tend your creation. We find our sense of self in material wealth. We fear those different from ourselves. We**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, November 30, 6:30 pm: Community Discernment meeting

Saturday, December 4: Virtual Bazaar ends.

Monday, December 13: Good News newsletter articles due.

Sunday, December 12: Council meeting following worship

Monday December 27 thru Friday December 31: Office Closed

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Second Sunday of Advent: is Sunday, December 5 at 10:30 A.M. That morning we will decorate the Christmas tree during worship. Items for the Giving Tree this week are hats and gloves. Please place your items under the Christmas tree in the fellowship hall.

Giving Tree Schedule

December 12: Socks

December 19: Diapers


Mid-week Advent Tea

Wednesday afternoons at 2 p.m. Chris Booth will lead.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship 7:00 p.m.

CHENEY CHURCHES

ONLINE HOLIDAY BAZAAR




DONATE: Before November 3, 2021
Items for Raffle Baskets by Elevator, and
Christmas and Gently Used Donations on Long Tables
in the Fellowship Hall Downstairs
Pictures and Descriptions to Pastor Arianna

SHOP: Nov. 6 - Dec. 4, 2021

Christmas Gift Items Handmade Crafts Ruffled Quilts & Baskets

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Pick-up Purchased Items Saturdays at Cheney UMC



IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- ✕ For those who are mourning: Lynn Wibbenmeyer as she mourns her father. Miller family as they mourn Graham. Moran family and Pr. Linda Webster as they mourn Brenda. Nancy Lindell as she mourns her brother. Gresham and Span family as they mourn Linda Span. Gresham family as they mourn Cliff and Jean. Jackson family as they mourn Helen. Gary and Jan Miller as they mourn the passing of Gary's mother. Anita Okert as she mourns her cousin Allen Cook. Chris Booth and family as they mourn Elson Rudisill. Richer family as they mourn Renee's sister. Orene Harder as she mourns her daughter Kari. Irvin and Giddons family as they mourn Michelle. Clark family as they mourn Carl. Kathy Preble as she mourns her sister Lynn Shotwell. Vega & Knaff families as they mourn Ben Knaff. Herrlinger family as they mourn Bill. For all who mourn Geri Torno's niece, Bonnie DeHaven.
- ✕ For those who are in need of prayer for healing and/or peace: Nate Raver, Pat Conrath, Helen Westrums' brother. Jennifer Bowman and family. Isabelle Corlett. Debbie Potter, friend of Mecklenburgs, Bobbie Ziemer. Todd & Jan Corlett. Karen Raver's sister Susie Sieck. Gary Miller's sister-in-law Deb. Pete & Susan Dianich, Geri Torno, Janet Wilbanks, Kathleen Bell. Maxine & Jason Taylor for healthy pregnancy. Lenore Lambeau's sister Ellen Brown, pancreatic cancer. Arlene Helsing's sister Evelien Reeves, COVID. Gracie Hedman's grandfather Jaucques Lefluer, kidney failure. Carol Miller's cousin, Mel Weipert, cancer. Lenore LamBeau. Kathleen Bells friend Anna Lang, entering Hospice.
- ✕ For all who care for people with Coronavirus.
- ✕ For those experiencing food insecurity.

Sunday Prayer List & Prayer Chain: Please contact the church office for personal prayer requests at (509) 235-6300. Names of bereaved will be left on prayer list for a year, other concerns for 1 month, unless otherwise requested.

forget that we are your children and turn away from your love. Forgive us, Blessed One, and assure us again of your saving grace. Amen.

☐ God, in Christ Jesus, has looked with favor upon you! Through the power of the Holy Spirit, ✕ your sins are forgiven. You are children of the Most High, inheritors of the eternal promise, and recipients of divine mercy. God strengthens you anew to follow the way of peace.

☑ **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

ELW **244**

***GREETING**

☐ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

☑ **And also with you.**

***GLORY TO GOD**



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
 on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
 Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
 Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
 Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
 Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
 For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

☩ Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING Jeremiah 33:14-16

¹⁴The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

℣ The Word of the Lord. **☩ Thanks be to God.**

PSALM Psalm 25:1-10

¹To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

²**O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.**

³Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

⁴**Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.**

⁵Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

⁶**Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

⁷Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O Lord!

⁸**Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**

⁹He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

¹⁰**All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.**

SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

⁹How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. ¹¹Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase

LAMB OF GOD

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1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

TABLE BLESSING

***P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

☩ Amen.

***P POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

SENDING

***BENEDICTION**

P The God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that we may be bound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit, through Christ Jesus for whom we wait.

☩ Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***SENDING HYMN**

All Earth Is Hopeful

ELW 266

***DISMISSAL**

P Go in peace. Christ is near. **☩ Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

***HOLY, HOLY HOLY**

S207

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

☒ Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION God comes to us in bread and wine and meets us here, now. You are invited to come forward and receive a pre-sealed cup with a wafer and grape juice. We also offer a gluten free wafer in this separate glass bowl. We are also happy to bring these to your seat. Please take these back to your seat and we will commune together as Pastor leads, first the bread and then the juice. Thank you for understanding our caution with the changing COVID safety needs

and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³ And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

☒ The Word of the Lord. ☒ Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

S205a

Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.
 Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

***GOSPEL Luke 21:25-36 ☒ Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁵ "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶ People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷ Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. ²⁸ Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." ²⁹ Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰ as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³² Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³⁴ "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵ like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

☒ The Gospel of the Lord. ☒ Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

*HYMN OF THE DAY Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus ELW 254

*APOSTLE'S CREED

☩ I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

℟ In this season of watching and waiting, let us pray for all people and places that yearn for God's presence.

Brief Silence

℟ God of presence and peace, strengthen your church around the globe to proclaim the message of your love coming to the world. Open our hearts to recognize your face in all people and in all of creation. Hear us, O God.

☩ Your mercy is great.

℟ God of mighty redwoods and microscopic plants, fields and city parks, the wind and the waves, be a healing balm to our wounded planet. May we nurture what you have lovingly created. Hear us, O God.

☩ Your mercy is great.

℟ God of equity and compassion, bring righteousness and goodness to all peoples of the earth. Give a heart of discernment and integrity to leaders in our communities (*local, state, and national government officials may be named*). Hear us, O God.

☩ Your mercy is great.

℟ God of comfort and care, be present with those who watch and wait. Come to all who await births, deaths, divorces, new unions, new jobs, retirements, healing, and life transitions of every kind (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

☩ Your mercy is great.

℟ God of promises kept and new dreams awakened, shelter your people from destructive storms. We pray for those whose lives have been upended by natural

disasters (*especially*), for the work of Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran World Relief, and other relief organizations. Hear us, O God.

☩ Your mercy is great.

Other prayers may be offered.

℟ God of companionship and community, we give you thanks for the saints who journeyed with us and now abide in you. Even in distress and uncertainty, make us confident that your promises endure forever. Hear us, O God.

☩ Your mercy is great.

℟ God of new life, you come among us in the places we least expect. Receive these prayers and those of our hearts, in the name of Jesus.

☩ Amen.

*THE PEACE

℟ The peace of the Lord be with you always.

☩ And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING

*OFFERTORY My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness vs.1 ELW 251

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

℟ Let us pray...

☩ Amen.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

℟ The Lord be with you.

☩ And also with you.

℟ Lift up your hearts.

☩ We lift them to the Lord.

℟ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

☩ It is right to give our thanks and praise.