

12/17/2023
Contemporary Worship
Third Sunday in Advent
9 AM



First Evangelical Lutheran Church
19419 Royalton Road
Strongsville, Ohio

Mission Statement

*Living God's love through our devotion to
service, worship, and one another.*

Good Morning!

If you are a visitor today,

Welcome!

Sunday Schedule for 12/24/2024

Traditional Worship at 10 AM

To contact the Church, call the office at 440-238-7890
or email firstchurchalive@hotmail.com

Secretary Office Hours are Monday, Tuesday, Friday 9:00 to 12:00 PM
Pastor Kathy - 440-666-8758 or revklk@gmail.com

CONTACT INFORMATION

Don't forget that if you ever have any questions or concerns,
you may contact your Council or Cabinet representatives:

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Music

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

"It's a Wonderful Life"

Songs:

"Song of Hope"

"Emmanuel"

Prayer

Lessons:

John 1:6-8, 19-28

Children's Sharing Time

Sermon

"Serving as a Witness"

Pastor Kathy Kluck

Song:

"People Get Ready"

Offering

Prayers of the Faithful

Holy Communion

Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Song:

"Prepare the Way"

Dismissal

Music

PRAYERS

Hospitalized/Home and Recuperating

Sheryl Clark, Gene Knaack, Rob Shoens, Adrian Woods, Dennis Bailey, Darlene Cassidy, Audie Kiplinger, Carrie Deal, Karil Piskur, Carol Rosenblum, Debbie Giles, Kendra King, Steve Sarbry, Linda Walker, John Duhn, Jim Cochran

On-going Prayers

Natalie David, Peter Mazzeo, Linda Stanley, Abbey Uline, Nighman Family, Heidi Balicki, Dianne Mosley, Pat Sauernheimer, Tia (Simpson) Russell, Ron and Mary Jane Warzel, The Fox Family, Millie Webb, Paula McKee, Ron and Joanne Cvelbar, Cheryl Mooney, Jerry Neumann, Deb Wise, Elaine, Jim Cochran, Mary Barnes, Jenna, Thomas Lloyd, Rob Shoens

Homebound

Gene and Mary Jane Knaack, Thelma Taylor, June Beck, Marj Wilder

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL BUDGET MEETING

Please note, Sunday January 14th will be a single service at 10 AM with a Congregational Meeting to review and vote on the budget directly following that service. We need members in attendance to vote. Please plan to be here.

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

We will continue to collect food throughout December for the Christmas food baskets. WE ARE ESPECIALLY IN NEED OF HAMS OR TURKEYS, please place donations in the freezer. Non-perishable Items can be placed in the shopping cart in the lobby. Monetary donations can be placed in the envelopes marked "Food Baskets" which are available on the Welcome Center; and can be placed in the offering plate. Volunteers will be needed to pack the food baskets on Thursday, December 21st 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. For questions, please contact: Reiner Mueller reindogger@outlook.com or call/text: 440-724-8897
A sign-up sheet is located on the Welcome Center.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

There will be a single traditional service at 10 AM on Sunday, December 24th to celebrate the fourth Sunday in Advent

There will also be two Christmas Eve services – 4 PM Contemporary and 8 PM Traditional Service, both with communion and candlelight.

READER NEEDED – DECEMBER 31ST 10 AM

We are in need of one additional readers for the December 31st Lessons and Carols Service. Please email Barb Krueger at kruegbg@att.net if you are able to serve

MINISTRY SITE PROFILE MEETING

The Ministry Site Profile Team has drafted the Ministry Site Profile and would like to share key aspects of the Profile, including the survey results.

We will have a meeting TODAY Sunday School Hour (10:15 AM -11:15 AM) in December to present the results of the survey, on Sunday December 17th. Please plan to attend!

CHRISTMAS POINTESTTIAS

Reminder, today is the last day to order Poinsettias to adorn the altar will be available for purchase beginning today. The cost is \$10 and the youth will be in the lobby with order forms. Proceeds will benefit the youth that will be attending the National Gathering next July.

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING BAKE SALE

Today is our youth National Gathering Bake Sale. Please stop in the Narthex to grab some delicious sweet treats and support our Youth that will be traveling to New Orleans in July.

2024 ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The Altar Flower dedication sheet for 2024 is out. Please complete your dedications for next year's Altar Flowers

2024 GIVING ENVELOPES

2024 giving envelopes are in the narthex for pick up. Be sure to grab yours and take it home

Thank you to the following volunteers:

Reader

Bruce Holderead

Ushers

Tammy Widdows, Holly Widdows

Counters

Sam Reichert, Rolf Gaab,

Jackie Wojciehowski

Altar Guild

Tricia Nolder, Sheri Gist, Beth David

Communion Assistants

Bruce Holderead, Pam and Herb Simpson

Communion Bread Baker

Laurie Uline

Last Week's Attendance

9:00 AM – 68

11:15 AM – 52

Online -



The Altar Flowers are given to the

Glory of God by

Pierre and Beth David

In Honor of their 33rd Anniversary

And

Rhonda Fox

In Honor of Wanda Wood's

Birthday

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday 12/17

Youth Bake Sale

8:30 AM – 11:15 AM

Monday 12/18

Confirmation 7 PM-9PM

AA 7:30 PM

Tuesday 12/19

Toastmasters 7:30 PM

AI-Anon 7 PM