

The Evangelical Covenant Church believes the Bible is the Word of God and the only perfect rule for faith, doctrine, and conduct. We believe in the necessity of the New Birth, and a continuing life in fellowship with our Living Lord, Jesus Christ.

We believe that the fellowship of Christians strengthens us for the ministry of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ, which is our task until the return of our Lord.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Covenant World Relief Offering:** Our offering for Covenant World Relief was \$272. Thank you.

**Church Christmas Decorating:** Thank you to everyone who helped decorate our church for Christmas. Thanks especially to Suzanne Rauert for organizing the effort.

**Young-at-Heart "Yankee Swap":** Young-at-Heart will hold their annual Christmas Yankee Swap this coming Tuesday at 10:30 AM. Please bring a wrapped gift (no more than \$5 value) with no tag. Place your name on the sign-up sheet in the narthex if you would like to join us for lunch at the Senior Center.

**Choir Cantata:** The Choir will present the Cantata "Breath of Heaven" on Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup> during the morning worship service.



December 6, 2015

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Second Sunday in Advent

# Welcome

## We Gather in God's Name

Second Advent Candle

The second candle on the Advent Wreath is lit as a symbol of proclamation. May the word sent from God through the prophets lead us to the way of salvation. O come, O come, Emmanuel!

## Preparing Our Hearts

\*Hymn #130      *Come Ye People*

\*Invocation

## Christmas Praise

Choir      *Emmanuel Shall Come*

## We Hear God's Word

Scripture      *Luke 1:67-79*

Sermon      *Thinking Backward; Thinking Forward*

## We Respond to God's Grace

Prayer  
Offering

*Invitation to the Table and the  
Lord's Prayer  
Service of Communion*

## Sending Song

\*Hymn #140      *Joy to the World*

\*Blessing

\*Stand if you are able

# Update

## Week of December 6 – 13, 2015

### Sunday, December 6, 2015

8:30 AM.....Adult Sunday School

10:00 AM.....Worship/Children's Sunday School

11:00 AM.....Fellowship Hour

### Tuesday, December 8, 2015

10:30 AM.....Young-at-Heart (Yankee Swap)

### Wednesday, December 9, 2015

10:30 AM.....MOM'S Club in Fellowship Hall

6:00 PM.....Worship on Wednesday (WOW)  
(Soup Supper Provided)

7:00 PM.....Choir Practice

### Sunday, December 13, 2015

8:30 AM.....Adult Sunday School

10:00 AM.....Worship/Children's Sunday School

11:00 AM.....Fellowship Hour

6:30 PM.....MAP Team

Nursery – Patty Widga

Greeters – Ruby & Chuck Andersen

## Serving In Worship

Pastor – Karl Larson

Worship Leader – Suzanne Rauert

Organist – Lorey Wadell

Pianist – Maxine Lewin

Choir Director – Ashley Lawton

Sound – Cliff Lawton

Greeters – Jill & Mike Owens

Nursery -