

We believe 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 we "are blessed to be a blessing." We seek to **BLESS** others as we:

- Begin with prayer,
- Listen with care,
- Eat together,
- Serve with love, and
- Share our story.

You are invited to our Advent Wednesday Evening Dinners: December 6th, 13th, and 20th. A simple meal (provided) will be followed by a brief devotional and prayer.

Please bring your "Giving Tree" gifts to church by next Sunday, December 10th, with the "ornament" attached.

Thank you!

Our Christmas Open House will be held at Glenn & Suzanne Rauert's home (1109 W. 10th Road) next Sunday, December 10th, beginning at 3:30 pm. All are welcome!

Young-at-Heart will meet on Tuesday, December 12th, at 10:30 am. Please bring a grab gift (wrapped, but no tag) worth no more than \$5.00 for our "Yankee Swap." A signup sheet is in the narthex for those who would like to eat at the Senior Center.

Thank you so much for all the ways that you have shown care and concern during my surgery and recovery. Grateful for all of you, Tina
(You can find Tina's thank you card on the bulletin board in the narthex.)



Come
long expected
JESUS

December 3, 2017

Evangelical Covenant Church
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First Sunday of Advent

Welcome

We Gather in God's Name

The First Advent Candle

The first candle on the Advent Wreath is lit as a symbol of expectation. May the light sent from God shine in the darkness to show us the way of salvations. O come, O come, Emmanuel!

We Prepare Our Hearts

- * Hymnal #136: *Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers!*
- * Hymnal #33: *Lift Up Your Heads to the Coming King*
- * Invocation and "Advent Lord's Prayer" (insert)

We Hear God's Word

Isaiah 64:1-9 Old Testament, p. 812
Mark 13:24-37 New Testament, p. 68

Choir *This Christmas*

Message: "The Lord Jesus Is Coming"

We Respond to God's Grace

Prayer
Offering/Offertory

- * Hymnal #127: *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

Communion

We Are Sent Forth with God's Blessing

- * Hymnal #140: *Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring*
- * Blessing

*Stand if you are able

Update

Week of December 3 – December 10, 2017

Sunday, December 3, 2017

8:30 AM Adult Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship/Children's S.S./Communion
11:00 AM Fellowship Hour

Wednesday, December 6, 2017

6:30 PM Advent Supper (meal provided)
7:30 PM Choir

Sunday, December 10, 2017

8:30 AM Adult Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship/Children's Sunday School
11:00 AM Fellowship Hour
3:30 PM Christmas Open House
@ Glenn & Suzanne Rauert's (1109 W. 10th Road)

Greeters – Maxine & Butch Lewin
Nursery – Suzanne Rauert
Children's Sunday School – Ashley Lawton

Today

Pastor – Karl Larson Leader – Butch Lewin
Reader – Jo Gakemeier Sound – Steve Pawley
Organ – Lorey Wadell Piano – Maxine Lewin
Greeter – Carol Thomas
Nursery – Nancy Seeman
Children's Sunday School – Marsha Pawley