

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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First Sunday in Advent

November 27, 2022

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## — GATHERING —

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

☞ In the name of the Father, and of the † Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

☞ **Amen.**

☞ Amid the darkness of this world, let us confess our sin  
and welcome the light of God's forgiveness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

☞ God of grace and truth,

☞ **In Christ Jesus you come to us  
as light shining in the darkness.**

**We confess that we have not welcomed the light,  
nor trusted the good news of great joy.**

**Forgive us and renew our hope,  
so that we may live in the fullness of your love,  
trusting in the grace of Christ our Lord. Amen.**

☞ The angel said, "You shall call his name Jesus for he will  
save his people from their sins." With great joy, I announce to  
you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the  
Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

☞ **Amen.**

### \*HYMN, "The Advent of Our God"

LBW Hymn 22

1. The advent of our God  
Shall be our theme for prayer;  
Come, let us meet him on the road  
And place for him prepare.

2. The everlasting Son  
Incarnate stoops to be,  
Himself the servant's form puts on  
To set his people free.

3. Come, Zion's daughter, rise  
To meet your lowly king,  
Nor let your faithless heart despise  
The peace he comes to bring.

4. As judge, on clouds of light,  
He soon will come again,  
And all his scattered saints unite  
With him on high to reign.

5. Before the dawning day  
Let sin be put to flight;  
No longer let the law hold sway,  
But walk in freedom's light.

6. All glory to the Son,  
Who comes to set us free,  
With Father, Spirit, ever one  
Through all eternity.



## \*GREETING AND LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

**P** Grace to you and peace from him who is  
and who was and who is to come.

*Revelation 1:4*

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** The Advent wreath is a circle with no beginning and no end.

**C** **It is a symbol of God’s unending love and faithfulness.**

**P** In Advent, we remember the waiting of God’s people  
for the coming of the Messiah.

**C** **We remember Christ’s coming to earth to save us.**

**P** In Advent, we remember that God comes to his people  
through the Holy Spirit in Word and Sacrament.

**C** **We celebrate Christ’s coming to us today.**

**P** In Advent, we remember that Jesus will come again  
and we long for that blessed hope.

**C** **We look forward to Christ’s coming again.**

**P** We light this candle mindful of Christ’s coming  
and his coming again. We join the hopeful prayer  
of Christians throughout the world:

**C** **Come, Lord Jesus.**

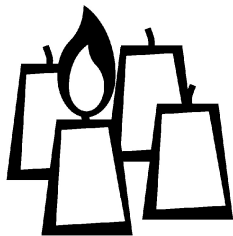
*The first candle of the Advent wreath is lighted.*

## \*HYMN, “*We Light the Advent Candles*”

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1. We light the Advent candles against the winter night,  
To welcome our Lord Jesus who is the world’s True Light,  
To welcome our Lord Jesus who is the world’s True Light.

2. The first one will remind us that Christ will soon return.  
We light it in the darkness and watch it gleam and burn.  
We light it in the darkness and watch it gleam and burn.



## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray together . . .

**C** **Stir up your power, O Lord, and come.**

**Protect us by your strength**

**and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins,  
for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**CHOIR, “Wait! Watch!”**

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

**HYMN, “*Away in a Manger*” (vv. 1 & 3)**

**LBW Hymn 67**

Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,  
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head;  
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay,  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask you to stay  
Close by me forever and love me, I pray.  
Bless all the dear children in your tender care  
And fit us for heaven to live with you there.

— **WORD** —

## FIRST READING, Isaiah 2:1-5

In days to come  
the mountain of the LORD’s house  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be raised above the hills;  
all the nations shall stream to it.  
Many peoples shall come and say,  
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob;

that he may teach us his ways  
 and that we may walk in his paths.”  
 For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,  
 and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.  
 He shall judge between the nations,  
 and shall arbitrate for many peoples;  
 they shall beat their swords into plowshares,  
 and their spears into pruning hooks;  
 nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
 neither shall they learn war any more.  
 O house of Jacob,  
 come, let us walk  
 in the light of the LORD!

(NRSV)

☐ The Word of the Lord.

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 122

☐ I was glad when they said to me,  
 “Let us go to the house of the LORD!”

☑ **Our feet are standing  
 within your gates, O Jerusalem.**

☐ Jerusalem — built as a city  
 that is bound firmly together.

☑ **To it the tribes go up,  
 the tribes of the LORD,**

☐ As was decreed for Israel,  
 to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

☑ **For there the thrones for judgment were set up,  
 the thrones of the house of David.**

☐ Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:

☑ **“May they prosper who love you.  
 Peace be within your walls,  
 and security within your towers.”**

☐ For the sake of my relatives and friends  
 I will say, “Peace be within you.”

☑ **For the sake of the house of the LORD our God,  
 I will seek your good.**

(NRSV)

### SECOND READING, Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; you shall not murder; you shall not steal; you shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

☐ The Word of the Lord.

(NRSV)

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION, “He Came Down”

#### He Came Down

He came down that we may have \*love; He  
 came down that we may have love; He came down that we may  
 have love, Hal-le-lu-jah for ev-er-more.

*Cantor:* Why did he come?

\*Substitute peace, joy, hope, life, etc.

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 Tune: Cameroon traditional; transcribed and arr. by John L. Bell, b.1949, © 1990, Iona Community, GIA Publications, Inc., agent

**\*GOSPEL, Matthew 24:36-44**

☞ The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 24th chapter.

☛ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

☞ *Jesus said to his disciples:* “But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in the days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so, too, will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken, and one will be left. Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.” (NRSV)

☞ The Gospel of the Lord.

☛ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION, “He Came Down”**

He came down that we may have hope.  
He came down that we may have hope.  
He came down that we may have hope,  
Hallelujah for evermore.

**SERMON**

**Pastor David J. Baer**



**\*HYMN, “Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying”**

**LBW Hymn 31**

1. Wake, awake, for night is flying,  
The watchmen on the heights are crying;  
Awake, Jerusalem, at last.  
Midnight hears the welcome voices,  
And at the thrilling cry rejoices:  
“Come forth, you maidens! Night is past.  
The bridegroom comes! Awake;  
Your lamps with gladness take!”  
Alleluia!  
Prepare yourselves to meet the Lord,  
Whose light has stirred the waiting guard.

2. Zion hears the watchmen singing,  
And in her heart new joy is springing.  
She wakes, she rises from her gloom,  
For her Lord comes down all-glorious,  
The strong in grace, in truth victorious.  
Her Star is ris’*n*; her light is come.  
Oh, come, you Blessed One,  
Lord Jesus, God’s own Son.  
Sing hosanna!  
We go until the halls we view  
Where you have bid us dine with you.

3. Now let all the heav’ns adore you,  
And saints and angels sing before you.  
The harps and cymbals all unite,  
Of one pearl each shining portal,  
Where, dwelling with the choir immortal,  
We gather round your dazzling light.  
No eye has seen, no ear  
Has yet been trained to hear.  
What joy is ours!  
Crescendos rise; your halls resound;  
Hosannas blend in cosmic sound.

**☩ We believe in one God,  
the Father, the almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made;  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son  
he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

— SACRAMENT —

OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY, “*Lo, How a Rose is Growing*” (v. 5) Hymn 58

O Savior, child of Mary,  
Who felt all human woe;  
O Savior, king of glory,  
Who triumphed o’er our foe:  
Bring us at length, we pray,  
To the bright courts of heaven  
And into endless day.

\*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 him thanks and praise.

\*PROPER PREFACE FOR ADVENT

\*SANCTUS, “*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*” See Next Page  
*The congregation sings “Holy, Holy, Holy Lord” to the tune of  
“God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen.” The congregation sings the  
entire song in unison.*

# HOLY


A Christmas Mass  
Paul Gibson

Cantor/choir:



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord. God of hosts.

All: Cantor/choir:



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord. God of hosts. Hea-ven and




earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-

All:



est, high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Cantor/choir: All:



Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Bless'd is he who

Cantor/choir:



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the

All:



high-est, Ho-san-na in the high-est, high-



est, Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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## \*PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION LBW Page 90

**P** Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for all fallen world you gave your only Son,  
that all those who believe in him  
should not perish, but have eternal life.

We thank you for the salvation  
you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.  
Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,  
that we may receive our Lord with a living faith  
as he comes to us in his holy supper.

**C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P** In the night in which he was betrayed  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup,  
gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people  
for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

## \*LORD'S PRAYER LBW Page 91

**C** 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.

## LAMB OF GOD

Tune: "The First Noel"

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Lamb of God, you take away  
the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away  
the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away  
the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION

*Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper with us. White grape juice is available in the center of each tray for those who are unable to receive wine for health reasons.*

*During the distribution of Communion, the congregation sings:*

LBW Hymn 34, "Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel"

LBW Hymn 35, "Hark, the Glad Sound"

LBW Hymn 39, "Joy to the World"



## HYMN, "Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel"

LBW Hymn 34

1. Oh, come, oh, come, Emmanuel,  
And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here  
Until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to you, O Israel!

2. Oh, come, oh, come, great Lord of might,  
Who to your tribes on Sinai's height  
In ancient times once gave the law  
In cloud, and majesty, and awe.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to you, O Israel!

3. Oh, come, strong Branch of Jesse, free  
Your own from Satan's tyranny;  
From depths of hell your people save  
And give them vict'ry o'er the grave.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to you, O Israel!

4. Oh, come, blest Dayspring, come and cheer  
Our spirits by you advent here;  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
And death's dark shadows put to flight.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to you, O Israel!

5. Oh, come, O Key of David, come,  
And open wide our heav'nly home;  
Make safe the way that leads on high,  
And close the path to misery.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to you, O Israel!

**HYMN, “Hark, the Glad Sound”**

1. Hark the glad sound! The Savior comes,  
The Savior promised long;  
Let ev’ry heart prepare a throne  
And ev’ry voice a song.

2. He comes the pris’ners to release,  
In Satan’s bondage held.  
The gates of brass before him burst,  
The iron fetters yield.

3. He comes the broken heart to bind,  
The bleeding soul to cure,  
And with the treasures of his grace  
To enrich the humble poor.

4. Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,  
Your welcome shall proclaim,  
And heav’n’s eternal arches ring  
With your beloved name.

**LBW Hymn 35**

**HYMN, “Joy to the World”**

1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive its King;  
Let ev’ry heart prepare him room  
And heav’n and nature sing,  
And heav’n and nature sing,  
And heav’n, and heav’n and nature sing.

2. Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!  
Let all their songs employ,  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

3. No more let sin and sorrow grow  
Nor thorns infest the ground;  
He comes to make his blessings flow  
Far as the curse is found,  
Far as the curse is found,  
Far as, far as the curse is found.

4. He rules the world with truth and grace  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of his righteousness  
And wonders of his love,  
And wonders of his love,  
And wonders, wonders of his love.

**LBW Hymn 39**



**\*COMMUNION BLESSING**

**LBW Page 92**



**\*CANTICLE**

Tune: "From Heaven Above" 51

Lord, you have set your servant free  
 To go in peace as you declared;  
 These eyes of mine at last have seen  
 The Savior whom you have prepared;

A light which will enlighten all,  
 And Israel's glory equally;  
 All glory to the Father, Son,  
 And Spirit evermore shall be.

**\*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**P** We give you thanks, almighty God,  
 that you have fed us with this promise of salvation.  
 We pray that through it  
 you would graciously strengthen us  
 in faith toward you and in love toward one another,  
 so that we may be prepared  
 for the coming of Jesus Christ our Savior.  
 For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.****— SENDING —****\*BLESSING**

**P** May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in  
 believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the  
 Holy Spirit.

*Romans 15:13*

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,  
 bless you now and forever.

**C Amen.****\*DISMISSAL**

**P** Go in peace. Prepare the way of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.****\*HYMN, "Rejoice, Rejoice Believers"****LBW Hymn 25**

1. Rejoice, rejoice, believers,  
 And let your lights appear;  
 The evening is advancing,  
 And darker night is near.  
 The bridegroom is arising  
 And soon is drawing nigh.  
 Up, pray and watch and wrestle;  
 At midnight comes the cry.

2. The watchers on the mountain  
 Proclaim the bridegroom near;  
 Go forth as he approaches  
 With alleluias clear.  
 The marriage feast is waiting;  
 The gates wide open stand.  
 Arise, O heirs of glory;  
 The bridegroom is at hand.

3. The saints, who here in patience  
 Their cross and sufferings bore,  
 Shall live and reign forever  
 When sorrow is no more.  
 Around the throne of glory  
 The Lamb they shall behold;  
 In triumph cast before him  
 Their diadems of gold.

4. Our hope and expectation,  
 O Jesus, now appear;  
 Arise, O Sun so longed for,  
 O'er this benighted sphere.  
 With hearts and hands uplifted,  
 We plead, O Lord, to see  
 The day of earth's redemption  
 That sets your people free!

**POSTLUDE**



# The First Sunday In Advent

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Treonna Solbie	Guyla Sturgeon
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Barb & Jack Wanstedt	Del Zambon
Lisa Arnio Porisch (niece of Bill & Chris Burleson)	
Christina Badalis (friend of Jon & Shelley Iverson)	
Lori Buck (cousin of Shelley Iverson)	
Ron Burns (friend of Bill & Chris Burleson)	
Julia Davis (cousin of Shelley Iverson)	
Marla Ebel (sister of Rita Shewmake)	
Kris Eide (sister of Ardith Petersen & Lois Rath)	
Melanie Erickson (sister of Brenda Rath)	
Ellen Fiechtner (mother of Ardith Petersen & Lois Rath)	
Dallas Fox (friend of Jordan Smith)	
Nancy Island (sister of Bev Karlson)	
Ike & Lanette Iverson (father and step-mother of Jon Iverson)	
Darrel Jorgenson (brother of John Jorgenson)	
Ky J. Karlson (son of Bev Karlson)	
Callie Kvanvig (16-month old great niece of Ray Follum)	
Parker Loll (infant son of Branden & Alyssa (Haiwick) Loll)	
Karen Miller (sister of Maxine Ripley)	
Mitch Palmer (friend of Paul Swisher)	
Nancy Porter (friend of Bill and Chris Burleson)	
Tim Ripley (friend of Paul Swisher)	
Melani Roewe (daughter of Renae Bessler)	
Nathan Sanders (friend of Bill & Chris Burleson)	
Jeremy Sundby (nephew of Claire & Maxine Ripley)	
Jess Teigen (friend of Amelia Knutson)	
Tori Tetrault (young daughter of Tyler and Breynn Tetrault)	
Kent Thomas (brother of Mary Tracy)	
Xayne Vroman (great grandson of Cindy and Harold Davis)	
Robert Zuhr (brother in-law of Chris Burleson)	

## THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL:

<b>Today</b>	9:00 a.m. — Worship
	10:00 a.m. — Coffee Fellowship
	10:15 a.m. — Church Decorating
<b>Wednesday</b>	4:00 p.m. — Confirmation
	4:30 p.m. — Kids Club
<b>Thursday</b>	5:30 p.m. — Choir
	6:30 p.m. — Light Supper
	7:00 p.m. — Bible Study
<b>Next Sunday</b>	9:00 a.m. — Worship
	10:00 a.m. — Coffee Fellowship
	10:15 a.m. — Church Decorating

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**WE ARE GATHERING** clothing and shoes for the Whitewood Elementary School as an Advent and Christmas project. Please bring any gifts for the school to the church during the Advent season. They especially need socks for bigger kids and winter gloves. Other gift ideas include sox, shoes, boots, mittens, underwear, sweat pants, shirts, coats, snow pants, and anything that a child might need.

**GIVE A POINSETTIA** to add beautify to our sanctuary for our celebration of Advent and Christmas. You may provide your own poinsettia or give a gift of money and the congregation will purchase poinsettias for you. Please return a blue poinsettia gift form (available on the table in the social room) so that we can acknowledge your gift in the Christmas Eve bulletin.

**A CHRISTMAS CONCERT** by the choirs of Sturgis-area churches is set for 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 12, at the Sturgis Community Center Theater. Immanuel's choir is one of the participating choirs.

**WHITEWOOD FESTIVAL OF TREES** is on Thursday at the Whitewood Community Hall. Preview begins at 5 p.m. with the auction starting at 6:30 p.m. The festival is sponsored by the Whitewood Chamber of Commerce and the 8-10 Club.

**WELCOME TO ALL** who are worshiping with us today. We especially welcome our visitors. If you are unfamiliar with our worship, one of our members will gladly assist you. Visitors, please be sure to sign the guest register in the narthex. We hope that you will worship with us again soon.

**ALL ARE INVITED** to stay for a time of fellowship following worship. Donuts, coffee, and juice are available. A free-will offering is received to cover expenses.

**WE ARE DECORATING** our church building for Advent and Christmas (inside and outside) following worship today. Please stay and join in the decorating fun.

**WHITEWOOD KIDS CLUB** — our Wednesday night children's ministry — meets from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. each week. Kids Club is designed for children Age 3 through Grade 5.

**A MIDWEEK ADULT BIBLE STUDY** meets at 7 p.m. on Thursday evenings. We are studying the four Gospels this year. We are comparing the Gospels and seeing how each one tells the story of Jesus. Everyone is encouraged to join us this opportunity to grow in faith. A light supper is served starting at 6:30 p.m.

**ADVENT DEVOTIONS** from the NALC are available on the table in the library social room. You can also download them as an ebook or request daily emails to text messages at [www.thenalc.org/advent](http://www.thenalc.org/advent). You can watch a video recording of the devotional each day at [www.facebook.com/thenalc](http://www.facebook.com/thenalc).

**SANTA'S WORKSHOP:** Whitewood Senior Center is hosting a workshop for children (ages 6-12) to make presents for their family on Saturdays, Dec. 10 and Dec. 17, from noon to 3 p.m. Call 605-722-3859 to be added to the workshop list or for more information. Craft supplies are needed, see the list on the bulletin board.

**SERVICE TEAM #2** is looking for volunteers to help with serving during December. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the library social room.