

## Resources



**December's Book of the Month:** *God in the Manger* by John MacArthur. Available at the Event Center for \$15.

### December's Verse of the Month:

*Luke 2:30-32 For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all people, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."*

**Walk the Talk & Prayer List Bookmarks:** Pick up a copy of *Walk the Talk*...the application exercise that accompanies today's message as well as the weekly Prayer List Bookmark (on the table in the Sanctuary lobby or the back of the FLC gym).

## Student Ministries

Registration brochures can be found at the **Uth Booth (UB)** or the **Uth Rooms**, across from the Event Center, or at [www.eccstudentministries.com](http://www.eccstudentministries.com).

**SUGAR COOKIES:** We are looking for several parents to make a dozen cookies each for our event on December 19. Interested? contact Todd or mark your **eCard**.

### Middle School

**THRIVE [Sun, 9:45 am; The Attic]**

**Pool Party [Sun, December 5, 4:00-7:30 pm]**

**Student Life [Sun, December 12, 9:45 am; The Attic]**

**COLLIDE [Sun, December 12; 6:00-7:30]**

No **FUEL** on Wednesday nights until January 12.

### High School

**THRIVE [Sun, 9:45 am; The Attic]**

**IMPACT [Sun, 6:00-7:30 pm]**

No **IGNITE** on Wednesday nights until January 12.

**Serve-U [Sat, December 15, 6:00-8:30 pm]**

**Baptism [Sun, December 19]** See Todd if you're interested.

**Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest [Sun, December 19]**

**Komets Hockey [Mon, December 27]**

**Pizza Sale:** Begins January 2.

## Service Options



**Saturday night at 5:27 pm (FLC Gym)**

Worship in a casual atmosphere and enjoy the same sermon that is shared on Sunday.



**Sunday morning at 8:15, 9:45, & 11:15 am (Sanctuary)**

inspiring worship...worship team & band...great message!

**Sunday morning at 9:45 am (FLC Gym)**

relaxed, inviting worship...same great message by live-feed!



## Did You Know?

**TO BECOME A MEMBER OF ECC** or just find out more about our church and ministries, register for **eConnect** on your **eCard**. **eConnect** is held the third Sunday of each month at 9:45 am.

**SUBSCRIBE ONLINE:** You can subscribe online to receive our various eNews eMails such as eNotes, Prayer Mail, & Daily Scriptures, as well as sign up for LIFEgroups online at [www.emmanuelcommunity.org](http://www.emmanuelcommunity.org).

**FELLOWSHIP TIME:** Join us on Sundays for refreshments in Russ & Thelma's Fireside Café or the FLC Gym between worship services.

The **WELCOME CENTERS (WC)** are located just outside the Sanctuary doors and outside the FLC Gym. The **EVENT CENTER (EC)** is located where the Sanctuary lobby & Family Life Center (FLC) meet.

**LOST & FOUND** is located across from the Event Center.

**ECC BINDERS** for sermon notes storage can be purchased at the **EC**.

**ECC RESOURCE DIRECTORIES** can be found online on our resource page at [www.emmanuelcommunity.org](http://www.emmanuelcommunity.org).

Our **24/7 PRAYER ROOM** is accessible through the outside wood entry door located to the left of the Kids' Walk Park (entrance #1).

Church Office Hours are  
Monday-Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

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## Today's Message

People Who Don't Miss Christmas (1 of 3)

Simeon: A Focus on Hope

Luke 2:21-35

Dennis Miller  
lead pastor

## Today's focus

How many times have you heard someone say that the holidays just flew by and they didn't get the chance to fully appreciate the season? Today we begin our Christmas series and look at the people in the Bible who didn't miss "Christmas." We'll discover the secrets of some Biblical giants who were able to see and appreciate what others missed. If we take time to learn their secrets, we can have a much more meaningful and enjoyable holiday.



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Saturday, December 4, 2010 at 5:27 pm  
Sunday, December 5, 2010 at 8:15, 9:45 & 11:15 am



## Holiday Schedule & Events

**Christmas Eve Services [Fri, December 24 at 3:30, 5:00, or 6:30 pm]** Childcare provided for newborn through pre-K.

--**Servers/Helpers Needed** for Christmas Eve to set-up, serve refreshments between services, & help clean-up. **eCard**

**Christmas Day & New Year's Eve [Sat, December 25 & Sat, January 1]** Saturday evening services will NOT be held.

## Baptism Service

We will be holding a service of baptism on Sunday, December 19 at the end of the 11:15 am service. If you would like to be baptized, mark your **eCard** to receive more information.

## Catalyst Christmas Edition

**[Wed, December 15, 6:00-7:30 pm]** At this gathering you'll find lots of other parents who are working through the exact same parenting issues as you. You'll find plenty of opportunity to laugh with moms and dads who walk the same road as you. You'll find regular folks with awesome kids! Here's what you can expect...

- 6:00 - FREE meal (register on the back of your **eCard** by Dec 13)
- 6:30 to 7:30 - Catalyst for parents - we'll be discussing the book *Parenting Beyond Your Capacity* (available at the **EC** for \$15)
- 6:30 to 7:30 - FREE nursery & children's activities
- 7:30 - Fellowship and Christmas cookies

## Thank You...

Thanks to all who decorated the church for Christmas! Everything looks beautiful! Your hard work is very much appreciated!

## Welcome to ECC

We're glad you chose to worship with us today. If you are new, please stop by one of our Welcome Centers (*Sanctuary Lobby* or *at the entrance to the Family Life Center*) and pick up a Welcome Packet and gift.

## eConnect

### What's Next?

**eConnect I [Sun, December 19, 9:45; FLC Conference Room]**  
Whether you're new to ECC, or you've been around a while, this one-hour session will help acquaint you with our ministry and is the first step to church membership. **eCard**

## This Weekend's Worship

Saturday 5:27 & Sunday Grace 133 (FLC Gym):

*Worship Leader:* Chris Kuntz

*Band:* Tom Mohr, Larry Holzinger, Jake Jewson

*Vocalists:* Lori Ashton, Sarah Wall, Monica Herbst

*Tech:* Drew Forbes, Chris Houser

**Worship Celebration (Sanctuary):**

*Worship Leader:* Sam Ward

*Vocalists:* Lora Lemon, Kay Salter, Jim Cates, & the ECC Worship Choir

*Band:* Dan Friend, DeWayne Salter, Kyle Luithly, Steve Cooper

*Tech:* Andrew Malloy, Bob Phillips, Greg Ping, Jeff Keplar

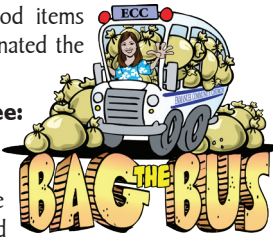
## REACH Ministries

**Bag the Bus:** Non-perishable food items and gently used clothing can be donated the first three weeks of December.

### Wings of Hope Angel Tree:

Join us in celebrating the holidays with Wings of Hope by picking an ornament off of the Angel Tree (across from REACH Central) and purchasing the listed items. Remember to register your tag and return your wrapped items by December 19.

**Interfaith Hospitality Network** provides housing & a number of other services for homeless families in our area. This year we've been asked to make a meal and enjoy it with these families during the week of January 16-22. Great ministry opportunity for a family or LIFEgroup. **eCard**



## Celebrate Recovery

**Celebrate Recovery [Tuesday nights, 7-9 pm; Door #1]**  
Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program and support group for anyone (whether you attend ECC or not) who struggles with eating disorders, substance abuse, hurt and loss, depression, sexual addiction, codependency, and more.

We provide continuous, weekly meetings that include musical worship, a teaching lesson or testimony, and structured, gender specific share groups. Sign-up is not necessary...Come as you are. (We also offer Step Studies that meet at different times, for a deeper level of working the 12-step recovery process.)

## New LIFEgroups Forming

We have openings in two LIFEgroups:

--**Moms of School-age Children:** This group will begin meeting in January, twice per month on Wednesday mornings.

--**Ossian/Markle Area:** This group will begin meeting in January, one or two Sunday nights per month.

Please indicate your interest on your **eCard**.

## Opportunities to Serve

Register for any of these opportunities on your **eCard**:

**Kids' Walk Volunteer Opportunities on Sunday mornings:** Provide help in our nursery, preschool, and elementary ministries during the 11:15 am Sunday services.

**Musicians Needed** to help our Worship Arts Ministry. Our most urgent needs are: bass & electric guitar players.

**Ushers:** Serve on a rotating schedule for any weekend service (Saturday 5:27, Sunday at 8:15, 9:45, or 11:15 am, or Sunday Grace 133 at 9:45 am).

## Upward Basketball

**Upward Basketball Volunteer Opportunities:** Current needs are for a 1st & 2nd grade coach (practicing Thursday nights); Scorekeepers; Concession Workers; Audio/Video Techs. **eCard** or stop by the **EC** for more information.

## Adult Ministries

### Men's Action Ministries:

**-FLEX: Learning to flex what God gave you [Wed, 7:30 pm, Numbers - beginning January 12]** Not only will we look at how God has taught men in the past, we will take a different approach to find out what God could be trying to do with you. He has a plan... are you listening? **eCard**

**-Turn Prayer Night [Mon, December 6, 7 pm; Russ & Thelma's Fireside Cafe]** It's not always our first reaction to pray...most of the time it is our last resort. It's a time for guys to get together for one thing: to pray.

### Women-2-Women Ministries:

**-Monthly Scrapbooking Marathon [Fri-Sat, January 7 & 8]**  
Held the first weekend of every month (Fridays from 6 pm-midnight and Saturdays from 9 am-4 pm in the Kids' Walk Pavilion at ECC). Cost is \$10 which includes pizza for Friday night, snacks for Saturday, drinks, and prizes. Register and pre-pay at the **EC**.

**-Women's Prayer Night [Tue, December 14, 5:30-6:30 pm; 24/7 Prayer Room]** Join us the 2nd Tuesday of every month for prayer. Our Theme: Give Glory to God!

### Groundwork (Young Adult Ministries):

**-Groundwork Christmas Party [Wed, December 22, 5:00 pm; at the home of Erica Justice]** Meeting at the home of Erica Justice, 410 Sandy Beach Road, Coldwater, MI. This will be a relaxed evening of games, gingerbread house making, chili eating, and fun! **Contact Erin Stringer at eccerin@me.com if you wish to carpool.**

### OASIS Senior Ministries:

**-Lunch & Learn [Mon, December 13, 12-2 pm; Joshua Room]** Join OASIS for its monthly luncheon.

**-Women's Prayer Coffee [Thu, December 16, 9:30 am]**  
Meet us at 6105 Aurora Place in Fort Wayne as we join together for a meaningful time of prayer and a delightful cookie exchange.

## Counseling Services

Pastor Bob Bruce offers a variety of counseling options at Emmanuel. **For an appointment, you can contact him at 672-3377 or via e-mail at eccbob@me.com.**

**eCard** Use the eCard inside your bulletin to respond.

**EC Event Center** (located where the Sanctuary lobby & Family Life Center/FLC meet)

**WC Welcome Centers** (located outside the center Sanctuary doors & outside the FLC Gym.)

**UB Uth Booth** (located on the 2nd floor of the FLC)

**KWP Kids' Walk Park** (located inside entrance #1 next to Russ & Thelma's Fireside Cafe)

## This Week at ECC

### MONDAY

7:00 pm Men's Turn Prayer Night

8:00 pm Open Soccer

### TUESDAY

7:00 pm Celebrate Recovery

### WEDNESDAY

No Wednesday Programming

### THURSDAY

9:00 pm Open Volleyball

### SATURDAY

9:00 am Scrapbook Marathon

5:27 pm Saturday 5:27 Service

## Looking Ahead

Dec 6 Men's Turn Prayer Night  
Open Soccer

Dec 7 Celebrate Recovery

Dec 9 Open Volleyball

Dec 13 OASIS Luncheon

Dec 14 MOPS

Celebrate Recovery

Women's Prayer Night

Dec 15 Catalyst Christmas Edition

Men's Haiti Info Meeting

Dec 16 OASIS: Women's Prayer Coffee

Open Volleyball

Dec 19 eConnect Session I

Baptism Service

Dec 20 Open Soccer

Dec 23 No Open Volleyball

Dec 24 Christmas Eve Services at

3:30, 5:00, & 6:30 pm

Dec 25 No Saturday Evening Service

Dec 27/28 Church Offices Closed

Dec 31 Church Offices Closed

Jan 1 No Saturday Evening Service

Jan 3 No Open Volleyball