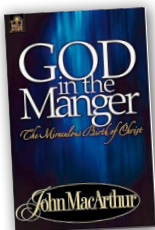


Resources



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.

Middle School

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

Christmas at COLLIDE [Sun, 6:00-7:30 pm] Bring a white elephant gift for our gift exchange – nothing fancy, just something you don't want any longer.

Lock-In [January 12]

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

Pizza Sale Fundraiser begins January 2.

High School

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

Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest [Sun, December 19]

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

Komets Hockey [Mon, December 27]

Pizza Sale: Begins January 2.

Mission Trip Applications: Coming soon!

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.

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.

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 (3 of 3)

Mary & Joseph:
A Focus on Obedience

Luke 2:21-41

Dennis Miller, *lead pastor*

Today's focus

Today we see that OBEDIENCE should be our focus in "getting the most out of Christmas." In this passage, Mary and Joseph are extremely young and in the midst of a very difficult situation. And yet their actions reflect their obedience. We'll conclude this series by discovering that obedience is often measured by the things we DO rather than the things we DON'T do.



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Saturday, December 18, 2010 at 5:27 pm
Sunday, December 19, 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.

No Services will be held on **Christmas Day and New Year's Day** (Saturday, December 25 & January 1)

Holiday Volunteers Needed

Servers/Helpers Needed for **Christmas Eve** (Friday, December 24) to set-up, serve refreshments between services, & help clean-up. **eCard**

Bag the Bus

Thanks for helping to Bag the Bus again this year! Donations will be received through third service on Sunday, December 19.

Caroling at ECC

[Wed, December 22, 6:30-7:30 pm; Joshua] We'll join in a carol sing-along...enjoy cookies & hot chocolate...all are welcome!

Provide a Meal for the Holidays

Would you like to help provide a meal for an ECC person or family over the holidays? A \$60 donation is all it takes to assist a family in need. If you would like to make a donation or would like to suggest a person or family who would benefit from a meal, **contact Craig Mickey at ecccraig@me.com or Bob Bruce at eccbob@me.com.**

Deck the Halls...in Reverse

[Mon, January 3, 4-8 pm] Even though Christmas hasn't arrived, we are already recruiting volunteers to help with the tear-down of the decorations after the holidays. This is a BIG task so we can use all the help we can get! **eCard**

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.

This Weekend's Worship

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

Worship Leader: Chris Kuntz
Band: Larry Holzinger, Tom Mohr, Kyle Luithly
Vocalists: Anna Macke, Randy Beery, Carla Embree
Tech: Chris Houser, Mark Bonner, Wally Miazga, Eric Emerick

Worship Celebration (Sanctuary):

Worship Leader: Sam Ward
Vocalists: Lora Lemon, Kay Salter, Jim Cates

Soloist (Prelude): Jim Collins
Band: Dan Friend, DeWayne Salter, Kyle Luithly, Tim Tilbury, Jim Collins
Tech: Alex Dayton, Bob Phillips, Steve Weber, Jim Bopp

Special - Little Drummer Boy:

ECC Worship Choir & Drum Line (Tim Muntzinger, Keyn Hollowell, Larry Holzinger, Joseph Friend, Steven Uhey)

REACH Ministries

Interfaith Hospitality Network provides housing & 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 opportunity for a family or LIFEgroup. **eCard PERSPECTIVES on the World Christian Movement** is a 15-week class that helps equip disciples in strategic ways to serve the local church while furthering the kingdom of God globally. Although the commitment may seem intimidating, these classes will deepen your understanding of God as you learn of his purposes for the nations. Classes begin the week of January 9 in Bluffton, Columbia City, and Berne. To find out more, visit www.perspectives.org or stop by REACH Central.

DivorceCare / GriefShare

We are offering divorce recovery and grief recovery support groups beginning January 9 from 6:00-7:30 pm. The groups will meet for 13 weeks and are open to anyone dealing with these issues. Register on your **eCard**.

Upward Basketball

Upward Basketball Volunteer Opportunities: Gearing up for an amazing season, we still need some referees and concession helpers. **eCard** or stop by the **EC** for more information.

New LIFEgroups Forming

We have openings in two LIFEgroups:

--**Moms of School-age Children [Wednesdays beginning January 19]** More moms are needed to complete this group. Regular meetings will begin on Wednesday, January 19 and will continue meeting twice per month.

--**Ossian/Markle Area [Kick-off meeting: Sun, January 30, 6:00-7:30 pm; at the home of Jeff & Carol Keplar]** More couples/families needed to complete this group. Scheduled to meet twice monthly on Sunday evenings.

Please indicate your interest on your **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.)

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, January 3, 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.

-**Indiana University Basketball Tickets:** Sit down, this might be too exciting for some of you guys to handle! We have home game tickets available to different IU home games! Interested? Stop by the **EC**.

Women-2-Women Ministries:

-**New Weekday Study [Wed, January 12-March 23, 9-11 am]** Using the book *The Gospel of Ruth* by Carolyn Curtis James, come study this familiar story and see how God reveals his heart for women and how sincere gospel living will saturate us with purpose and transform our relationships! Teacher: Sue McCollum. (Purchase book at the **EC** for \$15/book)

-**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]** This will be a relaxed evening of games, gingerbread house making, chili eating, and fun! **To carpool, contact Erin Stringer at eccerin@me.com.**

-**Serve With Us! [Sun, January 16; meet at ECC at 4:15 pm]** Join us as we partner with Interfaith Hospitality Network by sharing a meal with these families. We will prepare the meal there and then spend time getting to know the families by eating with them, playing games, etc. The entire family is welcome to join us.

OASIS Senior Ministries:

-**Lunch & Learn [Mon, January 10, 12-2 pm; Joshua Room]** Join OASIS for its monthly luncheon.

-**Women's Prayer Coffee [Thu, January 20, 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.

eCard Use the eCard inside your bulletin to respond.

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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

SUNDAY

9:45 am eConnect
12:15 pm Baptism Service
6:00 pm Student Ministries

MONDAY

9:00 pm Open Soccer

TUESDAY

7:00 pm Celebrate Recovery

THURSDAY

NO Open Volleyball

FRIDAY

3:30 pm Christmas Eve Service
5:00 pm Christmas Eve Service
6:30 pm Christmas Eve Service

SATURDAY

NO Saturday 5:27 Service

Looking Ahead

Dec 19 eConnect Session 1
Baptism Service
Christmas at Collide (Middle School)
Ugly Christmas Sweater Party (High School)

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 Komets Hockey Game (High School)

Dec 27/28 Church Offices Closed

Dec 30 No Open Volleyball

Dec 31 Church Offices Closed

Jan 1 No Saturday Evening Service

Jan 12 Student Ministries Lock-In

Feb 2 eConnect Session 2

Feb 9 eConnect Session 3