

## Resources

### December's Verse of the Month:

Luke 1:38 "I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May it be to me as you have said." Then the angel left her.

### Walk the Talk Sheets & Prayer (PUSH)

**Bookmarks:** Pick up a copy of Walk the Talk - an application exercise that accompanies today's message as well as the weekly Prayer (PUSH) Bookmark located on the table in the Worship Center lobby or the back of the FLC Gym.

## Student Ministries

Event registration brochures can be found at the Uth Booth in the Event Center or just outside the youth rooms on the second floor of the Family Life Center.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL

**Walk the Talk Discussion:** Sundays, 10:30 am; the Attic.

**COLLIDE:** Will be taking a break and will start up again January 8.

**FUEL:** Will be taking a break and will start up again January 4.

**Mission Trip Applications:** Available January 1

**Pizza Sale:** Begins January 13

**Lock-In:** January 13

**Green Bay Mission Trip:** July 1-6

### HIGH SCHOOL

**Walk the Talk Discussion:** Sundays, 10:30 am; upstairs in the Cafe.

**IMPACT:** Sundays, 6:00-7:30 pm; Upstairs of the FLC. No meeting this week

**IGNITE:** Will be taking a break and will start up again January 4.

**Komets Hockey:** December 29

**Mission Trip Applications:** Available January 1

**Pizza Sale:** Begins January 13

**Lock-In:** January 20

**Nicaragua Missions Trip:** June 15-24

## Worship Service Options

### Saturday at 5:27 pm (FLC Gym)

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



### Sunday at 9:00 & 10:30 (Worship Center)

Inspiring worship with worship team and band... great message!



### Sunday at 9:00 & 10:30 (FLC Gym)

Relaxed, inviting worship... message via live video 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** Session 1 is held the first Sunday of each month. Session 2 & 3 will be held the 2nd and 3rd Sunday of each month respectively. **eConnect** Sessions are held at 10:30 am in the FLC Conference Room.

**Subscribe online:** You can subscribe online to receive our various electronic updates: eNotes, Prayer Mail & Daily Scriptures. You can also sign up for LIFEgroups online.

The **Welcome Centers (WC)** are located just outside the Worship Center doors and outside the FLC Gym. The **Event Center (EC)** is located where the Sanctuary lobby and the Family Life Center (FLC) meet.

**Community Time:** Join us for coffee and donuts in Russ & Thelma's Fireside Cafe or the FLC Gym between worship services.

**Lost and found** is located at the **EC**.

**ECC Binders** for sermon note storage can be purchased at the **EC**.

**Hearing Impaired Units** can be found at our sound booth or by asking an usher.

**Our 24/7 Prayer Room** is accessible through the outside wooden entry door near Door #1.

**Download Sermon Notes** using the ECC Guest network. The password is joingust.

### Church Office Hours: Mon-Fri, 8:30 am-4:30 pm

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## Today's Message

Christmas, The Prequel (4 of 4)

Act 4-- Wow!

Luke 1:46-56

Dennis Miller,

## Today's Focus

Today we conclude our Prequel series as we look at a hymn that was written 2,000 years ago by a young girl. It is called The Magnificat, and it is a passage of Scripture that Protestants don't study often enough. We will see that Mary really understood worship and as we study the song, we can learn how to better celebrate Christmas.



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Sunday, December 25, 2011 at 9:00



## 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 (Worship Center lobby or Family Life Center Atrium) and pick up a Welcome Packet and gift.

### DivorceCare

Beginning January 15, we will be offering a divorce recovery group. DivorceCare is for anyone who is divorced or separated. The class meets for 13 weeks from 6:00-7:30 pm in the Esther Room/Old Testament Hallway, **contact Bob Bruce at 672-3377 or eccbob@me.com**.

### REACH Ministries

We are in need of individuals to serve lunch at the **Rescue Mission**. If you are willing to volunteer the second Sunday of any month from 11:15 am until 12:45 pm, then please **contact Anna Edgar at eccannae@me.com or 672-3377**.

Next year, four churches in our area will be hosting the class, **PERSPECTIVES: on the World Christian Movement**. If you would like more information, stop by **RC** for a brochure.

**IT'S A LOVE HAITI THING!** April 27-May 5 a team will be going to Haiti to serve with Loving Shepherd Ministries. The team will be participating in medical and visual check-ups, light construction work, and relationship building with the Cavaillon Family. If you're interested in knowing more, please sign up on your **eCard**, or **contact Anna Edgar at eccannae@me.com**

## Baby Dedication Celebration

Our next Baby Dedication Celebration will be held on **Sunday, February 12, 2012 at 1:30 pm**. If you would like to dedicate your child, please mark your **eCard** to receive more information.

## familyFEAST

familyFEAST is our Wednesday evening meal served from 6:00-6:30 in the FLC gym. The meal will be on January 4 and we will have pizza, salad, and fruit. Register on your **eCard** (deadline is noon Monday, January 2).

**eConnect Session 1 [Sun, February 5, 10:30 am; 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. Please mark your **eCard** if you would like to attend.

**eConnect Session 2 [Sun, February 12, 10:30 am; FLC Conference Room]**

Prerequisite is eConnect Session 1. This session will focus on Discovering your Personality.

**eConnect Session 3 [Sun, February 19, 10:30 am; FLC Conference Room]**

Prerequisites are eConnect Session 1 & 2. This session will consist of Discovering your Spiritual Gifts. Please mark your **eCard** if you would like to attend.

**Membership Class [Wed, Feb 1, 6:30-7:45 pm; Genesis Room]** Pastor Dennis Miller will lead this session which is the final step to membership. Prerequisites are eConnect Sessions 1, 2, & 3. Please mark your **eCard** if you would like to attend.

**New to ECC Reception [4th Sat & Sun of each month at the conclusion of each service]** This is an opportunity for you to meet some of the staff as well as take a tour of our facility. On Sunday mornings, join us in the FLC Conference room and on Saturday evenings, join us in

**Opportunities to Serve**

**Upward Basketball Prayer Partners** - The teams are put together; the coaches are in the first steps of teaching, and the volunteers are still jumping in on the excitement. All we need now is you! Probably the most important position in this whole thing is prayer. If you would like to adopt a team to pray for this season, we would love to have you join us. Mark your **eCard** or contact **Jason Hupert at 672-3377 or eccupward@gmail.com.**

**Children's Ministry Volunteers** - We are looking for 2nd/3rd grade small group leaders during the 9 am Sunday morning service. We also have a need for volunteers to serve as Fusion leaders for grades Kindergarten through 5th grade on Wednesday evenings beginning in January. If you would like more information about any of these opportunities, then please **mark your eCard or contact Shandra Hathaway shathaway@emmanuelcommunity.org**

**Preschool Volunteers** - In the 3 year old classroom, we need a few volunteers to serve during the 10:30 am Sunday Service. Please **contact Michelle Blocher at 672-3377 or eccmichelle@me.com or mark your eCard** if you would like to serve in this area.

**Nursery Volunteers** - We are in need of volunteers to help out in our nurseries. Please **contact Michelle Blocher at 672-3377 or eccmichelle@me.com or mark your eCard** if you would like to serve in this area.

**Children's Ministries Substitutes** - If you are available to substitute for our wonderful weekly volunteers for those times of illness or other absences, please mark your **eCard.**

**ABLE Ministries** is in need of volunteers to help with new families to ECC who have children with special needs. Training will be provided. Interested? **Contact Pastor Bob Bruce at eccbob@me.com or 672-3377 or mark your ecard.**

**Musicians** are needed to help our Worship Arts Ministry. Interested? **Contact Dan Friend at 672-3377 or eccdan@me.com.**

**Audio Techs** are needed to help our Worship Arts Ministry (training provided.) Interested? **Contact Dan Friend at 672-3377 or eccdan@me.com.**

**Year End Giving**

As the end of the calendar year approaches, Emmanuel is grateful to be included in year-end giving by members or attenders. All gifts that are desired to be included on giving statements for 2011 need to be postmarked no later than December 31. (Please note the office will be closed both

**Counseling Services**

Pastor Bob Bruce offers a variety of counseling options at ECC. To make an appointment, please **contact Bob Bruce at eccbob@me.com or 672-3377.**

**Adult Ministries****Men's Action Ministries**

**REACT [Mon, Jan 2, 7:30 pm]** Searching for a way to REACT to what we've been taught! On the first Monday night of every month, we will head out to get involved in our area and we want to encourage you to join us. In January, we are heading back to SOS, a homeless ministry here in Fort Wayne. Space is limited so please **contact Jason Hupert at jasonhupert@me.com or 672-3377** if you are interested in coming.

**Man vs Food [Sat, Jan 28, 3:00 - 9:00 pm; Mooresville & Upland, IN]** We truly believe the title of this event speaks for itself. We are embarking on a journey with our first stop being at an eating icon, Grey Brothers Cafeteria in Mooresville, IN. We will swing by Ivanhoe's in Upland, IN for dessert. Act quick... only 31 spots remain. Want in? Please mark your **ecard or contact Jason Hupert at jasonhupert@me.com or 672-3377.**

**Women's Ministries**

**Day of Health [Sat, Jan 21, 9:00-11:30am]** If you always wanted to be a little more healthy but didn't know how, this is your day! You will learn about health through diet and exercise from guest speaker LouAnn Binkley. Then you will get a chance to try out what you have learned in 20 minute breakout sessions. This is a free event so come and bring a friend! Sign up on your **ecard** today if you would like to attend.

**New Study! Beth Moore's "David: A Heart Like His" [Mondays beginning January 16th, 6:30 pm]** God will never give up on you. Explore how David's life proves this promise to be true in this updated edition of Beth Moore's best-selling study. Sign up on your **ecard.**

**Women's J.A.M.! [Second Sat of each month, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm]** Join us for Women's J.A.M. (Jesus And Me) the second Saturday of each month. We often get busy and don't prioritize spending moments in quiet communication with God. If you are interested in increasing your time with the Lord, meet at ECC the second Saturday of each month from 9am-12pm. You will be provided with a prayer guide or you are free to do your own thing. It is a time for you to spend time in prayer and the Word and see what God does when we take time from our busy schedules for Him. Mark your **ecard** if you want to be added to the email listing for J.A.M. updates.

**Young Adult Ministries**

**LIFEgroup forum [Wed, Jan 4; 6:30 -7:45 pm]** SAVE THE DATE! We will be hosting a special LIFEgroup forum for the 20-30 year olds of the church. This is your chance to get to meet other young adults in the church and find out what

**Weather Cancellations**

As we head into the winter season, remember that your best source for information related to weather cancellations at Emmanuel is the church website ([www.emmanuelcommunity.org](http://www.emmanuelcommunity.org)). Weather related information will also be relayed to WBCL and WANE.

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

**EC** **Event Center** located where the Worship Center lobby & the Family Life Center meet.

**WC** **Welcome Center** located outside the Worship Center door and the Family Life Center Atrium.

**UB** **Uth Booth** located at the EC.

**RC** **REACH Central**

**This Week:****MONDAY:**

Offices Closed

**TUESDAY:**

Offices Closed

**FRIDAY:**

Offices Closed

**SATURDAY:**

5:27 pm Saturday 5:27

**ECC Emergency Contacts:**

If you have an emergency and need to reach a pastoral staff member outside regular office hours, dial 615-4602 or 494-8586.