

November 29, 2015

-Family/Communion Sunday-

Pastor Charlie begins his Advent series focusing on "Simply Jesus – Getting to the Heart of Christmas." Today we begin with Advent 1 (Hope) "The Need for Jesus."

Pastor's Christmas Offering A Christmas love offering will be received for the pastoral staff Sunday, December 13, in both morning services. However, special "love offering" envelopes are in this morning's bulletin if you wish to give today. Please " earmark" your offering "Pastoral Christmas Offering."

Today is Family Sunday-Here at ET we celebrate families in the 10:30am service on the last Sunday of each month. Communion is celebrated; children's church is dismissed for K-5th grade so families can worship together.

MINISTRIES

Young Adults Ministry @ The Barn

- ❖ This morning in The Barn, at 10:30, Pastor Dan will commence the Advent sermon series "A (Not So) Holy Family Advent." This series will look at the lives of the women in Jesus' genealogy. Today's sermon will focus on Tamar.
- ❖ #DeuceTalks has been a great discussion venue for our young adult ministry. Please encourage college students and young professionals to attend this weekly meeting, where they will discover that the church is talking.

ET Youth Ministry

- ❖ **Every Sunday** morning, Bible study and small groups meet at 9:00 in the Farm House.
- ❖ **Every Wednesday** the youth have service at the Barn from 6:30-8:00pm. We are going through the series, "Simply Jesus" as we learn about the Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love of Jesus during this Advent season.
- ❖ **Christmas Party** the ETY Christmas party is on December 5, from 6-8pm in the Barn. There will be food, fun, ugly sweaters, and a white elephant gift exchange. Bring a wrapped gift of \$5 or less and wear your ugliest Christmas sweater as we celebrate the birth of Jesus
- ❖ **Fine Arts** The Fine Arts season has started with the District Festival taking place at Evangel on March 5. If you are interested in participating in Fine Arts, or would like more information, please email Pastor Christopher at youth@etchurch.org.

ET Kids Ministry

- ❖ The kids are beginning their Advent series this morning along with the adults in Family Service (no Kids Church at 10:30am). We will continue to follow the same series as to support parents as they have meaningful conversations with their kids at home. See your bulletin today for a family devotional to jump-start those conversations.
- ❖ Next week, Dec 6 at 9am there will be no Sunday School for kids in K-5th grade. Instead, they will get to participate in Advent activities in the Kids Church room, then we will have our service as usual at 10:30am (you are also welcome to bring your child with you to enjoy the musical in the sanctuary during either service).

Mid-week Bible Study

- ❖ Please join us for our mid-week Bible study. This group meets on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in room 203. Isaiah Jesch is leading a series in the book of Philipians.

Wednesday Evening- Fellowship Meal

Serving Time: 5:15—6:15 pm ET Fellowship Hall/\$4 (Adults); \$2 (Children); \$12 (Family)
Dinner: Pasta Bar, Salad, Desert: Cheese Cake

Women's Christmas Party will be on Monday, December 7 from 6:30-8:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Instead of doing something for ourselves, we will have fun working on a project together that will benefit abused women and children at the Harmony House. Optional items to bring: fabric scissors, toy to donate (\$15-\$20), treats/snacks to share.

Son Seekers 50+ The Embassy of Hope seniors will host our annual Christmas Luncheon. Come join us to start the Christmas season off with praise and thanksgiving for the gift of the Promised One. Friday, December 4, at 11:00am at Embassy of Hope, we will enjoy special music, Christmas Carols, great food and fellowship. Our own David Sims will be our special speaker. A church van will be available for those wanting a ride.

Membership Connection Class will take place Wednesday, December 2 at 6:00pm in the conference room of the church office building. This class is for all those who have given serious thought and prayer about taking the next step in their affiliation with the ET family and want to know more about what it means to be a member. Please contact Pastor Jonathan if interested jonathan@etchurch.org or call the church office 883-0676.

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR ET DIRECTORY INFORMATION – For those who regularly attend Evangel Temple, but who did not have their photos taken for the directory this year, please stop by the Resource Center today and fill out an information sheet so we have your current address, phone numbers, and email address for our new directory.

Lifetouch directory photos have wrapped up. If you missed, the opportunity to have your photo taken you may submit a picture for a fee of \$10 (checks made out to Lifetouch). Email your photo submissions to jonathan@etchurch.org. If you have not provided the church with your current information, please call the office 883-0676 or email pastor Jonathan. The release of the new directory is targeted for February 2016.

Thank You to everyone who attended the Thanksgiving dinner. It was another great event with over 500 in attendance. We extend a special thank you to our volunteers for the setup, teardown, selling tickets, and printing tickets. Plan for another incredible event next year.

Missionaries of the Week Brett and Joan Nelson (East Africa)

General Fund Update

Budgeted weekly income	\$ 21,934
Last week's giving	\$ 18,263
Budgeted Year to Date	\$1,030,898
Giving Received	\$1,008,964

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