

All Community Worship Service

December 3, 2023 (Advent 1)

10:30am

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As a church community, we gratefully acknowledge that we are beneficiaries of Treaty 6 and that we gather on the traditional homeland of diverse Indigenous Peoples and the Métis Nation.

THIS WEEK						
Monday	Worship Collective Rehearsal Junior Youth (Grade 6-8)	6:45pm 7:00pm				
Tuesday	Heart Matters Ladies Bible Study Senior Youth (Grade 9-12)	9:30am 7:00pm				
Wednesday	Forever In <i>Motion</i> Collective Kitchen	9:30am 3:00pm				
Thursday						
Friday	Community Prayer Forever In <i>Motion</i>	7:30am 9:30am				
Saturday	Worship Collective Rehearsal	10:00am				
Sunday (Advent 2)	ESL (Zoom) All Community Gathering (Worship Collective)	8:30am 10:30am				

## COMING UP ...

**Event Calendar** for **December 2023/January 2024** is available at the Welcome Desk.

**The Season of Advent begins December 3.** Please check out *Advent Happenings at Emmanuel* for details. ebap.ca/advent-2023

**Christmas Hampers** - Across our city the need for food supports has increased sharply. For 2023, we are primarily focusing our Advent giving on our Christmas Hamper program to address some of this need in our community & beyond. If you or someone you know would benefit from a hamper, please let Kari (kari@ebap.ca) know by **December 10th**. You can contribute by designating your donation to "hampers" under the Care Fund.

Worship Collective - Sunday, December 10 at 10:30am. Rehearsals on Monday, December 4 at 6:45pm & Saturday, December 9 at 10am. Contact Rob at heypriest@gmail.com for details.

Children's Presentation - Sunday, December 17 at 10:30am. Rehearsal on Saturday, December 16 at 10am. Contact Rachel at rachel@ebap.ca for more information. Following this service, please join us for Soup & Sandwiches. And then, there will be our Christmas Creation event where kids & caregivers can create memories while making Christmas crafts together.

# Information For Your First Time At Emmanuel

**Children's Ministry** - Our in-person programming for children is as follows: **The Nursery** (Room 119) is open but unsupervised for children aged 0-2. **Preschool-Aged Children (2-5 years)** are invited to head to Room 109 where a new area is set-up for them. **Gradeschool Children** taking part in Sunday School will start in the sanctuary for a couple of songs before being invited to their class (Grade 1-4, Fellowship Hall & Grade 5-6, Youth Room). Please accompany them to meet their leaders if it is their first time. Gradeschool Children will be escorted back to the Sanctuary to join their parents/guardians near the end of the service. **During Advent, all children will be joining their families/caregivers in the Sanctuary for these family-friendly services.** 

Hearing Assistance - Devices are available at the Welcome Desk. Ask an usher for instructions.

**Communion** - We celebrate communion each week by coming forward to the table. If mobility is an issue for you, please use the yellow card you'll find near your seat to indicate that you'd like someone to bring communion to you.

**Visitors** – Please do not feel obligated to participate in the Offering – We invite you to fill out a WelcomeCard and place it in the Offering Box. Information about our regular programs can be found in the Welcome Brochure under *Resources* at the Information Centre in the foyer or you can chat with someone at the Welcome Desk.

Our Vision: God-Dependent, Jesus-Rooted, Spirit-Led

Our Mission: To fully love God and all people for God's Kingdom, pleasure and glory.

Our Values: Scripture, Prayer, Generosity, Diversity, Community, Creativity, Outreach, Justice, Love

# **NEWS & NOTES**

**MCC Connects:** Consider giving the gifts of comfort and joy this Christmas season. You can help meet the basic needs of people around the world by choosing from unique gifts such as goats, gardens, wells, and more. Visit MCC's Christmas Giving page to learn more: <a href="mcc.org/Christmas"><u>mcc.org/Christmas</u></a>

## Some agencies in Saskatoon that are looking for help:

The Bridge on 20th - TODAY'S needs: men's underwear, women's socks. Sorry, but we are short of space so if not listed above, we are not able to accept those donations at this time. Kitchen: coffee whitener, coffee, sugar, margarine, 5kg beef stock, 5kg chicken stock. Staff Positions Available: Youth Assistant/Floor Minister; Donor Relations - Are you interested in joining our team, but not sure what role is the right fit for you? We'd love to hear from you! Contact office@thebridgesaskatoon.com

**Canadian Blood Services** - Donors are needed every day. Blood, plasma, platelets, stem cells, organs & tissues are a critical part of everyday medical care including major surgeries, medical procedures, cancer treatments & managing diseases. Every donation you make matters. Join Emmanuel's Group Donation Team and help us reach our goal of 40 units of blood donated this year by visiting blood.ca and adding your name to group number EMMA272215.

**Saskatoon Food Bank** - We appreciate all food donations. Our most wanted items are: baby food & formula, whole grain pastas & cereals, canned fruits & vegetables, canned protein, 100% fruit juice, peanut butter, hearty soups & stews. Food donations can be taken to most grocery stores or directly to the Food Bank at 202 Avenue C South. Cash donations are also accepted. Donate today at: <a href="mailto:saskatoonfoodbank.org">saskatoonfoodbank.org</a> or learn more at <a href="mailto:facebook.com/yxefoodbank/">facebook.com/yxefoodbank/</a>

	OPERATING (Day-to-Day)			CAPITAL (Major)		
	Budget	Actual	Variance	Budget	Actual	Variance
REVENUE						
EBC Donations	133,600	105,643	(27,957)	60,000	600	(59,400)
AMS Lease	22,500	22,500	0			
Other	0	1,831	1,831			
TOTAL REVENUE	156,100	129,974	(26,126)	60,000	600	(59,400)
TOTAL EXPENSES	156,859	144,396	12,463	60,000	38,076	21,924

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Total Shortfall of Donations to Cover Leasehold Improvements

AVAILABLE to be Withdrawn

#### **DONATE TO EBC:**

#### THROUGH INTERNET BANKING

We now offer e-Transfers to bookkeeper@ebap.ca.
Or contact Jan at 306-477-1234, ext 126
or bookkeeper@ebap.ca for an identifier code
& create EBC as a Payee under your Bill Payments option.

#### **ON-LINE GIVING**

www.emmanuelbaptist.ca/giving

#### **ON SUNDAY MORNINGS**

If you've come with an offering or you're prompted to give during worship, you're invited to take it to one of the two *Offering Boxes* located in the Sanctuary near the exit doors.

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## **PRAISE & PRAYER**

If you would like prayer for yourself or someone you know, please contact the church office with your concerns. "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition,

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." ~ Phil 4:6

- 1. Pray for **Reg Peachey** as he continues on his cancer journey.
- 2. Please pray for people who are dealing with various health issues & the subsequent treatments.
- 3. Pray for people in our community who have lost their jobs & are looking for work.
- 4. Pray for our Emmanuel community; for continued progress as we move forward in our journey together; for our finances, our programming & for our mutual encouragement in faith.
- 5. There are several other people in our church family who need continued prayer for health concerns. Please remember **Leonard Leapard, Emily Zacharias (Block), Fiona Reid-Anekie, & Sadie Robson.** Also, please pray for those who care for them during this season of their ongoing health requirements.

### Pray for our partners at home and abroad:

#### Overseas:

Rev. Andre, Rev. Gato (Rwanda)

#### Close to Home:

- The Quest at Christopher Lake (Gil Klassen)
- The Bridge on 20th, Saskatoon (Linda Walker)
- IVCF-International Students, Saskatoon (Gerry & Shirley Falk)
- Hope Restored, Saskatoon (Joeline Magill)
- Saskatoon Pregnancy Options Centre, Saskatoon (Dee Cook)
  - Canadian Baptist Ministries (CBM)
- Canadian Baptists of Western Canada (CBWC)
- Carey Theological College

# Donations to the following can be made through EBC: (please designate on your offering envelope)

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## ADVENT RECOGNIZES THE —

ABSENCE OF PEACE,

YET THE EXQUISITE —

CERTAINTY OF ITS COMING.

Come, thou long expected Jesus Born to set thy people free From our fears and sins release us Let us find our rest in thee Israel's strength and consolation Hope of all the earth thou art Dear desire of every nation Joy of every longing heart.

- Charles Wesley, 1745