



# The Star

December 2, 2018 – December 8, 2018



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## SERVICES AT PEBBLEBROOKE CENTER

11:00 AM SUNDAY- BILINGUAL SERVICE  
15205 Collier Blvd, Suite 201 & 202  
Naples, FL 34119  
239-213-0535

**There will be a Bible Study on Thursday, Dec 6**  
Readings for Sunday, December 9



Malachi 3:1-4  
Luke 1:68-79  
Philippians 1:3-11  
Luke 3:1-6  
Color: **Advent Blue**



Nursery available for all services. Please see an usher if you need further information.

### Join our Weekly Activities:

**Mondays 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**  
**Quilters** - Community Room  
Call Jane Hauck at 605-366-4338

**Wednesdays 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.**  
**Paper Beading** - Bible Study Room  
Call Carol Duncan at 239-777-3213

**Wednesdays 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.**  
**Grief Group** - Chapel  
Call Carol Hartman at 239-261-0894

**Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.**  
**Choir** - Choir Room  
Call Joyce at 239-261-0894

**Fridays 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.**  
**Mahjong** - Chapel  
call Carol Duncan at 239-777-3213



## Advent Craft Fair "HAPPENING"

**TODAY - After All Services**

The children have been working hard making crafts to sell to raise money for their service project, ELCA Good Gifts. Please be sure to stop by the tables in the breezeway to support this wonderful cause.

### ADVENT SERVICES

Our Wednesday evening Advent services are on **December 5, 12, and 19**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We will be singing one of the congregation's favorites, *Holden Evening Prayer*. Each week we will have two speakers from Emmanuel, who will talk about own journey dealing with their faith and their vocation, past and/or present. (12/5 - *Deirdre Lapp, Tom Jackson*; 12/12 - *Sylvia Boynton, Peter Wasmer*; 12/19 - *Julie Kerr, Ann Marie Gomez*) Please come and join us!



### Christmas Caroling

We invite you to join us on **Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>** at 11:00 am to bring some Christmas Cheer to the residents at **Solaris Senior Living North**. This has become an annual event for the ECC children's ministry. Last year nearly 20 children and adults sang Christmas carols to the residents.

For more information please contact Deacon Dee-Anne Schleutker @ [dee@naplesemmanuel.org](mailto:dee@naplesemmanuel.org).



Pick up your Advent calendar today! Available at the Welcome Table in the breezeway and at the refreshment table in the Family Life Center.



### Women with Women Group Upcoming Event

**Dec. 9:** Paper Bead Jewelry Sale after all services.

For more information call Carol Duncan at 239-777-3213



We are in need of bakers and a set-up person for Sundays during "season". If you are interested contact Gina at 261-0894.

### Christmas Giving Program: "Angel Tree"



Thank you to all who have selected and angel from our annual "Angel Tree". (We have a few left that need to be picked up.) The angels on the tree will include Collier County children /families in need this Christmas. **Please return all wrapped gifts, with the angel attached, no later than Sunday, December 9th.** For

any additional questions, please contact Dee Schleutker, ELCA Deacon. Thank You!



If you would like to give a Poinsettia to beautify our Altar on Christmas Eve, please fill out the form below and return to the church office by December 16. Poinsettias will be \$30. You may have multiple names for one plant.

### Christmas Poinsettias

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \_\_\_\_\_  In Honor of **OR**  In Memory of

\_\_\_\_\_

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# SERVING OTHERS MINISTRY TEAM



## Food for the Needy

Unlike many cities and counties in

other parts of the country, **Collier County has no welfare department.** Thus, many of the hungry and homeless among us have nowhere to turn except to local charities. Nearly 1,000 children in the Collier County School District are currently confirmed to be homeless, and officials believe the actual number is much higher.

Please continue to give. During the summer months, the food pantry shelves are almost empty. **Your donations make a difference! So far this year we have collected and distributed \$5, 460 to local food banks.** Please make checks payable to *Emmanuel* and designate *Food for the Needy*.

## California Wildfire Response



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
God's work. Our hands.



Wildfires are raging across California, destroying thousands of homes. Multiple deaths have been confirmed and large-scale, mandatory evacuations are in place for many communities across the state's impacted areas as first responders work to gain control of the fires.

Lutheran Disaster Response is working with Lutheran Social Services of Southern California, Lutheran Social Services of Northern California and the California synods to respond to this fire.

What you can do:

**Pray** for the people who have been impacted by this event. May God's healing presence give them peace and hope in their time of need.

**Give** to Lutheran Disaster Response. You can do this online at the ELCA website, [www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org). If you prefer to write a check, you can make it payable to Emmanuel Lutheran Church and write U.S. Wildfire Response in the memo line. Or, you can mail a check directly to the ELCA, payable to U.S. Wildfire Response - United States and send it to Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

## Adult ESL Program

Thank you to the 20 volunteers who have volunteered to help with this program. Training sessions begin on Tuesday. If you know anyone who may be interested in learning the English language please contact Nancy or Sandra.



**For more information please contact:**

Nancy Dick- [Nancjidd@aol.com](mailto:Nancjidd@aol.com) / 239- 450-0780  
Sandra Rasmussen- [sjoras@comcast.net](mailto:sjoras@comcast.net) / 978-828-3814

# Children & Youth Ministry

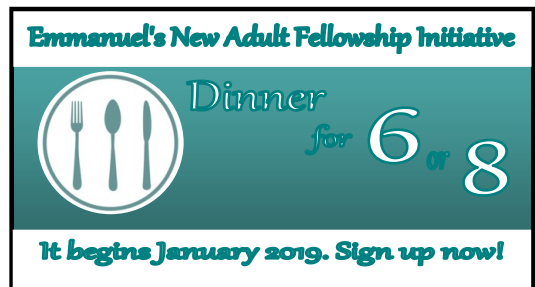


Calling all children and

youth... Christian faith formation classes for children and youth are as followed:

- ⇒ K - 5th grades will meet upstairs in the Children's Ministry classroom
- ⇒ 6th - 12th grades will meet upstairs in the Oasis

Classes are from **11:00 AM to 12:00 PM.** This educational hour follows the Alive contemporary service and takes place during the 11:00 AM traditional worship service. Any questions, please contact Jim Cooper. Email: [Jim@naplesmanuel.org](mailto:Jim@naplesmanuel.org). Also, **we need loving volunteers and parents to help with these programs. Please consider joining the team.**



**Sign up by calling Gina at 239-261-0894.** Once you've signed up, we will contact you by email to acquire more of your personal preferences such as: group size, couples, single, parents with children and other adults you might want in your group.

With the tax season just around the corner, please remember to fulfill your pledge with Emmanuel.

## ECC Christmas Party - ALL ARE WELCOME

December 16 - Dinner at 6:00 p.m. - \$10 per person

Live entertainment.

RSVP Mariela Hernandez at 239-200-6290



## LOOKING FORWARD TO ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS?

Karen Palmer is looking for a few more 'elves' to help decorate the sanctuary. If you are interested or have any questions, please call Karen at 272-3912 or email her at [tkaper2002@yahoo.com](mailto:tkaper2002@yahoo.com)

*If you had your photograph taken for the directory, you may come to the church office Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Fridays 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. to pick up your copy.*



The Tuesday Stitchers now meet on Monday. Join us in the Community Room from 9:30-1:30. No sewing experience is necessary. **Call Jane Hauck, 605-366-**

**4338,** for more information.

*A big thanks to those of you who left donations for us over the summer.*

## Our Mission:

*A Christ-centered community where God's Spirit guides our lives as we worship, learn, love, share and serve.*



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