



CHRISTMAS EVE

Sunday Worship 9:30am

5:00pm

Christmas Family Service
Reception Following

11:00pm

Midnight Christmas Vigil

CCMS The Anchor Food Pantry
518-732-4120

90 N. Main Street, Castleton, NY 12033
Manager – Paula Sancomb

Mon. 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm
1st Sat. 10:00 am – 12:30 pm

Tue. & Thu. 9:00 am – 1:30 pm

Let us remember those at home, in nursing homes & hospitals:

Ginny Hempstead Red Unit Rm #445 180 Washington Ave Ext. Albany, NY 12203

Stan Hotaling 56 Scott Ave. Castleton, NY 12033

Nancy Wasson c/o Joy Dalaba 17 Cabot Way, Clifton Park, NY 12065

"Whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die"

The Golden Memory Book reflects these loved ones and friends:

Henry Nichols	Dec. 17, 1911	Frank L. Prince	Dec. 17, 1993
Elizabeth Hilfrank	Dec. 19, 1966	Anna Regina Sweet	Dec. 19, 1998
Mrs. Lebrecht Sr.	Dec. 21, 1920	Dederick J. Bolt	Dec. 21, 1974
Linda Jane Distin	Dec. 21, 1985	Mary W. Platzer	Dec. 22, 1973

A final witness to your faith can be found in your will.
Have you remembered your church in your estate planning?

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A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;
from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. The Spirit of the LORD **Isaiah 11:1-2**
will rest on him; the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of
counsel and of power, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD.

WORSHIP THE LORD!

DECEMBER 17, 2023

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Welcome

*O Come O Come Emmanuel
God with Us*

Confession & Assurance

Come Jesus Come

Kids' Time

Scripture

Micah 5:2-5

Message

Jesse Tree – Who did God use?
Pastor Dirk Gieser

Engagement Opportunities

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer - *Our Father* . . .

Adore

Benediction

OFFERINGS

Make your donation to ERC in the collection
plate at the back

or

Give online at:

www.encounterERC.com/donate

CHILD CARE

Nursery for infants – 3 yr.
is available downstairs in
our staffed nursery room.

KID'S CONNECTION

Children up through 3rd
grade are dismissed to the
Fellowship Hall after the
Kids' Time.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

is held for children after
worship, ages 3 to high
school.

THE LORD'S TABLE

Communion is served the
first Sunday of the month
and is open to everyone
who is seeking Jesus as
Lord and Savior. A gluten-
free option is available
and grape juice is served
so all may come to the
table.

UPCOMING

Today

Christmas Party 5pm

Wednesday

Music Rehearsal 6pm

Thursday

Dinner & Movie 5:30

Saturday

Caroling (Giesers) 7pm

Sunday

Christmas Eve

WELCOME – *Emmanuel Reformed Church is a spiritual community where we invite everyone to focus their attention on God, engage in what God is doing in the world, and in every aspect of their life follow Jesus Christ. It is good that you are here today, and we hope you know that this is a place for you. If you have any questions or need help, ask a greeter or Pastor Dirk.*

ENGAGE FORM – Please fill out the Engage Form and place it in the collection plate after worship. If you are a visitor, we'd love to know how we can stay in touch. Prayer requests are collected and prayed over each week. On the back are ways you can engage.

ST. PAUL'S CENTER FAMILY GIFTS – Gifts have been provided for moms and kids - Thank you for blessing these families!

CHRISTMAS PARTY – Come to the Christmas Party TONIGHT! Everyone is welcome! It starts at 5pm – see you then! Food, kids' crafts, fun, the Christmas story, and Jon LeRoy will be here to provide special music, including an organ concert of Christmas music.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS – At the Christmas party we will be putting together Christmas baskets for some of our seniors. Items to bring: Playing Cards, Crosswords, Sudoku, Adult Coloring Books, Puzzles, Books, Magazines, Lotions, Dry Shampoo, Foot Scrub, Fuzzy Socks or Slippers, Journal, Nice Pens, Picture Frame, Bookmarks, Ornaments, Jams, Snacks, Teas, Coffees, Mugs, Gift Cards, and of course any Homemade items.

MOVIE NIGHT – This **Thursday** (12/21) we will be having dinner and a kids movie starting at 5:30pm. We will watch **The Muppet Christmas Carol** – a great version of the holiday classic.

BOTTLE DRIVE FOR CHILE – Got cans and bottles from all the festivities? The Meinharts are coordinating a bottle drive to raise money to support our mission trip to Chile this spring (which Kyleigh is going on). Contact Carrie (518-727-0689) or Linda (518-732-7581)

DISCOVER ERC CLASS – Want to learn more about ERC? This class is a chance to ask questions and find out more about the history, beliefs, and functioning of Emmanuel Reformed Church. The class will start **Sunday, January 7, 4:30pm**. Whether you have been coming weeks or years, you are welcome.