

## ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

### HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The church office will be closed all day on Monday, December 25 and for the morning on Tuesday, December 26. The office will open at noon on December 26. The church office will also be closed on Monday, January 1.

### END-OF-YEAR GIVING

Thank you for your generosity to the work God is doing in and through Fellowship Church. Please note that all gifts received by the church office by noon on December 29 will be recorded on your 2023 giving statements. Gifts sent by mail must be postmarked by December 29 and online gifts must be made before midnight on December 31 to be recorded on the 2023 giving statements. Thanks again for your support!

### CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

The Caregiver Support Group will be meeting in Room N-4 this Tuesday, December 26, from 3-4pm. The topic of the December meeting is "Maintaining Your Emotional Well-being". If you have any questions, please contact Pat Vorpapel at [pvorpapel@fellowshipreformed.org](mailto:pvorpapel@fellowshipreformed.org) or 616.399.9280, ext. 130.

### GIVING

To support the work God is doing in and through Fellowship's ministries, you can give cash or checks using the offering bowls in the Sanctuary, text any dollar amount to **84321**, or use the QR code or the Church Center app to give online.



### PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to submit a prayer request, we have a new system using a QR code. You may choose whether you want the request to go to the Care Team (pastors and care coordinator), to the prayer chain (a group of lay leaders/staff), or be published in the bulletin. If you are not comfortable using the QR code, please contact Pat Vorpapel at 616.399.9280, ext. 130 or [pvorpapel@fellowshipreformed.org](mailto:pvorpapel@fellowshipreformed.org) to request prayers.



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*Fourth Sunday of Advent*

SUNDAY | DECEMBER 24 | 9:30AM

**Prelude:** *O Come, All You Unfaithful*

*May You Find a Light*

**Call to Worship (Advent 4):** Revelation 21:3-4

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel\**

**Advent Candle Lighting & Chant**

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel\**

**Homily #1: Emmanuel 2.0**

**O Antiphons Prayer**

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel\**

*Savior of the Nations, Come\**

**Homily #2: Light in the Dark 2.0**

*May You Find a Light (reprise)\**

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus\**

**Homily #3: Salvation History 2.0**

*Joy to the World!\**

**A Reading: "Get Ready!" (Jesus Storybook Bible)**

*He Shall Reign Forevermore\**

**Offering Moment & Benediction**

*\*indicates congregational song*

**Leading in the Service:**

**Liturgists:** Rev. Ross Dieleman, Rev. Tierra Marshall, Jess Mix, Rev. Nate Schipper

**Worship Band:** Steve Braunius, Daniel Gonzalez-Gomez, Robbie Gonzalez, Marcia Meoli-Smith

**Audio & Video Tech Team:** Joel & Luke Bosma, Jabin Dieleman, Sophia Mix, Mary Moore,

Duane & Ginger VandenBrink, Evan Zoerner

As a **WITH MINISTRIES** church, Fellowship welcomes all individuals and families living with disabilities. Please inquire at the Welcome Center for assistance and/or additional information. We have a team, led by Sara Gortsema, that addresses these needs in our community all year round.

### CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES | 4:30PM AND 11PM

You're invited to celebrate Christmas Eve this evening at Fellowship Church. Our 4:30pm (vibrant) & 11pm (reflective) services will be rooted in Scripture, prayer, song, and the re-telling of Jesus' birth story. Nursery is available for children 3 years and younger at the 4:30pm service, and that service will also be live-streamed. We will continue our Fellowship tradition of ending each of these services with "Silent Night" sung together by candlelight. We hope you will invite a friend and join us!

### CHRISTMAS OFFERING

The Mission Crew has designated a local and global partner for this year's offering:

- RCA's Lebanon Displacement Relief Project ([rca.org/give/lebanon-displacement-relief-project/](https://rca.org/give/lebanon-displacement-relief-project/)).
- Campus Ministry at Grand Valley State University ([campusministry.gv.com/who-we-are](https://campusministry.gv.com/who-we-are))

Use the QR code for a direct link to give to the Christmas Offering.



### CHRISTMAS GIFT BAG & CARD DONATIONS

This year, when shopping Christmas deals after December 25, would you consider buying some extra Christmas gift bags to donate to the Hope Store and extra Christmas cards to be used for our homebound and military card campaign in 2024? You can drop off gift bag donations in the Hand2Hand cart in the Atrium and cards to the basket at the Welcome Center. Thank you!

### DECEMBER 31 WORSHIP | ONE SERVICE @ 9:30AM

We'll celebrate the 7th day of Christmas together in worship with Christmas carols! We will worship together at ONE service (also live-streamed). The Atrium, with children's worship resources, and Nursery will both be available, but not staffed, for parents who want to care for their young children while engaging in the service via screen.

## O Antiphons / Advent 4

**Isaiah 11:1,10 + Hebrews 1:3b-4, 2:8b-9 + Rev. 15:3b**

**December 24**

Journal it. Ask a friend. Discuss it in a group.

**Reflect** | How would you describe what it means for God to be Emmanuel, or "God with us," to someone?

**Excavate** | What symbols, images, and moments from the Scriptures represent God's presence with His people?

**Interpret** | What does it say about God that He is king of the cosmos but also "God with us?"

**Examine** | When was the last time you felt like God was with you? When was the last time you felt distant from God?

**Apply** | How might you create space to be "with" God this week?

**Invite** | How might you pray for someone in your life who, perhaps, needs to experience God's presence in a special way this week? What is one way God might be calling you to love and serve them this season?