

A MESSAGE OF HOPE AND GRACE FOUND IN THE UNEXPECTED - FROM GENESIS TO From now until Christmas we will see how the Old Testament prepares the way for Jesus Christ as we journey from Genesis to the birth of Jesus together.

Pick up your daily devotional to guide you through this Advent season.

CCMS The Anchor Food Pantry	90 N. Main Street, Castleton, NY 12033
518-732-4120	Manager – Paula Sancomb
Mon. 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm 1 st 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:

Marion T. E. Underhill	Nov. 26, 1972
Mrs. Hiram Hilfrank	Nov. 29, 1927
Kyle Brian Hempstead	Nov. 29, 2002
Conrad Van De Wal Jr.	Dec. 1, 1963
Rebecca Merrifield Selkirk	Dec. 2, 1910

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

Emmanuel Reformed Church

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A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;

Isaiah 11:1-2 from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. The Spirit of the LORD 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!

NOVEMBER 26, 2023

Welcome

O Come O Come Emmanuel Dawn is Breaking Through Your Love Awakens Me

Confession & Assurance

Celebration Bank

Kids' Time

Scripture Isaiah 11:1-10

Message Jesse Tree – Genesis to Jesus Pastor Dirk Gieser

Gratitude

Engagement Opportunities Gideons International

Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer - *Our Father* . . .

All Things New

Benediction

OFFERINGS

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

> or Give online at: www.encounterERC.com/donate

Flowers in the memory of Christine Torey's sister Suzanne Boe

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 glutenfree option is available and grape juice is served so all may come to the table.

UPCOMING

Today Decorating & Wreaths Wednesday Music Rehearsal 6pm Saturday Gieser Gathering 7pm **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.

CHRISTMAS DECORATING AND ADVENT WREATH MAKING

Today we will be decorating for Christmas (After Sunday School). There are also supplies and instruction to make Advent wreaths for home.

YOUTH NIGHT – GOD SQUAD – Thursday, Dec 6, 6:30pm – A great time for kids of all ages. This month there will be more Christmas fun!

ST. PAUL'S CENTER FAMILY GIFTS – The Christmas tree in the narthex is covered with tag ornaments. Each tag has a gift requested by kids or moms at St. Paul's in Rensselaer. Select a tag, go shopping, and return the wrapped gift by December 17.

ANCHOR TOY DRIVE – Each year our food pantry sets up a Christmas shop so that families in need can come and pick out gifts for their children. Bring in unwrapped toys for children age 4 to 12 into church by December 6.

SATURDAY PRAYER GATHERING

You are welcome to come to the Gieser's for a time of singing and prayer Saturday evenings at 7pm. Let them know you are coming by emailing- dirk@encounterERC.com Address: 1500 S. Schodack Rd.

CHRISTMAS PARTY – We are planning a church party Sunday evening, December 17 at 5pm. Food, kids' crafts, fun and the Christmas story! Mark your calendar and be watching for ways you can help!

CHRISTMAS EVE – Sunday Worship at 9:30am Christmas Eve Family Service 5:00pm Midnight Christmas Vigil 11:00pm