



NATIVITY OF OUR LORD CHRISTMAS EVE 2011 11:00 PM

On a long winter evening we gather to proclaim the coming of the light. Isaiah announces that the people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. Paul reminds us that the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all. In the familiar account of Christ's birth, the evening sky is bright with the heavenly host singing, "Glory to God in the highest." Amid our broken world we proclaim that the prince of peace is born among us. God comes to us in human flesh—in Christ's body and blood—so

that we may be bearers of divine light to all the world.

WELCOME

Welcome visitors. We welcome people from all walks of life and in all places in the journey of faith and life. Whether you're a lifelong Lutheran, a former something else, or a seeker and questioner looking for more to life and a place to explore, we're glad you are here. Please fill out the *Worship Attendance and Visitor Information* form included with this bulletin. You may place it in the offering plate, or hand it to an usher or minister. We will only contact you in the ways you indicate. Thank you.

Please silence cell phones as you prepare for worship.

Restrooms are located in the hallway through the double doors to the left of the pulpit.

First English has been a **Reconciling in Christ** congregation since 1989. We affirm God's love for people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. We openly encourage all of our members to participate fully in the life of the congregation and the whole church.



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The assembly's part of the liturgy is printed in **bold**.



GATHERING

PRELUDE

Swiss Noel	Louis Claude D'Aquin
Torches	John Joubert
Von Himmel Hoch	J. S. Bach
In Dulci Jubilo	J. S. Bach
Ding dong! Merrily on High	16 th Century French Carol
Puer Natus Est	Everett Titcomb
Unto Us is Born a Son	David Willcocks
Echo Noel	Louis Claude D'Aquin

THE GREAT SILENCE

The silence begins with a chime ringing 3 times. We sit in silence as we contemplate the mystery which is the birth of Christ Jesus, God's Word made flesh, love incarnate.

PROCESSIONAL MOTET Choir: *From East to West* 5th century

1 From east to west, from shore to shore,
Let every heart awake and sing
The holy child whom Mary bore,
The Christ, the everlasting king.

2 Behold, the world's creator wears
The form and fashion of a slave;
Our very flesh our maker shares,
His fallen creatures, all, to save.

3 For this how wondrously he wrought!
A maiden, in her lowly place,
Became, in ways beyond all thought,
The chosen vessel of his grace.

4 And while the angels in the sky
Sang praise above the silent field,
To shepherds poor the Lord most high,
The one great shepherd, was revealed

5 All glory for this blessed morn
To God the Father ever be;
All praise to you, O Virgin-born,
And Holy Ghost, eternally. Amen

The assembly stands and faces the cross at the entrance.

MYSTERY OF THE INCARNATION

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God, in the beginning with God.

All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being.

What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us,

and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.
From his fullness have we all received grace upon grace.
The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.
No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son,
who is close to the Father's heart who has made him known.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#283 *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Angels We Have Heard on High

*The traditional "Gloria" sung in the liturgy begins with the angels' song
announcing the birth of Christ: "Gloria in excelsis Deo", "Glory to God in the highest."*

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| 1 Angels we have heard on high,
sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply,
echoing their joyous strains.
Gloria in excelsis Deo;
gloria in excelsis Deo. | 3 Come to Bethlehem and see
him whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn king.
Gloria in excelsis Deo;
gloria in excelsis Deo. |
| 2 Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
which inspire your heav'nly song?
Gloria in excelsis Deo;
gloria in excelsis Deo. | |

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God,
you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light.
Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence
and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING**Isaiah 9:2–7**

- ²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness —
on them light has shined.
- ³You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.
- ⁴For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.
- ⁵For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood
shall be burned as fuel for the fire.
- ⁶For a child has been born for us, a son given to us;
authority rests upon his shoulders;
and he is named
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
- ⁷His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace
for the throne of David and his kingdom.
He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness
from this time onward and forevermore.
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN

#295 stanzas 1–4 *Of the Father's Love Begotten*

SECOND READING**Titus 2:11–14**

¹¹For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, ¹²training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, ¹³while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. ¹⁴He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude: Rejoicing in your glory revealed to the world, we offer these and all our prayers to you, O God of our salvation, through Christ our light.

Amen.

PEACE

In the coming of Christ, the angels proclaimed God's peace on earth.
The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

After the peace is shared, the assembly is seated.



OFFERING

Coventry Carol

15th Century English Carol

Lully, lulla, thou little tiny Child, Bye, bye, lully, lullay.
O sisters too, how may we do, For to preserve this day
This poor youngling for whom we do sing Bye, bye, lully, lullay.
Herod, the king, in his raging, Charged he hath this day
His men of might, in his own sight, All young children to slay.
That woe is me, poor Child for Thee! And ever mourn and sigh,
For thy parting neither say nor sing, Bye, bye, lully, lullay.

The assembly stands.

OFFERING SONG *What Child Is This?*

1 What child is this, who, laid to rest,
on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the king,
whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
haste, haste to bring him laud,
the babe, the son of Mary!

2 So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh;
come, peasant, king, to own him.
The King of kings salvation brings;
let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high,
the virgin sings her lullaby;
joy, joy, for Christ is born,
the babe, the son of Mary!

OFFERING PRAYER

Good and loving God,
we rejoice in the birth of Jesus,
who came among the poor to bring the riches of your grace.
As you have blessed us with your gifts,
let them be blessing for others.
With the trees of the field, with all earth and heaven,
we shout for joy at the coming of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has two measures. The notes are mostly quarter and eighth notes, with some rests.

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy...
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us,
full of grace and truth.

We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.

We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.

Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us.

Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel,
Word of God incarnate,
Power of the Most High,
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

God fills the hungry with good things. Come with joy to the feast.

DISTRIBUTION

Holy Communion will be distributed at one bread and two wine stations at the front. Form two lines coming forward, taking turns receiving the bread, and then moving to the wine station on your side. We welcome all baptized Christians to receive communion. Children communing in other congregations are welcome to receive here. All others may come forward for a blessing. Grape juice and gluten free wafers are available—ask your server if you wish.

MUSIC DURING THE DISTRIBUTION

Communion Motet Choir: Myn Lyking

R. R. Terry

Hymns

#272 *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

#274 *On Christmas Night*

#270 *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

#277 *Away in a Manger*

The assembly stands.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Radiant God, with our eyes we have seen your salvation,
and in this meal we have feasted on your grace.

May your Word take flesh in us,
that we may be your holy people,
revealing your glory made known to us
in Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

CANDLELIGHT SINGING

The ushers will proceed down the center aisle lighting the candle of the first worshiper in each pew, who will light the candle of the person next to them and continue down the pew. Please hold your candle upright when passing on the flame to avoid dripping wax.

Hymn *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

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| 1 O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by;
yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting light.
The hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight. | 2 For Christ is born of Mary,
and, gathered all above
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wond'ring love.
O morning stars, together
proclaim the holy birth,
and praises sing to God the king,
and peace to all the earth! |
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Hymn *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

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| 1 Infant holy, infant lowly,
for his bed a cattle stall;
oxen lowing, little knowing
Christ the child is Lord of all.
Swiftly winging, angels singing,
bells are ringing, tidings bringing:
Christ the child is Lord of all!
Christ the child is Lord of all! | 2 Flocks were sleeping,
shepherds keeping
vigil till the morning new
saw the glory, heard the story,
tidings of a gospel true.
Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow,
praises voicing, greet the morrow:
Christ the child was born for you!
Christ the child was born for you! |
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Hymn *Silent Night*

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| 1 Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace,
sleep in heavenly peace. | heav'nly hosts sing, alleluia!
Christ, the Savior, is born!
Christ, the Savior, is born! |
| 2 Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight;
glories stream from heaven afar, | 3 Silent night, holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
radiant beams from your holy face,
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at your birth,
Jesus, Lord, at your birth. |



BLESSING

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.
Take the light of Christ with you into all the dark places of the world,
bringing hope to the hopeless, love to the forgotten,
healing to the sick, comfort to the dying,
food to the hungry, and companionship to the lonely,
for the love of God, incarnate in Christ, now dwells in your body, mind, and soul.
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor, and + give you peace.
Amen.

Candles are extinguished.

SENDING HYMN #267 *Joy to the World*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella

Keith Chapman

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PRAYERS

FELC MEMBERS

Ann Hinz, during a time of illness

FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF FELC MEMBERS

Lisa Norgard, cousin of Erin Anderson, and **Lisa's daughters Betsy and Stina**, as they navigate the uneven paths of grief

In remembrance of Kevin Hawk, a neighborhood friend

Alice & John Robbins, sister-in-law and brother of Mary Robbins, for healing during a difficult time

Emily Schottman & family, friends of Mary Robbins, for Emily's recovery following a bone marrow transplant

Karen & Lew, friends of Mary Robbins, for healing of debilitating chemical sensitivities disorder

Kathy, friend of Mary Robbins, for healing after hospitalization from eating disorders

Richard Conkey, uncle of Greg Meier, prayer of thanksgiving for recovery from open heart surgery

Cecile Austin, mother of David Austin, undergoing treatment for heart problems

Link Davidson, visitor to First English, during a difficult time

Kathy Matson & family, friends of Vicar Peder Hinderlie, for healing during a difficult time

David Wicks, son of former FELC Vicars Kathy & Al Wicks, recovering from a very serious accident in Seattle

Mike Waters, friend of Buddy Lundstedt and LaRu & Fred Woody, seriously ill in Houston

Linda Henderson, friend of Emily Atkinson, during a difficult time

Pat Wilkins, aunt of Greg Meier, recovering from surgery

Bruce Collmann, nephew of Larry Collmann, undergoing treatment for advanced kidney cancer

Carolyn Albert, for healing and peace during medical treatment

Helen Rodriguez, friend of Greg Meier, diagnosed with spinal cancer

Christopher Jordan, nephew of Barbara Wiederaenders' friend, Gloria Jordan, with stage 4 aggressive cancer in/on spinal cord and other locations

Bill Martin, father of Barbara Wiederaenders' classmate, during a difficult time with brain cancer

Felix, Kristen & Lauren Bargas, friends of Monica Lund, during a difficult time

Don Larson & family, cousin of Monica Lund; Don is in hospice care

Dennis Burroughs, significant other of Gratia Winship, during a difficult time with health issues

Princetta MacLaren, step-mother of Andy MacLaren, during a difficult time

Michaelie Wiebe, niece of Anne Wiebe, along with her parents and sister, during a difficult time

Gene Steinmeyer, uncle of Jill Essbaum, in advanced stages of Alzheimer's disease

Greg & Renee Heins & family, friends of Emily Atkinson, during a difficult time

Mindy, Charlotte & James, friends of Monica Lund, for strength, comfort, & healing

Mallie Coker, friend of Katherine Houston, hospitalized & recovering after stomach surgery

Jarett Werley, friend of Chris Billig, during a time of need

Ki Norman, friend of Monica Lund, suffering painful side effects after successful cancer treatment

To add, update or remove prayer requests, please e-mail: office@felcaustin.org; or call: 478-1933.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, December 25 – NO WORSHIP

Christmas falls on a Sunday this year. We will not have worship services that day.

Sunday, January 1 – ONE SERVICE

11:00 A.M.: LESSONS AND CAROLS

New Year's Day Brunch afterwards

We will have one service at 11:00, allowing all the New Year's Eve late night party goers a chance to sleep in a little. Following the service, we'll have a New Year's Day brunch in the Fellowship Hall.

Food will be provided. Come and celebrate the New Year together at First English!

THIS WEEK

FREEZE NIGHT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Each winter, the Congregational Church of Austin operates a freeze night shelter for street youth in the University Area. On Thursday nights, during the cold weather season, First English volunteers are on stand-by to prepare, serve & clean-up a meal at the shelter from about 6:00–8:15 P.M. If you're interested in signing up for a Thursday night this winter or would like more information, please contact Gretchen Olson at 496-8549 or gretchenrolson@yahoo.com. You would be notified by 10 A.M. on your scheduled Thursday, or more often by the day before, if a freeze night has been declared and your help is needed that day. Thanks for considering helping in this way!

Women's Bible Study Group will meet on Tuesday, December 27 at 11:30 A.M. for a luncheon at the Hyde Park Grill.

COMING UP

FELC BOOK CLUB

The book club is meeting on Sunday, January 8, 2012 at 6:30 P.M. at the home of Barbara Wiederaenders (1904 W 38th ST). *Cry, the Beloved Country* is the book. All are welcome. Any questions go to Anne Wiebe (wiebeanne@hotmail.com) or Nikki Northcutt (nikncutt@yahoo.com).

SPIRITUALITY IN MOVIES: *Of Gods and Men*

Monday, January 9, 2012 at 6:30 P.M. in the Parlor

Of Gods and Men (PG-13) won the Grand Prize at the 63rd Cannes Film Festival and is the French entry for the Academy Award category of Best Foreign Language Film of 2011. Director Xavier Beauvois has made a deeply human and spiritually enlightening film about the events leading up to the kidnapping and murder of seven Catholic monks in Algeria in 1996. It is a deeply engaging story about the depths of Christian love and the sacrificial nature of following Jesus.

Join Pastor Coffey for an evening of film and conversation as we enjoy this movie together in large screen projection. Invite a friend, bring a dinner if you like to enjoy during the movie and have some popcorn provided by Pastor Coffey.

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Church Council has scheduled the **Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Potluck Luncheon for Sunday, January 29, 2012 at 12:15 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall.** The purpose of this meeting is to receive annual reports. **Deadline for sending your annual report to the church office** for inclusion in the FELC Annual Report Book is **Tuesday, January 17.**

CENTRAL TEXAS 2012 SENIOR FEST

FAITH IN THE PUBLIC SQUARE

Saturday, February 4, 2012

Palm Valley Lutheran Church, Round Rock

Is learning about your faith a New Year's resolution?
SeniorFest 2012 has all the elements: teaching in the Word,
training for discipleship, discussions on putting our faith to work.

Come join us for Faith in the Public Square.

An exciting presenter with national credentials,
Retired Army Chaplain Rodger Venzke,
two great workshops chosen from a list of eight; a great meal
and conversations with old and new friends. Early registration is only \$25.00.

Registration forms are available in the Narthex and the FELC office.

Questions? Call Barbara Gilbertson at (512) 864-7473.



CHRISTMAS EVE 2011

Christmas Poinsettias

Thank you for providing the beautiful poinsettias to grace the sanctuary this Christmas season. All proceeds benefit Down Home Ranch in Elgin for the mentally handicapped (www.downhomeranch.org).

Anonymous

IN MEMORY OF our brother Hawk, who
inhabited the streets around First English

Erin Anderson

IN HONOR OF the birth of our savior Jesus Christ

Robert and Anne Boyer

IN MEMORY OF Rodger Bosworth Herrington

Rita Carlson

IN MEMORY OF Merrill Carlson

Renee Carlson and Cliff Roberts

IN HONOR OF Rita Carlson

The Carlson Children

IN MEMORY OF Merrill Carlson

Margaret N. Dickens

IN MEMORY OF Lewis Dickens, Sr.
IN MEMORY OF Lewis Dickens, Jr.
IN MEMORY OF Derek Culberson

Gwen Flory

IN HONOR OF Merle and Ginna Franke

Merle and Ginna Franke

IN HONOR OF Their Family

Sam and Katherine Houston

IN HONOR OF Samuel Quinn Houston

Melissa Jones Hendrick and Kendall

IN MEMORY OF grandfather, Jim Jones

Andy and Dana MacLaren

IN HONOR OF Kristin and Neil's First Anniversary
IN MEMORY OF Andy's mom, Mary Alice Acklen

Kristen and Shea Marstaller

IN HONOR OF George and Patty Pederson

Greg Meier and Angelo Ferrazzano

IN MEMORY OF Noel and Doris Conkey
IN MEMORY OF Rafael and Amalia Garcia
IN MEMORY OF Gordon Meier

Kristin Mondy

IN HONOR OF Suzanne Mondy
IN MEMORY OF Lewis Mondy

David and Nancy Neuse

IN HONOR OF our church family

Bonnie and Norvell Northcutt

IN MEMORY OF Si and Vena Northcutt
IN MEMORY OF Len and Ada Lee Wells

Barbara and Bob Schutz

IN HONOR OF Children and Grandchildren

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH ONLINE

The Internet has become a central place that people find information and join in social networking. We are increasing the presence of FELC in a number of ways:

Web Site: www.felcaustin.org

We continue to add content and improve usability to our great looking Web site. If you haven't seen it in a while, take a look. The calendar includes everything scheduled to happen at FELC, so if you ever need to know when an event is, or if a room is available, it's a great place to find out.



Facebook: FELC now has a Facebook page. You can “like” the page, and then get updates on FELC events and news on your Facebook news feed. It's also a great place to share photos of FELC events, and join in conversation.



Twitter: We have a Twitter feed for FELC. Sign up and get FELC news and reminders on your phone or e-mail. What do you think would be a great use of Twitter for FELC? Let us know at office@felcaustin.org



Pastor Coffey will be doing more writing and sharing through his blog during this next year. (If you're not internet savvy, “blog” is short for web log, or an online sharing of thoughts, ideas, reflections, and writings.) You can find his blog at mccoffey.blogspot.com. When you go there, you can subscribe to the blog to automatically get updates, or you can check back now and then to see what has been added. If you don't use the Internet, Pastor Coffey will post outside his office door some of the things he shares online.

CALENDAR

Sunday, December 25

CHRISTMAS DAY

Monday, December 26

Tuesday, December 27

Wednesday, December 28

Thursday, December 29

Friday, December 30

Saturday, December 31

NO WORSHIP SERVICE

- CHURCH OFFICE AND CDC CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
- 9:00 A.M. Monday Ministry (Sanctuary)
CDC CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
- 8:00 A.M. Lutheran pastors text study (Library)
- 11:30 A.M. Women's Bible Study Group Lunch (Hyde Park Grill)
- NOON Prayer Circle (Library)
- 7:30 P.M. Heart to Drum with Oliver Rajamani (Transept Chapel)
CDC CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
- 10:30 A.M. Companions Group (Library)
- 7:00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
CDC CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
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- 9:00 A.M. Austin Central SDA (Sanctuary, Parlor, Library, Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, January 1

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Monday, January 2

Tuesday, January 3

Wednesday, January 4

Thursday, January 5

Friday, January 6

Saturday, January 7

ONE WORSHIP SERVICE

- 11:00 A.M. Worship (Sanctuary)
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY
- 9:00 A.M. Monday Ministry (Sanctuary)
- 8:00 A.M. Lutheran Pastors Text Study (Library)
- NOON Prayer Circle (Library)
- 6:00 P.M. CDC Board (Parlor)
- 10:00 A.M. CDC Chapel (Sanctuary)
- 10:30 A.M. Companions Group (Library)
- 6:15 P.M. Learning Ministry Team (Parlor)
- 7:00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 9:00 A.M. Austin Central SDA (Sanctuary, Parlor, Library, Fellowship Hall)

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Our mission is to proclaim the Word of God and the Love of Jesus Christ to all people through our ministry of worship, preaching, teaching, and caring.

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