

WELCOME

THE ADVENT WREATH “The Light of Peace” The Kassel Family

PRAISE SINGING	“Glorious Day” (Living He Loved Me)	Good News Team
	“My Soul Magnifies the Lord”	
	Time of Prayer	
	“Glory” (Let There Be Peace)	

GREETING & MEMORY VERSE

HOLY COMMUNION

KIDS RELEASED TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH

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OFFERING

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 53:1-12

MESSAGE Who Is Jesus? “The One Foretold!” Pastor David

*SPECIAL MUSIC “Who Would Have Dreamed?”

ANNOUNCEMENTS & MEMORY VERSE

BLESSING & CLOSING MUSIC

*Special Music performed by Bob, Beth & Kayla Kanzelman

Memory Verse:

“The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.” -Isaiah 9:2

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Welcome to
 Evangel United Methodist Church!

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December 7, 2025

Wherever you are on your journey, you are welcome here!

8:30am Traditional Worship Service

GATHERING	“O Come O Come Emmanuel”	15 th Century Processional
PRELUDE	“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent”	Ralph Vaughan Williams
THE ADVENT WREATH	“The Light of Hope”	The Mogensen Family
WELCOME		
*OPENING HYMN	“Who Is He in Yonder Stall”	UMH#190 (vs. 1-5)
*MEMORY VERSE		
*HOLY COMMUNION		UMH#12-14
THE LORD’S PRAYER (“using sins”)		UMH#894
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MESSAGE	Who Is Jesus? “The One Foretold!”	Pastor David
PRAYERS	“Cantle of Zechariah”	UMH#208 (with refrain)
OFFERING		
CHOIR ANTHEM	“Advent Canticle”	Mark Hayes
*DOXOLOGY	“What Child Is This”	UMH#219 (refrain only)
*OFFERTORY PRAYER		
*CLOSING HYMN	“Savior of the Nations, Come”	UMH#214 (vs. 1-5)
*ANNOUNCEMENTS & MEMORY VERSE		
*THE BENEDICTION		
*POSTLUDE	“Lo How A Rose Ere Blooming”	Michael Pretorius

*Invited to stand. Feel free to stand or sit, as you are able or prefer.

Rev. Dr. David Werner, Pastor	Mike Aakre, Office Administrator
Jim Klepper, Director of Connections & Growth	Stephanie Mettler, Youth Director
Clancy Craven, Assoc. Director of Connections & Growth	Pam Wright, Choir Director
Fant Steele, Media Technology Coordinator	Tom Burson, Organist

This Week’s Schedule

	<u>Sunday, December 7</u>
9:30am	Sunday School and Drop-In classes
10:30am	“Good News” Contemporary Service
11:45am	Youth Leadership Team (Fireside Room)
	<u>Monday, December 8</u>
1:00pm	Sewing Circle (Room 223)
	<u>Tuesday, December 9</u>
6:30pm	Connections & Growth Team (Zoom)
	<u>Wednesday, December 10</u>
5:00pm	Wednesday Night Meal (Kitchen & Dinette)
6:15pm	Board Games (Lobby)
6:15pm	Confirmation (Room 224)
6:15pm	Praise Team (Sanctuary)
7:15pm	Handbell choir practice (Room 223)
8:15pm	Youth Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	<u>Thursday, December 11</u>
9:00am	Bible Storytime (Children’s Library)
6:00pm	Ten Women of the Bible (Room 224)
7:00pm	Choir practice (Sanctuary)
	<u>Friday, December 12</u>
11:00am	Older Folders (Fireside Room)
7:00pm	Youth Group
	<u>Saturday, December 13</u>
11:00am	Celebration of Life for Sharon Copeman
	<u>Sunday, December 14</u>
10:30am	Intergenerational Christmas Program
11:30am	All-church lunch (Multi-purpose Room)
12:00pm	Creation Stations
1:00pm	Christmas caroling for shut-ins

Upcoming events, holidays & special Sundays:

Wed., Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight Services
Thur., Dec. 25	Christmas Day – Office closed
Fri., Dec. 26	Office closed
Thurs., Jan. 1	New Year’s Day – Office Closed

*For a complete schedule of all building/non-Evangel activities, visit www.evangelum.org > About > Calendar

Announcements

No Trustees Meeting this Week

Next meeting is Tuesday, January 13.

The 4th Annual Intergenerational Christmas Program Is Next Sunday!

Our church family will gather for worship, lunch, creation stations, singing Christmas carols and a Christmas pantomime by our children and youth. Here’s the day’s schedule:

- 10:30am Intergenerational Christmas Program (includes worship, Children’s Christmas Pantomime, Praise Team, Senior Choir, Youth Handbells & Youth Choir)
- 11:30am Dinner (with lasagna) in the Multi-purpose Room
- 12:00pm Intergenerational Creation Stations, cookie decorating, crafts and more!
- 1:00pm All-church Christmas caroling to Evangel’s homebound (see below).

Caroling Following the Christmas Program

We will conclude the day by taking the joy of Christmas to those who cannot come to worship in person. As we would like to send six caroling teams out to about 30 residents, many carolers are needed! If you don’t prefer to sing, you can do the reading or deliver the cookies. All ages welcome! Meet at the church at 1pm to go out and spread the joy!

The Season of Advent: Sign Up to Light the Advent Candle!

Individuals and families are encouraged to participate in a Sunday morning service through Dec. 24 to light the Advent candle and read scripture. Join in to celebrate the birth of our Savior! Sign up on the board in the lobby or contact the church office.

Giving Envelopes for 2026

Next Sunday, envelope boxes for 2026 will be available at church. For those of you who don’t normally receive/use envelope boxes but who would like to start doing so, please contact Brian Nass at 507-923-8542; bdnass@icloud.com to be added to the list of envelope box recipients.

2025 Christmas Offering: Good Samaritan Community Benevolence Fund

Beginning next Sunday through Sun., Jan. 4, 100% of your gift will go directly to fund qualified emergency needs in the Rochester area. The funds are administered by Pastor David & Jim Klepper.

The Giving Tree

Help us share the love of Christ with families in need! The Giving Tree (and instructions on how to donate) is in the lobby. Thank you for supporting this cherished Evangel tradition! Gifts are due back next Sunday.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services on Wednesday, December 24

- 2:30pm Candlelight Service with carols, choir & Children’s Message (live-streamed)
- 4:30pm Candlelight Service with carols, choir & Children’s Message
- 6:30pm Candlelight Service with carols, choir & Children’s Message
- 11:30pm Candlelight Service, acapella carols

Rochester Area Handbells Concert on December 19

RAH will be performing their Winter Concert at Evangel on Fri., Dec. 19 at 7pm in the sanctuary. This year’s program will feature a delightful mix of folk songs, carols and hymns.

A Special Christmas Thank You

The blue poinsettias on the altar today are a gift from Allie Lechner of Zumbro Ridge Estates. “Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year to each of you. Your continued support has meant so much to us. Our small but essential food pantry could not continue without your generosity. Thank you from the bottom of my heart!”

“Say It with Flowers”

Today’s flowers are in loving memory of Joleen Hammon, daughter-in-law of Barb Hammon, as we remember her on her 56th birthday.

Prayer Concerns

- Sharon Copeman's funeral will be at Evangel on Sat., Dec. 13.
- Marsha Woolums has gone on in-home hospice.

Continued Prayers

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| • Nancy Paine – Heart issues | • Gene Long – Parkinson’s disease and back pain |
| • Shirley Larson – Mobility issues | • Alyssa Neveau – Grad student |
| • Sean McDonough – College student | • Isaac Neveau – College student |
| • Lane McDonough – College student | • Charles Schneider – Leukemia and mobility issues |
| • Joyce Mehring – Heart concerns | • Jessie Shanklin – Memory and mobility issues |
| • Ruth Ann Miles – Parkinson’s disease | • Jerry Steinke – Memory issues |

Message Notes