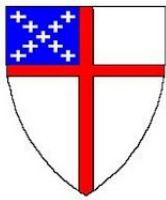


December 13, 2025

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Emmanuel Episcopal Church Grass Valley, CA

A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

Sunday, December 14, 3:00 p.m.
In the sanctuary of Emmanuel Church

The event is Free and the Public is Welcome!

This traditional service is the story of the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah, and the birth of Jesus told in nine short Bible readings interspersed with the singing of Christmas carols, hymns, and choir anthems. Every year, the readings are the same, but the music prepared by our Music Director, Thom Greathouse, is different. This is a traditional and beautiful way to celebrate the season of Advent.

The service will be followed by food and fellowship in Buck Hall featuring Thom's hot chocolate, homemade marshmallows, and frosted sugar cookies, with other seasonal goodies provided by Music @ Emmanuel.

Stewardship at Emmanuel 170 Years: Celebrating our Rich History

Stewardship 2026 Update and Final Appeal

As of last Sunday, we have received 71 giving forms totaling \$274,180 in pledges and \$34,135 in Endowment Fund Loan

Repayment. This is out of 190 mailings. Pledge amounts received are up by 12%. Thank you to those who have turned in a pledge form.

Last year, we ended our stewardship campaign with 72 pledges totaling \$282,052.

If you have not completed a giving form, there are forms in the Narthex and Buck Hall. You can place them in the plate, drop them off, or mail them to the office. You may also complete the form online, located at the church website or use the following link: [Giving Form](#).



Keep in mind, your pledge is an estimate. Things happen, and we understand if you are not able to fulfill this pledge.

We really need to hear from the parish, as the Vestry has begun the challenge of determining the 2026 budget.

If we can answer any questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of us.

In Christ,

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St Catherine's Guild

New Cookbook for Sale! *Thinking of purchasing a last-minute Christmas gift, or ideas for hosting a holiday gathering?* If you are looking for a cookbook that contains recipes for breakfast and lunch, visit with Millie in Buck Hall between services.

This new cookbook contains recipes for breakfast on-the-run, recipes for one to six, recipes for brunch for several people, muffins, sweet breads, coffee cakes, and more. There are also recipes for sandwiches, soups, chowders, chili and stew.

The first cookbook with desserts, appetizers, tea parties, and beverages for one, and a variety of punch recipes, is still available. The first cookbook is priced at \$24.00. This second cookbook is priced at \$20.00.

These cookbooks include many recipes from parishioners in celebration of our 170th Anniversary Celebration.



Christmas Services at Emmanuel

On Christmas Eve at 3:00 pm the children of the church will lead us in the ABC's of Christmas complete with carols and Communion.



At 9:00pm we will have our traditional Carols and Communion service.

On Christmas Day we will offer a relaxed 11:00am service filled with Christmas carols. Please bring a gift for the show-and-tell sermon and feel free to wear your pajamas.

**We Pray...We Pray...We Pray:
Lord, hear our Prayer**



**We Pray...We Pray...We Pray: Lord, hear our
Prayer**

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Advent 2: Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

Northern California Cycle of Prayer: Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Megan, our Bishop; Julie, Canon to the Ordinary; Christians in the Holy Land; St. Luke's, Calistoga; our Deacon, Karen; our Priests, Seth and Mary

For Parish Members: Cherie Harter, Norma Buich, Anthony Magazzu, Pat Baldwin, Joanna Moore, Paula Kehoe, George & Betty Jane Comegys, Bob & Linda Cunningham, Susan Fivelstad, Melanie Curtis, Alice, Tyler, Barbara Neely, Ken Cooper, Jerry & Toni DeRego, Anne Moss, Diane Spooner

For Friends and Loved Ones: Rosetta Edwards, Jennifer McDaniel, Tyler Johnson, Katherine Sample, Jana Kimball, the family of Melissa Hedrick, Wendy Connolly, Gary Okrepkie, Skip Paules, Nathan, David, Edward Bryant, the children of Casa Esperanza, Mexico, Keith Stack, Dorothy Pennycott, Mary Manuli, Dina, Gerald (Jerry) Walker, Marilyn Justus, Terri van Bibber, Mark Bulcher, Linda High, Ryan Mock, Patty Hastert, Jerry McClure, Cindy Shaw, Rebecca Shaw, Sandy Boyer & family, John Walton & family, Linda Frisch, Tammy Rodwick, Clementine Pagnozzi

Those on the Daughters of the King Prayer List



From the Flower Guild

The Emmanuel Church Flower Guild invites you to contribute toward flowers and plants for Christmas in honor of your loved ones. Complete the form and put it with your donation in the Offering Plate, through the slot in the office door, or mail it to Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 235 South Church Street, Grass Valley CA 95945. Donations for flowers and plants help beautify the Church for the Glory of God, and supports the ministry of the Flower Guild. Your donation will be listed in the Christmas Eve and Christmas

morning bulletins.

Please make your check payable to Emmanuel Church and specify "Christmas Flowers" on the Memo Line. The deadline for your donation is Sunday, December 14th. Thank you in advance for your generosity! The Flower Guild

New Office Hours

Beginning January 1st, the secretary's office hours will change to Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00am to 3:00pm. This is due to budgetary adjustments and changing staffing needs to support the mission of the church.

The Emmanuel Church Vestry

Attention Knitters!

We are starting a new knitting group at Emmanuel on Tuesdays at 1 pm in the St. Cecelia's Room (inside the church). New knitters as well as old-timey knitters are most welcome. Please come and see if this new activity is for you.

Questions? Contact Carol Fegté (530) 432-0659 or Paula diGiorgis (530) 274-9839

Sunday Fellowship Time

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP HOUR is a time enjoyed by all parishioners. There is a coffee hour after the 8:00 service and a coffee hour after the 10:00 service in Buck Hall with lots of goodies to enjoy. If you would like to participate there is a list of group leaders and their phone numbers on the bulletin board in Buck Hall. Just give them a call. Or, if you are interested in starting your own group please call Adrienne Ybarrondo at (530) 913-1773 for the 8:00 service and Pam Hall at (530) 305-0569 for the 10:00 service.



Sponsor the Altar Flowers

Do you have a birthday or anniversary coming up that you would like to celebrate by donating to the flowers which grace the altar on Sundays? Our flower ministry is committed to presenting beautiful bouquets each Sunday and they are funded by the donations which we make to sponsor flowers for each Sunday.

If you would like to sign up to have a loved one or a special event remembered in the church bulletin and made visible with flowers, the sheet is on the wall in Buck Hall. The suggested donation is \$35, but you are welcome to offer more if you like although the additional money does not make a larger bouquet but goes to fill any empty days. Contact the church office (530-273-7876) with any questions or to sign up remotely.



Thank you!



Tuesday Evening Meal (Pioneer Park Ministry @ Trinity)

Come and help feed those in need every other Tuesday at 5:00 at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church (202 High St. Nevada City). The crew usually arrives a half hour early and gets things set up so that they are ready at the stated time for the guests to arrive. We also try to send them off after the meal with a lunch for the next day. If you would like to know more, please contact the church office at emmanuelgv@sbcglobal.net.

Live Streaming at 10:00 this Sunday

If you can't make it to church this Sunday we are offering live streaming. Please invite your friends! [CLICK HERE](#)
At this time we are streaming just one Sunday service, while it is broadcast live on YouTube and Facebook it remains viewable afterwards, so you can watch it that day or that night or the next day...



Our Online services from the past and present continue to be available on our updated [WEBSITE](#), Facebook and YouTube

To view our services on YouTube and the archive, [CLICK HERE](#)

To view our services on Facebook, [CLICK HERE](#)



Links for Weekly Zoom Videoconference Events at Emmanuel Episcopal Church

Tuesday Evening Bible Study, 6:30 p.m. [CLICK HERE](#)
This study is by Zoom only.

Thursday Morning Men's Meeting, 7:30 a.m. [CLICK HERE](#)
This meeting is by Zoom only and the passcode is 743009.

There are also links on our website at www.emmanuelgv.org.

Tithes and donations

This church has been so generous and faithful during the past year. Your financial contributions are vital to our ministry. We give thanks to all for your support.



You may make donations in person at our Sunday services or by bringing them to the church office on weekdays or by putting them through the mail slot in the office door. You can also send checks by mail to 235 S. Church St., Grass Valley, CA 95945. We also offer an online donation portal. [CLICK HERE](#) to donate online.

Emmanuel's Clergy

Rector: The Rev. Seth Kellermann
Deacon: The Rev. Karen E. Hoida
Associate Priest: The Rev. Canon Mary Hauck

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