# Did you know?

## Luke 2:30-32 (NIV)

For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel."

#### **Student Ministries**

Student Ministry information can be found at the Event Center or online at emmanuelcommunity.org.

## Weekly Meetings...

- **Ignite Group Night** meets this Wednesday: be sure to check with your group leader on time and place!
- Collide/Impact this Sunday 6:00 7:30 pm. Check-in inside door #3.

#### Mike's Car Wash Fundraiser

Planning on participating in one of our summer mission trips? Our Mike's Car Wash fundraiser is taking place now! Coupons are available now by request from Brian or Matt.

## **Upcoming Events...**

- Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> UnBag the Bus (Parents are welcome to join their kids in serving)
- Dec. 18th Ugly Sweater Christmas Party!
- Jan. 27th High School Winter Chill
- Feb. 17th Middle School LockOut
- June | | 1th-| 6th Middle School YouthWorks Mission Trip to Milwaukee, WI
- June 11th-20th High School Food for the Hungry Mission Trip to Nicaragua

Parents: Want to keep current with what's happening in Student Ministries? Email Kay at **khupperts@eccfw.org** to be put on our "5 Things..." weekly email.

# **Worship Service Options**



**Saturday at 5:00 and 6:30 pm (FLC Gym)**Worship in a casual atmosphere and enjoy the same sermon that is shared on Sunday.



Sunday at 9:30 & I I:00 am (Worship Center)
Inspiring worship with worship team and band... great



Sunday at 9:30 & 11:00 am (FLC Gym)

Relaxed, inviting worship... message via live video feed.

**Community Time:** Join us for coffee and donuts in The Commons or the FLC Gym between worship services.

### Alternative giving options:

Text an amount to 260-370-6556, for credit/debit card visit our website, and ECC Direct Give (EFT) forms are available at the Event Center.

**Lost and found** is located above the mailboxes in the mail area by the Family Life Center gym.

## Hearing Impaired Units

can be found at our sound booth or by asking an usher.

Our **Prayer Room** is open during normal business hours and accessible upstairs in the Galatians Room.

**Subscribe online:** You can mark the back of your eCard to request to receive electronic updates, such as eNotes and Daily Scripture. You can sign up to join a LifeGroup on our website.

#### **Download Sermon Notes**

using Emmanuel Guest wifi network. The password is joinguest.

### Church Office Hours: Mon-Thurs, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Fri 8:30 am - 12:00 pm

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Saturday, December 10, 2016 at 5:00 & 6:30 pm Sunday, December 11, 2016 at 9:30 am & 11:00 am

Remember When

Simeon's Words

Luke 2:29 - 35

Dennis Miller



# Today's Focus

Last week we learned about the man called Simeon. Today we study his amazing words of prophecy. These words help us understand the purpose and ministry of Jesus' life, even though they were spoken when He was only a baby. They also help us to understand the purpose and plan that God has for our lives.



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## Welcome to ECC

We're glad you chose to worship with us today! If you are new, please stop by our Welcome Center to pick up a Welcome Packet and gift.

## **New Midweek Class Options!**

All classes start January 4th and meet on Wednesdays from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Books can be purchased at the Event Center. The length of each class can be found in the descriptions below. Sign up to attend on your **eCard**.

**Financial Peace University:** You CAN take control of your money! No matter where you are with your money, this nine-week class will teach you to create a budget, pay off debt, and spend and save wisely. Cost is \$25.

**Entrusted:** In this six-week study for women by Beth Moore we will look at 2 Timothy. It will encourage you to guard what God has entrusted to you. Books are \$13.

A Man and His Work: This six-session Bible study provides insight into some of the ways men can find both their best fit and fulfillment in work. Books are \$15.

# **New Grow Class Options:**

Grow is a 4-part discipleship class that takes students through both the Old and New Testaments over a 52 week period.

Never taken Grow? Join us in Part 1 on Wednesdays from 6:30 - 8 pm beginning January 4th (13 weeks). **eCard** 

Not currently in Grow but looking to jump back in? Limited spots are available in our Part 2 and 4 classes. **Register online.** 

# eConnect

#### New to ECC?

Stop by the Welcome Center in the main foyer outside of the Worship Center and someone will give you a tour of our facility and an overview of our church's programming.

#### **eConnect**

Whether you're new to ECC or you've been around a while, this one-hour session will help acquaint you with our ministry and is the first step to church membership.

Join us the first full weekend of each month

for this class on Saturday at 6:30pm in the Matthew room, and Sunday at 11:00am in Room 169.

Membership Class [Feb. 15 at 6:30 pm] Prerequisite is eConnect. Please mark your eCard if you would like to attend.

#### **ECC Emergency Contacts:**

If you have an emergency and need to reach a pastoral staff member outside of regular office hours, call 260-615-4602 or 260-494-8586.

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# OASIS Senior Ministries Women's Prayer Coffee [Dec. 15, 9:30 am]

Join us for a meaningful time of prayer at 13519 Pebble Run Court, FW 46814. Call Sylvia at 413-7625 for directions.

## Prayers for Our Nation [Dec. 14, 1:30 pm]

Join us in the Galatians room for prayer on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month, and with the presence of the Holy Spirit, our prayer room will become a "War Room" for God's glory!

### Lunch & Learn [Dec. 12, The Commons, noon]

The OASIS Lunch & Learn is a monthly gathering where we eat, enjoy each other's company, & listen to a great speaker. Please join us in The Commons and bring a dish to share!

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# Children's Ministry Volunteer Opportunities

**Welcome Team** – We are seeking volunteers with a smile for Wednesday nights, Saturday nights, and Sunday mornings for our Check–In area. This need also includes greeters. Training on the simple check–in system will be provided.

**Midweek Programming** – The children's ministry is seeking volunteers to commit to our ECC children every Wednesday night! We are seeking **nursery care** for our babies and toddlers, **small group helpers** for elementary and preschool, and a **snack coordinator**. This commitment would be from 6–8pm every Wednesday through March.

For more information about any of these positions, sign up on your **eCard** or contact Pastor Shandra at **shathaway@eccfw.org**.

# Missions & Outreach Bag the Bus—Last Chance!

We will be collecting non-perishable food items and gently used clothing to bless local ministries this holiday season. Bring donations this weekend before, during, and after services in the parking lot.

# **DR Jewelry Sale**

Give a gift that will make a significant impact this Christmas! We will be selling jewelry and accessories made by girls who have been rescued from sexual exploitation through the ministry of Destiny Rescue. Items will be available at Reach Central December this weekend & the weekend of the 17/18 before and after services.

# Missions Continued... Gift Wrapping for the Rescue Mission

This Christmas season the Rescue Mission could use your help from December 9-24th wrapping presents at Glenbrook Mall. This project benefits their ministry by raising additional funds and promoting their organization to our community! To participate, please contact **Brittany Corner** at **brittany@therescuemission.net**.

## **2017 Mission Trips**

Visit ECC's website to check out our list of upcoming missions trips for next year! There are opportunities to serve as an individual, couple, or family. Hover over "Get Involved" and then select "Upcoming Mission Trips" to learn more about each trip. There's also a way to contact each trip's leader to get more information!

#### **Christmas & New Year's Services**

Be sure to read this carefully so that you don't miss any of our family centered worship experiences over the holidays!

**Christmas Eve:** Join us with your family at any of the following service times: 2:00, 3:30, 5:00, and 6:30 (all in the Worship Center). Stay for cookies in-between services! Children's programming will be available for infant-preK at all services. ABLE at the 3:30 and 5:00 pm only.

**Christmas Day: No services.** Instead we will be providing you with a video to watch at home that you can find on our church website. More details to come!

**New Year's Eve:** "Normal" Saturday evening services at 5:00 and 6:30 pm with children's programming (infant - 5th) at both times.

**New Year's Day: One service at 11:00 am** ONLY with children's programming for infant - 5th graders.

# **Christmas Eve Help**

We will need help preparing hot chocolate and cookies starting at noon on Christmas Eve. We will be serving between all the services on Christmas Eve. Sign up on your **eCard** if you're willing/able to help.

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# Women's Ministry A Living Hope [Wednesdays 9:30 - 11:30 am]

Join us for this 9 week study starting January 11th on Wednesday mornings. Leader Sue McCollum will guide us through 1 Peter. Peter was a man of faith and flaws and eyewitness to the life of Christ. Key themes of humility, submission, and identity in Christ guide the study. Books are \$13 and can be purchased at the Event Center. Sign up on your **eCard**.

## Counseling Center

### Interns:

Emmanuel has well trained, counseling interns who provide individual, family, or group counseling options. Instructions for scheduling your session with them can be found below.

# Scheduling an Appointment:

Emmanuel provides several counseling options. To schedule an appointment with Bob Bruce, Kim Fish, or one of our interns, go to www.emmanuelcommunity.org, hover over "Resources", then select the Counseling and Care page. Click the "request an appointment" button to submit a form. If it is an emergency, call 260-615-4602.

## **Support Groups:**

Bimonthly **Adoption** support group. We support families with adopted children by connecting them to community, celebrating adoption, and offering support for the unique needs of adoptive families.

For future dates contact **Sara Ward** for more information at **eccsara@mac.com**.

Memory Cafe takes place the 3rd Monday of each month from 3:00 - 5:00 pm in the Acts room, and is a place where individuals with memory loss and their caregivers can get together in a safe, supportive and engaging environment. It is a time and a place where people can, laugh, cry, find support, share concerns and celebrate without feeling embarrassed or misunderstood. The Cafe will center around socializing and support. Contact Sarah Gargac at

Our Walk

937-684-7459 for more info.

