

## **LMC CHRISTMAS POST OFFICE DECEMBER 1 - 22**

Beginning December 1, you can drop off and pick up Christmas cards from our LMC church family in the fellowship hall foyer. Please mail cards for those listed as homebound on our prayer list.

## **CHRISTMAS ANGEL GIFTS**

Please return Christmas Angel gifts by December 7. For questions, contact Betty Erwin at 850-776-7125.

## **WOMEN'S MINISTRY CHRISTMAS PARTY BRUNCH & PROGRAM DECEMBER 9 11:00 AM**

All women of the church are invited to bring a brunch dish and \$10 item for the gift exchange.

## **MEN'S CHRISTMAS SUPPER DECEMBER 8 5:30 PM**

Come enjoy a Christmas meal as we finalize our missions distributions for 2026 and prepare Meals on Wheels boxes.

## **SANTA'S HELPERS NEEDED DECEMBER 11 1:00 PM**

Come gather in the fellowship hall as we help the Optimist Club of Perdido Bay wrap 400 Christmas gifts for our upcoming Breakfast with Santa.

## **LMC CHRISTMAS PARADE FLOAT DECEMBER 13**

All children, teens and their families are asked to wear something festive and be at the church by 11:30 AM to board the float. If you can help decorate the float, call Joyce Ellison at 251-752-5062.

## **CHOIR CHRISTMAS CANTATA DECEMBER 14 8:00 & 10:00 AM WORSHIP**

## **CHRISTMAS POTLUCK SUPPER DECEMBER 15 5:30 PM**

Bring an entrée, a side dish or dessert that can serve 8.  
The Church will provide ham, beverages, plates & utensils.

## **BRIGHT BRIDGE MINISTRIES SERVICE DAY DECEMBER 16 9:00 AM**

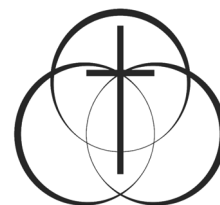
We will carpool from the church at 8:30 AM, or you can meet us there, 2600 W. Strong St., Pensacola. Please contact Betty Erwin at 850-776-7125 if you can help.

## **CAROLING TO HOMEBOUND DECEMBER 17 9:00 AM**

We will depart on the church bus to bring some Christmas cheer to our homebound. Text 251-234-1122 if you can participate.

## **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will not meet for the remainder of the year and will resume in January 2026.



# **LILLIAN METHODIST CHURCH**

REACHING OUT WITH GOD'S LOVE

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**OFFICE HOURS:** Tuesday & Thursday 8 AM - 12:30 PM Wednesday 8 - 11 AM



**The first candle of the Advent wreath  
is a symbol of Christ our Hope.  
May the light sent from God shine in the  
darkness to show us the way of salvation.**

## **TO PLACE SOMEONE ON THE PRAYER LIST**

Fill out a Prayer Card located in a pew and give to Pastor Daniel, or text him your request at 251-234-1122.

## **TO RECEIVE WEEKLY EMAIL UPDATES**

Email your name to [office@lillianmc.org](mailto:office@lillianmc.org).

## **TO VIEW WORSHIP LIVE OR LATER**

go to [www.LillianMC.org](http://www.LillianMC.org), & click on Worship.

**8:00 AM & 10:00 AM WORSHIP**

**NOVEMBER 30, 2025**

# FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**\* HYMN # 163**                      **"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"**

**\* HYMN # 691**                      **The Apostles' Creed**

**\* SCRIPTURE**                      **Luke 3:1-20**

The word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the country around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet: "A voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him. Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill made low. The crooked roads shall become straight, the rough ways smooth. And all people will see God's salvation.' John said to the crowds coming out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." "What should we do then?" the crowd asked. John answered, "Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none, and anyone who has food should do the same." Even tax collectors came to be baptized. "Teacher," they asked, "what should we do?" "Don't collect any more than you are required to," he told them. Then some soldiers asked him, "And what should we do?" He replied, "Don't extort money and don't accuse people falsely, be content with your pay." The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah. John answered them all, "I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."

**SPECIAL**                      **"Sweet Silent Night"**                      **Deborah & Carol**

**HYMN # 162**                      **"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"**

**PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**SERMON**                      **The Path to a Merry Advent**

**\* HYMN # 192**                      **"O Little Town of Bethlehem"**

**\* BENEDICTION**                      **"Emanuel, Emanuel"**

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel.  
God with us, revealed in us, His name is called Emmanuel.

\* Please Stand, If Able.

## WELCOME VISITORS

Thank you for joining us for worship today! We pray that you feel the love of Christ throughout the service. Please complete a Welcome Card located in the pews and give it to the pastor after the service. If you have any questions, would like to know more about accepting Christ or about joining the church, contact Pastor Daniel at 251-234-1122 or DanielWRandall@gmail.com.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

|                  |                 |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 2 Jean Fritts    | 2 John Stewart  | 4 Fred Chandler |
| 4 Jim Merryfield | 5 Mickey Hudson |                 |

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

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| 30 Joyce & John Poehlein | 2 Jean & Don Fritts     |
| 2 Elsie & Robert Kirby   | 2 Janice & Mike Spooner |
| 4 Garnet & Al Eubanks    |                         |

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

### Sunday, November 30

|          |                                                                              |         |               |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------------|
| 8:00 AM  | Worship                                                                      | 9:00 AM | Sunday School |
| 10:00 AM | Worship, Children's Church & Nursery<br>for children birth to 2nd grade only |         |               |

### Tuesday, December 2

|          |                                                                     |
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| 7:30 AM  | Men's Devotion & Prayer Group                                       |
| 11:00 AM | Ageless Grace, Brain & Body Fitness<br>Sharyon Miller, 850-221-8630 |
| 7:00 PM  | AA & ALANON                                                         |

### Wednesday, December 3

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| 5:30 PM | Choir Practice |
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### Thursday, December 4

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| 10:00 PM | Ageless Grace, Brain & Body Fitness                                                                                                  |
| 1:00 PM  | Healing Hope Grief Support Group<br>Topic: How to Begin the New Year When Dealing with Loss,<br>Speaker: Chaplain Steven Housewright |
| 6:30 PM  | Celebrate Recovery                                                                                                                   |

### Saturday, December 9

|         |                             |                         |
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| 3:00 PM | Games & Activities          | Train Rides             |
|         | Secret Santa Shop           | Hot Chocolate & Cookies |
| 4:00 PM | Santa Arrives by Helicopter |                         |
| 5:30 PM | "Launching the Lights"      |                         |

## ADVENT DEVOTIONALS NOVEMBER 30 - DECEMBER 25

Advent Devotionals are available in the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall foyers.  
We will begin our readings on November 30.