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The Messenger

*A Newsletter for Members and Friends of
Immanuel Lutheran Church of Saratoga*

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Coming Events

January 7: Men's Breakfast @ Effie's in Campbell. (1st Sat of the Month: Feb 4, Mar 4, Apr 1, May 6)

January 21: Women's breakfast – Venue: TBA by Cheryl

Worship-*Traditional – 9.00 AM *Contemporary Service - 10.45 AM
Online Service - <https://ilcsaratoga.org/live.php> (Live stream)

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Jan. 1: Single Service Sunday, 10:00 AM (traditional)
Jan. 29: Single Service Sunday, 10:00 AM, followed by the annual congregational meeting and refreshments.

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PI sign up for Livestreaming/camera setup and support during Sunday service**

Shelter Meals Schedule: Sign up to cook or serve**



Pastor Derek Writes...



By Pastor Derek Engfelt



Pastor Derek Writes...

“Behold, I am making all things new...”
Revelation 21:5

The calendar year is right about to turn over to a new page.

Again.

And with it come goodbyes to the old and great hopes for the new.

In a sense, it’s something we experience each and every Sunday in a small but meaningful way, as we confess our sins before God and hear the promise of His forgiveness.

God is the One who makes all things new. Both in our earthly experiences and, finally, in our heavenly Home.

For the truth is: No matter how many mistakes you’ve made, no matter how much you fear you’ve RUINED EVERYTHING, God *can* bring redemption. And God *does*. Forgiveness, renewal, a fresh start: these are the gifts of our good and gracious God.

And how the world aches to hear it! This Good News that we are so very familiar with.

Christ bids us to ***Go and Tell***. To share the Good News of God's loving grace for the world, shown in a down-to-earth way in the incarnate Christ. For in Jesus, God shows that He is not afraid to kneel down into the dirt and do whatever is necessary to take our tired and weary lives and breath into the, His Spirit of restoration and renewal.

I love that the verse above is in the present tense. God *is making* all things new. God completed all that needed to be done in and through the passion of our Lord – and yet God is living and active in our world today. And God continues to perform His good work.

When the time comes for us to breathe our last here on this earth, God will continue to abide by His promise.

For our God is truly the One who makes all things new.

May this wonderful promise of our Lord infuse you with hope in the coming year. And may the grace bestowed upon you in Christ compel you to share the Good News with others.

For His Glory,

Pastor Derek J Engfelt



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People Helping People !

An experience by congregation member – 1. Man on the Median – Our member was driving and was about to make a left-hand turn at Saratoga and Prospect/West Campbell Ave when he saw a man with a sign asking for food or money. Our member rolled down his window and showed him the People Helping People clear bag so he could see what was inside. He then told the man " Our church, ILC, made the bags to help people. The man said that he could really use this and then that he and others lived under the bridge on Prospect Ave. near Lawrence and that he was also collecting food and money for them. Our member gave him two bags and he thanked him profusely and said God Bless.

2. Young man sagging by the Store: Our member was shopping at Trader Joes and on his way out saw a young man looking very dejected with a sign asking for food. He sat next to the young man and asked him what was wrong. He answered that he had been living at the shelter and that the other day all his belongings were stolen from the shelter, including his cheap cell phone. He said he needed this in order to get around and look for a job. Our member mentioned about the food packages and that our church ILC was always trying to help people. The young man said that was very special. Before saying goodbye, our member told the young man to try to keep his spirits up and to go back to the shelter. He said he was but was trying to get some food and money to get another phone. They talked about positivity and using all the gov't services available. The young took the two bags and he thanked our member profusely.

Helping anyone even if it is just a little means so much to people who literally have nothing. God's grace.

Come join us as we serve those in need in practical ways. As we do so, we're living into our ILC vision of "passionately responding to the grace we've received by joyfully serving others in the name of Jesus."

Sunday school provides a structure for teaching God's Word. Preaching isn't enough. A systematic teaching of the Scriptures – not just preaching (Acts 5:42) needs to occur through all age levels. Children, youth, and adults need opportunities for discovery, review, and interaction as they study God's principles. Sunday school meets needs!

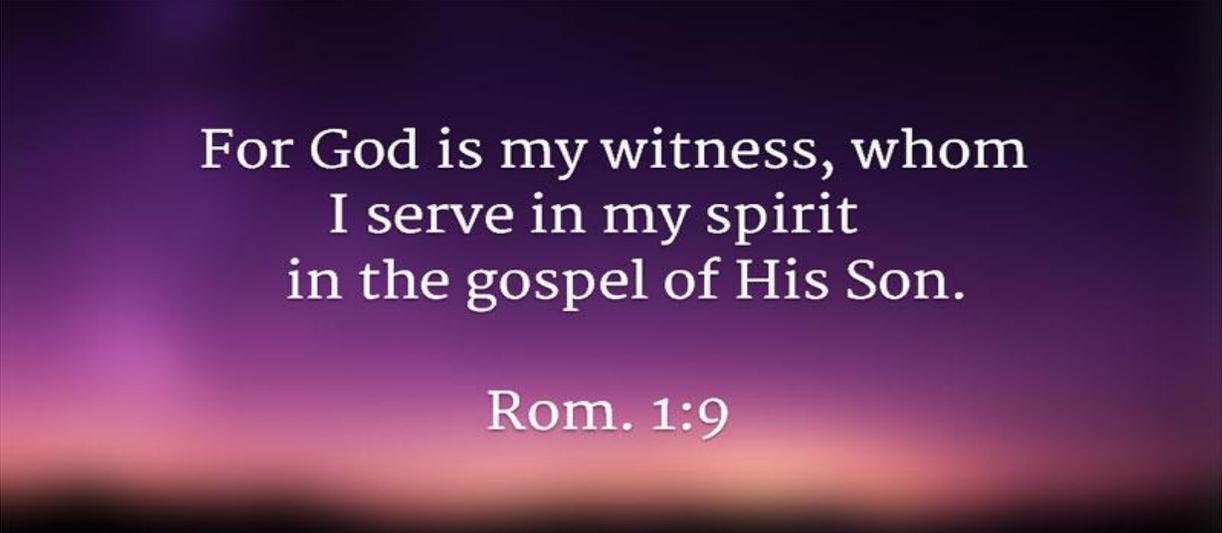


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Volunteer to Serve on Sundays



Thank you for
Serving!



It takes many people to make Sunday mornings "happen". You're welcome to participate and be one of them!

Service Opportunities include:

Altar Guild: Prepare communion elements, prepare sanctuary for worship; clean up after worship.

Audio: Make sure our sound system is in good working order and monitor sound during the service.

Livestream: Control the livestream setup and camera during the service to support our "Church without Walls"

Coffee: Provide treats for fellowship time after service

Communion: Help distribute communion during service

Greeter: Warmly welcome people at the door and hand them a bulletin

Lector: Read lessons in church

Liturgist: Assistant leader in worship, chant the opening liturgy

Usher: Hand out announcement pages, take offering, light and extinguish candles

Nursery: Watch over the little ones during service

Sunday School: Teach or assist in our 10:45 Sunday school (preschool – high school)



If you have questions about any of these Sunday Morning Activities, please email Alyssa McCoy alyssamccoy@comcast.net



Worship + Love + Serve



Children's Story



The Lion, Mouse & Cat



Once upon a time, a mighty Lion lived on a mountain. The Lion was strong and courageous. One day, the Lion was sleeping in his den, and a little mouse came out to play. The mouse saw the Lion's beautiful mane and marveled at its shine! So bright and brilliant, it thought! The mouse then set to nibbling the mane and took the broken mane hair to his little den. The mouse was happy with what he did.

Soon, the Lion woke up and saw his even mane. He became angry and roared and roared! "Who dared to do this?" the Lion yelled in anger. "Whomever it was will pay for this! The Lion then scrutinized his mane. Though saddened and angry, he realized no animal other than a mouse did the uneven cutting.



The Lion then decided to go to a nearby village. "I will get some help. The mouse will surely pay, the Lion thought. Reaching the village, the Lion looked for the mouse's worst enemy. "A cat will take care of this situation in no time.

The Lion found a cat and took it back to his cave. Once the cat was inside the cave, the Lion instructed the cat to keep the mouse away from him. The Lion fed the cat and made sure it was healthy. When the mouse saw the cat, he could not come out. "If I go out now, I will surely die, the mouse thought.

The mouse stayed hidden for several days. But hunger struck, and the mouse finally ventured out. The moment the mouse came out, the cat promptly ate it. Once the mouse died, the Lion had no use for the cat. So, he stopped feeding the cat. Soon the cat grew weak and passed away.

Moral of the story: You should always value and respect everyone and their relationship, not only when you need them. Luke: 6:31 And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

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Men's Breakfast



Men's Breakfast is held the first Saturday of each month at Effie's Restaurant in Campbell (331 W. Hacienda Ave). We meet at 8:00am in the bar, share breakfast, fellowship, and engage in a free-wheeling, Bible topic discussion. We conclude by 9:30 am.

All men of the congregation – members and visitors – are welcome.

ILC Men enjoying a relaxing Saturday morning breakfast (photo credit: Pastor Derek)



Women's Breakfast

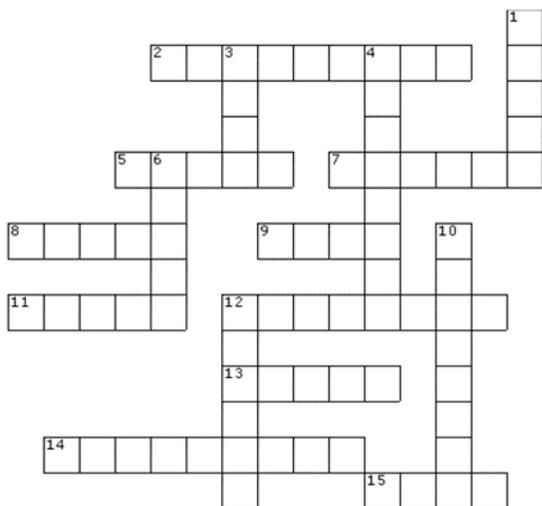
The Women's Breakfast is held the third Saturday of each month at Holder's Country Inn Restaurant at 1424 Saratoga Ave, San Jose. We meet at 8:30am for a short devotion, after which we share breakfast and fellowship. We conclude by 10:00. All women of the congregation – members and friends – are welcome.



Our ILC ladies enjoying a relaxed morning visiting with each other. (photo credit: Cheryl Moorman)



Crossword Puzzle: Carols



ACROSS

- 2 God Rest Ye Merry ____
- 5 What ____ is This?
- 7 Hark, the Herald ____ Sing
- 8 Ave ____
- 9 Good ____ Wenceslas
- 11 Joy to the ____
- 12 Go Tell it on the ____
- 13 Silent ____
- 14 O Little Town of ____

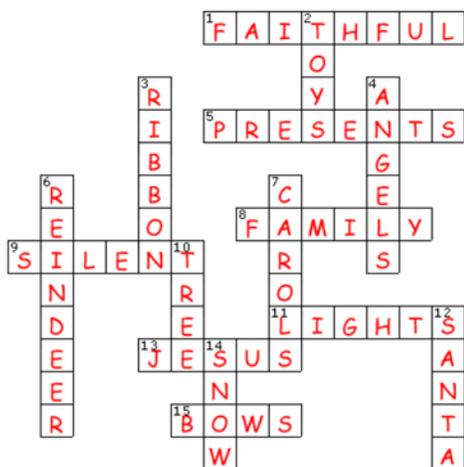
12 Away in a ____

- 15 O ____ Night

DOWN

- 1 We Three ____
- 3 The First ____
- 4 It Came Upon a ____ Clear
- 6 Angels We Have ____ on High
- 10 O Come All Ye ____

December Puzzle answers



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Here's
What's
Happening!

ILC EVENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FOOD CART - Please consider adding a package or two of food for the cart whenever you shop. The hunger problem seems always to be with us and all donations help. Thank you for keeping this in mind when you shop! The Community Service Committee

Community Support: Thank you for your continued donations of clothes (placed in bags), food and children's books. The collection bins are located alongside the church office parking lot, and you can drop items (non-perishables) in the bins at any time. Your generosity is appreciated!

If you would like to make an E-Donation to ILC, then either download the Givelify App on your smartphone, or go online to <http://ilcsaratoga.org/give>. Givelify gives you a beautiful, easy giving experience using your smartphone, tablet or PC. There are no frustrating web forms or text-to-give codes to memorize. Even better, it's free to download and use. It's safe and secure, and for tax time you have one-tap access to your complete donation records.

Serve by Shopping: January 8

You're invited again this month to join in on the fun and **serve by shopping!** We're looking for a few friends of our faith community (and those outside it, as well) to give one hour of their time on Jan. 8 to purchase food for those in need (and to be reimbursed for your expenses). This has been made possible by a grant from the Silicon Valley Community Foundation. For more information, contact Lee Wheeler at misterlee50@aol.com.

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Flower Chart on Kiosk - Sign Up for Altar Flowers

Memories at ILC

EASTER



Habitat for Humanity



Summer Concerts In the Park



LADIES RETREAT



Thanksgiving Interfaith Service



Christmas Buffet & Tree Decorating



Christmas Concert Children's Christmas Play



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On The Horizon... (mark your calendars)

Serving at Family Supportive Housing: January 15

Would you like to prepare food? Serve it with a smile? Please contact JoAn Lambert, chairperson of the Community Service Committee. You can reach her at 408-867-6237 or at jgdblamm@earthlink.net



Remembering Marian Amdahl

Charter member of Immanuel **Marian Amdahl** died at home in Palo Alto on September 27. May God comfort Marian's family with the assurance of His faithful presence, grant them peace in the promises of everlasting life in Jesus, and bless them with the confident hope of the heavenly reunion of the saints in Christ. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 28 at 12:00 noon, with a reception following in the church fellowship hall.

Tree Removal & Space Beautification

After a most grievous time of consideration and consultation with several arborists, we have decided to remove our majestic Italian Stone Pine. The **removal will take place January 2-5**, at which time the campus will be closed (except for the office area).

What happens next? What will be done with the empty space that remains? Margit Chapman is gathering a Beautification Team that will consider these questions. If you would like to be involved by being part of this team, or if you have ideas you would like to share, please contact Margit at margitc@aol.com.

We believe in a God who answers death with new life, and while we certainly grieve our loss, we hopefully move into this new stage of planning for the beautification of our church campus.

Special Gift, Special Appeal

Our church council decided again this year, in response to God's blessing in our midst, to make an end-of-year \$5,000 donation to Midtown Family Services. Among other things, Midtown assists those who are in-between paychecks and are in danger of being evicted from their residence. They also work with recent parolees, to assist them as they re-establish themselves in the community to be productive members of society. They do their work in the name of Jesus for the glory of God. You can find more information here: <https://midtownfs.org/>

Congregation members responded to this end-of-year, over-and-above giving appeal, to donate another \$6,000. And a generous donor matched the total gift, which brings the end-of-year donation to \$22,000. **Thank you for your generous giving!**

Worship Offerings

We will continue to have three offerings – traditional, contemporary and livestream. <https://ilcsaratoga.org/live.php>. Please check website for each week's Livestream start time.

Bible Study Offering

Join us Wednesday mornings in at 10:00 AM as we continue to consider the Augsburg Confession. All are welcome.

We meeting in person in the Fireside Room. Treats are served at the conclusion of the class (11:30). If you are unable to meet with us in person, you can join via Zoom by clicking here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83250020639>

Note: We will NOT be meeting on Jan. 4.

If you would like to participate or for more information regarding the material we are using, please contact Pastor Derek at pastord63@gmail.com

Thursday Morning Study

Thursday morning Bible study (Yokefellows) continues to meet each Thursday morning at 6:30 AM in the church Fireside Room. Refreshments are served. We are continuing our study on the *Gospel according to John*. If you're unable to join us in person, you can participate from the comfort of your own home by clicking here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87581100281?pwd=dEgrblEwUFZlaU5NQy91RE9sWlNlQT09>

Note: we will not be meeting in person on Jan. 5, but will meet virtually. Please use the Zoom link above to participate.

Diving Deeper: Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM.

All are welcome to attend a Wednesday evening one-hour gathering, at which we will read and study the Scriptures that will be read in church the following Sunday. Not only will this event prepare you for a more meaningful experience on Sunday, it will also give you a chance to provide sermon input. And, of course, it's always meaningful to share in fellowship with others around the Word. Can't join us in person? Participate from the comfort of your home by clicking here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87353776510>

Note: We will NOT be meeting on Jan. 4.

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Luther Seminary has created a powerful, free resource to break down each book of Scripture to give you an in-depth overview of its background and context, its author and setting, the issues and themes you can find in it, and so much more.

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Weddings at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Saratoga



Judy Onton is our ILC wedding coordinator.

To find out more, take a brochure from the pew rack, or check out our website: www.ilcsaratoga.org/weddings. Follow us on Instagram: ILCsaratogaweddings. Share with family and friends of this beautiful and charming sanctuary to hold their matrimony.



Many couples have joined hands to their lives at quaint church and its tranquil surroundings



FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Coronavirus: I have put together hotline numbers and some websites that are useful and informative!

Coronavirus Hotline for Seniors - The hotline number is **1-833-544-2374**.

<https://www.kcra.com/article/gov-newsom-coronavirus-update-march-31/31983378>

Call **2-1-1** in 150 languages. 24/7

Text **211211** to receive texts on updates.

<https://www.sccgov.org/sites/phd/news/Pages/covid-19-call-211.aspx>

Emotional Listening Support Contact 24/7 Helpline: **1-800-932-4616** (Toll Free)

<http://www.contacthelpline.org/emotional-listening-support>

Santa Clara County (SSC) Update on Coronavirus – www.sccphd.org/coronavirus.

<https://www.sccgov.org/sites/phd/DiseaseInformation/novel-coronavirus/Pages/home.aspx>

Covid-19 on CDC - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

State of California hotline to deliver services & help for older Californians - **1-833-544-2374**.

CDC's corona virus household check list.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/get-your-household-ready-for-COVID-19.html>

Pack your own groceries: <http://www.msn.com/en-us/money/spendingandborrowing/during-coronavirus-pandemic-youll-have-to-pack-your-own-groceries-if-you-have-a-reusable-bag/ar-BB11YLZ5?ocid=ientp>

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Data on social distancing scorecard in states and counties -

<https://www.unacast.com/covid19/social-distancing-scoreboard>

County of Santa Clara COVID-19 Data Dashboard -

<https://www.sccgov.org/sites/phd/DiseaseInformation/novel-coronavirus/Pages/dashboard.aspx>

Anyone interested in reporting a possible violation - Can email

pubhealthreferral@dao.sccgov.org or call 408-792-2300 to leave a voicemail.

For more info, please go to the following websites.

1. <https://covid19.ca.gov/>
2. <https://www.sccgov.org/sites/covid19/Pages/public-health-orders.aspx>
3. <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/#county-status>
4. <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/>

** It may be helpful to place your critical medicine mail orders, preferably a week ahead, to avoid last-minute requests. Again, not hoarding makes it possible for other patients to receive their vital prescriptions on time!

Just for laughs – This website helps 😊 <http://jokes.christiansunite.com/> Here is a preview!

Freeze! 🤩

A woman had just returned to her home from an evening of church services, when an intruder startled her. She caught the man in the act of robbing her home of its valuables and yelled: 'Stop! **Acts 2:38!**

(Acts 2:38 (ESV) says "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of your sins")

The burglar stopped in his tracks. The woman calmly called the police and explained what she had done.

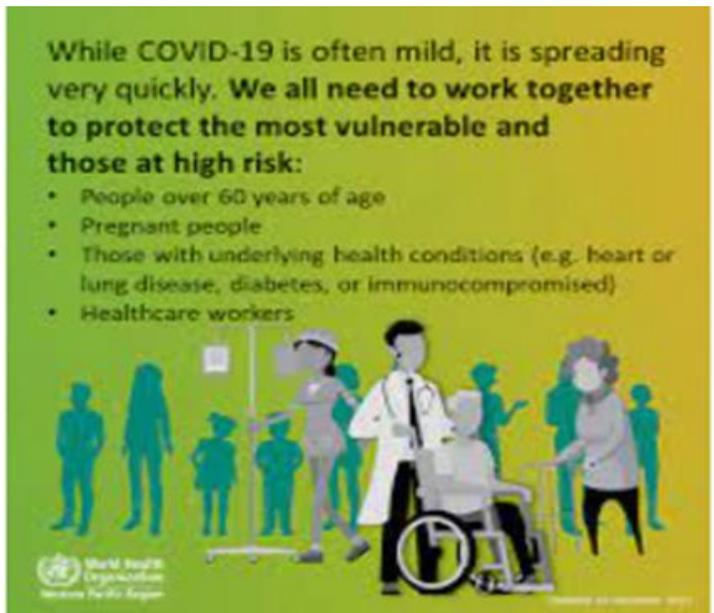
As the officer cuffed the man to take him in, he asked the burglar: 'Why did you just stand there? All the old lady did was yell a scripture to you.'

'Scripture?' replied the burglar. '**She said she had an Ax and Two 38s!**'

"Covid Coach" for self-care and mental health: App found in Google Play in Android phone, and Apple Store in iPhone or iPad <https://mobile.va.gov/app/covid-coach>

Show empathy to those still susceptible to Covid-19. Some have more than one high-risk factor making them vulnerable to the Covid-19 viruses and new sub-variants. Feeling more isolated and unable to partake in most human interactions, these people can do with a smile, a compassionate glance, or a kind nod that gives comfort, support, and encouragement!

God Bless and Stay Safe!
Vaskie Turner



The Hills Are Alive... with ILC Hikers!

This year will repeat some of our best hikes and have new opportunities to explore, as well.

These are "no one left behind" hikes and fun for the whole family. Invite your friends!

**Jan. 14: Guadalupe Reservoir:
McAbee Rd. Entrance (17501 McAbee Rd., San Jose, CA 95120) Hike is 5.5 miles, with some hills.**



Getting There: Heading south on Highway 85, exit Almaden Expressway. Head south and continue on Almaden Expressway for about 1.2 miles. Turn RIGHT on McAbee Rd. Continue for 1.7 miles (just past Castillero School). Street parking only.

Time: 8:00 AM. Plan to arrive by 7:45 AM. We'll gather our group and plan our hike. We'll hit the road at 8:00 and plan to return to the parking lot right around 10:00.

Please RSVP so I know you'll be coming. In case of bad weather, I'll send a cancelation note to all who RSVP by 9:00 PM the evening before. Dress in layers, bring a water bottle, and wear comfortable and sturdy shoes/boots. You can RSVP by emailing me at pastord63@gmail.com or calling 408-499-4866.

Lion's Club Donations Update

We've Got Glasses! Thank you for your contributions! With the congregation's help and our outreach, so far this year we've collected 60 pairs of glasses (prescription and sunglasses), 30 cell phones, and 153 printer cartridges. We take hearing aids, too. That's 60+ people that we've assisted with their sight! We can do even more, so please drop these items off in the Lion's Club box in the Church Office (Fridays 12-4 pm), after Sunday services, or contact Laura Gloner to arrange a pickup: laura.gloner@gmail.com

Livestream Training

Are you a reasonably tech savvy person who is interested in helping out with our livestream? Are you interested in being trained to run the Sunday morning livestream? This training (led by Aart Bik, who has been running our livestream operation since its inception) is expected to run for 1 to 2 hours and will take place on a Saturday morning (date TBD based on responses) in the sanctuary. Aart will go over the camera setup, connections, and livestreaming basics, from scheduling the next service on YouTube, to starting a livestream, controlling the cameras, and overall making sure that our Church without Walls runs smoothly. If interested, please let Pastor Derek know (pastord63@gmail.com or at 408-499-4866). Based on the responses received, a Saturday will be selected for training.

Have no anxiety about
anything, but in
everything
by prayer
and



supplication with
thanksgiving let
your requests be
made known to
God

-Philippians 4:6

Wordoku has the same rules as regular Sudoku, but uses letters instead of numbers:

- Each of the nine rows is nine cells wide, and must contain the 9 letters used in the puzzle. So, each letter must appear once and only once in each row.
- The same is true with the nine columns. So, each letter must appear once and only once in each column.
- The third unit, the region, is a « 3 x 3 » square bordered by a thick line, and it must also contain the 9 letters used in the puzzle. So, each letter must appear once and only once in each « 3 x 3 » square.

When the grid is completed, the grey squares will reveal a nine-letter word or sentence at the center of the puzzle, between the two arrows.

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Hint
Jeremiah's early call to be a prophet

The 9 letters to use :
B E H I M N O T W

Rotating Safe Car Park

During the month of December Immanuel hosted the Rotating Safe Car Park. We welcomed houseless guests onto our church campus where they were able to safely spend the night without being disturbed. All guests were pre-screened. Besides space for overnight parking, ILC provided morning and evening snacks, loving presence and a midweek meal.

Thank you to our RSCP leadership team: Judy Onton, Stu Richardson, Aare Onton, Adwoa Armah, Gay Grant, Jan & Rick Jernberg and Margit Chapman. **Thanks also to our many volunteers...** who greeted guests in the morning and evening, cooked, and provided loving, caring hospitality in the name of our Lord.

Spot the difference



Spot the 10 differences: **Answers**

Bible Word Puzzle Who Was Jesus?



Jesus was known by many different names. We've hidden 40 of them in this puzzle. Names may appear horizontally, vertically or diagonally, both backward and forward. Our word list appears on the next page.

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- ADVOCATE
- ALMIGHTY
- ALPHA AND OMEGA
- BELOVED SON
- BRANCH
- BREAD
- CARPENTER
- CHOSEN
- CHRIST
- CORNERSTONE
- COUNSELOR
- DELIVERER
- DOOR
- EMMANUEL
- EVERLASTING
- FOUNDATION
- HIGH PRIEST
- KING OF KINGS
- LAMB OF GOD
- LIFE

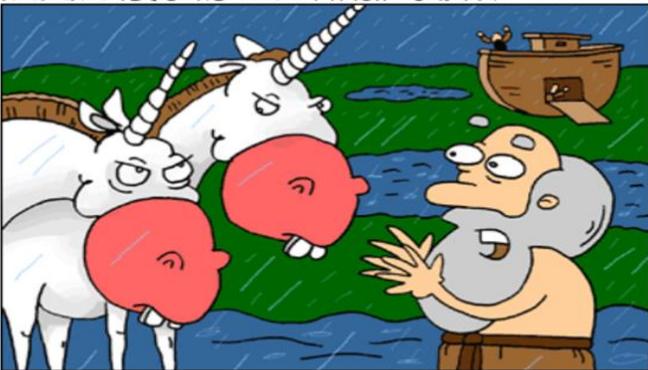
- LIGHT
- LION OF JUDAH
- LORD
- MASTER
- MEDIATOR
- MESSIAH
- MORNING STAR
- NAZARENE
- PRINCE OF PEACE
- REDEEMER
- RESURRECTION
- ROCK
- SAVIOR
- SERVANT
- SHEPHERD
- SON OF GOD
- SON OF MAN
- VINE
- WAY
- WORD

December Puzzle Answers

Holiday Word Search Solution

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(See Genesis 7:17-23)

YOU GUYS REALLY NEED TO HURRY UP AND WORK OUT YOUR DIFFERENCES...

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<http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=genesis%207:17-23;&version=50;>



Vaccinations...

GOT YOUR SHOT? The latest updates on vaccine eligibility and how to schedule an appointment are available on the County's website at sccfreevax.org. In addition, residents without internet access or who

need additional assistance can make appointments for the County Health System vaccine sites through the Valley Connection Call Center at 408-970-2000. The Call Center is open Monday through Friday from 7 am to 9 pm and Saturday and Sunday from 8 am to 4:30 pm. Assistance is available in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, and other languages. If you have trouble making your appointment and need assistance, please let Pastor Derek know. We have people standing by ready to help. [Influenza \(Flu\) - Public Health - County of Santa Clara \(sccgov.org\)](http://Influenza (Flu) - Public Health - County of Santa Clara (sccgov.org))

Use [CDC's COVID-19 booster tool](#) to learn if and when you can get boosters to stay up to date with your COVID-19 vaccines.

CDC recommends everyone stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccination, including all primary series doses and boosters for their age group.

Booster Doses of the Vaccine Are Authorized for Persons Who Meet the Guidelines Below:

COVID-19 updated booster for children 5 and up recommended by the CDC To better protect against [omicron variants](#), the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has authorized the updated COVID-19 booster vaccine for children 5 and up. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) also recommends the updated booster vaccine at least 2 months after the 2-dose primary series or previous booster for:

Pfizer: People 5 and older and **Moderna:** People 6 and older

People ages **6 months through 4 years** should get all COVID-19 primary series doses.

People ages **5 years and older** should get all primary series doses, and the booster dose recommended for them by CDC, if eligible.

People ages **5 years to 11 years** are currently recommended to get the **original (monovalent) booster**.

People ages **12 years and older** are recommended to receive one **updated Pfizer or Moderna (bivalent) booster**.

*This includes people who have received all primary series doses and people who have previously received one or more original (monovalent) boosters.

*At this time, people aged **12 years to 17 years** can only receive the **updated Pfizer bivalent booster**.

Getting a COVID-19 vaccine after you recover from COVID-19 infection provides added protection against COVID-19.

People who are moderately or severely immunocompromised have [different recommendations for COVID-19 vaccines](#), including boosters.

[COVID-19 vaccine and booster recommendations](#) may be updated as CDC continues to monitor the latest data.

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