


November-December 2024

*Indicates Virtual Meeting. Links can be found in the Wednesday weekly email update.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
24 10:00 am: Worship 11:15 am: Keys to the Bible 4:00 pm: Children and Youth Check-in* 7:00 pm: Book Ma*	25 7:00 pm: Cub Scout Pack 254 Troup Meeting	26 7:00 am: Men's Breakfast 6:30 pm: Concert Bells of Fort Worth 7:30 pm: Bible Study*	27 8:30 am: Weekly Work Crew 6:30 pm: Handbell Choir 7:30 pm: Chancel Choir	28 Thanksgiving Day Office closed	29	30
1  DECEMBER NEED Sunday 10:00 am: Worship 11:15 am: Advent Workshop 11:15 am: Keys to the Bible 1:00 pm: Deacon Board Meeting 4:00 pm: Children and Youth Check-in* 4:00 pm: Pack 254 Committee Meeting 7:00 pm: Book Mavens Book Club*	2 6:30 pm: Mission & Social Justice Committees 7:00 pm: Cub Scout Pack 254 Troup Meeting	3 7:30pm <i>Advent study of the book The Angels of Christmas (online)</i> 7:00 am: Men's Breakfast 6:30 pm: Concert Bells of Fort Worth 7:30 pm: Bible Study*	4 8:30 am: Weekly Work Crew 6:30 pm: Handbell Choir 7:30 pm: Chancel Choir	5 12:00 pm: Lois Circle 5:30 pm: Violin music classes (private) 6:30 pm: 6:8 Project Greenway meeting 7:30 pm: Christian Education meeting	6	7 4:00 pm: <i>Concerts on Harwood: Soprano Recital with Jung-An Chou (Free admission)</i>
8 10:00 amWorship 11:15am <i>Advent study of the book The Angels of Christmas (in-person)</i> 11:15 am: Keys to the Bible 4:00 pm: Children and Youth Check-in* 7:00 pm: Book Ma*	9 7:00 pm: Cub Scout Pack 254 Troup Meeting 7:00 pm: Worship Committee	10 7:00 am: Men's Breakfast 6:30 pm: Concert Bells of Fort Worth 7:30pm <i>Advent study of the book The Angels of Christmas (online)</i> 7:30 pm: Bible Study*	11 8:30 am: Weekly Work Crew 6:30 pm: Handbell Choir 7:30 pm: Chancel Choir	12 5:30 pm: Violin music classes (private) 7:00 pm: Outreach and Connection Committee	13	14 2:00 pm: <i>Christmas at Itasca</i>
15 10:00 am: Worship 11:00 am: <i>Advent study (in-person)</i> 11:15 am: Keys to the Bible 4:00 pm: Children and Youth Check-in* 7:00 pm: Book M*	16 6:30 pm: Ruth Fellowship 7:00 pm: Cub Scout Pack 254 Troup Meeting	17 7:00 am: Men's Breakfast 1:00 pm: Finance Committee 6:30 pm: Concert Bells of Fort Worth 6:30 pm: Facilities Meeting 7:30 pm: <i>Advent study (online)</i> 7:30 pm: Bible Study*	18 8:30 am: Weekly Work Crew 6:30 pm: Handbell Choir 7:30 pm: Chancel Choir	19 5:30 pm: Violin music classes (private)	20	21 12-2:30pm 6:8 <i>Project Christmas party</i>

WELCOME GUESTS!

Our church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Our mission is:
Replenished by God's love, we strive to be a Christ-like presence that serves the people of our community and the world.

You are invited to participate in our worship and work!

If you are looking for a church home, you are welcome here. We invite you to:

- Fill out the Attendance Sheet located on each row.
- Introduce yourself to our pastor.
- Visit our website at <https://emmanuelpc.org>
- Check us out at Facebook @EmmanuelPresbyterian, Instagram/X @EPCBedford and YouTube @EmmanuelBedford

Regular Opportunities for mission, ministry, and nurture at Emmanuel

Sunday opportunities: Church School is at 11:15am. Worship service at 10:00am.

Monday opportunities: Ruth Women's Fellowship group meets every third Monday at various local restaurants for dining and fellowship. Call church office for more information.

Tuesday opportunities: Men's Prayer Breakfast every Tuesday, at 7:00am. Happy Hands Women's Circle meets every fourth Tuesday at 9:30am (No meetings during summer months) and Esther Women's Circle every second Tuesday at 9:30am (No meetings during summer months).

Wednesday opportunities: Wednesday Work Crew 8:30-11:00am. Handbell Choir rehearsal is at 6:30pm. Adult Choir rehearsal begins at 7:30pm.

Thursday opportunities: Lois Circle meets the first Thursday of each month at 12pm at various local restaurants.

For more information about these regular opportunities at Emmanuel as well as special projects requiring volunteer assistance, please call the church office at 871-545-0251. Our prayer chain is also reachable by calling 817-545-0251. After office hours the church phones are answered by the voicemail system.

EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Church office timings: Mondays & Tuesdays 8:00am-2:00pm; Wednesdays 8:00am-1:00pm.

Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday closed.

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Whitney Wilkinson Arreche
Office Administrator	Jessica Pereira
Financial Administrator	Becky Baker
Director of Music	Brittney Axton
Organist	Dr. Tak Yan Yeung

BENCH OF ELDERS

<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Molly Park	Jayne Johnson	Melissa Durkee
James Taylor	Neal Morris	Chris Cable
Pat Wiegand	Katie Phillips	Linda Greenwell
	Mary Ann Reed	Tonia Thompson
	Sheryl Taylor, Clerk of Session	
	Nancy Cable (Treasurer)	

BOARD OF DEACONS

Leah Wyckoff	Miriam (Molly) Bolles	Kristin Hartwell
Claire Morris	Helen Sink	Linda Villarreal
		Helen Sink

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Advent Workshop and study: Join us for our all-ages Advent Workshop after worship today, Sunday, December 1.

Advent study of the book *The Angels of Christmas* will be offered in two options: Online Tuesdays at 7:30pm December 3, 10, 17 and January 7 and in-person after service on Sundays December 8, 15, 22 & January 5. Books are provided by the Christian Education committee; ***reserve a copy by signing up*** at the Advent Study display outside the sanctuary.

Concerts On Harwood: Soprano Recital featuring Jung-An Chou on Saturday, December 7 at 4 pm in the sanctuary. Free admission.



Poinsettias: The sanctuary will be decorated with red poinsettias from December 15 through Christmas Eve. Please sign up in the Narthex for a poinsettia: December 1 or 8. Poinsettias will be \$15 and available to take home after the Christmas Eve service.

2025 Flower Calendar: The 2025 flower calendar will be posted in the narthex in December. Please sign up for a Sunday – include your name, phone number, and note if the flowers are in honor or in memory of a special person or occasion. Please pay the church for your flower arrangement; the flower arrangements are \$35. Our florist, Cooper's, will bill the church monthly for flowers. Flowers may be taken to shut-ins on Monday if they are not taken home on Sunday.

Christmas at Itasca (PCHAS): on Saturday, December 14 at 2 pm. Leaving church at 12:30 pm.

Christmas Dinner on Sunday, December 22 at 12pm: A sign-up sheet will be put in the Narthex to let the committee know how many are coming and we are asking people to bring side dishes to share. The time between worship and eating will be spent doing games, visiting with our friends, or going to get others who need a ride to come to church. We will have the fire pit and carol singing as usual. Congregants are welcome to invite friends and neighbors to attend our Christmas Dinner.

Want to host Hospitality Sundays? A sign-up sheet will be available for those who would like an opportunity to host hospitality on Sundays after worship. If you would be willing to coordinate some form of treat to congregants after worship, please consider adopting a Sunday. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Helen Sink. Many thanks from the Deacons!

You Got Mail: Members & friends, please check your mail folder in the narthex for cards, directories, and other communications. 

The Messenger: EPC monthly newsletter can be viewed on our website www.emmanuelpc.org or pick a copy available at the Narthex.

North East Emergency Distribution (N.E.E.D.): The following items are in low supply: toilet paper, laundry detergent, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, hand soap, crackers, cereal, razors, pasta, salad dressing, mac and cheese, pudding, popcorn, canned tomatoes. You may place your donations in the blue NEED box near SoRelle Hall. Thank you for giving.

Donations: Can be made by scanning the QR code below with your phone or by going to <https://emmanuelpc.org/give/>. Cash or checks preferred.



**Many thanks to today's
offering counters:
Nancy Cable**