

Evangelical Covenant Church of Venice Isle

101 Via Veneto, Venice, FL 34285

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Rev. Elizabeth M. Jensen January 6, 2019

Emilee Basil ~Music Director Nella Salimov ~ Accompanist

Please turn off or mute your cell phone. Thank you!

Welcome and Church Notices

Prelude: "*Hallelujah Chorus*"

G.F. Handel, arr. by John Schaum

Introit: "*Sing We Now of Christmas*"

* Call to Worship – based on Isaiah 60:1-6

Leader: Arise, shine, for your light has come.

People: The glory of the Lord rises upon us.

Leader: See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples.

People: But the Lord rises upon us and his glory appears over us.

Leader: They will come bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of the Lord.

People: Arise, shine, for our light has come.

* **Invocation and the Lord's Prayer** (sins & sin)

* Hymn # 265 The First Noel (Vs. 2, 4 & 5)

Scripture Lessons read by Janet Keckler

Matthew 2:1-12

Ephesians 3:1-12

Anthem: "*Run To The Manger*"

Prayers of the People

Call to Prayer: "*One Small Child*"

Musical Response: "*The Birthday of a King*"

Offering

Offertory: "*Star of the East*"

* Doxology (# 815) and Prayer of Dedication

Hymn # 288 We Three Kings (Vs. 1, 2 & 5)

Message: "Seek Wisdom; Be Wise"

Service of Holy Communion (Bread is gluten free)

* Closing Hymn: # 290 As with Gladness...(Vs. 1, 3 & 4)

* Benediction and "*Three-fold Amen*"

* Postlude: "*Once in a Royal David's City*"

Today's Prayer Requests:

Phil VanZanten Gerrit Baker Diane DeCicco

Hal Haddox Amy Stoutjesdyk (Jim Thorpe's daughter)

Southeast Conference Churches in FL, esp.

Bridges in Tavares

If you or someone you know is ill or in the hospital, call the Church Secretary. We won't know if you don't tell us!

Greeter: Lucy Leavy

Ushers: Charlie Caruso, Jean Korte, Billie Lindstead, Carl Risch

Altar Flowers:

Mildred Wheeler

Donna Clements



Pastor Liz Jensen – (Home) 493-1420 (Cell) 525-4892

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Church Secretary: Joyce Durbin (Cell) 813-841-4863

Church Council Members:

Gary Durbin – Chair Ron Burkholder – Vice Chair

Ann Geise – Secretary Jim Keckler - Treasurer

Phil VanZanten – Financial Secretary

Emilee Basil, Donna Clements, Julie Hiltz, Fred Resler

This Week at ECCVI

- Mon. **Un-decorate the Church** followed by **Church Night at the DQ** from 4 to 7PM.
- Wed. **Choir Rehearsal** 3PM CH1.
- Thurs. **Closer Walk Bible Study: Mining Matthew**; 2-3PM CH 2 Venetian Rm.
- Sun. **“Spiritwood Music”** will be with us.

Looking Ahead

- Fri. Jan. 18 Covenant **Women’s Salad Lunch**. \$3 tickets available for purchase after worship TODAY.
- Sun. Jan. 20 Pickup **Annual Meeting Packet**
- Mon. Jan. 21 Share Night at **Culver’s 4-7 PM**.
- Sun. Jan. 27 **Annual Business Meeting** after worship.

Ministry Opportunities

- **Church Council Member**: One 3-year term still needs to be filled. See Gary Durbin with questions.
- **USHERS & GREETERS**: Sign-up sheets are on the Welcome Table. See Julie Hiltz with questions.
- **Altar Flowers**: A bouquet is \$25 and it is yours to take after worship. See Ann at the Welcome Table.
- **Webmaster**: Keeps our on-line presence current and fresh. See Gary Durbin with questions.

Church Notices

- Christmas Eve offering for **KICY Radio** was \$459.
- **Membership** in ECCVI is open to all; dual membership available for those who are members of a church up north. Applications are on the Welcome Table. Give to Pastor Liz or the Council Chair when completed.
- **FREE Coffee** (caffeinated) in the Sorrento Room.
- **Today’s Hymns** in large print available with bulletin.
- The church is **NOT** participating in the Feb. 16 Community Sale.
- **Attendance** Dec. 30 was 72

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They opened their treasure chests and gave
him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Matthew 2:11

Epiphany of the Lord
Communion Sunday