IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS October 4, 2020

Monday – Friday office hours	8:00 am – 3:30 pm
Sunday, October 4: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:00 am
Monday, October 5: Women's Bible Study	9:00 am
Board of CCO	6:00 pm
Board of Youth	6:00 pm
Board of Ed	6:00 pm
Trustees Meeting	6:30 pm
Elders Meeting	7:00 pm
Board of Stewardship	7:30 pm
Wednesday, October 7: ILS Chapel (CLC)	8:25 am
8 th Grade confirmation	6:00 pm
Friday, October 9: ILS Bike Marathon	
Sunday, October 11: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:00 am

<u>8th Grade Confirmation</u> will finally begin this Wednesday, October 7 at 6:00 p.m. <u>in the church basement</u>. Bring the usual items (Bible, catechism, workbook, pen/pencil). Pray for this time of instruction to be uninterrupted so we finish the course strong!

<u>Confirmation</u> for this year's students will be Reformation Sunday, October 25 at either service. Confirmands will remain with their families for the service. If families are unable to make that day work, a private confirmation will be scheduled. May God bless and nourish these young souls who will be able to gather at their Lord's Supper for forgiveness, life, and salvation!

<u>Volunteer Christmas Dinner</u> unfortunately will be cancelled this year due to the COVID restrictions around large gatherings. We are blessed to have many volunteers among us and thank you so much for your help throughout the year. We look forward to the dinner in 2021!

<u>Stay Informed on Church/School news via email</u>: Share the sign up for the weekly bulletin announcements and news! Send an email to <u>ilcs-news+subscribe@googlegroups.com</u>. You may need to put <u>ilcs-news@googlegroups.com</u> in your contact list or mark as a safe sender to avoid emails going into a junk/spam folder. Or contact the office and we can add you to the news group or prayer chain (ilcs-prayers+subscribe@googlegroups.com).

<u>Heritage Fest</u> – typically held the third Sunday in October and featuring Chuck Thiel and the Jolly Ramblers has been cancelled for 2020. May the Lord have mercy on us and clear this pandemic so we can celebrate again next year!

<u>OCTOBERFEST</u> – a fundraiser our school, typically held the fourth Sunday in October, put on by St. John's-Hammond, Immanuel-Potsdam, and Immanuel-Plainview has been cancelled for 2020. Please continue your prayers and support of ILS with donations to the school, Secret Angel fund, Hot Lunch program, and adopt-a-student. See you in 2021!

Board members needed! The philosopher Edmund Burke declared in 1770, "The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." The Lord has need of you for service in this congregation. If you are asked to consider being a candidate for election to a board group in the coming weeks, prayerfully consider your time and talents. We have vacant and vacating positions for Elders (5), Stewardship (2), Christian Education (1), Christian Caring & Outreach (2), and Youth (2). Partial terms are available if you want to try a board for a year or two. The Lord and His Church will prevail over evil, even if good men and women do nothing. But, oh, the good we can do for the glory of God when we rise up and serve! Current board members are on a printout on the resource table in the lobby (by the bulletins).

<u>Portals of Prayer</u> for October – December are available for daily devotions.

<u>Choristers</u> is suspended for now. Practice will commence when circumstances permit. If anyone is interested in singing for church in a small group of 2 to 4 singers, it would be a special addition to the church service. There is general service music as well as Advent, and Christmas music in 2 or 3 parts. It would be wonderful if a small group or solo sang for Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. Think about it and let the church office know if this is something you would like to do. Either Barb Lutringer or Deb Eggenberger can work with these small groups if needed.

SCRIP program update: The SCRIP program is being discontinued at Immanuel. Please find an updated list of what is remaining on the resource table.

<u>Fish Fry Fundraiser</u> - Over the past 10 years, Immanuel Lutheran School has had a fish fry & auction to raise funds for new technology at ILS. Since the Coronavirus has changed our lives over the past few months, Immanuel Lutheran School will not be having our regular fish fry & auction in 2020. If you are so moved, please continue to support our school by prayerfully considering a donation to the Fish Fry Fund.