IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS December 13, 2020

Monday – Friday office hours	8:00 am – 3:30 pm
Sunday, December 13: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:00 am
Sunday School	9:00 am
Wednesday, December 16: ILS Chapel (CLC)	8:25 am
8 th grade Confirmation	6:00 pm
Advent Service	7:00 pm
Sunday, December 20: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:00 am
Sunday School	9:00 am

Advent Door Offering this week (Dec 16) will be towards the Board of Trustees. Funds raised will be used to replace windows in the church basement. *If you missed a contribution for previous door offerings, we will gladly collect your gift and pass it on. Previous door offerings were for: Hope Lutheran High School, Immanuel Youth, Board of Education, and ILCW.*

<u>Advent Devotions</u> are available on the resource table in the CLC lobby. Grab one for yourself and a friend. We can print more!

Fish Fry at Hope Lutheran High School in Winona scheduled for Friday, December 18th is canceled. Mark your calendar for their next fish fry on Wednesday, January 27th which will also include an open house of the new school building.

Food Shelf Drive Immanuel Lutheran School is collecting items for the Plainview/Elgin Food Shelf. If you would like to help with a donation, a display has been set up in the CLC Lobby.

<u>Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services</u> will be held in the CLC this year. Christmas Eve is at 5:00 p.m. and Christmas Day at 9:30 a.m. (with Holy Communion). The Christmas Eve service will be prerecorded in the church sanctuary to be available on YouTube on the 24th. Host a "watch party" and gather around God's Word spoken and sung to celebrate the Savior's birth!

Each year Immanuel Lutheran Church Women have collected Christmas "gifts from the heart" for residents at Green Prairie Rehabilitation Center. This year especially, due to social isolation experienced because of Coronavirus precautions, we want to share our giving. We will be collecting gifts in December until 12/20/2020. Please bring gifts wrapped or in a gift bag. Indicate if gift for "man" or "woman" or "either." Suggestions from Activity Director: more women (32) than men (10), slipper socks with grips or regular socks, lotions, soaps, jewelry and such. Gifts will be collected in CLC entry. Thanks for your generosity. If you have any questions, contact Becky 951-1716.

<u>Thank you</u> everyone for the beautiful 60th anniversary cards. They helped make the milestone special for us. We appreciate all of you very much! Thank you, Jim & Jackie Pederson

<u>**Thank You**</u> from Herman & Janet Liebenow and family for everyone's prayers during Jill's (daughter) hospitalization and liver transplant. She went home for Thanksgiving after being at Mayo since August after her transplant. God is so good!

<u>Remember our Seminarian</u> – PJ & Melanie Aarsvold are out in Lakewood, CO (Denver area) for PJ's vicarage. If you would like to send Christmas greetings and words of love and encouragement or congratulations - they are expecting a child in February – their address is:

PJ Aarsvold Bethlehem Lutheran Church 2100 Wadsworth Blvd Lakewood, CO 80214-5707

Dear Immanuel Lutheran Church, It was a blessing to be able to join you for worship on Sunday, November 22. We are grateful that our bells class was able to preform during service. Thank you for your generous donation to Hope Lutheran. It is because of donations like yours that our school is able to function he way it does. Gods blessings to all, *Hope Lutheran High School Students and Staff*.

Home Communion Visits – If you or a loved one are sheltering at home during the pandemic and desire Holy Communion, please know that Pastor Augustine and Pastor Fuchs are willing to set up a visit to bring you the body and blood of Jesus for your forgiveness and strength. He can meet in your home or outside; masked or unmasked; for a short visit (scripture, devotion, and Supper) or a longer visit with you for the Lord's consolation and care during this time of social distancing. We were not created to live in isolation. If you need this precious medicine for your body and soul, call the church office to schedule a visit.

<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 **ilcs-news@googlegroups.com** 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 (<u>ilcs-prayers+subscribe@googlegroups.com</u>).