IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS May 16, 2021

Monday – Friday office hours	8:00 am – 3:30 pm
Sunday, May 16: Divine Services	8:00 am & 10:00 am
Monday, May 17: High Rise Church	1:00 pm
PTL Meeting	6:30 pm
Tuesday, May 18: ILCW/LWML Meeting	6:30 pm
Wednesday, May 19: Chapel	8:25 am
Saturday, May 22: 8 th Grade Graduation	7:00 pm
Sunday, May 23: Divine Services	8:00 am & 10:00 am
Baccalaureate Sunday	10:00

PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW! Our online 11th Annual Fish Fry Auction was a *great success*! We raised \$17,708 (after expenses) for ILS technology & curriculum needs. Many thanks to everyone who donated to and participated in our auction. Thank you to all my ladies on the Fish Fry/Auction committee who all worked so very hard to make this event a success. Thank you to Janet Hall & Steve Flies of Plainview Online Auctions for guiding us in this process. Last, but not least, a special thank you to Lisa & Tom Hoekstra who allowed us to piggyback on their farm auction! We could not have done this well without you! Thanks again - Anne Borgschatz, ILS Auction Chair

Immanuel Lutheran Church Women (ILCW)/ Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) will meet Tuesday, May 18th at 6:30pm church basement. We will have Bible Study, a short business meeting and Christian fellowship. Information on shut-in visits will be shared. All women of Immanuel are invited to attend.

Memorial Service for Joan Mussell – The family invites the congregation to a memorial service on June 12, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. with a light lunch to follow. The service will be in the church and luncheon likely in the CLC. Joan passed on May 8, 2020 and due to COVID19, a family-only graveside service was held. Now that we can gather again, let us remember with song and thanksgiving the joy of Jesus and the resurrection from the dead that Joan awaits.

<u>Vacation Bible School (VBS) is scheduled for July 7th and 8th.</u> It will be from 6 pm – 8 pm in Immanuel's CLC. Amanda Meyer and Kari Wurst have volunteered to help but we need more teachers and volunteers! Please give this some prayer consideration and call Barb Larson @ 507-251-2138 or the church office 507-534-3700 if you can help!

<u>Trinity Lutheran Youth in Elgin</u> are having a drive-thru bag lunch fundraiser today, Sunday May 16th from 10 am - Noon. Lunches include your choice of Roast Beef, Ham or Turkey. Each bag includes a sandwich, bottle of water, cookie, a bag of chips and an apple for \$7 per bag.

<u>Immanuel Lutheran School Eighth Grade graduation</u> will be held on Saturday, May 22 at 7:00 pm at Immanuel Lutheran Church. This year's graduates are Henry Borgschatz, Erik Dahl, and Kylee Kruger. A reception for the graduates will be held in the church basement following the service. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Book Fair is coming to ILS!

Sunday, May 23rd through Friday, May 28th.

Hours: Sun. 9 - 11:30 am, Weekdays will be available from 9 - 3:30 and during Carnival hours.

Board of Elders announcement: Summer services will follow our typical routine of moving to the Christian Life Center for the months of June, July, and August. There will be just one service at 9:00 a.m. beginning June 6 and ending August 29.

<u>Back to the Hymnals</u>: For the next several weeks our services will use the hymnals for liturgy and hymns. Pastor spends hours every week preparing the PowerPoint slides and needs that time to better train the church secretaries to do this work if we are to continue using that format in our services. According to the MN Health Department guidance for churches, "Sharing books, hymnals, and religious texts by people from one service to the next does not pose a significant risk of spreading COVID-19" (https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/guidance.html, link titled "COVID-19 Preparedness Plan Requirements for Faith-Based Communities, Places of Worship, Weddings, and Funerals (PDF)", page 7)

<u>Thank you Thrivent Members</u>! We have received Thrivent Choice Dollars for Immanuel Lutheran Church and School for March. ILC received a donation of \$44.00. What a blessing!

<u>Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML)</u> 2021 Convention is in Lexington, Kentucky this June. Delegate, Bonnie Boettcher from Immanuel, will be attending. At the Convention there is an opportunity to support two areas of need.

- 1. ASSURANCE FOR LIFE MINISTRY. Assurance is a specialized health clinic serving Lexington and the surrounding areas providing free medical services, compassionate counsel and support to individuals facing unplanned and often crisis pregnancies. Concordia Publishing House is offering a special on Arch Books. The books will be shipped directly to Convention. If anyone is interested in contributing to purchase books that will be given to Assurance, please leave your monetary donation at church or to the church office by May 18th. We will send the order in for you.
- **2. Food Bank Support--Concordia Seminaries Fort Wayne and St. Louis**. Gift cards to stores like Walmart and Target in denominations of \$10, \$20, and \$25 are most appreciated. Bonnie will be able to take the gift cards with her to Lexington. Please bring them to church or church office by June 15th.

Thanks for giving "Gifts from the Heart."