IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS February 27, 2022

8:00 am – 3:00 pm
8:00 am & 10:15 am
9:10 am
9:10 am
9:00 am
7:00 pm
1:00 pm
8:30 am
5:00 pm
6:30 pm
7:15 pm
8:00 am & 10:15 am
9:10 am
9:10 am

<u>Thank you so much to everyone</u> who helped with the fantastic youth event we had on the 19th! We had 130 youth attend and it was a great time. Thank you to Robyn and Nancy for the help with set up and clean up, ILS for allowing us to use school items and the gym for the event, and all the other volunteers and congregation members that made this event a success! -ILC Youth

<u>Ash Wednesday</u> is this Wednesday, March 2, and marks the beginning of Lent. Pastor Augustine plans to have the imposition of ashes before the evening service again. This is a rite that worshipers of any age can take part, *but you are not required to do so*. Ashes can be received upon the forehead or the back of a hand. Ashes will also be available after the morning service.

Lenten Devotions from Lutheran Hour Ministries are available by the entrances in booklet and large print sizes. Feel free to grab a copy for a friend or neighbor. We can always print more.

<u>Release Time Walkers Needed!</u> Starting March 2, Immanuel-Plainview is responsible for walking the children to/from the 4-6 Building (by the football field/track) each week for Release Time Classes at Trinity in Elgin. If you are able to walk them over at 7:55 and back at 9:00 a.m., your help is greatly appreciated. We are responsible for March 2, 9, 16, and 23. Please sign up by contacting the church office. Sign up online at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054FAEAD2DA0FB6-walk

<u>Church stained-glass windows update</u>: The Stained-glass window proposal to restore and protect the stained-glass windows in the church was approved at the Annual Congregation Voters meeting on Sunday, January 30, 2022. Fund raising has now begun, starting with a matching gift of \$25,000 with members/individuals making donations to raise and match this amount to bring it to \$50,000, and even higher to reach the total goal of \$107,718, the total cost of project. Additional funding such as memorials, donations, other fundraisers, etc., are greatly appreciated. Make checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church – Stained-glass Window Fund.

Pastoral Retirements Announced – Pastor Dale Kohrs announced his retirement to the congregations of Immanuel, Potsdam and St. John's, Hammond last fall. Pastor Kohrs' last Sunday will be February 27. If you wish to extend a card of thanksgiving for his service, please mail it to him at his home address: 1018 W Lyon Ave, Lake City, MN 55041. Pastor Terrill Bramstedt has announced his retirement to his congregation at Trinity, Elgin. His last Sunday is August 28. Please keep these congregations in your prayers during their transitions.

Farewell Party We have been invited to Pastor Kohrs and Shari's Farewell Party today, February 27, at Immanuel Lutheran Church of Potsdam. The church service starts at 10:00 am. There will be a meal served after the service or come for cake and coffee. They will be serving until 2:00 pm and ask that if you are coming for dinner to contact Bev Stoehr at (507) 251-9895 (please leave a voice mail) or e-mail her at thebeverly911@gmail.com as space is limited and it will help with planning.

Lent Suppers – Ash Wednesday is March 2 and marks the beginning of the season of Lent. Evening meals are planned as follows:

March 2 – Trustees March 9 – Youth March 16 – Elders March 23 – Hope LHS Board March 30 – ILCW

April 6 – available!!!! Please call or email the church office if your group is interested in serving. The Youth would be willing to give up March 9 as they are planning to serve a breakfast on Easter Sunday.

<u>Critical Race Theory Bible study</u> continues weekly in the church sanctuary. If you miss a session, find the recording of it online at www.immanuelplainview.org/crt. This is the only place the video links are available. Contact Pastor Augustine with questions.

<u>Camp Omega scholarships</u> are available for Immanuel's children to attend the camp of their choice. Scholarships are funded by Sunday School offerings. Simply provide proof of registration or attendance to the church office and you will receive partial reimbursement for the camp registration fee. Reimbursement amount will be based on amount of available funds and the number of campers that attend. See available camp options at campomega.org.