IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS February 19, 2023

Monday – Friday office hours		8:00-3:30 pm
Sunday, Feb 19:	Divine Service	8:00 & 10:15 am
	Bible Class/Sunday School	9:15 am
	Youth-The Bible Series	6:00 pm
Monday, Feb 20:	LifeLight Bible Study	9:00 am
	High Rise Church Service	1:00 pm
Tuesday, Feb 21:	Quilting in church basement	1:00 pm
Wednesday, Feb 22:	ILS Chapel Service	8:25 am
	Lent Supper by ILCW	5:00
	Ash Wednesday Service	6:30 pm
Sunday, February 26:	Divine Service	8:00 & 10:15 am
	Bible Class & Sunday School	9:15 am
	Youth – The Bible Series	6:00 pm

Ash Wednesday Supper this week - February 22nd. ILCW will be serving casseroles, breads, coleslaw & bars. We will serve from 5:00 pm until 6:15 in the church basement. If you are available to work in the kitchen please let Bonnie Boettcher know at 534-3045. All donations will go towards the **Brick Fund**. We will **not** be having a regular meeting in February.

<u>With Lent beginning on February 22</u> we begin Wednesday Lenten Suppers. March 15 and March 22 are both open dates yet to be filled. Please call the church office if you have a group who would like to serve a meal.

Stain Glass Window Fundraiser, Sunday, March 12, 6:00 pm. The evening includes dinner and a show by Sister Luv (a Gospel singing group). Bennett's Food Center will be serving Prime Rib and Chicken Breast Dinner. The cost is \$100 per person, serving 100 people. Reservations needed by calling the church office. ALL TICKET MONEY GOES TO THE STAINED GLASS WINDOW FUND. Thank you to Eric Bennett and Bennett's Food for the potential to raise \$10,000 for the Stained Glass Window Fund. Come and enjoy the evening.

The Wind Symphony from Concordia University Chicago will perform a concert of sacred and secular music at Trinity Lutheran Church, 222 6 th Ave. SW in Rochester, on Saturday, March 4 at 7 p.m. as part of the ensemble's Midwest Spring Tour. The concert is open to the public and admission is free. The Wind Symphony, under the direction of Dr. Richard R. Fischer, has performed in 43 states, Canada, Europe, Asia and South Africa as well as twice at Carnegie Hall. The ensemble has commissioned and premiered numerous wind compositions and produced 16 acclaimed recordings of sacred wind music. For more information about the Wind Symphony's upcoming tour, go to https://www.cuchicago.edu/academics/colleges/college-of-arts/music/music-ensembles/wind-symphony/tours/

<u>Hope Lutheran High School is growing!</u> All association churches are asked to spread the word about openings for the 2023-24 school year:

- House Parents for international students (house near Hope/St. Martin's)
- Teacher Aide Hourly position- everyday Mon-Fri
- English Teacher Full time
- Social Studies teacher Part time/possible full time

Contact Principal Rocky Sandcork for more information, any leads, or to apply: cell 507-313-3551, email rsandcork@hopelhs.org

<u>Immanuel Family Connections</u> continues in February! Eight households participated in a time of Christian fellowship around a meal and good company in January. Another round is planned for February, so if you missed out, fill out an Immanuel Connections form and get the info to Tristan Severson. Email <u>tisever45@gmail.com</u> or call/text 507-269-8211.

Stop by the resource room after church today. **The Youth Group** continues their fundraiser called *Candy Grams for Christians*. For \$5, youth will distribute a candy treat and personalized inspirational greeting card to the person of your choice. Proceeds go towards youth activities. Take the time to brighten someone's day! This will be a weekly offering, and Candy Grams will be issued at the following Sunday service.

Thank you! Board of Youth

<u>A Celebration is coming</u>! Immanuel Plainview will be celebrating 150 years of ministry in **2025**. Time flies so we need to start planning. Ben Neumann has graciously volunteered to be the leader of the committee. Ben has outlined several areas of subcommittees that need to be addressed. There is something for everyone to participate in. If you are willing to be part of the planning, please contact the office 534-3700. Watch for more details in the coming weeks.

<u>Custodial Position Needed:</u> We are currently looking to hire a willing individual to share the position of custodian for our church. If you are interested, or if you know someone who may be interested, please contact the church office or speak to anyone on the Board of Trustees for more information. A job description is available upon request. 507-534-3700.

Thrivent Choice Dollars: Thank you, Thrivent Members, for your Choice Dollars gifts! Immanuel Lutheran Church received in February a check for \$1,915.00 and Immanuel Lutheran School received \$1,079.00 due to your generosity. If you haven't allocated your 2022 Choice Dollars yet, you have until March 31st to do so through Thrivent's web site (thrivent.com) or by calling 1-800-THRIVENT. You must contact Thrivent to designate your Choice Dollars, or they will be lost. Contact your Thrivent agent if you have questions.

<u>We are looking for volunteers</u> to help shovel sidewalks around the church and school. Please contact the church office (507) 534-3700 if you can help. Two of our current volunteers will be gone the last two weeks in February and the first two weeks in March. Please consider helping if you are available.

<u>Church stained-glass windows update</u>: To date we have raised \$82,382.50. The total cost of this project is \$107,000. Additional funding such as memorials, donations, other fundraisers, are appreciated. Make checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church – Stained Glass Window Fund. The windows work may resume around Memorial Day (May 29)!