

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL
WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCEMENTS
February 5, 2023

Monday – Friday office hours		8:00-3:30 pm
Sunday, Feb 5:	Divine Service	8:00 & 10:15 am
	Bible Class/Sunday School	9:15 am
	Youth-The Bible Series (will not be held tonight)	
Monday, Feb 6:	LifeLight Bible Study	9:00 am
	Board of CCO	6:00 pm
	Board of Youth	6:00 pm
	Board of Elders	7:00 pm
	Board of Stewardship	7:30 pm
Tuesday, Feb 7:	Board of Ed	6:00 pm
	Quilting in church basement	1:00 pm
Wednesday, Feb 8:	ILS Chapel Service	8:25 am
	8 th grade confirmation	5:30 pm
	7 th grade Confirmation	6:15 pm
	Choir practice	6:30 pm
Sunday, February 12:	Divine Service	8:00 & 10:15 am
	Bible Class & Sunday School	9:15 am
	Youth – The Bible Series	6:00 pm

The Youth Bible Series will not be held tonight, Feb. 5, but will resume next week in the Church Youth Room at 6:00 pm. All youth are invited.

A Celebration is coming! 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.

Custodial Position Needed: 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. 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. Choice dollars given to the church support the general fund while dollars designated to the school goes to the Secret Angel program to support families with financial need. What a great way to support our congregation and school ministry!

The Trustees need someone that holds a MN Boilers License MNB-16622 and is willing to assist with the church boiler operation. Contact Ben Neumann or the church office if you can help or may know someone.

New Prayer Chain contact person! We welcome Kim Zabel as Immanuel's new prayer chain contact person. Kim's email address is zabelkim.kz@gmail.com and her phone number is (507) 272-6301. Thank you, Kim for being Immanuel's new Prayer Chain leader. It is a very important part of Immanuel's ministry. If you would like to be added to the Congregational Prayer Chain call the church office (507) 534-3700 or contact Kim Zabel.

Quilters...We could use more helpers for tying quilts on Tuesday's at 1:00 pm in the church fellowship hall. **No experience is needed** ... just a fun hour, or as much time as you want, tying square knots with yarn for quilts given to the charities we support. Many hands make light work!! (If you have a large needle and scissors, bring with or we have them to borrow.)

We are looking for volunteers 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.

Church stained-glass windows update: 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)!

Important dates to note as Lent, Confirmation, and Easter approach:

- February 22 - Ash Wednesday
- Midweek Lent services – March 1 to March 29 (Lent meals served – sign up in the office)
- April 2 – Confirmation Sunday (Palm Sunday) – this is early this year due to Pastor attending daughter's college graduation
- April 6 – Maundy Thursday
- April 7 – Good Friday
- April 9 – Easter Sunday
- May 18 – Ascension Service (here)

With Lent beginning on February 22, we also begin Wednesday Lenten Suppers. Please call the church office if you have a group who would like to serve a meal.

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