IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS April 23, 2023

Monday – Friday office hours		8:00-3:30 pm
Sunday, April 23:	Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
	Pastor Bible Class/Sunday School	9:15 am
Monday, April 24:	LifeLight Bible Study	9:00 am
	Stephen Ministry	7:00 pm
Wednesday, April 26:	ILS Chapel Service	8:25 am
	7 th Grade confirmation	6:15 pm
	Chorister practice	6:30 pm
Sunday, April 30:	Divine Service	8:00 & 10:15 am
	Pastor Bible Class/Sunday School	9:15 am
	Quarterly Voters Meeting	11:30 am

Sharing the Peace will resume as Pastor directs on a given Sunday. This is a custom we paused when COVID precautions began. Greeting one another with the peace of Christ is a way to encourage fellowship with one another and to be reconciled as brothers and sisters in Christ when sin has hurt a relationship. It is more than just "good morning" to the person next to you. It is the blessing of one another with God's peace won on the cross of Christ. Please do be considerate of those who do not wish to shake hands for health reasons.

<u>April Voters Meeting</u> has been set for Sunday, April 30, following the 10:15 am service. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

<u>National Principal's Day is Monday, May 1st</u>. This is our opportunity to thank our Principal, Rick Arguto, who motivates us to deliver the best to our students at Immanuel Lutheran School. We are grateful to God and appreciate your service and committment to the students and staff at ILS. Thank you, Mr. Arguto, for all you do!

<u>Immanuel's Hwy 247 Spring Ditch Cleanup</u> will be held on <u>Saturday, May 6th at 10 a.m.</u> We will meet at the West end of Doane's parking lot. Please join us for this easy community service event! It usually takes a couple of hours. - The Board of Stewardship

ILS' Adopt a Highway clean-up planning is underway. The date is Sunday May 7th, at 11:00 a.m. Please meet at the Church parking lot so we can carpool to the sections for the cleanup. All volunteers between the ages 12-17 participating in litter-picking must have the written consent of a parent or legal guardian to participate. Please call the church office for a consent form or they are available in the church resource room. The Adopt a Highway Permission slip is to be signed and brought with you on May 7th if you would like to volunteer (required for age 12 - 17). Please call (507-272-2125) or send a text to Deb Bigelow if you are interested in helping.

<u>A big thank you to the quilting ladies</u> who sewed squares for quilt tops or tied quilts this year. We had a small group of workers from January to April, but a surprising number of quilts were completed. We made 59 quilts!

To prepare for next winter, we need donations of cotton fabrics to make quilt tops. We also need sheets for quilt backings. The sheets can be any size, free of holes, thin spots, or stains. We apply to Thrivent each year for funds to purchase batting in 40-yard rolls, which may sound like a lot, but each bed size quilt takes close to 2 yards! If you have fabric or sheets, you can bring them to the church office or give to Linda Zabel or Margaret Carrothers on a Sunday morning.

Thank You from the Family of Orrin Gilbertson

We thank everyone who helped us in any way during Orrin's illness, and at the time of his death. Thank you to the entire staff at Green Prairie Rehabilitation Center for the care which he received. The prayers, concern, comforting words, flowers, cards, memorials, visits, and food have all been greatly appreciated. We thank Pastor Augustine for his many visits to Orrin at Green Prairie and for the funeral service. Thank you to the organist, Debbie Eggenberger, and to all who served the lunch. Thank you, also, to Pastor Fuchs for his many visits with Orrin. We are so thankful for all the love and kindness we have received from our church family.

God's Blessings, Marlene Gilbertson Greg and Becky Gilbertson and Family Doug Gilbertson and Family Kurt and Shellie Gilbertson and Family

It's Back!! Garage Sale, May 4th & 5th, in the CLC (Christian Life Center)

Drop off date: Tuesday May 2nd 5-7 pm and Wednesday, May 3rd 8am-6pm Large items are permitted (couches, dressers, beds etc. BUT must be picked up by 5pm on May 5th if they don't sell. We are not able to accept electronics or baby furniture (high chairs, car seats, cribs, swings, saucers or mattresses.

If you have questions, please contact Nancy McNallan at 261-9436.

Spring BBQ & Fellowship Picnic More details to come, but be sure to save the date, **Sunday**, **May 21**, for this event sponsored by the Immanuel Lutheran Youth. There will be a main meal, potluck, games, music, etc. Guaranteed to be lots of fun!

Stained Glass With your generous donations, we are nearing the goal set forth of \$107,718 to repair and restore the 1916 original stained-glass windows that glorify our sanctuary. To date \$99,653.50 in donations have been received and to all, *Thank You!*

<u>The Plainview Community Center</u> is hosting a pancake breakfast fundraiser today, Sunday, April 23 from 8:00 a.m.-12:00. They will be serving plain pancakes, chocolate chip pancakes, blueberry pancakes as well as sausage and gravy/biscuit, sausages, scrambled eggs, hashbrowns, OJ, milk, coffee, water. This fundraiser is a free-will donation and helps with the day-to-day operations at the community center.