

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL
WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCEMENTS
October 22, 2023

Monday – Friday office hours	8:00-3:30 pm
Sunday, October 22: Divine Service	8:00 & 10:15 am
Sunday School	9:15 am
Mission Trip information meeting	2:00 pm
Monday October 23: Stephen Ministry	7:00 pm
Tuesday, October 24: ILS home volleyball game vs Winona	4:30 pm
Wednesday, October 25: Chapel Service	8:30 am
7 th grade Confirmation	5:45 pm
8 th grade Confirmation	6:30 pm
Adult Choir/church basement	6:30 pm
Friday, October 27: ILS home volleyball game vs. Silo	4:00 pm
Saturday, October 28: ILS volleyball tournament RCLS	
Sunday, October 29: <i>Reformation Sunday</i>	
Divine Service	8:00 & 10:15 am
Christian Education Hour	9:15 am
Quarterly Voters Meeting	11:30 am

Quarterly Voters Meeting is **Sunday, October 29th** at 11:30 am in the Church Basement. There will be election of officers, spending guideline approval & other decisions of church matters to continue the work of spreading the Gospel here at Immanuel & around the world. You are strongly encouraged to attend this very important meeting.

THANK YOU! Thank you to everyone who participated in the Heritage Fest in any way. If you came to worship with the band - thank you! If you helped pay for the band through the door offering (which we collected enough to cover the cost!) - thank you! If you came and enjoyed a wonderful dinner and fellowship - thank you! If you brought items for the auction or bought at the auction - thank you! And, if you helped tear down afterwards - thank you! It was a wonderful day! To God be the Glory!!! (Mark your calendar - next year Heritage Fest is October 20th) - Immanuel Think Tank

New Bible Class starting next Sunday...What do you know about Baptism? Did you know that it has deep roots in the Old Testament? That is the topic of study for Pastor's Sunday morning **Bible class starting on October 29**. It will be an 8-week dive into the Scriptures using the book, "The Baptismal River", as our guide. If you are interested in purchasing the book, there is a sign-up sheet available during Bible study, or contact Pastor or the Church office. The cost is \$20.

Honey Sunday - The ILCW will once again be participating in the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Honey Sundays on **October 29 and November 5**. You will be able to purchase their wonderful honey which benefits the Ranch and the ILCW. The honey is \$10 a bottle and will be sent directly to you or send to someone as a gift. There will be a table set up on those two Sundays in the resource room.

Christmas Sugar Cookies Sales have started Sales go from Wednesday, October 11th to Tuesday, November 7th. This has been a great annual fundraiser for Immanuel Lutheran School. Proceeds from the cookie sales go toward the ILS hot lunch program. These are delicious frozen pre-cut cookies, all ready to bake. Order forms will be sent home with students next week or are available in the office. If you have questions, please contact Jill Hayes at jhayes@immanuelplainview.org

Immanuel Lutheran Church's general fund at the end of September is (\$97,258.44) ILC & ILS will need to receive increased offerings & donations from members to meet our financial obligations. There are many things to be thankful for here. Dedicated staff remains faithful to carry on the work of the Lord. Many projects have been completed over the last year & that is because of your generous donations. Regular bills such as the light bill, insurance, etc still need to be paid including wages & benefits also. **God gave His Firstfruit, His one-and-only Son, Jesus Christ. His death on Calvary's cross assures us of life and salvation, and those gifts are ours through His Spirit's gift of faith.** Think about how God has personally & daily blessed us richly & placed us here to do His work. **Because He gives us His best, can we offer Him our leftovers? No, in faith-filled response to His love, we want to give Him our best.** Prayerfully consider increasing your donations so the work of the Lord can continue here at Immanuel.

Plainview-Elgin Area Food Shelf is always in need of food & supplies for the less fortunate in our area. ILCW would like to promote a food drive for the next month. They are especially in need of soups (tomato, chicken noodle, cream of chicken & cream of mushroom) especially, or any other nonperishable items. Cash donations are always welcome too. Money goes a long way for them to purchase items that are not available from Channel One. Please bring your donations to the front of the church until Thanksgiving. Your generosity is much appreciated.