

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL**  
**WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
*January 7, 2024*

Monday-Friday Office Hours:	8:00 – 3:30 pm
Sunday, January 7: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Installation of New Board Members Both Services	
Christian Education Hour Resumes	9:15 am
Remove Sanctuary Christmas Decorations	11:15 am
Youth Event in the CLC	6:00 pm
Monday, January 8: Bible Study resumes/church basement	9:00 am
Stephen Ministry	7:00 pm
Tuesday, January 9: Quilters meet/church basement	1:00 pm
Church Council	6:30 pm
Wednesday, January 10: Chapel	8:25 am
7 <sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation	5:45 pm
8 <sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation	6:30 pm
Adult Choir	6:30 pm
Friday, January 12: ILS Basketball at RCLS	4:30 pm
Sunday, January 14: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Christian Education Hour	9:15 am

**Installation of new Board members and Officers** will be at church services on today, January 7, 2024. If you have been elected or re-elected to a Board position, please plan on a time of recognition and blessing of your service to the Lord and His Church. Thank you to all outgoing officers and board members for your service! It is so appreciated!

**HELP NEEDED** We will take down the Christmas decorations in the church sanctuary on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> immediately following the 10:15 service. All are invited to help! It usually takes about an hour. Thanks!

**There is a Youth Event today!** Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 in the CLC. We will be making homemade pizzas and watching a movie! All 4-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited. Bring a friend and let's have some fun!

**Plainview Area Youth Night** All PEM area youth are invited to enjoy games, activities, worship time with a full band made up of local musicians, taco dinner and fun midnight snacks! The event will be at ILS in Plainview on February 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 pm – 12:00 am. **We need volunteer chaperones for the evening! Can you commit to 2 hours? 3 hours? Start to finish?** Please contact Matthew Feils 507-923-0462 or email at [Matthewfeils7@gmail.com](mailto:Matthewfeils7@gmail.com) with any questions or your willingness to supervise the various groups of kids and activities!

**RALLY FOR RICK** – The Rick Arguto Fundraiser **on Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, from noon to 4:00 pm** is guaranteed to be a fun afternoon! There will be different live musical performances throughout the afternoon. Lunch and desserts will be served. There will also be a silent auction (see insert for more information).

All funds received will go to assist with medical costs, health care equipment, modifications to their home, the loss of wages, and other expenses as a result of Rick's battle with ALS. ALS, often called Lou Gehrig's Disease, has no cure at this time and has an annual out-of-pocket cost of over \$250,000, according to the ALS Association.

*Let's shower Rick and Pam with God's love through our support during this difficult time.*

**New Church Photo Directory** –Universal Church Directories has contacted Immanuel about a new photo directory of our members. It has been 5 years since the last directory. Several people will be needed to coordinate this effort. The goal is to schedule pictures for late summer to early fall in order to have the directories available by early summer of 2025 for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the congregation. If you are interested in the project, please contact pastor or the church office.

**Arguto Dinners** -We want to thank the families who have so generously made dinners for us these past few months. Not only have the meals been delicious, but having a meal prepared for us has saved valuable time. We feel so blessed to be part of such a caring congregation and school.

We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 1:2-3 ~Rick and Pam Arguto

**STUDY GOD'S WORD IN 2024**... LCMS Stewardship has encouraged Lutherans to spend 1% every day (14 minutes) in God's Word and prayer. The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily, 15-minute, verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon is currently leading a study on the Book of Colossians. You can listen at [thewordendures.org](http://thewordendures.org), the LPR mobile app, or your favorite podcast provider.