

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL**  
**WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
*February 11, 2024*

Monday-Friday Office Hours:	8:00 - 3:30 pm
Sunday, February 11: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Christian Education Hour	9:15 am
Monday, February 12: Stephen Ministry	7:00 pm
Tuesday, February 13: Roger Durgin visitation and funeral	10:00 am
Durgin funeral luncheon (CLC)	12:00 pm
Quilters/church basement	1:00 pm
Church Council meeting	6:30 pm
Wednesday, February 14: Chapel	8:25 am
Lent Supper/church basement	5:30-6:30 pm
Ash Wednesday service	6:30 pm
Friday, February 16: Youth Night set up	6:00 pm
PEM Area Youth Night	4:00 pm – 12:00 am
Sunday, February 18: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Christian Education Hour	9:15 am

**Welcome to Immanuel!** The Board of Elders have approved member transfer to Immanuel for Doug and Kathy Lueders from Bethany, Lake City. May God bless you and grow your faith as you receive His gifts of grace with us at Immanuel!

**Welcome to the Family!**

Baptized into Christ after the late service today (February 11) is Macie Marie Folkert, daughter of Garrett Folkert and Haley Bauer. Macie was born on November 30, 2023, and has an older sister, Presley. Welcome to God's forever family!

**Dear Immanuel Families,**

A "thank you" seems too small to say how much we appreciate your kindness and generosity for Sunday's Rally. The outpouring of love and support immensely lifted Rick's spirits! He is still emotionally overwhelmed in such a positive way! During such a hard time your understanding and compassion have been a blessing and truly show God's love in you all. We are forever grateful for the gifts, meals, cards, words of encouragement, and especially, all of your prayers for us. Rick and Pam Arguto

*Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in Him. Jeremiah 17:7*

**Ash Wednesday** is this Wednesday, February 14, and marks the beginning of Lent. Pastor Augustine plans to have the imposition of ashes before the evening service again. This is a rite that worshipers of any age can take part, *but you are not required to do so*. Ashes can be received upon the forehead or the back of a hand. Ashes will also be available after the morning service.

Wednesday evening Lenten meals are planned and open to claim for your group, activity, or mission. The following Wednesdays are open for serving – **Feb. 28, March 6 and March 13**. Contact the office to sign up!

**Lenten Devotions** from Lutheran Hour Ministries are available by the entrances in booklet and large print sizes. Feel free to grab a copy for a friend or neighbor. We can always print more.

**Gathering of the Offering** will soon go back to the passing of the collection plates rather than the grey baskets at the entrances. The gathering of financial gifts is an important example to the children of how we show our gratitude to God by returning a portion of our treasure so God's work can continue in our church. This practice will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 14. – *Board of Elders*

**No Monday morning Bible study** for the next 2 weeks. (Feb 12<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup>). It will resume on February 26. – *Judy Schwantz*

**Members of Immanuel**, do you want to be informed of happenings at Immanuel Lutheran Church & School? There are email groups that you can sign up for to get this information. The weekly bulletin is sent out to the ILCS news group (via Google groups). The monthly council minutes, board reports & financial statements are sent out to the same group. Pastor may have other information that he sends out also. The School has a different group that information is sent out to weekly, such as the INN newsletter. If you would like to receive this information via email, please contact the office at 534-2108 to let them know which group(s) you would like to be on & give them your email address. Stay connected, learn more!!

**Principal search has begun!** We need your help. If you would like to submit a name for the Principal position at ILS, please contact a call committee person, Pastor Augustine, or the church office. Ideally, we want to extend a call to a rostered (LCMS trained) worker, but we can consider other candidates with a teaching or administrative background. Call committee members are Becky Luckstein, Cally Murphy, Mark Bartsh, Jim Larson, and Bob Walkes.

**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 17th from 6:00 pm – 12:00 am. 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.

**PEM New Start** (Widows & Widowers)

There is a new fellowship group (not connected with Immanuel) starting in the PEM area for widows and widowers. This is a fun opportunity to build community, enjoy a cup of coffee, and connect with others! The first meeting is Monday, March 4th at Jazz Shepard in Elgin at 10:00am. Contact Bob Moore with any questions. 507-206-8655