IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS February 4, 2024

Monday-Friday Office Hours:	8:00 – 3:30 pm
Sunday, February 4: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Christian Education Hour	9:15 am
Rally for Rick in CLC	Noon – 4:00 pm
Monday, February 5: Ione Jacobs visitation / funeral	10:00 am / 11:00 am
Board of Stewardship	5:30 pm
Board of CCO	6:00 pm
Board of Youth	6:00 pm
Board of Trustees	6:00 pm
Board of Elders	7:00 pm
Tuesday, February 6: Quilters/church basement	1:00 pm
Board of Ed	6:00 pm
Wednesday, February 7: Chapel	8:25 am
7 th grade Confirmation	5:45 pm
8 th grade Confirmation	6:30 pm
Adult Choir	6:30 pm
Saturday, February 10: Basketball Tournament @ Goodhue	-
Sunday, February 11: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Christian Education Hour	9:15 am

Rally for Rick is today, Feb. 4th It is guaranteed to be a fun afternoon! The event is from noon to 4:00 pm (or come over after church) in the CLC with lunch provided. The afternoon includes entertainment from our ILS students, soloists Laura Haack and Noah Gundermann, and two bands, Cabin Fever and The Beacons. A silent auction will be held during the afternoon. We have received many generous donations of baskets, services, and outings for you to bid on. Come for lunch or stay all afternoon and enjoy the entertainment! All funds received go directly to Rick and Pam Arguto.

No Monday morning Bible study for the next 3 weeks. (Feb 5^{th} , 12^{th} , and 19^{th}). It will resume on February 26. – *Judy Schwantz*

<u>Lent 2024</u> is just around the corner! <u>Ash Wednesday is February 14</u>. Evening meals are planned and open to claim for your group, activity, or mission. ILCW will be serving on Ash Wednesday. The following six Wednesdays are open for serving. Contact the office to sign up!

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!!

Quarterly Voters Meeting (January 2024) Minutes Summary

Immanuel Lutheran Church ended the 2023 year at a **negative \$6,881.21** (expenses exceeded giving). Thank you to all who generously gave during the month of December. Going forward, we need a **monthly total of \$64,340** to meet our budget obligations that were voted on at the October 2023 voters meeting. God has blessed this congregation with people and resources to fund this ministry for nearly 150 years. Please continue to support the work of the Gospel through our church and school ministry!

Bell Tower Restoration Project - The Trustees have signed a contract with Krause Construction for restoration and repair work on the bell tower to begin in the Spring of 2024 in the amount of \$27,845. Similar to the stained-glass window project, we are trying to raise the funds before the project begins so we do not have to borrow the money to pay for the repairs.

This restoration project work includes the following:

- 1 . **Louvers** Replace the existing wooden louvers on all four sides with new fabricated white aluminum louvers, wrap the existing wood frame in aluminum. Add a cross in the arch of each louver. A more permanent fix and no maintenance.
- 2. **Tuck pointing and caulking** The concrete cap at the very top of the bell tower has cracks in it allowing water to get in. This will be filled to prevent further damage.
- 3. **Walls inside the bell tower** Install metal plates to brace the East and South walls in place so it doesn't separate and collapse.
- 4. **Roof** The roof membrane has a tear that will be repaired to prevent any additional leaking.

The Church Council has established a Special Project Fund for donations, memorials, and other contributions to help.

<u>Principal search has begun!</u> 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.

<u>Plainview Area Youth Night</u> All PEM area youth are invited to enjoy games, activities, <u>worship</u> 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. **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 <u>Matthewfeils7@gmail.com</u> with any questions or your willingness to supervise the various groups of kids and activities! pay for the bell tower restoration project.