

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL
WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCEMENTS
December 22, 2024

Monday-Friday Office Hours: Varies from day to day – call first

Sunday, Dec.22: Divine Service (No Sunday School or Bible study)	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Choir practice for those singing at 10:15 service today	9:30 am
Monday, Dec. 23: LifeLight Bible Study	9:00 am
Hoosier Ridge Christmas Service	6:00 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Lessons & Carols	5:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 25: Christmas Day Divine Service	9:30 am
Sunday, Dec. 29: Divine Service / LWML Mite Sunday	8:00 am & 10:15 am

Office hours this week and next will be minimal due to Christmas and New Year holidays. Give the office a call first if you need to take care of something with someone there. Bulletins will be printed on Thursday of both weeks.

Men's Bible study will resume on January 9. Make a New Year's plan to be more in the Bible in 2025! Great group of guys, good food and fellowship, too!

Installation of new Board members will be at church services on January 5, 2025. If you have been elected or re-elected (or pending election) 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 board members for your service! It is so appreciated!

Charitable contributions for 2024 must be received before January 1, 2025, to be on your giving statement for this year for any charitable giving deductions for 2023. Checks that are mailed and postmarked in 2024 will still be deductible even if received at church in January. For your contribution to be on your statement of giving, it must be in a giving envelope, or a check with your name on it, or through our website with Vanco's e-giving service. Gifts made through Thrivent (Choice Dollars or their e-giving platform) are not direct gifts to Immanuel and therefore not on your statement of giving.

LWML MITES: Each **fifth Sunday** of the month, an offering is collected to support state & national mission projects. Please consider bringing your mite boxes (coins) or cash offerings. The next fifth is **NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29TH**. Anyone is welcome to drop money into the LWML mite boxes at the church entrances. Thank you!!

Altar Flowers: A new sign up sheet is in the resource room for those wishing to provide altar flowers for January and February. With the beautiful poinsettias and with Lent coming up in March, we will have the January flowers on the altar starting January 19 through February 2nd and the February flowers will go from February 9th through March 2nd. The flowers hold up so well, that after they serve their time on the altar, you are more than welcome to take them home to enjoy! If you have any questions, call or text Lisa 507-251-3998.

Poinsettias adorn our altar this month The poinsettias on the altar are given by Sue Lamprecht and family in memory of Bob Lamprecht. The poinsettia by the tree is in memory of Heidi Hoekstra given by Tom and Lisa Hoekstra. As we remember our loved ones this Christmas, "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you believe in Him" Romans 15:13