## IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS December 29, 2024

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

Sunday, Dec. 29: Divine Service / LWML Mite Sunday

8:00 am & 10:15 am

Monday, Dec. 30: Open gym

5:00 – 7:00 pm

Thursday, Jan. 2: Circuit Pastors Meeting (Concordia, Red Wing) 9:00 am

Open gym 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Sunday, Jan. 5: Divine Service 8:00 am & 10:15 am

Installation of new Board members 8:00 am & 10:15 am

Education Hour 9:15 am
Take down of church decorations 11:15 am

<u>Office hours</u> this week will be minimal due to the New Year holiday. Give the office a call first if you need to take care of something with someone there. Bulletins will be printed on Thursday.

<u>Men's Bible study</u> 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!

<u>Monday morning Bible Study</u> will not meet on Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup>. The plan is to resume on Monday, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Installation of new Board members</u> 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!

<u>Dear Immanuel Family</u> - Nafis Bin Nazrul (Hope LHS international student living with the Borgschatz family) invites you to witness his baptism on Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at St. Martin's Lutheran Church in Winona. The service begins at 5:30 p.m.

<u>Charitable contributions</u> for 2024 must be received <u>before</u> January 1, 2025, to be on your giving statement for this year for any charitable giving deductions for 2024. 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 **TODAY**, **SUNDAY**, **DECEMBER 29TH.** Anyone is welcome to drop money into the LWML mite boxes at the church entrances. Thank you!!

Save the Date: We will be taking the sanctuary Christmas decorations down on Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> immediately following the 10:15 service. We invite everyone who is able to help. It usually takes about an hour. Thanks for your help! The Borgschatz Family

<u>Altar Flowers</u>: 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.