IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS February 2, 2025

Monday-Friday Office Hours:	8:00 am – 3:30 pm
Sunday, Feb 2: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Pancake Breakfast	9:00 am - noon
Education Hour	9:15 am
Monday, Jan 3: Board of CCO	6:00 pm
Trustees Meeting	6:00 pm
Board of Youth	6:30 pm
Board of Elders	7:00 pm
Tuesday, Feb 4: Quilters in church basement	1:00 pm
ILS basketball home vs Winona	4:30 pm
Board of Education	6;00 pm
Wednesday, Feb 5: Chapel Service	8:25 am
7 th Grade Confirmation Class	5:45 pm
8 th Grade Confirmation Class	6:30 pm
Thursday, Feb. 6: Men's Thursday Bible Study	6:00 am
Circuit Pastor's Meeting (Trinity, Elgin)	9:00 am
Friday, Feb.7: A-Team Basketball Conference Tournament	
Sunday, Feb 9: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Education Hour	9:00 am

Pancake Breakfast today Sunday, Feb. 2nd sponsored by the ILC 150th anniversary committee. Serving time is from 9:00 – noon. There will be a freewill offering to help raise funds to support the anniversary celebration on July 26th and 27th, 2025. Please join us for food & fellowship. Pastor's Bible study will be held in the sanctuary for the day.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5th. Groups will be serving a Lent Supper every Wednesday through April 9th. We thank everyone who has signed up for serving and now have only one Wednesday left to fill! The date open is April 2nd. If you have a Board or group willing, please call the church office.

<u>Can-It-Sunday</u> **TODAY**, the first Sunday of the month. The need is great and it is something that everyone can do. Pick up a few extra items each week when you shop and bring to church on the first Sunday of the month (or place in boxes anytime during the month). There will also be a can in each box for cash/check donations. There is one box near the elevator and another box near the middle set of double doors in the entry area. Any amount that you can share is greatly appreciated. Thank you

<u>**The Board of Trustees</u>** is looking for winter shoveling of sidewalks & steps following snow events. Times may vary as to when it needs to be done. Currently, we have no one. If you can help for any given time, please call or text Randy Boettcher at 507-259-1875.</u>

To all those who would like to sing during church services.. We plan to sing Sunday, **February 23rd** and practices are Wednesday, **February 12th at 6:30** in the church basement and possibly February 19th. All are welcome to join to sing our praises at a church service. **PEM Area Youth Night 2025** will be held February 15, 6:00 pm to midnight in the Christian Life Center. Registration is open! PARENTS – sign up your youth here: <u>https://tinyurl.com/youthnight25</u> or find it on the **PEM All Area Youth Night** Facebook page.

Financial News...Our general fund as of 12/31/2024 is (\$26,082.27). We have reduced the deficit by over \$52,000.00 since November! However, in order to maintain the budget for 2025, which was voted on at the October Voters meeting, we need \$71,720 per month. When we look at that number, it may look like there is a mountain in front of us. It may seem like a burden too much to handle. But through God's Grace and Mercy we are reminded that he moves mountains and carries our burdens for those who wait for Him." Isaiah 30:8. If the Lord places it on your heart we encourage you to show God our thankfulness through this month's gift.

Food Shelf Donations: Donations from Immanuel Lutheran School's 2nd quarter chapel offerings were taken to the food shelf in Elgin last week, and the donated amount of food collected & delivered to the Food shelf was 82.4 pounds! The money collected & delivered by check was \$167.40. Thank you so much to all who donated! Jesus said, "Whatever you did for one of my brothers or sisters, no matter how unimportant [they seemed], you did for me" (Matthew 25:40 God's Word).