IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS January 12, 2025

Monday-Friday Office Hours:		8:00 am – 4:00 pm
Sunday, Jan 12:	Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
	Education Hour	9:15 am
	Circuit Forum (Bethany, Lake City)	3:00 pm
	PEM AreaYouth Night planning meeting	3:00 pm
	Youth Movie Night	6:00 pm
Monday, Jan13:	Stephen Ministry	6:30 PM
Tuesday, Jan. 14:	Quilters in church basement	1:00 pm
	ILS basketball game home vs Winona	4:40 pm
	Church Council	6:30 pm
Wednesday, Jan 15: Chapel Service		8:25 am
	Lifelight Bible Study	9:15 am
	7 th Grade Confirmation Class	5:45 pm
	8 th Grade Confirmation Class	6:30 pm
Thursday, Jan 16	: Men's Thursday Bible Study	6:00 am
Saturday, Jan 18:	ILS Basketball Tournament in Winona	
	Snowball Bash	10:00 am
	Snowflake Ball	6:00 pm
Sunday, Jan. 19	Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
	Pancake Breakfast	9:00 am – 12 noon
	Education Hour	9:15 am
	Esperanza Meeting	4:00 pm

<u>The latest SAGES newsletter</u> is now available at the entrances and resource room. SAGES (Saints Alive, Growing, Ever Serving) is organized to enhance the **Older Adult Ministry** of the Minnesota South District by providing experiences in Christian fellowship, service, and life enrichment.

<u>Door Offering</u> next Sunday, January 19, to support a pro-life event in Rochester in October. The event is being organized by the MN South District and Pastor Elliot Malm of Grace Lutheran Church, Dodge Center. The theme is "Moving from Death to Life" and will feature several speakers, pro-life Christian ministries, and prayer services. If you wish to write a check, please make it payable to Grace Lutheran Church, memo: 2025 Life Ministry Convocation. We will forward all cash and checks received to Grace Lutheran.

<u>Pancake Breakfast next Sunday!</u> The ILC 150th anniversary committee is sponsoring a pancake breakfast next Sunday, January 19 in the church basement. Serving time will be 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.

<u>Quilting Group has started</u>. We meet on Tuesdays at 1:00 pm in the church basement. We have many quilt tops ready to be put together and tied. It's a fun two hours with lots of social visiting. We need a lot of hands that can tie a knot. Please join us each Tuesday afternoon. Bring a pair of scissors, large needle for the yarn, and maybe a pair of pliers! The quilts are donated to local charities and also sent to areas which have experienced a disaster. Many of last year's quilts went to NC and FL for hurricane victims.

<u>Youth Movie Night</u> Join Immanuel Youth for a fun night of a movie and snacks! <u>When</u>: Tonight Sunday, January 12 <u>Time</u> 6-8 pm <u>Movie</u>: TBD Feel free to wear your PJ's and bring a blanket! Bring a Friend!

<u>Snowball Bash/Snowflake Ball registration</u> closes on Monday, January 13! See the website for the registration form or link to online registration. This is open to the entire community and sponsored by the Immanuel PTL. The Snowflake Ball is a daughter/dad (or special person) event, and the Snowball Bash is a son/mother (or special person) event.

<u>Thank you</u> from Pastor and Kim for all your Christmas cards and gifts! We are amazed by your generosity and truly appreciate every bit of your kindness. We give thanks to God for you all. May God bless and keep you in the new year!

Pancake Breakfast Buffet today, Jan 12. The Plainview Community Center is hosting the first of monthly breakfasts to kick off the completion of their remodeled kitchen. Serving is from 8:00 am - 1:00 pm. Please see the posted flyer for everything on the buffet. Breakfasts are a free will donation and will be held the second Sunday of each month!

<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.

<u>Bell Tower Fund update</u> – The bell tower project has been paid in full! Thank you to all who contributed to this project. Any excess funds have been put into the general fund.

<u>Church bathroom news</u> - On Monday this week, a leak in the floor was discovered. A water pipe going to the church bathrooms sprung a leak. The leak is under the floor, so the Trustees are weighing different options for the repair work, which could be significant. The water has been turned off to the bathrooms. This means that the bathrooms are out of service until further notice. Keep that in mind as you have gatherings or Bible studies in the weeks ahead. The water is on to the kitchen and sacristy. No issues there.

For church services, we will have the CLC gym door open so those bathrooms will be available. Not quite the way we wanted to start our 150th year, but better now than in July when we are having our celebration!