IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS January 26, 2025

Monday-Friday Office Hours:		8:00 am – 3:30 pm
Sunday, Jan. 26:	National Lutheran Schools Week	
	Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
	Education Hour	9:15 am
	Book Fair in CLC lobby	10:00 am – 11:45 am
	Voters Meeting	11:15 am
	Youth Event-Build your own Pizza Night	4:30-6:30 pm
Monday, Jan 27:	Basketball game Home vs. Silo	4:00 pm
	Stephens Ministry	6:30 pm
Tuesday, Jan. 28:	Quilters in church basement	1:00 pm
Wednesday, Jan 29: Chapel Service		8:25 am
	LifeLight Bible Study	9:15 am
Thursday, Jan 30: Men's Thursday Bible Study		6:00 am
	Basketball Game at Lake City	4:30 pm
Sunday, Feb 2:	Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
]	Pancake Breakfast	9:00 am
]	Education Hour	9:15 am

<u>Voters Meeting today</u>, 11:15 am in the church basement. All members are invited. Plan to attend and stay informed.

ILS Book Fair starts today, Feb. 26th, and runs through Friday, Jan. 31st in the CLC lobby. Today it will be open between services and ½ hour after late service. As part of National Lutheran Schools Week, there are lots of children's books and other fun items for purchase. Stop by and check it out! If you have questions, contact Amanda Meyer at (507) 951-7387.

<u>The postponed Pancake Breakfast has been rescheduled</u> for next Sunday, Feb. 2^{nd} . The ILC 150^{th} anniversary committee is sponsoring a pancake breakfast. 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 26^{th} and 27^{th} , 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. We are looking for groups to serve a Lent Supper on two Wednesday evenings from 5:00-6:15 pm prior to the 6:30 church service. The openings left to fill are March 26 and April 2. If you have a Board or group willing, please call the church office.

<u>**Youth Make your own Pizza Night**</u>, Sunday Jan 26^{th} from 4:30 - 6:30 pm. Come enjoy making a pizza and bring a friend!

<u>End of year church giving statements</u> are available for you to pick up in the resource room of the church. Plan to pick yours up and save the postage! Board of Stewardship

<u>HELP IS NEEDED</u> - Board of Trustees is looking for some assistance for the winter shoveling of sidewalks & steps following snow events. Times may vary as to when it needs to be done. Please call or text Randy Boettcher at 507-259-1875 for more information.

Looking for a group (choir) to sing. The date is Sunday, **February 23rd** and practices are Wednesday, **February 12th at 6:30** in the church basement and possibly February 19th. The song has a children's choir solo that children from ILS will be learning. The song we will sing is "I want to walk as a Child of the Light". All are welcome to join a fun group that likes to sing our praises at a church service.

<u>PEM Area Youth Night 2025</u> 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.

<u>We have good news</u>! Our general fund is (\$26,082.27). We have reduced the deficit by over \$52,000.00 since November! We are headed in the right direction! 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. "Therefore, the Lord waits to be gracious to you, and therefore he exalts himself to show mercy to you. For the Lord is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for him." Isaiah 30:8. If the Lord places it on your heart this month, we would encourage you to give. These costs go towards Pastors & staff salaries, utility bills, repairs and upkeep, and so much more. Let us show God our thankfulness through this month's gift.

The flowers which adorn our altar and pulpit this morning are given by Tom and Roxann Neumann in memory of their son Jared who was born September 11, 1981, baptized September 27, 1981, and passed away on January 9, 2007. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." *John 3:16-17*