## IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS February 16, 2025

Monday-Friday Office Hours:	8:00 am – 3:30 pm
Sunday, Feb 16: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Education Hour	9:15 am
Monday, Feb. 17: No School Today – President's Day	
High Rise Church	1:00 pm
150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning Committee	5:15 pm
Tuesday, Feb 18: Quilters in church basement	1:00 pm
Wednesday, Feb 19: Chapel Service	8:25 am
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class	5:45 pm
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class	6:30 pm
Adult Choir practice	6:30 pm
Thursday, Feb.20: Men's Thursday Bible Study	6:00 am
Sunday, Feb 23: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Education Hour	9:00 am

<u>Altar Flowers</u> The flowers on the altar this morning are given by his family in loving memory of Ferman Lanning. "For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8:38-39

The Hope LHS Choirs will be touring throughout Minnesota, Iowa, and Missouri May 7-11, 2025. This tour will provide students with opportunities to learn and develop as musician and as Christians in ways they cannot achieve while at school. Some of these experiences include a vocal clinic at Luther College, numerous performance opportunities in several states and cities across the region, and a tour of Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, among many others. The choir students are selling Seroogy's candy bars to help defray some of the cost of the tour. If you would like to help out by purchasing some candy bars, please talk to Nafis Bin Nazrul or Anne Borgschatz. The home concert will be on May 14<sup>th</sup> at St. Martin's Lutheran Church at 7 p.m.

All are welcome to sing in the church choir. Practice is this Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the church basement. We will sing for a church service on Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

<u>Thrivent Choice Dollars:</u> Thank you, Thrivent Members, for your Choice Dollars gifts! If you haven't allocated your 2024 Choice Dollars yet, you have until <u>March 31st</u> to do so through Thrivent's web site (thrivent.com) or by calling 1-800-THRIVENT. You <u>must</u> contact Thrivent to designate your Choice Dollars, or they will be lost. Contact your Thrivent agent if you have questions.

<u>Sign up for altar flowers</u> There is a new sign-up sheet in the Resource Room for altar flowers for the rest of the year. There will be no flowers during Lent. The cost per bouquet is \$40 - you may sponsor one bouquet or two. If you are interested in purchasing Easter Lilies or Poinsettias for their respective holiday for the altar, please contact (call or text) Lisa Hoekstra at 507-251-3998. The bouquets of flowers on the altar have added to the beauty of our church and we thank those who have already sponsored this past year!

The Singing Saints of Saint Paul Lutheran High School, of Concordia, Missouri, will be performing a concert on Tuesday, March 4th, 2025 at 7:00pm at Saint Martin Lutheran Church Lutheran Church, at 328 E Broadway St, Winona, Minnesota. The choir is on its annual domestic tour, singing this year on a seven-day tour through Missouri, Iowa and Minnesota. They will be performing in Sioux City, Ankeny and Des Moines, IA; in Alexandria, Parkers Prairie, Sartell, Plymouth, and Winona, MN; and in Carrollton and Concordia, MO. The touring choir is made up of 46 students from the 60+ voice concert choir and they will be performing a varied program that includes classic German choral works by J.S. Bach and Hans Leo Hassler, as well as some hymns, anthems and spirituals. The concert is framed as a palindrome, with settings of the Lutheran chorale tune HERZLICH LIEB opening and closing the concert, and two settings of "Ave verum corpus," one from the Renaissance, by William Byrd, and the other by the living English composer Phillip Stopford, following and preceding each of the chorale settings. The concert also includes a piece by the women's and the men's choruses. The award-winning choir is under the direction of Dr. Jerrode Marsh. The concert is free, but donations are kindly requested to help cover expenses for their tour. For more information, please contact Saint Martin Lutheran Church at (507) 450-6928.

Saint Paul Lutheran High School is the only remaining LCMS residential high school in the United States, located in central Missouri, about an hour east of Kansas City. The college-prep school offers college-level courses, STEM, Honors, and AP classes, and numerous opportunities to be involved in sports, music, drama, academic teams, and more. For more information about the school, visit <a href="https://www.splhs.org">www.splhs.org</a>.

<u>Thrivent T-Shirts</u>: We have extra Thrivent t-shirts of all sizes in the office. Feel free to stop in and get a free t-shirt. This will be on a first come basis.

<u>LifeLight Bible Study will not meet this week</u>. We will let you know when it is back on the schedule.