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

Monday-Friday Office Hours:	8:00 am – 3:30 pm
Sunday, March 2: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Education Hour	9:00 am
Monday, March 3: 2025-26 School Registration Opens	
Board of CCO	6:00 pm
Trustees Meeting	6:00 pm
Board of Youth	6:30 pm
Board of Elders	7:00 pm
Tuesday, March 4: Quilting Club	1:00 pm
Board of Education	6:00 pm
Wednesday, March 5: Ash Wednesday	-
Chapel Service	8:25 am
Lenten Supper	5:00-6:15 pm
Ash Wednesday Service	6:30 pm
Thursday, March 6: Men's Thursday Bible Study	6:00 am
Circuit Pastors meeting here	8:00 am
Preschool/Kindergarten Information Night	6:30 pm
Sunday, March 9: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Education Hour	9:00 am

<u>Ash Wednesday</u> is this Wednesday, March 5, and marks the beginning of Lent. Pastor Augustine plans to have the imposition of ashes before the evening service again. This is a rite that worshipers of any age can take part, *but you are not required to do so*. Ashes can be received upon the forehead or the back of a hand. Ashes will also be available after the morning service. Wednesday evening Lenten meals are planned and free will offerings will help support these causes:

March 5 – ILCW

March 12 – Trustees – repair projects

March 19 - Hope LHS Board - support of Hope LHS, Winona

March 26 – Bartsh Family – live nativity costumes (repairs and replacements)

April 2 – Board of Christian Education

April 9 – 150th Anniversary Committee – for this summer's big event

Please join us for food and fellowship before the evening worship service.

<u>Lent Devotions</u> are available at the church entrances. You have two options this year. The first is from Lutheran Hour Ministries devotions titled, "Servant of the Lord." This devotional is easier to read and has reflection questions for further study. It is available as a booklet and large print. The other devotional has a full color picture on the cover and is titled "Jesus Christ, My Lord." It is put out by Steadfast Lutherans and focuses on Lent through the Second Article of the Creed. Both will give you ample opportunity to grow in your faith in our coming Lord Jesus Christ. Contact the office if we need to print more.

<u>SACRED MUSIC FOR THE SEASON OF LENT</u>... "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," "In the Cross of Christ I Glory," "My Song Is Love Unknown," "A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth." Beginning Ash Wednesday, you can listen to sacred music for the season of Lent 24/7 at <u>lutheranpublic lutherange</u>, TuneIn, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

<u>Can-It-Sunday is today!</u> The first Sunday of every month is Can-It-Sunday. The need is great and it is something that everyone can do. 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.

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 musicians and as Christians in ways they cannot achieve while at school. The choir students are selling Seroogy's candy bars to help defray the cost of the tour. If you would like to help by purchasing candy bars, please talk to Nafis Bin Nazrul or Anne Borgschatz. Their home concert will be held on May 14th, St. Martin's Lutheran Church at 7:00 p.m.

<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

Members of Immanuel, do you want to be informed of happenings at Immanuel Lutheran Church & School? There are email groups that you can sign up for to get this information. The weekly bulletin is sent out to the ILCS news group (via Google groups). The monthly council minutes, board reports & financial statements are sent out to the same group. Pastor may have other information that he sends out also. The School has a different group that information is sent out to weekly, such as the INN newsletter. If you would like to receive this information via email, please contact the office at 534-2108 to let them know which group(s) you would like to be on & give them your email address. Stay connected, learn more!!

The Singing Saints of Saint Paul Lutheran High School, of Concordia, Missouri, will be performing a concert on Tuesday, March 4th, 7:00 pm at St. Martin's Lutheran Church in Winona. The choir is on its annual domestic tour, singing this year on a seven-day tour through Missouri, Iowa and Minnesota. 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.