IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS March 23, 2025

Monday-Friday Office Hours:	8:00 am – 3:30 pm
Sunday, March 23: Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Education Hour	9:00 am
Monday, March 24: No School/Teacher work day	
Stephen Ministry	6:30 pm
Tuesday, March 25: Quilting Club	1:00 pm
Wednesday, March 26: Red Cross Blood Drive	8:00 am-2:00 pm
Chapel Service	8:25 am
Lenten Supper	5:00-6:15 pm
Lent Worship Service	6:30 pm
Adult Choir Practice	7:15 pm
Thursday, March 27: Men's Thursday Bible Study	6:00 am
Saturday, March 29: Judith Fuchs Memorial Service	1:30 pm
Sunday, March 30: LWML Mite Collection Sunday	
Divine Service	8:00 am & 10:15 am
Education Hour	9:00 am

Lent Supper will be served by the Bartsh Family (Missy & Mark) this Wednesday. The menu will be Marks pork chops, baked potatoes, beans, and dessert. Free will offering to support the Live Nativity.

<u>Commissioning a Stephen Leader Today</u> - Mrs. Kim Zabel has completed the Stephen LeaderTraining Course and will be joining the Stephen Ministry Leadership team. Kim will be commissioned at both services on Sunday, March 23rd, as she begins this important ministry. Kim brings her dedication and gifts for leadership, vision, wisdom, administration, organization, discernment, and teaching. Alongside her fellow Stephen Leaders, she will help select and equip those who will be Stephen Ministers—lay Christian caregivers—in our congregation. Join us in thanking God that they have answered His call for this ministry and in praying for them as they begin this important work! We invite you to join us for coffee, beverages, and coffee cake/muffins after the 8:00 AM service and before Bible study in the church basement as we celebrate Kim's dedication.

<u>The 15th Annual Fish Fry and Auction is Friday, April 25th, 2025</u>, Pre-sale tickets are now available and can be purchased from the office. Advanced tickets are \$14. Price at door: \$15 This is a big fundraiser for Immanuel Lutheran School and always a fun night.

LWML MITE COLLECTION The fifth Sunday of the month, an offering is collected to support state & national mission grants.. Please consider bringing your mite boxes (coins) or cash offerings. The next fifth is **NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 30th**. Anyone is welcome to drop money into the LWML mite boxes at the church entrances. Thanks to your generosity, a number of grants have been paid in full, but much more is needed. "But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from Your hand" 1 Chronicles 29:14. Thank you for your support!

The <u>American Red Cross Blood Drive</u> will be here this Wednesday, March 26 from 8:00 - 2:00pm at Immanuel Lutheran Church. To register, please download the American Red Cross Blood Donor app, call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767), or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: plainviewmn to schedule an appointment.

Easter Flower Garden Missy and Mark Bartsh will again be ordering flowers for Easter Sunday for those who wish this as an option to fill our Church Cross Flower Garden. There is a basket in the church entrances for order forms when completed. Orders are due by April 7th. You are also welcome to bring your own flowers without purchasing from this form. If you have questions contact Missy Bartsh directly at 421-8361. Thank you!

Did you remember to put out your Lent/Easter crosses? Turn the white side outward and on Easter morning turn it around to tell the world that "He is Risen"! If you don't have a cross or need a new one, they are available in the church basement near the ILCW card stand. Cost is \$5.

- THINK SPRING! My name is Grant Radel, and I am selling Gerten's summer plants to raise money for my Costa Rica trip for my Spanish Class that we are taking in August. These plants are very high quality and very beautiful. If you are interested in supporting me, there are several ways to order. You can order online through the link below, or you can order from me if you see me at church, or I can stop by your house. You can reach me at 507-251-4918 (call or text).
- To order, go to <u>www.gertensfundraising.com</u> and enter store ID **387**. When you have added your plants to your shopping cart, make sure to select my name in the seller drop-down box. I get 30% back and a portion of that is given to the Plainview Food Shelf!

LWML Lake Pepin Zone Spring Rally "In (not of) the World" Saturday April 5th 2025 St. John's Lutheran Church, 80 3rd Ave S Hammond, MN 8:30 - registration (freewill - \$10 suggestion) through noon lunch Speaker: Rev. David Kind, University Lutheran Chapel, Minneapolis Bible study by Pastor Augustine... Based on John 17:9-19 <u>Gifts from the Heart for Common Chest at ULC</u>: canned hearty soups, honey, peanut butter, pasta shampoo and conditioners, toothpaste, tooth brushes post-it notes, pens, pencils, 3 ring binders