ANNOUNCEMENTS - NOVEMBER 23, 2014

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Tuesday: 10AM-2:30PM Adjustment to Blindness Class Wednesday: 5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

(No Choir This Week)

Thursday: Thanksgiving

10:00AM Worship

Acolyte: Brandon Schmitz

Friday: 10:30AM KWNG Recording Session Saturday: No Stampin' This Month First Sunday in Advent

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

9:45AM Fellowship Time

10:00AM Worship

Acolyte Meya Callstrom

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Monday - John Schafer

Tuesday - Bill & Jan Langhans

Wednesday - Amanda Dupre, Ronnie & Jean Stumpf

Friday - Isabel Germann-Hutter

IN OUR PRAYERS

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Richard Diercks, Bill Langhans, Hermann von Knobelsdorff, Leonard Dicke, Dolores Cedar, Kari Janssen (cancer treatments), Melissa Barbey (brain tumor), Evan Smith (as he serves our country amidst the ISIS threat), and the family and friends of Amos Dicke (as they mourn his passing).

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, November 30, 2014 8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)

"Watching and Waiting"

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Ken Klaus

Christians serve God and their neighbors as they watch and wait for Christ's return. (Mark 13:33)

LIFE QUOTES

November 23 "These blessings have not descended upon us in restricted measure, but overflow and abound. They are the blessings and bounty of God ... In accordance with the wise custom of the civil magistrate since the first settlements in this land and with the rule established from the foundation of this Government ... do appoint ... a day of National Thanksgiving and Prayer, enjoining the people upon that day to meet in their churches for the praise of Almighty God and to return heartfelt thanks to Him for all His goodness and loving kindness." *President William Howard Taft, November 5, 1910* – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

ANNUAL SCRIP CHRISTMAS ORDER

The annual Scrip Christmas order will be placed on Tuesday, December 9 with payment and orders being due on Sunday, December 7th. The estimated date of arrival will be the following Sunday, December 16th. You may pick up a current Scrip list from Bonnie Kassen. This is typically our largest order, so think ahead for what you might need this holiday season. Remember, Scrip is not simply for gift-giving. You may do all your shopping using Scrip cards. Grab a list and take a look at the large number of retailers available. Using Scrip is the perfect way to support projects at Immanuel Lutheran Church without spending more than you were before!! (Many cards are already on hand, so stop by and do some shopping today!)

REVIEW: THE DOCTRINAL POSITION OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD Of Justification

(Continued from last week)

Through this doctrine alone (justification) Christ is given the honor due Him, namely, that through His holy life and innocent suffering and death He is our Savior. And through this doctrine alone can poor sinners have the abiding comfort that God is assuredly gracious to them. We reject as apostasy from the Christian religion all doctrines whereby man's own works and merit are mingled into the article of justification before God. For the Christian religion is the faith that we have forgiveness of sins and salvation through faith in Christ Jesus, Acts 10:43.

We reject as apostasy from the Christian religion not only the doctrine of the Unitarians, who promise the grace of God to men on the basis of their moral efforts; not only the gross work-doctrine of the papists, who expressly teach that good works are necessary to obtain justification; but also the doctrine of the synergists, who indeed use the terminology of the Christian Church and say that man is justified "by faith," "by faith alone," but again mix human works into the article of justification by ascribing to man a co-operation with God in the kindling of faith and thus stray into papistic territory.