ANNOUNCEMENTS - NOVEMBER 18, 2018

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday: Ladies Quilting Project - Cancelled Tuesday: 2:00PM Red Wing Health Center Service

Wednesday: 4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation

5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

7:30PM Choir

Thursday: 10:00AM Thanksgiving Worship Saturday: 9AM-5PM Hay Creek Crafters

11:45AM Youth Event: Roller Skating

Next Sunday: The Last Sunday in the Church Year

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

9:45AM Fellowship Time

10:00AM Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

TodayBob Augustin, Judy KliewerMondaySue Dicke, Denise Holm

Wednesday - Dawn Laffey, David & Avis Sucher

Thursday - Jan Langhans

IN OUR PRAYERS

Jeanette Falkner, Melissa Barbey, Pat Banitt (struggling with Disembarkment Syndrome), Bob Langhans, Walter Banitt, and Phillip Sorenson.

FELLOWSHIP TIME TREATS

A sign-up sheet has been posted for those who would like to bring treats for our Sunday morning fellowship time at 9:45 AM. If you have questions, please give Sara Sorenson a call (388-4577).

LADIES QUILTING PROJECT

The Quilting Project will not meet tomorrow, November 19th. The meeting has been changed to the following Monday, November 26th at 1:00 PM.

THANK YOU!

Last week's Fall Festival was a wonderful event! Thanks for everyone's help with set-up, auction items, food for the lunch, clean up, and especially for Pastor's mom, Marlene, for the initial idea. A deposit of \$3,619 was made this past week and will go to the basement project debt.

CHIME CHOIR

As announced at the end of last week's worship service, Sara Sorenson has worked to obtain a set of hand chimes for use with our congregation. Immanuel Lutheran Church (LCMS) of Madison, Wisconsin is gifting a set to us. A door offering will be taken next Sunday in order to thank Immanuel, Madison for this gift. A new chime set is valued at over \$2,000.

ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICES

Three Advent midweek services will be held this year leading up to the week of Christmas. These worship services will be on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM on the following dates: December 5, December 12, and December 19. This year's theme is: **The Women of Advent.** Each week we will consider a different woman from Scripture and her importance to the meaning of Advent. Come and hear about Elizabeth, Mary, and Anna!

WEB SITE FOR ORDERING GERMAN CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS: www.inge-glas.com

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AND REHEARSALS

Leslie Germann-Hutter, Nikki Scheele, and Sara Sorenson will again work together to coordinate our Children's Christmas Program. Rehearsals will begin in Sunday School already on November 25. The program is scheduled for **6:00 PM on Sunday, December 16**. In addition to the Sunday School rehearsal times, the following Saturdays in December will have morning practices:

December 8, 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM, Rehearsal December 15, 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM, Rehearsal, 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Cookie Bake

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, November 25, 2018 6:05AM on WCCO-AM (830), Minneapolis 6:00PM on KDHL-AM (920), Faribault "Birth Pains"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

A message by Michael Ziegler for The Lutheran Hour Based on Mark 13:1-37

CATECHISM REVIEW

The Lord's Prayer

How does God answer prayer?

God hears the prayers of all Christians and answers in His own way and at His own time.

For whom should we pray?

We should pray for ourselves and for all people, even for our enemies, but not for the souls of the dead.

CHURCH HISTORY

In 1989, along with celebrating Reformation, the congregation dedicated the organ chimes which were installed by Murray Burfeind. The restored chancel area and the new high altar top replica were also dedicated. The addition of the organ chimes was made possible by the gifts and memorials we received in memory of the following people: Bernard Dicke, Janene Dahling, Evelyn Bartels (also a bequest in her name), Clara Huebner, Otto Struss, Dean Banitt, Alvin Diercks, Mamie Ofstie, Clarence Koester, Olga Augustin, Irene Stehr, and the Immanuel Lutheran Church Bowling League contributions.

The restoration of the chancel area occurred over sixteen months. The first phase of the restoration was the uncovering of the two windows in the altar area. Since then the wainscoting, wood doors, and molding were stripped of the zolatone finish which had been on this woodwork since 1958. The high altar top had been in our church from 1897-1958. Pastor Gerald Peterson of Plainveiw painted the resurrection scene. Wood railings were installed leading into the chancel area. The pastor's chair and communion rail cushions were reupholstered and a new hymn board was constructed.

Serving on the restoration committee:

Myron Alms, Brad Diercks, Dan Banitt, Brad Kolberg, and Neil Stemmann.

RED WING SINGERS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Pastor Sorenson will be performing with the Red Wing Singers again this year. In fact, working with Director Bill Foot, Pastor is responsible for about half of the content of this year's program. The theme of the concert is: "The Incarnate Word." Sara Sorenson will be playing violin; Sara's sister, Heather McAllister, will be playing viola. Pastor will be singing baritone in the Benedictus duet from the Christmas Oratorio by Camille Saint-Saëns. The concert will be held at the Church of Saint Joseph on Sunday, December 2, at 4:00 PM. A poster is on the bulletin board to remind you of the date and time. Pastor and Sara would be honored if you would come to the program. If you would be willing to usher for the program (and responsible youth are also welcome), please speak with Pastor Sorenson ASAP.

CHRISTMAS SCRIP ORDER

The annual Christmas Scrip order will take place on Monday, December 10th with delivery expected by Sunday, December 16th. Due to cash flow (the majority of our dollars are tied up in inventory), orders must be pre-paid if more than \$100. Please pick up a list of merchants from Bonnie at the Scrip table. If you need your order before December 16th, please see Bonnie to discuss options. We may have what you want on hand already!

Remember, Scrip cards are used like cash. The church purchases them at a discount ranging from 2%-9% and resells them at face value (that's where the profit comes from - the merchants!). If you purchase gift cards for Christmas or other gifts, consider buying them from Immanuel's Scrip box. Cards for over 50 merchants are on hand, OR order those special cards by following the process above!

Did you think about using Scrip cards for your everyday shopping trips?

Getting groceries? Buy Wal-Mart or Family Fare.

Buying a new outfit? Buy Target, Maurice's, JCPenney, Dress Barn, Catherine's.

Filling up with gas? We have Kwik Trip, Mobile, Cenex, BP, Holiday, Super America/Speedway.

Going on a trip? You can order cards for multiple hotels, airlines, rental car companies, and cruise lines!

Doing home improvements? Buy Menards, Fleet Farm, Ace Hardware, Home Depot, Lowes.

Shopping online? Try Amazon.com; Groupon, Oriental Trading or any merchant for that matter. They all have online stores!

Check out the HUGE list of merchants and place your order today! (Scrip funds just paid for the beautiful new television and sound bar in the Fellowship Hall). Our earning potential is limitless if everyone gives it a try! If you still have questions, please see Bonnie Kassen or call her at 651-923-4884 (home) or 651-764-5902 (cell).

Thanks for your willingness to support this easy fundraising effort for Immanuel Lutheran Church!