### **Announcements**

#### For the week of Sunday, November 26, 2023

**Order Your Poinsettias!** - Help to beautify Immanuel for the celebration of the birth of our Savior! Place your order for poinsettias for the Christmas celebration beginning **Sunday, Nov 5.** The cost is \$12.00 per plant. The plants are in 6.5" pots and approximately 15-17" tall. The color of the poinsettias is red. There will be envelopes for signing up in the back of the Gathering Room. **The deadline for signing up is Sunday, Dec 3.** You are able to take your poinsettia home following the Christmas Day worship service. Questions? Call or text Judy Fuerbringer at 920-973-3355.

**Thanksgiving & Christmas cards** are now available in the Fellowship area.

Surviving the Holidays is a single-session, 2 hour event to help people who have lost a loved one to death and would like some help in navigating the holidays without their loved one. We will: learn how to deal our emotions; tips for surviving social events; what to do with holiday traditions; how to find hope for the future. There is a 40 minute video by counselors and mental health experts with interviews of people who have experienced the loss of a loved one. We'll take some time to discuss the video, though sharing is not required. Each attendee will be given a guide book to take home and implement. Surviving the Holidays will meet Saturday December 2nd from 9-11 am at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 916 Pine St, Manitowoc, WI. If you need further information, have any questions or to register please contact Larry Verlinden at 920-323-2297 or verlinden@comcast.net. You can also get more information and register on the GriefShare website griefshare.org. Please register by November 22nd so we can make sure we have enough guide books. There will be a charge of \$7 to cover the cost of the guide book. Please consider joining us!

**SAVE THE DATE - ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT -** Women of Immanuel are invited, and are encouraged to invite your female family members, friends, and neighbors to join you at this year's Advent by Candlelight on **Saturday**, **Dec 9 at 5:30 PM** in the church Fellowship Hall. Please plan to join us for an evening of visiting, encouragement, and enjoying beautiful music and delicious dessert. This evening is a wonderful event to prepare your hearts for Advent. Watch for more information in the coming weeks.

**The Seminary Chorus**, a 70-voice choir composed of men studying for the pastoral ministry at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, WI, will present its Christmas concert on **Dec 10** at **3pm and 7pm** in the auditorium. The program includes anthems by the choir and hymns for the congregation. The Seminary Chorus is directed by Prof. Aaron Christie and has toured throughout the country in its 92-year history. Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary is **located at 11831 N. Seminary Drive, Mequon**, WI 53092. The 3:00pm (central) concert will be live streamed at livestream.com/WLSLive.

The Lakeshore OWLS organization is planning a bus trip to Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary for this event. The seminary chorus will present its annual Christmas concert "Christmas at the Seminary" at 3pm on Sunday, Dec 10. This is open to everyone, not just the OWLS members. We will leave First German at 1pm. The cost for the bus is \$21 per person. To reserve your spot, please contact Ralph Schwark at 920-684-5892 or by email at <a href="mailto:jeanemil99@att.net">jeanemil99@att.net</a>



**Happy Birthday, Jesus Party!** Mornings with Mommy is hosting our annual Happy Birthday, Jesus Party!! Dec. 14th from 10-11am. A holiday event for moms/caregivers and kids to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas through crafts, stories, songs, community, and our traditional cupcake celebration. This event does tend to fill to capacity to RSVP using this OR code ASAP!

**Help Needed!** We will be setting up Wednesday evening 12/13, after the Advent dinner. Contact Andrea Dolan (715-220-1439) if you are able to help move tables, chairs, set up crafts and streamers.

**Holiday Office Hours** will be varied while school is not in session. Please feel free to leave a message at 920.684.3404 or email at <a href="mailto:church@ilutheran.or">church@ilutheran.or</a> and the office will respond as promptly as it's able. Thank you so much and the Lord's blessings on our holiday season!

WELS Night at the Bucks Start 2024 by having a blast with fellow WELS members at Fiserv Forum in Milwaukee to see the Milwaukee Bucks take on the Indiana Pacers, Jan. 1, 2024, at 7 p.m. Ticket prices range anywhere between \$20-\$40 depending on your seating choice. The ticket ordering deadline is Dec. 1, 2023. Order tickets

#### Coming Up at MLHS

Thursday, December 21 | MLHS Christmas Concert
Wednesday, January 3 | Second semester starts
Wednesday, January 4 | Big East Honors Band & Choir @ Capitol Civic Center, 8 AM

**MLHS Christmas Concert** MLHS Presents- Joy to the World – Please join us for our Sacred Christmas Concert at the Capitol Civic Centre in downtown Manitowoc! The concert is FREE and open to all. There are two performances, 4:30pm and 7:30pm on Thursday, December 21.

**Night to Shine Registration OPEN!** Registration is NOW OPEN for Night to shine here at MLHS. Please help us spread the word that we are hosing Night to Shine here. Register by visiting the MLHS website www.mlhslancers.org

MLHS Call Report On Monday (11/14) the Board of Control issued two calls. The first is to Mr. Matthew Meitner who currently serves as a principal at First Lutheran grade school in La Crosse to be our English, ESL teacher, and Assistant International Coordinator. The second call is to Mrs. Carrie Ungemach who currently serves at First German in Manitowoc, to be our art, foods, photography teacher. Pastor Brett Krause is still holding the call to serve in our theology department. Pastor Krause currently serves as Zion, in Denver, CO. Please continue to keep Pastor Krause and his family in your prayer.

The **Trinity Brillion** Outreach Team will be hosting their second **Live Nativity at Stone Prairie**, (Center Road, Brillion) on **Sat**, **Dec 9**, with six 20-minute performances that begin at 5pm and repeat every half hour until 8:00pm. And yes... Joe the Camel will be there! This is a wonderful opportunity to tell people about the birth of Jesus and give the Holy Spirit a chance to work faith in people's hearts. The event is free... Plan on attending with your friends, neighbors, & relatives!

**St. Johns Newtonburg hosts 'A Savior is Born'** As we prepare our hearts for our Savior's birth, there will be special worship services on Dec 10, 8 am and 10:30 am. Professional singers Darren and Shelly Johnson from St. Mark in De Pere will enhance our service with special Christmas music.

**SCRIP (School Cash Rebate Incentive Program) News** Do you want to help support MLHS? The scrip program is a great way to help MLHS with purchasing non-budgeted items AND to earn credits to be used for tuition, hot lunch, spirit wear and more! If you don't have children or grandchildren attending MLHS, you can still use Scrip. Stop in the scrip office and we will help you get started!

RaiseRight is the SCRIP App: From now until 1/31/24, new participants who enroll will receive a \$5 Amazon eGift card! All you have to do is place 3 separate orders within 30 days. You must pay via your linked bank account or credit card. The eGift card will be delivered to your RaiseRight wallet within 7 days after completing your third order. Stop in the scrip office to get started with the RaiseRight app! Raise Days Nov. 16 &17: Take advantage of this 2 day Bonus special! Over 100 brands will have bonuses. Start you Christmas shopping early! If you don't have the RaiseRight app, stop in the Scrip office to get started!

**WORSHIP** *NEXT WEEK* – You may wish to prepare for worship next week by meditating on the Scripture lessons for the First Sunday of Advent.

Scripture Lessons: Isaiah 2:1-5, Romans 13:11-14, Matthew 24:36-44

Prayer for Worship: 1st page in blue Christian Worship

## **Our Thanks for God's Love**

Last Week's Attendance: **42 + 185 + 133 = 360** 

Thankful Gifts Offered (last wk): \$15,420 Thankful Gifts Needed (weekly): \$15,610

# This Week at Immanuel – November 26, 2023

Monday, Nov 27	3:00pm	Immanuel Men's Group
	6:00pm	God + Me Class #14
Wednesday, Nov 29	4:30pm	<b>Public School Confirmation Class</b>
Thursday, Nov 30	6:30pm	WORSHIP w/Lord's Supper
Saturday, Dec 2	8:00am	Men's Bible Study – Grace
	9:00am	GriefShare Surviving the Holidays
Sunday, Dec 3	8:00am	WORSHIP w/ Lord's Supper
	9:30am	Family Bible Study (lower level)
	10:30am	WORSHIP w/ Lord's Supper



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Worship Schedule: Thursdays at 6:30 PM Sundays at 8 AM & 10:30 AM

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