Announcements

For the week of Sunday, December 10, 2023

Happy Birthday, Jesus Party! Mornings with Mommy is hosting our annual Happy Birthday, Jesus Party!! Dec 14 from 10-11am. A holiday event for moms/caregivers & 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 QR code ASAP! **Help Needed!** We will be setting up Wed 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.

Women's Bible Study - Our Bible Study exists to nurture, encourage, and equip women to faithfully and fully use their God-given gifts to glorify God. Women of all ages are invited to join us for Women's Bible Study. We are meeting on Saturdays, December 16th, January 13th and 27th at 9:00 AM. We meet in the Conference Room in the church office. We are currently enjoying a study of Paul's letter to the Ephesians. Paul wrote his letter to them while he was a prisoner in Rome and in it he reminded the Ephesians of what God's great power and grace has done for believers. That means you too! Bring your Bible, if you don't have one, please let me know and we will supply you with one. There is a study guide and we will also be using The People's Bible Galatians / Ephesians book for reference as well. We have copies of both available. If you are planning to join us or have any questions, please call or text Judy Fuerbringer at 920-973-3355. Join us to be refreshed & encouraged! PLEASE...let Judy know if you have any suggestions for future a Women's Bible Study.

Ladies of Immanuel Christmas Party - The Ladies of Immanuel are having their Christmas Party on Thurs., Dec 14 at 1:30 PM. ALL ladies are invited! Join us as we celebrate Jesus' birth, and enjoy food and fellowship with your sisters in Christ. Entertainment will be provided by Immanuel's 1st and 2nd grade students. Please bring a food dish to share. If you would like, you can also join in the "bring a present, get a present" gift exchange (\$2-\$5). We are also holding a Voluntary Service Project benefiting *New Beginnings-A Home for Mothers*. If you would like to help, you may choose to give a monetary donation; donate clothing in child sizes 6 and up or boys size 2T; or pull-ups in any size.



PIE is hosting the Advent Meal on Dec 20. We are requesting donations of food items. We are also looking for people to volunteer their time in prepping, serving or clean up. If you have any questions, please contact Casey Knauf. Thank you in advance for supporting PIE! https://tinyurl.com/PIEpotluckdec20



THANK YOU for your generosity! Only **\$7000** left to go for new LED lights in the classrooms & new gym fans. Please use the link or QR code, or stop by the office to make a donation for our PIE fundraiser. Every donation helps, thanks. https://tinyurl.com/immanuel-givingtuesday

Hat, Mittens, Scarves, Gloves - Beginning December 1st and through the winter months, the Immanuel Evangelism Team will again be collecting new homemade or store bought hats, mittens, scarves and gloves to be shared with those caught in the cold. The items will be bagged along with little tags attached, letting those in need know that they have warm friends here at Immanuel. The items will be tied to our parking lot fence, and also distributed throughout the community.

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**

GriefShare is a program to help people who are grieving the loss of a loved one whether recent or in the past. Each session is about 2 hours long. There is a short video on various topics presented by people who have gone through the grieving process and mental health experts. There is then group discussion time, though sharing is not required. Between each weekly session there is a workbook that has daily exercises that point you to God's Word and help you work through your grief. We will be having the GriefShare program starting Thursdays January 4th to March 28th from 2:30 to 4:30 PM. We will be meeting at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 916 Pine St, Manitowoc, WI in the church office conference room. The entrance is across the covered area from the church entrance. If you are interested in getting more information or know someone who we should personally invite please contact Larry Verlinden at 920-323-2297 or verlinden@comcast.net. You also can get more information or register at the GriefShare website griefshare.org. Please register by December 26th so we can make sure we have enough workbooks. We will be charging \$20 per person to cover the cost of workbooks. People are free to join our group at any time during the GriefShare cycle.

Coming Up at MLHS

Thursday, December 21 | MLHS Christmas Concert
Wednesday, January 3 | Second semester starts
Thursday, January 4 | Big East Honors Band & Choir @ Capitol Civic Center
Friday, February 9 | Night to Shine @ MLHS

Junior Lancer Basketball & Wrestling Registrations Open Visit www.mlhslancers.org/jrlancers to register for boys and girls junior lancer basketball as well as junior lancer wrestling.

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.

ATTENTION ALL MLHS ALUMNI You are invited to join us in singing the final song at the MLHS Christmas Concert. Would you please join us? We have purchased rehearsal tracks and provided the music online for you to practice at home! Visit www.mlhslancers.org/finearts. Our concerts are on Thurs, Dec 21 at 4:30 & 7:30pm. Joy to the World will be the last song of the concert. Join us in singing at either concert or better yet, join us by singing at both! We would love to have a large showing of the 68 years of students singing with us and singing the praises of the Christ-child, celebrating Christmas with us! We also plan to have an alumni gathering in the Mertens Lounge at the CCC on December 21st.

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

SCRIP (School Cash Rebate Incentive Program) News: Do you want to help support MLHS? Now is a great time to use SCRIP. Why not use SCRIP for gift giving? Dazzle Days Holiday Bonuses are going on now through Dec. 8 on the RaiseRight appThey make great stocking stuffers and small gifts for friends, teachers, bus drivers, mail carriers and more! Stop in the SCRIP Office to get started!

Part-time Preschool Assistant Position: Jesus 'Lambs of Grace (2426 N. Rapids Rd, Manitowoc) is looking for someone willing and able to assist with the care of children during the afternoon hours, 1:00-5:30pm Mon - Fri. This shift could be split if we have more than one person interested. Requires someone over the age of 18, has one or more afternoons available, and would like a flexible part-time job, please contact the preschool at 920-482-0001 and ask for Peg Janke.

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

Scripture Lessons: Jonah 3:6-10

Prayer for Worship: 1st page in blue Christian Worship

Our Thanks for God's Love

Last Week's Attendance: **39 + 101 + 154 = 294**

Thankful Gifts Offered (last wk): \$19,200 Thankful Gifts Needed (weekly): \$15,610

This Week at Immanuel – Dec 10, 2023

Monday, Dec 11	6:00pm	Adult Choir
Tuesday, Dec 12	3:30pm	Faculty Meeting
Wednesday, Dec 13	4:00pm	Advent Worship
	4:45pm	Light Supper – Choir
	6:30pm	Advent Worship
Thursday, Dec 14	10:00am	Mornings with Mommy
	1:30pm	Ladies of Immanuel
	4:30pm	Public School Confirmation Class
Saturday, Dec 16	9:00am	Women's Bible Study
Sunday, Dec 17	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: Midweek Advent Thursdays at 4:00 PM & 6:30 PM Sundays at 8 AM & 10:30 AM

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