

Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church Immanuel Lutheran School & Children of Grace Preschool 20882 Walden Ave. Hutchinson, MN 55350



The Last Judgement November 10, 2019

✤ Gathering ✤

## OPENING HYMN — 220, vs. 1 & 2

O'er the Distant Mountains Breaking

## INVOCATION

- M: The grace of our Lord ⊕ Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

- M: Beloved in the LORD, the day is surely coming, and it will burn like a furnace. Therefore, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am sinful by nature, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son <sup>‡</sup> and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen!

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

After a brief musical introduction, the congregation sings.

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# PRAYER OF THE DAY

- M: Lord God Almighty, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and to the day of your righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

# ★ The Word ★ ~2~

#### **FIRST LESSON**

#### Jeremiah 26:1-6

The Lord's judgment is coming to bring destruction on those who refuse to listen to his Word. We rejoice that in Christ, we are considered the family of God and so will be safe on the Last Day.

<sup>1</sup>Early in the reign of Jehoiakim son of Josiah king of Judah, this word came from the LORD: <sup>2</sup> "This is what the LORD says: Stand in the courtyard of the LORD's house and speak to all the people of the towns of Judah who come to worship in the house of the LORD. Tell them everything I command you; do not omit a word. <sup>3</sup> Perhaps they will listen and each will turn from their evil ways. Then I will relent and not inflict on them the disaster I was planning because of the evil they have done.<sup>4</sup> Say to them, 'This is what the LORD says: If you do not listen to me and follow my law, which I have set before you, <sup>5</sup> and if you do not listen to you again and again (though you have not listened), <sup>6</sup> then I will make this house like Shiloh and this city a curse among all the nations of the earth.'"

#### **PSALM OF THE DAY**

#### Psalm 90

- M: Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.
- C: From everlasting to everlasting you are God.
- M: You turn men back to dust, saying, "Return to dust, O sons of men."
- C: For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by.
- M: You sweep men away in the sleep of death.
- C: We are consumed by your anger and terrified by your indignation.
- M: You have set our iniquities before you,
- C: our secret sins in the light of your presence.
- O: The length of our days is seventy years—or eighty, if we have the strength;
- C: yet their span is but trouble and sorrow, for they quickly pass, and we fly away.
- M: Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

- C: Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.
- M: May the favor of the Lord our God rest upon us.
- C: Establish the work of our hands for us. Yes, establish the work of our hands.

After a brief musical introduction, the congregation sings the following.



#### SECOND LESSON

#### 2 Thessalonians 1:5-10

The Lord Jesus is revealed as a judge. His ruling will be just. Those who do not acknowledge him will be punished. But those who have faith in him will be brought to everlasting glory.

<sup>5</sup> All this is evidence that God's judgment is right, and as a result you will be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are suffering.<sup>6</sup> God is just: He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you<sup>7</sup> and give relief to you who are troubled, and to us as well. This will

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happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels. <sup>8</sup>He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. <sup>9</sup>They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might <sup>10</sup> on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed. This includes you, because you believed our testimony to you.

#### VERSE OF THE DAY

#### Matthew 24:42

M: Alleluia. Watch, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Alleluia.

After a musical introduction, the congregation sings...



#### GOSPEL

#### Luke 19:11-27

Through a parable Jesus teaches that on Judgment Day those who wasted their God-given gifts will have to give an account. Fortunately, when judging us, the Master will look at what Christ has done as our Savior.

<sup>11</sup> While they were listening to this, he went on to tell them a parable, because he was near Jerusalem and the people thought that the kingdom of God was going to appear at once. <sup>12</sup> He said: "A man of noble birth went to a distant country to have himself appointed king and then to return. <sup>13</sup> So he called ten of his servants and gave them ten minas. 'Put this money to work,' he said, 'until I come back.'

<sup>14</sup> "But his subjects hated him and sent a delegation after him to say, 'We don't want this man to be our king.'

<sup>15</sup> "He was made king, however, and returned home. Then he sent for the servants to whom he had given the money, in order to find out what they had gained with it.

<sup>16</sup> "The first one came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned ten more.'

<sup>17</sup> "Well done, my good servant!' his master replied. 'Because you have been trustworthy in a very small matter, take charge of ten cities.'

<sup>18</sup> "The second came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned five more.'

<sup>19</sup> "His master answered, 'You take charge of five cities.'

<sup>20</sup> "Then another servant came and said, 'Sir, here is your mina; I have kept it laid away in a piece of cloth. <sup>21</sup> I was afraid of you, because you are a hard man. You take out what you did not put in and reap what you did not sow.'

<sup>22</sup> "His master replied, 'I will judge you by your own words, you wicked servant! You knew, did you, that I am a hard man, taking out what I did not put in, and reaping what I did not sow? <sup>23</sup> Why then didn't you put my money on deposit, so that when I came back, I could have collected it with interest?"

<sup>24</sup>"Then he said to those standing by, 'Take his mina away from him and give it to the one who has ten minas.'

<sup>25</sup> "Sir,' they said, 'he already has ten!'

<sup>26</sup> "He replied, 'I tell you that to everyone who has, more will be given, but as for the one who has nothing, even what they have will be taken away.<sup>27</sup> But those enemies of mine who did not want me to be king over them—bring them here and kill them in front of me.""

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

#### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

HYMN OF THE DAY — 337, vs. 1, 2, 3, & 4 Delay Not! Delay Not

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# SERMON 1 Thess 1:5-10 In Jesus You Are Perfectly Safe

# CONFESSION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

# THANK OFFERING

Members of this congregation have joined together in love and faith to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world. Visitors need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

# ₩ Prayers ₩

# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- M: Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord; O Lord, hear our voices.
- **C:** Let your ears be attentive to our cries for mercy.
- M: Heavenly Father, we confess with sorrow that we have sinned and deserve only your anger and punishment.
- C: If you kept a record of sins, we would surely be lost.
- M: We confess with joy that your unfailing love has redeemed us.
- **C:** Our hope is in you and in your full redemption.
- M: Around us we see the birth pangs of the last days: war, famine, earthquakes, false prophets, spiritual apathy.

- C: Use these signs to remind us that we do not know the day or the hour when Christ will come again.
- M: Keep us faithful to your Word; send your Spirit to strengthen our faith so that we are always prepared for your Son's return as judge.

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- C: Make us faithful in sharing your Word, and cause many more to put their hope in you before the end comes.
- M: Build our fellowship of love as brothers and sisters in faith.
- C: Help us support one another when trials and troubles come our way.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer

- M: Heavenly Father, we eagerly await for Jesus to come again and make all things new.May he find us, whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life, faithfully enduring until the end, through the power of your Holy Spirit.
- C: Come, Lord Jesus. May your grace be with us. Amen.

# LORD'S PRAYER

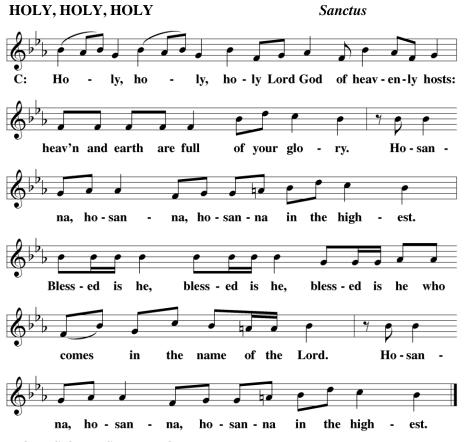
- M: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

# ✤ Holy Communion ✤

# **OPENING SENTENCES**

- M: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- M: Lift up your hearts.
- **C:** We lift them up to the Lord.
- M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



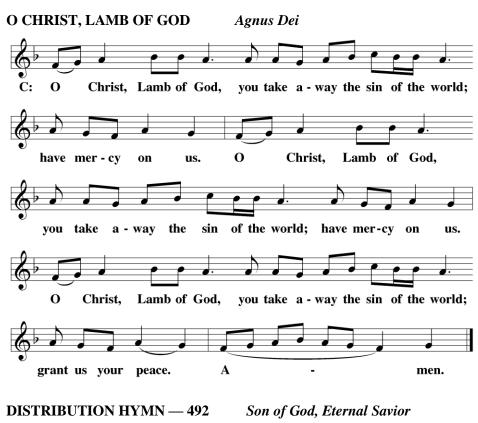
# WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my <sup>⊕</sup> body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my rachtarrow blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.



# DISTRIBUTION HYMN - 309

Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord

# **CLOSING PRAYER**

- M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

# BLESSING

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give t you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN — 382 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

#### Serving today:

Organist: Jane Vacek Altar Guild: Betty Rusch & Karen Plath Elder: Steve Plamann Video: Mike Heine Video: Nolan

**Ushers:** Justin Black, Katlin Davis, Danielle Olson, Tyler Olson, Mya Gosse, Lucas Plamann, Tom Schlueter, John Schlueter, Chuck Nisse, Patrick Schlueter

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# Living in God's Grace this Week

| Today, Sunday: | <b>9:00</b><br><b>9:45</b><br>10:00<br>11:00<br>11:00 | <b>a.m.</b><br>a.m.<br>a.m.<br>a.m.<br>a.m. | Sunday School<br>Hymn Sing<br>Worship Service w/Communion<br>Elder's Meeting<br>Birthday Celebrations in the church<br>basement – Cake and Coffee |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                | 2:00                                                  | p.m.                                        | Fellowship Committee                                                                                                                              |
|                | 6:30                                                  | p.m.                                        | GILL at Grace Lutheran                                                                                                                            |
| Monday:        | 6:00                                                  | p.m.                                        | Bible Study at ILC                                                                                                                                |
|                | 6:30                                                  | p.m.                                        | PTF                                                                                                                                               |
|                | 7:00                                                  | p.m.                                        | Choir                                                                                                                                             |
| Tuesday:       | 2:00                                                  | p.m.                                        | Bible Study at Grace                                                                                                                              |
|                | 7:00                                                  | p.m.                                        | Bible Study at Grace                                                                                                                              |
| Wednesday:     | 4:15                                                  | p.m.                                        | Confirmation                                                                                                                                      |
|                | 7:00                                                  | p.m.                                        | Council                                                                                                                                           |
| Thursday:      | 10:00                                                 | a.m.                                        | Bible Study at Immanuel                                                                                                                           |
| Friday:        | 7:00                                                  | p.m.                                        | Dartball at Grace                                                                                                                                 |
| Sunday:        | 9:00                                                  | a.m.                                        | Sunday School                                                                                                                                     |
|                | 10:00                                                 | a.m.                                        | Worship Service with Communion                                                                                                                    |
|                | 6:30                                                  | p.m.                                        | G.I.L.L. at Grace                                                                                                                                 |



The Fellowship Committee would like to celebrate October, November and December Birthdays of the congregation.

**TODAY, Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>** after church we will be serving cake and coffee in the basement. *Please join us for fellowship*.

# Poinsettias



If you would like to help beautify our church with poinsettias in celebration of Jesus' birth, please sign up

on the sheet in the entry way <u>by December  $1^{st}$ </u>. Colors are red, pink and white at a cost of \$10.50 each. If you have any questions, please contact Betty Henke.



**A Door Offering** – Will be held on Sundays, December  $1^{st}$  and December  $8^{th}$  for the children's candy bags that will be handed out on Christmas Eve.



Immanuel will have a hymn sing before worship TODAY starting about 15 minutes before the service begins, the elder for that Sunday will ask for people to suggest hymns for the congregation to sing.

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**2020 Offering Envelopes are available.** Please pick your box up on the table in the entry way. Also, don't forget to check your mailbox. *Thank you*.

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# **Church Decorating**

On Saturday, **November 30 at 9:00 a.m**. we will be decorating the church for Christmas. If you have an hour or so to assist, it would be greatly appreciated.



# **Belle Plaine Lutheran Home Christmas Party**

Once again we will be collecting Christmas gifts for the residents at Belle Plaine Hope Center. These gifts assure that every resident will receive a Christmas gift. You can get

ideas for gifts from the "Needs Gift List" available in the entry. A collection box will be available throughout November with a deadline of <u>December 1<sup>st</sup></u>. Contact Sharon Smith, Belle Plaine Coordinator, with any questions. *See the "Needs Gift List"* Thank you.

- Craft paints, water-soluble
- Construction paper -- Sketch pads
- Easy craft kits -- Snap-on care models
- Markers -- Scissors
- Puzzles, 300 piece -- Word search puzzles
- Leather making kits -- Manicure sets
- Hand lotion Hand-held game videos
- CD players, CD's easy-listening music
- Small snack items for bingo prizes
- Large print books -- Necklaces
- Washable slippers Men's aftershave
- Scarves Baseball caps
- Open-front sweatshirts or cardigans
- Bottled "ice" water any flavor
- Puddings -- Word search books
- Small Hershey bars
- Body and Bath Lotion
- Dollar Store Adult Coloring Books



Sunday, November 10 and November 17 at 6:30 GILL at Grace Lutheran Church ~~~Calendar of Events & Announcements~~~

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# Advent Pot-Luck Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> after church In the church basement

Everyone Welcome, please bring a dish to pass. (Plates, silverware, beverages and dessert will be provided)



Thanksgiving Services – Thursday, November 28 8:45 a.m. at Zion Lutheran

> and 10 a.m. at Immanuel

At the August 21 Council meeting it was discussed and approved to purchase the propane gas for the heating season at a contract price of \$1.249/gallon for 3,500 gallons. However, this option needs to be paid for upfront at the **cost of \$4,371**. It was approved to use the line of credit to pay for this. However, the Council is asking for your help to pay off this purchase on the line of credit relatively quickly. Please consider giving an additional gift in your offering towards this expense. Thank you.

To date: \$2,595 has been given to assist with the cost. Thank you.



The scale model of our church building that was built by Joe Vostinar has been in storage for multiple years in multiple places. The model has been used in parades over the years. If anyone is interested in this, please contact Harold Plath by January 1, 2020. It was decided

at the October Voter's meeting, that if there was no interest in the scale model it will be dismantled and dispose accordingly.



Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Children of Grace Pre-School

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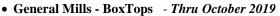
The school is looking for Latchkey **<u>sub</u>** caregivers for before and after school. We do have caregivers that stepped forward to help full time. If anyone can help out as a sub, they can contact Barbara DeVries home 320-587-6138 or email devriesfamilyinbox@gmail.com

# **School Calendar of Events:**

Monday, November 11 at 6:30 p.m. - PTF Thursday, November 14 – Nurse Visit Friday, November 15 – Hot Lunch – Washburn

# The school has a variety of fundraising options to help the school with various activities....won't you help?

**SCRIP** A current list of the gift cards available thru the school is posted on the bulletin board. You pay the face value of the card and the school receives the % listed. We also carry Cash wise/Coborns (\$25, \$50, \$100) which does not show on this list. The money earned provides your children with their field trips throughout the year. Remember the cards are available all year long. Thank you for your support of our School and Pre School. *Karen Kohls* 





- NEW: cocacola.com/give for Coke products, enter the code
- Country Hearth Loaves4Learning
- Ink Cartridges There is a collection box in the entryway.
- School Mall Fundraiser <u>www.SchoolMall.com</u>
- Amazon Fundraiser <u>www.smile.amazon.com</u>
- Cash Wise Points- enroll at www.cashwise.com

A complete listing with details is on the table in the entry way by the school display. Thank you for your help.



Immanuel Lutheran School and Children of Grace Preschool Financial Development Plan

#### Rationale

The school has been the focus of Immanuel's ministry for 100 years. It's not the only thing we do. But it has been the main focus of our time, talents, and treasure. We have received significant blessings from this effort. Our children have received a strong foundation in Christian teaching. Many have gone on to excel in high school and college. Many have become spiritual leaders in our congregation. New families joining our congregation in the past few years have mentioned the school as their main reason for joining Immanuel.

In order for the school to continue its ministry, it needs a functional facility. The current building has served us well but falls short in several areas: having enough space for current and future class sizes, restroom facilities, storage space, recreation and physical education space, office space, and access control. In addition, though the current building is maintained, it has the appearance of age. This puts off families who are comparing us to the public school system.

#### Challenges

The tuition model makes it difficult for some families to choose Christian education.

Continued growth in class size may require adding staff, which puts additional stress on the budget.

New facilities require significant capital expenditure. A significantly larger building would cost more to operate, offsetting potential maintenance savings.

#### Advantages

Our sister church Grace joined us supporting the school directly. We have potential partners in St. Paul, Litchfield and St. John's, Glencoe. Several families from St. Paul are already sending students.

Both Immanuel and Grace own our property and buildings outright. We have no significant debt.

We have time to plan and set goals and milestones. Beginning now will make a new building possible down the road.

We have a significant number of non-WELS students. We are the only Lutheran elementary school in the area.

#### Actions

- Immanuel and Grace incorporate stewardship emphasis into their yearly worship plans. Look at the blessings God has given through this ministry.
- School hosts a planning giving seminar to talk about designated gifts. Invite Immanuel, Grace, Zion, St. Peter, St. Paul. This seminar helps people understand the options for planned giving through their estate. Attendance does not obligate anyone to support the school. But that option is available.
- Engage Jeff Davis from Cornerstone Consulting Ministry for a free initial consultation.
- Submit Antioch grant application. (Deadlines in July and October.)
- Establish an Endowment Fund to support the ongoing needs of the school.

#### Goals

1) Support community needs - (preschool, daycare, gym space)

2) Increase community awareness with a new building and available gym space - (sports camps, tournaments, open gyms)

3) Become a better-fitted outreach arm of Immanuel and Grace (look attractive, look like a school)

4) Update and have a modernized building to better support students learning and have adequate workspace.

- 5) Have enough room to grow and support growth
- 6) Eliminate renting sports facilities

The big question is how can we do all this? How can we take on such a big project when we're already struggling? In 1 Samuel 14, God's people faced a similar situation. Their enemies were camped all around them. And every night their army got smaller as soldiers deserted and ran away. In other words, they were stuck. They didn't dare attack. And they couldn't just walk away. One day, Jonathan decided to try something. He and his armor bearer decided to go over to the enemy outpost. And Jonathan said, "Perhaps the Lord will act on our behalf. Nothing can hinder the Lord from saving, whether by many or by few." He didn't have a command from God or a promise of success. But his faith moved him to try something a little risky and see what God would provide.

Our school ministry feels stuck. We feel afraid to take on such a big project as building a new school. But we can't just walk away. Yet God is still able to do great things, whether by many or by few. Let's step forward in faith and see if the Lord will act on our behalf. He has richly blessed our efforts up to now. Those who have attended our school in the past continue to reap a harvest of righteousness and peace, the blessings that come from faith. Our school gives us the chance to share God's Word every day. It lets us equip our children for a bright future in this life and the life to come. Previous generations had less than we do. But they stepped forward in faith so that our church steeple could be seen for miles around. Perhaps God will let us be the generation that does the same thing for the school. Lift up your eyes to the hills; where does our help come from? Our help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.



# **Choice Dollars**<sup>®</sup>

Do you have Choice Dollars® available? Have you directed

them? You can direct to thousands of organizations enrolled in the program - *including Immanuel Lutheran Church and School!* 

I encourage you to consider directing your Choice Dollars<sup>®</sup> to Immanuel Lutheran Church or School. Doing so helps us continue our important ministry of strengthening communities and changing lives! Otherwise your Choice Dollars<sup>®</sup> will be directed by Thrivent. You can do this by logging into your account on line at <u>https://www.thrivent.com/</u>

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