

April 2020 - Updates regarding Immanuel Lutheran Church

Due to the Stay at Home order by the Governor



Church Services are cancelled as of now:

- All of April Church Services are cancelled.
- May 3, 2020 Church Service is cancelled.
- May 10 and beyond, to be determined.

Holy Communion:

- Immanuel has ordered “Celebration Cups” which are single-serving, individually wrapped elements for Holy Communion. The sudden great demand for these items means they are back ordered until mid-April. When these arrive we hope to offer a “walk through” communion service in the meeting room. We would have groups of six or fewer and wipe down surfaces between groups.
- If you would like to receive private communion now, please contact Pastor to make arrangements. **Please call 587-6138.**

Video Worship Services:

- *Pastor has been taping weekly church services so that we may continue to hear the Word of God. We thank him for his message, time as well as Barb with the music and songs.*

Sunday Video Worship Services are available to view in multiple ways:

- **Broadcasted on:**
 - Mondays at 10 a.m. and Sundays at 9 p.m.
 - NuTelecom—Channel 10 or Mediacom—Channel 107.3
- **Church’s Website:** www.immanuelhutch.com
 - Under the tab: "Video"
- **Facebook:**
 - Immanuel Lutheran, Hutchinson’s Facebook page.
- **DVD:**
 - If you would like to view any of the services (April 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3)
 - Please contact Pastor at **587-6138.**
 - He will make a copy of the service on a DVD.
 - Please schedule a time with him on when you are able to pick up the DVD at church.

Hours the Church is open during this time:

- The church is open on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Offerings/Our Gifts to the Lord:

- *During the corona virus outbreak we have suspended worship gatherings. But we cannot suspend the expenses connected with running our church and Christian school. Thank you.*
 - You may drop off at church during open hours.
 - Mail your offerings to 20882 Walden Ave, Hutchinson MN 55350.
 - An e-check option is now available. Go to our [offerings page](#) on the website for more information. (see enclosed the form)

Meetings:

- All of April’s meetings are cancelled.
- May’s meetings, to be determined.

Extra copies of the Church Calendar/Council minutes – *help yourself*:

- Church Calendars and Council minutes
 - A copy of the respective month has been placed in your mail box at church.
 - Extra copies of the respective month can be found on the table next to the mailboxes in church. (*black wire rack*)
 - Church Calendars can also be found on the website under “Church” and then “Calendar”.
- Bulletins
 - The last 4 Sundays of bulletins are in the stand on the table next to the mail box at church.
 - Bulletins can also be found on the website under “Church” and then “Service”.

LWMS Spring Rally:

- Host: Trinity, Johnson is now on September 26, 2020 at Trinity, Johnson
- At that time, circuit projects for the 2020-21 will be selected.
- Send any mission offerings to Treasurer, Fern Hoff by April 25, 2020.
- We were to have door offerings on April 5 and April 12 for the projects. However, you can send individual checks made out to LWMS Crow River Circuit and send to Fern. Indicate the congregation on the memo line.

Summer Program:

- Immanuel Lutheran School's **Summer Program Tote & Toy Drive** (*if any questions, contact Brian Gephart*)
 - We are collecting Toys and Totes for our Summer Care Program!
 - When: The Month of April
 - Details: We are collecting toys that are appropriate for the ages of 4-12 years old as well as totes (of all sizes) that we can organize and store the toys in while they are not being used for the summer program. Drop them off at the school **or the church** anytime during the month of April. Ideal toys would be small to medium that are easily stored in totes.
 - Toy Ideas • Tractors • Trucks, Cars, Trains • Farm Toys • Little People Toys • Dolls/Barbies • Dress up clothes • Puzzles • Kitchen Toys • Coloring Books • Coloring Crayons, Colored Pencils, Markers • Craft Supplies, safety scissors, stickers, construction paper, plain white paper • Playdough and supplies • Washable Paint • Legos • Games • Cards

Zion's Anniversary:

- In preparation for **Zion's Anniversary celebration** in September, we are collecting photographs. If you have any old pictures of Zion or church activities, please share them with Dean Duesterhoeft. *Thank you!*

Your Demographics:

- During this time, information has been sent out via emails as well as updated on the website under “Church” and then “Announcements”. We hope this information is helpful during this time. This is what Julie Thompson currently has on file for your demographic information. ***Please let her know if there are any changes or would like to include your email and/or cell phone number.*** Please feel free to contact Pastor at 587-6138 or eugene.mark.devries@gmail.com or Julie Thompson at 587-9830 or juliethompson@mchsi.com with any questions. *Thank you.*