

THE SON TIMES

Newsletter of Immanuel & St. Paul Lutheran Church-December 2024



Advent-by-Candlelight

For Christians, Advent is a time for remembering how the world waited in anticipation for God's promised Messiah to come.

Immanuel LWML is hosting their 3rd annual "Advent by Candlelight" for ladies of Immanuel & St. Paul with their family members, friends & neighbors, to gather together and spend some time focused on Jesus and the real meaning of Christmas. The theme this year is "Women of faith," and will be held on **Sunday Dec. 1, beginning at 1 pm**. Please sign up at each congregation to help make

the plans for the desserts. If you have any questions, call Ann Boerst @ 715-853-2834.



Immanuel will be holding their annual Christmas Cantata on Sunday, Dec. 8 at 8:30 am, followed by a brunch. All members of St Paul & Immanuel are invited to join us in singing. This is also a good way to invite someone new to our congregation-invite them to join us for the music and celebration, then to fellowship at the meal.

St. Paul will have Vicar Kyle Bliss, a seminarian at our Fort Wayne seminary & who our LWML supported this past year, leading worship this day.



On Christmas Eve we will be gathering at 4 pm & 6 pm to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus with our Sunday school children presenting a program of

word and song. We will be doing the traditional candle-lite ending with "Silent Night." We will also be holding that evening at Immanuel @ 9 pm a "Silent Night Christmas" service where we gather with candles and just our voices to spend an hour in a more contemplative service. Our Joint Christmas Day will be held at Immanuel with the Lord's Supper

Christmas Worship Schedule

Dec. 24: Worship @ St. Paul-4 pm

Worship @ Immanuel-6 pm

Worship @ Immanuel-9 pm

Dec. 25: Worship w/LS @ Immanuel-9 am





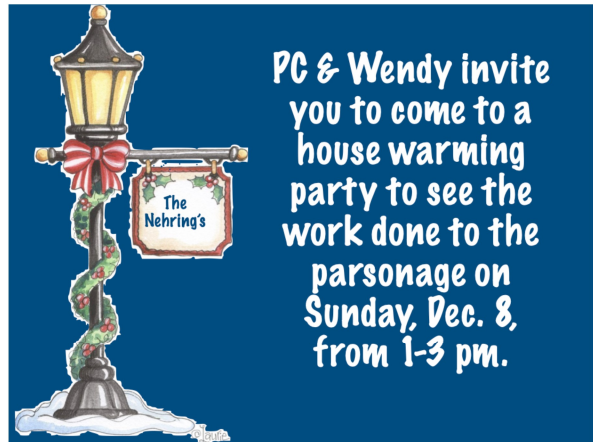
On **Sunday, Dec. 1** after worship at IM & SP we will have a Tree Decorating Party. Join us as we prepare for Advent & Christmas. On **Friday, Dec. 6 & Saturday, Dec. 7** we will be ringing bells for Salvation Army at Charlies Market at 5-7 pm & 9-11 am. There are sign up sheets at both churches to write down when you might be able to make it. Ringing is in the entrance, so out of the weather.

We will join together on **Sunday, Dec. 22** at 1 pm to travel to our shut-in and older members to do some caroling for them, bringing to the glories of our Savior through song and welcome.

On **Sunday, Dec. 29**, we have a trip planned to head to a Christmas Light display in Chippewa Falls. We will leave on a bus (thanks Nathan Orlando) at around noon, eat a supper and then tour the lights and return home that evening. Bus holds 20-25 (and we will take a free will offering to pay for the gas), so look for the sign-up sheets.



Thanks to all who donated to Operation Christmas Child. As a parish, you gave boxes to 56 kids around the world!



No gifts please

On Nov. 16, 15 of us packed meals for Feed My Starving Children in Wausau. At our shift, a total of 140 boxes of meals were packed, with at 36 meals/box, a total of 5040 meals which will feed 82 kids each day for a year. A total of \$200 was donated was given at the time.

