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Upcoming Events

- Tue, 12/4 Hot Lunch – Hot Dog
- Wed, 12/5 6:30 pm Advent Worship
5:45 pm Fellowship Dinner before worship
- Fri, 12/7 8:30 am Chapel & Mission Collection
- Fri, 12/7 Hot Lunch Pizza
- Sat, 12/8 6-7:30 pm A Night in Bethlehem
- Sun, 12/9 9:00 am Preschool – 1st grade Christmas worship service followed by a breakfast
- Tue, 12/11 Hot Lunch – Lo Mein
- Tue, 12/11 Spirit Day – Pajama Day
- Wed, 12/12 6:30pm Advent Worship
5:45 pm Fellowship Dinner before worship

Upcoming Sports

- Basketball will be our next sport – more information will be coming out soon

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All School News

A Night in Bethlehem – Our annual Christmas outreach effort, A Night in Bethlehem, will be held **THIS** Saturday, Dec. 8, from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. Everyone is invited to attend this event. There will be a Bethlehem story walk, live nativity animals to see and pet, crafts, snacks, fellowship, free fun for the whole family and the true meaning of Christmas - the birth of our Savior, Jesus!

Singing Opportunities – This Saturday during A Night in Bethlehem, students in grades K-8 will be asked to come together a few times during the night to sing Christmas songs for the visitors. Mrs. Plocher will let you know when it is time to sing.

Children's Christmas Services – Please join us **this** Sunday, Dec. 9th, at 9:00 am, for a special worship service during which the Preschool – 1st grade children will be singing and saying recitations. There will be food and fellowship following this service. Grades K – 8 will have a Christmas Eve Service on Dec. 24, at 4:00 pm.

Spirit Day – Our next Spirit Day, Tuesday, December 11th, is Pajama Day. Come to school in your comfy pajamas and slippers.

Classroom Gift Exchange- Each classroom will be having a gift exchange on Friday, December 21st, during their morning Christmas Party. Your child's teacher will send home a note explaining how things will be done in their classroom.

Special Christmas Collection - will be for the Alpha Pregnancy Resource Center located in Phoenix. This center is part of Christian Life Resources and the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod. The

primary purpose of Alpha is to spread the Gospel and preserve the sanctity of life. They strive to achieve this by providing pregnancy tests and counseling on pregnancy options. They also provide items such as diapers, formula, clothes and blankets free of charge to their clients.

Every year at Christmas we try to collect items for those in need. Diapers and formula are the most needed items by Alpha Pregnancy Center. A complete list of what can be donated was sent home with the Chronicle two weeks ago. You can find it online under the Chronicle. ***We ask that only the items listed are donated and that the items be new or in like new condition.***

Tuition Tax Credit – Now is the time to really focus on the Tuition Tax Credit Program. Ask your friends, family, neighbors and co-workers if they would please help you by choosing to direct their AZ State tax dollars to help with your child's Christian education. We have many families who have most, if not all, of their child's tuition covered each year by the Tuition Tax Credit Program.

Please stop by the office to pick up donation brochures or for more information. You can also go to www.acsto.org.

NEED A FEDERAL TAX DEDUCTION FOR 2018? A donation made to ACSTO before the end of 2018 will serve as a 2018 Arizona tax credit as well as a possible 2018 federal deduction! Don't forget to name Emmaus Lutheran as the recipient school, and you may also name a specific student as a recipient, as long as the student is not your own dependent.

DO YOU OWE STATE TAX? Check

Line 48 of 2017 AZ Tax Form 140 to find out!
The figure that appears on Line 48 is the amount of your tax liability.

HOW MUCH CAN YOU DONATE? The cap for AZ Tuition Tax Credit donations for private schools is \$2213 (married) or \$1089 (single).

QUESTIONS? Contact ACSTO via email social@acsto.org or call the ACSTO office: 480-820-0403
Or call or email the Emmaus office.

Chapel - Our Chapel service will be held on Fridays at 8:30 am. Parents are encouraged to join us if it works into your schedule. Mission envelopes are sent home every Thursday for chapel on Friday. Please help teach your child that it's not the amount that you give in chapel that is most important; it's a way for them to say thanks to God for all the things He has given us.

Our mission offerings starting this week and through the month of December will be going to Alpha Pregnancy Resource Center. Our total mission offerings so far are \$40.20. The total collected for the WELS Hurricane Relief Fund was \$728.21.

Please join us for worship - Our weekly church services are on Sunday at 8:00 and 10:30 AM, with Bible Study for children, teens and adults at 9:15 AM. We'd love to worship with you!

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