

## ***Voice Article – December 2009 / January 2010***

### ***Veterans Day***

Veterans were recognized and honored for their service to our country this week in chapel. Approximately 75 veterans and their guests were in attendance for the reception and chapel service! The service featured essays written by upper grade students, music played by our band students, and songs sung by our Primary Choir and Praise Choir. What a wonderful way to share our appreciation for the freedoms that we enjoy today!

### ***Basketball Season***

Basketball practices have begun for our six basketball teams! The first games of the season begin shortly after Thanksgiving break. For a complete and up-to-date sports calendar, visit the FastDirect website at [www.fastdir.com/immanuelwashington](http://www.fastdir.com/immanuelwashington). Click on the “Bulletin Board / Calendar” tab on the left side margin to see a listing of the upcoming games and tournaments.

### ***Choral Vespers***

Choral Vespers is scheduled for Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Mrs. Kaaz is again coordinating this worship service and is working with the teachers and students to prepare for this wonderful evening! A special appeal will be made to the church and school families for contributions to be made toward School Operations. In addition, all offerings that are collected during the Choral Vespers worship service will supplement this fund.

### ***The State of the School Address***

The State of the Church and School Address is scheduled for Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> (during the Bible Study hour) and again on Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup> and Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>. We are requiring all families of the school and encouraging all church members to attend one of these meetings. This presentation will give an overview of the past year and what they can expect during the coming year. It will also be an opportunity for us to give families an update on the budget, upcoming tuition rates, and where help is most needed. Babysitting will be available for the evening meetings.

### ***Looking for just the right gift?***

There are still jars of apple butter available for purchase! Stop by Not Just Cut and Dried or Loaves and Fishes to pick up some apple butter – what a great Christmas gift to share!

### ***Digital Newsletter***

Our weekly school newsletter is now available digitally! Each family that has supplied the school with an email address has received an email with a link to our school website. At this site, families will find a copy of the weekly newsletters. If you are interested in receiving the newsletter, please contact the school office.

### ***Enrollment Campaign***

We recently began a campaign with our school families to increase our total enrollment by 20 students for the 2010-2011 school year. Individual contacts and personal relationships continue to be the most effective marketing tool for ILS. We will continue to equip and encourage all school families and congregational members in this ongoing effort.