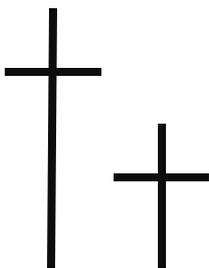


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*The word is near you,
in your mouth and in your heart*

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*Welcome to everyone who has come to share the Good
News of the Gospel with us today! We ask our guests to
please sign our guestbook in the entryway and invite
you to join us regularly for worship!*

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Pre-Service Meditation and Prayer

Psalm 70 (TLH p. 138)

Lord Jesus, You have chosen me out of the world to be Your own in time and in eternity. Though I am no longer of the world, You have not yet taken me out of this earthly tent into my eternal home. While I travel through life, preserve me in the faith that claimed me as a child of Your heavenly household. Amen.

..... ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE PREPARE TO MEET OUR LORD

OPENING HYMN: 428

“I am Trusting Thee Lord Jesus”

THE INVOCATION

We invoke (“call upon”) the name of our Triune God

Pastor: We begin our worship service today in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: ♪ Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

We confess our sins to God and hear of His forgiveness

C: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended You. I justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for my sins and sincerely repent of them. I pray that You would of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy upon you and has given His only Son to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your sins. To all who believe on His name He gives the privilege of being children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C: ♪ Amen.

P: The heavens declare the glory of God;
C: **And the firmament shows His handiwork.**

P: Day unto day utters speech,
C: **And night unto night reveals knowledge.**

P: There is no speech nor language
C: **Where their voice is not heard.**

P: Their line has gone out through all the earth, And their words to
the end of the world.

C: **In them He has set a tabernacle for the sun,**

P: Which is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber,
C: **And rejoices like a strong man to run its race.**

P: Its rising is from one end of heaven, And its circuit to the other
end;

C: **And there is nothing hidden from its heat.**

P: The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul;
C: **The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;**

P: The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;
C: **The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;**

P: The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever;
C: **The judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.**

P: More to be desired are they than gold, Yea, than much fine gold;
C: **Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.**

P: Moreover by them Your servant is warned,
C: **And in keeping them there is great reward.**

P: Who can understand his errors?
C: **Cleanse me from secret faults.**

P: Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; Let them
not have dominion over me.

C: **Then I shall be blameless, And I shall be innocent of great
transgression.**

P: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart

C: **Be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my
Redeemer.**

Pastor: Let us pray...

Congregation: ♪ Amen.

OUR LORD SPEAKS TO US

1ST SCRIPTURE LESSON

DEUTERONOMY 30:11-20

"For this commandment which I command you today is not too mysterious for you, nor is it far off. 12 "It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will ascend into heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?' 13 "Nor is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?' 14 "But the word is very near you, in your mouth and in your heart, that you may do it. 15 "See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil, 16 "in that I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His judgments, that you may live and multiply; and the LORD your God will bless you in the land which you go to possess. 17 "But if your heart turns away so that you do not hear, and are drawn away, and worship other gods and serve them, 18 "I announce to you today that you shall surely perish; you shall not prolong your days in the land which you cross over the Jordan to go in and possess. 19 "I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live; 20 "that you may love the LORD your God, that you may obey His voice, and that you may cling to Him, for He is your life and the length of your days; and that you may dwell in the land which the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them."

Congregation: ♪ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

2ND SCRIPTURE LESSON

MATTHEW 19:1-12

Congregation: ♪ Glory be to You, O Lord!

Now it came to pass, when Jesus had finished these sayings, that He departed from Galilee and came to the region of Judea beyond the Jordan. 2 And great multitudes followed Him, and He healed them there. 3 The Pharisees also came to Him, testing Him, and saying to Him, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for just any reason?" 4 And He answered and said to them, "Have you not read that He who made them at the beginning`made them male and female,' 5 "and said,`For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh ' ? 6 "So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate." 7 They said to

Him, "Why then did Moses command to give a certificate of divorce, and to put her away?" 8 He said to them, "Moses, because of the hardness of your hearts, permitted you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not so. 9 "And I say to you, whoever divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery; and whoever marries her who is divorced commits adultery." 10 His disciples said to Him, "If such is the case of the man with his wife, it is better not to marry." 11 But He said to them, "All cannot accept this saying, but only those to whom it has been given: 12 "For there are eunuchs who were born thus from their mother's womb, and there are eunuchs who were made eunuchs by men, and there are eunuchs who have made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake. He who is able to accept it, let him accept it."

C: ♪ Praise be to You, O Christ!

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH

THE 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.

HYMN: 396

"Oh, For a Faith That Will Not Shrink"

SERMON MEDITATION

ROMANS 9:30-10:9

What shall we say then? That Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness of faith; 31 but Israel, pursuing the law of righteousness, has not attained to the law of righteousness. 32 Why? Because they did not seek it by faith, but as it were, by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumbling stone. 33 As it is written: "Behold, I lay in Zion a stumbling stone and rock of offense, And whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame."

10:1 Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved. **2** For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. **3** For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God. **4** For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes. **5** For Moses writes about the righteousness which is of the law, "The man who does those things shall live by them." **6** But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, "Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down from above) **7** or, "Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). **8** But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart " (that is, the word of faith which we preach): **9** that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

We Believe and Confess

1. The Righteousness of God for Salvation
2. The Deity and Resurrection of Christ

Preaching today: Pastor Joe Naumann

WE OFFER OURSELVES TO OUR LORD

THE OFFERTORY ♪

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation; and uphold me with Your free Spirit. Amen.

HYMN: 346

"Jesus! And Shall It Ever Be"

OFFERING

OFFERING MEDITATION

Teach me my Father (Psalm 25:4-5) by: Neal Radichel (2006)

My son, yeah my son, I loved you before you were born
And throughout you're life you'll see it even more
My son, yeah my son, There's so much that I want to teach you
Of life and death and the one thing really needed
My son, yeah my son... Will you listen to your Father today?
So teach me my father, Show me your ways
For a father shows his love by everything he says
So teach me my Father, Show me Your ways
And help me to follow You all my days
In this world of sin, I can't make it on my own,
So I live my life, with all You've taught me to know

PRAYER OF THE DAY

OUR LORD BLESSES US

BENEDICTION

"Blessing"

Pastor: The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

All: ♪ Amen! Amen! Amen!

CLOSING HYMN: 628

"Shepherd of Tender Youth"

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Last Week's Fruits of Faith:



- ILS Mankato-Foundation - **\$60**
- ILS Mankato-Student Aid - **\$435**
- Church-Benevolent - **\$20**
- CLC-MDF - **\$20**
- CLC-ILC Building - **\$40**

- Land Purchase - **\$240**
- Major Improvement - **\$80**
- Tuition Aid - **\$40**
- New Equipment Fund - **\$25**
- Food Shelf - **\$5**

Last Week's Attendance

Saturday Worship: **105** + Sunday Worship: **183** = **288**

Pathstone: **26**

Autumn Grace: **11**

Men's Breakfast: **23**

Wednesday Bible Study: **61**

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

online calendar immanuelmankato.org

- Sat Aug 18 6:00p** Worship Service
- Sun Aug 19 8:15a** Immanuel Meditations KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
10:00a Worship Service
- Mon Aug 20 8:15a** School Opening Service
- Tue Aug 21 3-5p** Pastor Office Hours
- Wed Aug 22 12:45p** Worship Service: Charter #181 or Consolidated Communications #7
5:00p Family Bible Study at Highland Park
- Thu Aug 23 5:00p** Adult Instruction Class
5:45p Worship Service: Charter #181 or Consolidated Communications #7
7:00p In Home Bible Study (Romans 9) – Darren & Amy Durst
230 N Black Eagle Dr Mankato, MN 56001 RSVP 507.360.4194
- Fri Aug 24 6:30a** Men's Breakfast Bible Study
8-10a Pastor Office Hours
- Sat Aug 25 6:00p** Worship Service
- Sun Aug 26 8:15a** Immanuel Meditations KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
10:00a Worship Service
11:00a Sunday School Teacher's Meeting

UPCOMING DATES:

- Sun Sep 9** Congregational Picnic
- Fri Sep 21** Red Cross Blood Drive (more info to come)

NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST 25-26, 2018

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HEAD USHER Joe Friedrichs ♦ USHERS Ben Busse; Jacob Busse;
Mark Geiger; Sam Geschwind; Sam Hagan; Karl Mueller; Dan Nelson; Bernt
Olmanson; Collin Schrever; Wayne Timm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLC CALL NEWS Bethel Lutheran, Morris MN, has called the Rev. Mark Gullerud, pastor of Redeemer Lutheran, Bowdle SD, and Zion Lutheran, Ipswich SD. Pastor Gullerud has returned the call. <> The Rev. David Baker, pastor of Our Redeemer's Lutheran, Red Wing MN, has announced his retirement from the public ministry effective Dec. 15, 2018. <> The Rev. Nathan Pfeiffer, pastor of Trinity Lutheran, Spokane WA, has accepted the call to Berea Lutheran, Inver Grove Heights MN.

Volunteers are needed to help with altar flowers in September and October. A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the narthex. Current openings are listed below. Questions, please contact Kristen Friedrichs 507-382-5257.

September 1/2 - _____

September 8/9 - Daryl Pischner

September 15/16 - Trudy Dackins/Kristen Friedrichs

September 22/23 - _____

September 29/30 - _____

October 6/7 - Brenda Heier

October 13/14 - Daryl Pischner

October 20/21 - _____

October 27/28 - _____

2017 Annual Reports are available in the entryway.