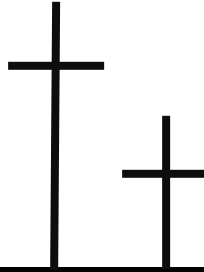


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*This is love, that we walk  
according to His commandments.*

*2 John 1: 6*

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## ***Pre-Service Meditation and Prayer***

*Psalm 122 (pg. 152, red hymnal)*

*Dear Lord Jesus, help me to express joy regardless of how I feel. My joy is in You. You change my view of the world. You restore to me the joy of my salvation! Thank you for giving me the Holy Spirit which brings healing to my brokenness and peace and joy to my heart! In Your name I pray. Amen!*

# ..... **ORDER OF WORSHIP** .....

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

**OPENING HYMN: 723**

“What Wondrous Love is This?”

### **THE INVOCATION**

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

Pastor (P): In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Congregation (C): (speaks) Amen.**

### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS**

*We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.*

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

**C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

**C: (speaks) Amen.**

## THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

### **HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR**

“*The Kyrie*”

*Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy. Hear my humble plea.  
Lord, have mercy, When I cry to Thee: Kyrie eleison.*

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## COLLECT – PRAYERS OF THE DAY

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P: Let us pray...

C: (speaks) Amen.

### FIRST LESSON

HOSEA 6: 1-6

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*The prophet is condemning the people's false attitude of basically thinking they could do whatever they wanted, and then go get God's forgiveness at the temple. The modern day thought is "It's easier to ask for forgiveness, than to ask for permission." Is that good or right? Hosea calls them on this with some pointed imagery by teaching them what faithfulness looks like, with the faithful Word of the LORD. Interesting that the Bible records Jesus quoting this section twice in His ministry!*

**1** Come, and let us return to the LORD; For He has torn, but He will heal us; He has stricken, but He will bind us up. **2** After two days He will revive us; On the third day He will raise us up, That we may live in His sight. **3** Let us know, Let us pursue the knowledge of the LORD. His going forth is established as the morning; He will come to us like the rain, Like the latter and former rain to the earth. **4** " O Ephraim, what shall I do to you? O Judah, what shall I do to you? For your faithfulness is like a morning cloud, And like the early dew it goes away. **5** Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have slain them by the words of My mouth; And your judgments are like light that goes forth. **6** For I desire mercy and not sacrifice, And the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.

### PSALM OF THE DAY

PSALM 123: 1-3

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*We need mercy from our Lord. His ways our higher than ours. We depend on God's mercy daily; so look for God's mercy like your are looking forward to your paycheck. It is our treasure that literally leads out of this world. His mercy is the only answer to our sin problem. His mercy removes our sin, our guilt, and brings healing to our souls.*

P: Unto You I lift up my eyes, O You who dwell in the heavens.

C: **Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters,**

P: As the eyes of a maid to the hand of her maiden,

C: **So our eyes look to the LORD our God, Until He has mercy on us.**

P: Have mercy on us,

**ALL: O LORD, have mercy on us! Amen.**

*Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath. There were preconceived ideas in Jesus' day about the attitude toward the rules and regulations of the Sabbath (that the LORD had indeed commanded). Jesus knew they respected David, but they were not respecting "David's greater Son..." the Christ. Because the Pharisees were so wrapped up attempting to keep the Sabbath perfectly, they missed the reason for the Sabbath in the first place... God bringing peace to our souls!*

**23** Now it happened that He went through the grainfields on the Sabbath; and as they went His disciples began to pluck the heads of grain. **24** And the Pharisees said to Him, "Look, why do they do what is not lawful on the Sabbath?" **25** But He said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he was in need and hungry, he and those with him: **26** "how he went into the house of God in the days of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the showbread, which is not lawful to eat, except for the priests, and also gave some to those who were with him?" **27** And He said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. **28** "Therefore the Son of Man is also Lord of the Sabbath."

P: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

**C:** ♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**These words are written that we may believe  
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER INSTALLATION

### OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH

### THE 2<sup>ND</sup> ARTICLE (REDEMPTION)

**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 sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and**

serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

HYMN: 552 (v. 1-5)

“Abide With Me”

SERMON MEDITATION

2 JOHN 1: 1-13

*sermons and services online at [www.immanuelmankato.org](http://www.immanuelmankato.org)*

THE ELDER,

To the elect lady and her children, whom I love in truth,  
and not only I, but also all those who have known the truth,  
2 because of the truth which abides in us and will be with us forever:

3 Grace, mercy, and peace will be with you from God the Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.

4 I rejoiced greatly that I have found some of your children walking in truth, as we received commandment from the Father. 5 And now I plead with you, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment to you, but that which we have had from the beginning; that we love one another. 6 This is love, that we walk according to His commandments. This is the commandment, that as you have heard from the beginning, you should walk in it.

7 For many deceivers have gone out into the world who do not confess Jesus Christ as coming in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist. 8 Look to yourselves, that we do not lose those things we worked for, but that we may receive a full reward. 9 Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son. 10 If anyone comes to you and does not bring this doctrine, do not receive him into your house nor greet him; 11 for he who greets him shares in his evil deeds.

12 Having many things to write to you, I did not wish to do so with paper and ink; but I hope to come to you and speak face to face, that our joy may be full.

13 The children of your elect sister greet you. Amen.

## WHAT DOES WALKING WITH JESUS LOOK LIKE?

1. **Abide in God's Commandments**      Open hymnal - Read 53:1-2
  - a. Greeting
  - b. Walk in truth
  - c. Walk in love

## 2. Abide Not with False Teachers

Read 53:3-4

- a. Doctrine of the False Teachers
- b. Avoid the False Teachers
- c. Benediction

Read 53:5-6

*Preaching today: Pastor Neal Radichel  
Sermon Note sheets available on page 12 or in the narthex*

## WE OFFER OURSELVES TO OUR LORD

### OFFERTORY

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**C: ♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.**

**HYMN: 53 (TUNE 613)**

“Abide, O Dearest Jesus”

### OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS

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*So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9: 7*

FIRST TIMOTHY SIX *(Neal Radichel)*

*Empty... is the logic, For I've brought nothing into this world  
But with food and clothing, With these, I shall be content...  
Yet the proud man, "knows it all" But knows nothing, of sound truth  
His obsession with dispute, Seeks a gain and his error is proof...*

*But you, O man of God, flee these things...  
And pursue righteousness and godliness, And pursue faith and love  
And pursue patience and gentleness ...from Above.*

*Those who desire to be rich, Find temptation and a snare  
They fall headlong into all kinds of lust, find themselves drowning in  
despair...  
For the love of money, Is a root of all kinds of evil,  
And some faithful have strayed from faith, And found themselves, pierced  
with sorrows...*

*Fight the good fight of faith! ...from Above.*

**OFFERING HYMN: 400 (v. 1, 6)**

“Take My Life And Let It Be”

# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

## THE LORD’S PRAYER

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**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## BENEDICTION BLESSING

*God’s blessing of His people (Number 6:24–26)*

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**P:** 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:** (spoken) Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN: 552 (v. 6-8) “Abide With Me”

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## LAST WEEK

### Attendance

Saturday Worship: **58**

Sunday Worship: **257**

Weekend Total: **315**

Saturday Bible Class: **15**

Saturday School: **N/A**

Sunday Bible Class: **58**

Sunday School: **48**

Ambassadors: **9**

Bible Studies

New Perspective: **9 & 14**

Walnut Towers: **11**

Old Main: **11**

Men’s Breakfast: **27**

### Fruits of Faith

Church-Benevolent: **\$15**

Tuition Aid: **\$40**

Church Land Purchase: **\$185**

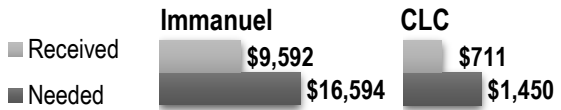
CLC-ILC Building: **\$20**

Church-Major Improvement: **\$85**

CLC-MDF: **\$95**

ILS Mankato-Foundation: **\$25**

ILS Mankato-Student Aid: **\$51**



Want to better understand all the designations listed above? In future weeks, we will include brief descriptions of the funds for informational purposes and to encourage your support of our various efforts and ministries.

## THIS WEEK

online calendar at [www.immanuelmankato.org](http://www.immanuelmankato.org)

- Sat Sept 15** 6:00p Worship Service  
7:00p Bible Class & Sunday School
- Sun Sept 16** 8:15a Immanuel Meditations KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM  
9:00a Bible Class & Sunday School  
10:00a Worship Service
- Mon Sept 17** 8:10a ILS K-6 Devotion in the Sanctuary: *all are welcome!*  
4:00p GS Soccer vs. Trinity Janesville  
5:30p GS Volleyball Home Game vs. Trinity Janesville
- Tue Sept 18** ILS Late Start (10 am) - Professional Development  
10:00a New Perspective Senior Living Bible Study: *all are welcome!*  
3-5p Pastor Office Hours  
6:30p Women's Study Guild (*Serving: Officers*)
- Wed Sept 19** 12:45p Worship Service: Charter #181 or Consolidated Communications #7  
5:00p Confirmation Class  
6:30p ILS PTO Family Game Night "Bingo for Books"  
7:00p Durst Home Bible Study [230 N Black Eagle Dr, Mankato, MN 56001](http://www.immanuelmankato.org)  
RSVP 507.360.4194
- Thu Sept 20** 10:00a Walnut Towers Bible Study: *all are welcome!*  
1:30p Old Main Bible Study: *all are welcome!*  
4:00p GS Soccer vs. Risen Savior  
5:00p Adult Instruction Class  
5:45p Worship Service: Charter #181 or Consolidated Communications #7  
6:00p Church Choir Rehearsal: *all members high school age & older welcome!*
- Fri Sept 21** 6:30a Men's Breakfast and Bible Study  
8-10a Pastor Office Hours  
9:30a ILS K-12 Chapel in the Sanctuary: *all are welcome!*  
10:15a Pathstone Bible Study: *all are welcome!*  
11:00a Autumn Grace Bible Study: *all are welcome!*  
12p-5p Red Cross Blood Drive  
7:00p HS Football Cleveland/ILS vs Alden Conger *in Cleveland*
- Sat Sept 22** 6:00p Worship Service  
7:00p Bible Study & Sunday School
- Sun Sept 23** 8:15a Immanuel Meditations KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM  
9:00a Bible Study & Sunday School  
10:00a Worship Service  
11:30a ILS Freshman Carnival

## SERVING US NEXT WEEKEND

**PASTOR** Joe Naumann ♦ **DEACON** Jason Dick ♦ **ORGANIST** Colleen Matzke ♦ **SOUND** Gabe Strand ♦ **VIDEO** Mike Schweim ♦ **SCREEN** Rachael Hanel ♦ **FLOWERS** Katie Dick  
**HEAD USHER** Joe Friedrichs ♦ **USHERS** Ben Busse; Jacob Busse; Adam Geiger; Mark Geiger; Sam Geschwind; Sam Hagan; Devon Libby; Karl Mueller; Dan Nelson; Bernt Olmanson; Collin Schreyer; Wayne Timm



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

*send announcements to [bulletin@immanuelmankato.org](mailto:bulletin@immanuelmankato.org)*

**NEEDED: Black latex paint** in whatever quantity you have (black is scarce at the recycle centers) and random size pieces of **Styrofoam**, all for use with spring ILS Banquet related projects. Please contact Paula Stelter 625-6220 if you have something to donate or to ask questions about what is need. Please do not drop items off at school. Thank you.

**FRESHMAN CARNIVAL:** Come support the ILS Class of 2022 on Sunday, Sept. 23, from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. There will be concessions, games, and a silent auction. We hope to see you there!

**DIY SIGN MAKING EVENT:** Join us Saturday, October 6, from 1-4 pm in the church basement for fellowship and crafting. Paint and stencil your wood sign with your choice of inspirational phrase. There is a sign-up sheet with more details in the church narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Kacie Carstensen (715) 497-6675.

**BALCONY MICROPHONE AND STAND:** A blue balcony microphone and microphone stand is missing from the balcony. Please return them to the balcony. Thank you!

**INVITATION: Women's Study Guild** begins meeting for the 2018-19 year this week Tuesday, Sept. 18, at 6:30 pm, in the church basement. All women (high school age and above) are invited for a Bible study, short business meeting and fellowship. Use the church office door. For more information, please contact one of this year's officers:

President Kristen Friedrichs 507-382-5257

Treasurer Diane Lentz

Vice President Karla Olmanson 507-625-3381

Secretary Kym Stelter

**RED CROSS BLOOD DONATION AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:** We have been blessed with an opportunity to donate blood right here at Immanuel again. A fall drive has been added for this week Friday, Sept. 21. Blood supplies are currently being distributed to hospitals as fast as they are coming in. Please plan to donate or volunteer for greeting and the canteen. You may sign up to donate or volunteer in the Church entry after church on Sunday, online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) or by calling Karen Frank at 507-340-5876.

**MNSU PARADE: Volunteers needed!** The Evangelism Committee is looking for adult and child volunteers to walk in the MNSU parade on Saturday, Sept 29. The parade begins on Liberty Street at 10 am. Please help us promote our church and school. Questions, please contact Daniel Pfeiffer 507-304-3473.

**PILGRIM'S REST CEMETERY** is looking for approximately 8 volunteers willing to donate a couple of hours a week to assist with mole control. If you are interested in volunteering, please speak with Tony Harris for further details. Email: [redwolf.harris@gmail.com](mailto:redwolf.harris@gmail.com) or phone: (507) 382-3081.

**INVITATION: Rosemary Busse and Pastor George Dummann** invite all Immanuel members to share in the joyous event of their upcoming wedding service, to be held Friday, October 12, at 4:30 pm at Immanuel. You are also invited to a meal & reception following the service in the school Multi-Purpose Facility. There is a sheet in the narthex to RSVP for the meal. The couple requests no gifts.

**CLC CALL NEWS:** Bethel Lutheran, Morris MN, has called the Rev. Michael Gurath, pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran, Phoenix AZ. <> Resurrection Lutheran, Calgary, Alberta Canada, has called the Rev. Douglas Priestap to serve as their pastor on a part-time basis to be shared with his present charge, Grace Lutheran, Live Oak FL. <> Our Redeemer's Lutheran, Red Wing MN, has called the Rev. James Albrecht, pastor of St. John's Lutheran, Okabena MN. <> Trinity Lutheran, Spokane WA, has called the Rev. David Schaller, pastor of Redeemer Lutheran, Sister Lakes MI, and Rock of Ages Lutheran, Byron Center MI.

**INSTALLATION INVITATION:** Berea Lutheran Church in Inver Grove Heights has extended an invitation to the installation of Nathan Pfeiffer as their pastor. The installation will be held at Berea on October 21 at 4:00 pm with a lunch to follow. Please remember Pastor Pfeiffer as well as Berea and Trinity congregations in your prayers.

*Note: there is currently road construction near Berea which will require visitors to take detours. Give yourself extra travel time.*

**CLC – WELS – ELS Discussions.** On August 1, representatives of the CLC, the WELS, and the ELS met at Bethany Seminary in Mankato to continue our discussions about matters that have separated our synods for many years. The first part of the meeting centered on the recent events at the 2018 CLC Convention. The men from the WELS and ELS expressed their disappointment that the CLC had not adopted the 2015 Joint Statement Regarding the Termination of Fellowship. The CLC men relayed our Convention resolutions, which stated:

- The Joint Statement is a scripturally sound presentation of doctrinal principles.
- It does not resolve all the issues involving the doctrine of church fellowship that have separated us.
- At the same time, the CLC Convention did not reject the Joint Statement, and we are aiming for a final disposition of this document at our 2020 Convention.
- We are thankful for the progress that has been made over the past several years of inter-synodical discussions.
- There are issues other than the doctrine of church fellowship that separate us.
- It is our heartfelt desire to work toward a restoration of God-pleasing fellowship with the ELS and WELS based upon a unity of doctrine and practice.
- We hope that our talks with the ELS and WELS can continue.

The second part of our meeting was taken up with a discussion of the topic of In Statu Confessionis, or "protesting fellowship." Historically, this phrase has been used as a protest against doctrinal error within a church body in an attempt to drive it out. It has sometimes been wrongly used as a justification to continue in fellowship with known false teachers. The history of its use by the WELS and ELS over toward the LC-MS was discussed. Additionally, we talked about its use in connection with the European church bodies which remained in fellowship with both the LC-MS and WELS/ELS for many years following the breakup of the Synodical Conference. The representatives of the WELS and ELS stated that it is their conviction that In Statu Confessionis is to be used only with weak brethren, and not with those identified as false teaching church bodies. In the course of this discussion, we revisited the reasons why the founders of the CLC found it necessary to leave their former fellowships in the WELS and ELS.

The future of our inter-synodical discussions was left in doubt. All agreed that it might be profitable to meet again following the 2019 CLC General Pastoral Conference next summer. It will be up to the respective synod presidents as to whether this meeting will take place. Meanwhile, our 3-man committee hopes to provide further information for next summer's General Pastoral Conference to consider, through continuing correspondence with the WELS and ELS.

- President Michael Eichstadt, Pastor Paul D. Nolting, Pastor Bruce Naumann

**FYI: BULLETIN PRODUCTION** In recent weeks, a team of individuals has been training to take over bulletin production. Should you need to submit announcements and/or be interested in assisting with bulletin production, please speak with one of the pastors or connect with any of the following individuals:

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## ONLINE DAILY E-DEVOTIONS

### Immanuel Lutheran College (ILC) Chapels

*Audio recordings of ILC Chapels are regularly uploaded to the ILC website at <http://ilc.edu/faith-worship/chapel-list/>. These 10 minute sermons are an excellent source for morning devotions.*

**\*\*NEW: At the website listed above, you may subscribe to receive an email alert whenever these devotions are posted to the website. (Thanks to Frank Radichel for archiving over 10 years' worth of chapels.)\*\***

*These chapels can also now be listened to via podcast through iTunes, Google Play, Spotify, or wherever you might listen to your podcasts. Search for "Morning Chapels from ILC" and subscribe to get daily comfort from God's Word delivered straight to your phone.*

### Burden & Blessing

<https://burdenblessing.podbean.com/>

<https://player.fm/series/burden-and-blessingpodcast-2366967>

*These thought provoking podcasts take up a variety of topics, current events, and scriptural themes. This effort of several CLC pastors will help you grow in your knowledge of God and the world from solid Biblical foundation.*

# SERMONOTES

**YOUR NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Liturgical season and color: \_\_\_\_\_

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS:**

**YOUR BRIEF SUMMARY:**

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Of the lessons read, which one caught your attention? Why?

**SERMON TEXT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SERMON THEME:** \_\_\_\_\_

<i>Specific Law (why a sinner?)</i>
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<i>Specific Gospel (why a Savior?)</i>
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**FAVORITE SERMON POINTS / APPLICATION:**

**WHICH HYMN/SONG DID YOU LIKE BEST AND WHY?**

**QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ABOUT SERVICE OR SERMON TODAY:**