



13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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WELCOME

We are excited to share the Good News with you!
Guests, please sign our guestbook in the entry. Please join us again.

SERVING US THIS WEEK

PASTOR N Radichel ♦ DEACON (Sat) J Dick (Sun) D Pfeiffer
ORGANIST L Fischer ♦ SOUND B Schreyer ♦ VIDEO P Bode
SCREEN R Schmitt ♦ FLOWERS D Pischner ♦ GREETERS (Sat) ____ (Sun) Liens
HEAD USHER P Bade ♦ ASSISTANT Ju Mueller ♦ USHERS J Cornish Sr;
J Cornish Jr; O Gessner; B Heinze; S Kruse; T Kruse; E Matzke; Ja Mueller;
Ben Olmanson; D Pfeiffer; D Pischner; M Schweim; D Spear; P Stelter;
J Strand; L Wendt

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

PASTOR J Naumann ♦ DEACON P Bade ♦ ORGANIST B Cornish
SOUND E Matzke ♦ VIDEO V Frank ♦ SCREEN C Kuehne
FLOWERS _____ ♦ GREETERS (Sat) _____ (Sun) _____
HEAD USHER F Friedrichs ♦ ASSISTANT J Heinze ♦ USHERS N Becker;
J Clobes; D Clobes; Au Hanel; H Hanel; J Hanel; T Hanel; D Heinze;
B Kruse; D Lueck; An Olmanson; Lu Olmanson; P Olmanson; M Rykhuis;
R Schmitt; A Schmitt; R Wolle; S Wolle

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Not that we are sufficient of
ourselves to think of anything as
being from ourselves, but our
sufficiency is from God...

2 Corinthians 3:5

PRE-SERVICE MEDITATION

Psalm 70 (Red Hymnal pg 138)

Prayer: *Thy works, not mine, O Christ, Speak gladness to this heart;
They tell me all is done, They bid my fear depart. To whom save Thee,
who canst alone For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee? Thy death, not mine,
O Christ, Has paid the ransom due; Ten thousand deaths like mine
Would have been all too few. To whom save Thee, who canst alone For
sin atone, Lord, shall I flee? In Jesus name, Amen! (TLH 380:1,4)*

ORDER OF SERVICE

WE PREPARE TO MEET OUR LORD

Opening Hymn 33 *Red Hymnal - updated lyrics listed below*

The Lord Has Brought Me to This Day

- 1 The Lord has brought me to this day
with His unfailing favor;
He's walked with me upon life's way;
His kindness did not waver.
God to this day has been my Guide,
and all my wants He has supplied,
and to this day has helped me.
- 2 I praise and thank You, Lord, my God,
For Your abundant blessing
Which You have given by Your hand

And I am still possessing.
Inscribe this on my memory:
"The Lord has done great things for me!"
And graciously has helped me.

- 3 Help me therefore, O God of grace,
Help me on each occasion,
Help me in each and every place,
Help me through Jesus' Passion;
Help me in life and death, O God,
Help me through Jesus' dying blood.
Help me as You have helped me!

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): ♪ Amen.

OUR CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: ♪ **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: ♪ **And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

P: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake

forgives us all our 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.**

WE PRAISE OUR LORD

RESPONSIVE READING

PSALM 71:4-9

The LORD is worthy of our trust and confidence. He does not change, and has always existed. He is strong and is able to defend and protect us in our weakness and sin. Even when the world opposes or threatens us, the LORD remains our refuge and our protector. He will be victorious in the end.

P: Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked,

C: **Out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.**

P: For You are my hope, O Lord GOD;

C: **You are my trust from my youth.**

P: By You I have been upheld from birth;

C: **You are He who took me out of my mother's womb. My praise shall be continually of You.**

P: I have become as a wonder to many,

C: **But You are my strong refuge.**

P: Let my mouth be filled with Your praise

C: **And with Your glory all the day.**

P: Do not cast me off in the time of old age;

C: **Do not forsake me when my strength fails!**

P: Glory be to God!

♪ **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, forevermore. Amen.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

All glory, praise, and blessing to God the holy Trinity, for planting and sustaining our faith in Him who sets us free, on whom our trust is founded, our house built on a rock,

**our life by grace surrounded, our Shepherd's precious flock,
dear children to Him clinging, who welcomed once again,
join saints and angels singing, "Amen, Amen, Amen!"**

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ **And with your spirit.**

P: Let us pray...

C: ♪ **Amen.**

OUR LORD SPEAKS TO US

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 SAMUEL 7:1-14

The people of Israel had fallen into idolatry and no longer trusted in the LORD who had delivered them and been with them. Through Spirit-worked repentance by the preaching of Samuel, the people were again led back to the LORD, who demonstrates His power and mercy by delivering them from the hand of their enemies.

Then the men of Kirjath Jearim came and took the ark of the LORD, and brought it into the house of Abinadab on the hill, and consecrated Eleazar his son to keep the ark of the LORD. **2** So it was that the ark remained in Kirjath Jearim a long time; it was there twenty years. And all the house of Israel lamented after the LORD. **3** Then Samuel spoke to all the house of Israel, saying, "If you return to the LORD with all your hearts, then put away the foreign gods and the Ashtoreths from among you, and prepare your hearts for the LORD, and serve Him only; and He will deliver you from the hand of the Philistines." **4** So the children of Israel put away the Baals and the Ashtoreths, and served the LORD only. **5** And Samuel said, "Gather all Israel to Mizpah, and I will pray to the LORD for you." **6** So they gathered together at Mizpah, drew water, and poured it out before the LORD. And they fasted that day, and said there, "We have sinned against the LORD." And Samuel judged the children of Israel at Mizpah. **7** Now when the Philistines heard that the children of Israel had gathered together at Mizpah, the lords of the Philistines went up against Israel. And when the children of Israel heard of it, they were afraid of the Philistines. **8** So the children of Israel said to Samuel, "Do not cease to cry out to the LORD our God for us, that He may save us from the hand of the Philistines." **9** And Samuel took a suckling lamb and offered it as a whole burnt offering to the LORD. Then Samuel cried out to the LORD for Israel, and the LORD

answered him. **10** Now as Samuel was offering up the burnt offering, the Philistines drew near to battle against Israel. But the LORD thundered with a loud thunder upon the Philistines that day, and so confused them that they were overcome before Israel. **11** And the men of Israel went out of Mizpah and pursued the Philistines, and drove them back as far as below Beth Car. **12** Then Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Shen, and called its name Ebenezer, saying, "Thus far the LORD has helped us." **13** So the Philistines were subdued, and they did not come anymore into the territory of Israel. And the hand of the LORD was against the Philistines all the days of Samuel. **14** Then the cities which the Philistines had taken from Israel were restored to Israel, from Ekron to Gath; and Israel recovered its territory from the hands of the Philistines. Also there was peace between Israel and the Amorites.

Congregational Praise: ♪ **Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR **ON MY HEART IMPRINT THINE IMAGE**

GOSPEL READING

MARK 7:31-37

Jesus shows His power and His mercy in these verses. Even though He was in a heathen area outside of Israel, He is still concerned for those who are lost and who are suffering in this world of sin. Those who bring the deaf man to Jesus reveal their trust in Jesus and His ability to deliver and save.

Congregational Welcome: ♪ **Glory be to You, O Lord!**

Again, departing from the region of Tyre and Sidon, He came through the midst of the region of Decapolis to the Sea of Galilee. **32** Then they brought to Him one who was deaf and had an impediment in his speech, and they begged Him to put His hand on him. **33** And He took him aside from the multitude, and put His fingers in his ears, and He spat and touched his tongue. **34** Then, looking up to heaven, He sighed, and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." **35** Immediately his ears were opened, and the impediment of his tongue was loosed, and he spoke plainly. **36** Then He commanded them that they should tell no one; but the more He commanded them, the more widely they proclaimed it. **37** And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He makes both the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

Congregational Response: ♪ **Praise be to You, O Christ!**

Amber Casto (3YO), Donnell Olmanson (4YO), Cecelia Hanel (K), Gabrielle Harris (1-2), Jennifer Schmitt (3-4), Marie Casto (5-6), Mark Matzke (7-8), Colleen Matzke (Music), Russ Schmitt (Asst. Superintendent/Music), Tony Harris (Superintendent)

CONFESSION OF FAITH

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 of the Day 453 *Red Hymnal*

We are the Lord's

SERMON MEDITATION

2 CORINTHIANS 3:4-11

Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it. Luke 11: 28

And we have such trust through Christ toward God. 5 Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God, 6 who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life. 7 But if the ministry of death, written and engraved on stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the face of Moses because of the glory of his countenance, which glory was passing away, 8 how will the ministry of the Spirit not be more glorious? 9 For if the ministry of condemnation had glory, the ministry of righteousness exceeds much more in glory. 10 For even what was made glorious had no glory in this respect, because of the glory that excels. 11 For if what is passing away was glorious, what remains is much more glorious.

Using Christian Superlatives

1. What's *better* than speaking about yourself?

Hymn 412 (v. 1-2) *Red Hymnal*

May We Your Precepts, Lord, Fulfill

2. What's *best* about our ministry here?

*Preaching today Pastor Joe Naumann
sermon note sheets available in the narthex
sermons and services online at www.ImmanuelMankato.org*

WE OFFER OURSELVES TO OUR LORD

OFFERTORY

RED HYMNAL

♪ 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 412 (v. 3) *Red Hymnal*

May We Your Precepts, Lord, Fulfill

OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS

*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

OFFERING MEDITATION: "Rise Again" (NeedtoBreathe © 2014)

PRAYERS & LORD'S PRAYER

OUR LORD BLESSES US

BENEDICTION

Congregational Response: ♪ Amen. Amen. Amen.

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LAST WEEK

Gatherings

August 31-September 1

Saturday Worship: 119
Sunday Worship: 184
Weekend Total: 303

Bible Studies

Autumn Grace: 10
Men's Breakfast: 27
Old Main: 8
Pathstone: 27
Primrose: 4
Walnut Towers: 12

Fruits of Faith

Immanuel

Benevolent \$20
Current Expenses \$9,377.94
Weekly Need \$17,082.88
ILS Foundation \$10
ILS Student Aid \$10
ILS Tuition Aid \$40
Land Purchase \$80
Major Improvement \$20

CLC

ILC Student Aid \$1
Missions (Coop Budget) \$648
Weekly Need \$1,731.41
Mission Development Fund (MDF) \$157

THIS WEEK

Sat Sep 7 6:00p WORSHIP

7:00p Bible Study in the church basement
7:00p Sunday School in the Kindergarten room

Sun Sep 8 9:00a Bible Study in the church basement

9:00a Sunday School in designated classrooms
9:15a Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
10:00a WORSHIP
11:00a Church Choir Practice in the sanctuary

Mon Sep 9 MN Pastor's Study Club at Berea, Inver Grove Heights

7:00p Voter's Meeting in the church basement

Tues Sep 10 3p-5p Pastors Office Hours

4:00p ILS Soccer 5-6 vs Trinity Janesville, at Caswell North Soccer Complex
5:00p ILS Soccer 7-8 vs Trinity Janesville, at Caswell North Soccer Complex
6:00p ILS GS Volleyball vs Trinity Janesville in the gym

- Tues Sep** **6:30p** Deacons' Meeting *in the basement conference room*
7:00p Board of Education Meeting *in the language classroom*
7:00p Property Board Meeting *in the church basement*
7:30p Finance Board Meeting
8:00p Council Meeting *in the church basement*
- Wed Sep 11** **12:45p** Televised **WORSHIP** Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Communications #7
4:00p Public School Catechism Class *in the pastors' offices*
- Thu Sep 12** **9:00a** Bible Study, Walnut Towers, 105 E. Walnut Street
10:00a **WORSHIP**, New Perspective Senior Living, 100 Dublin Road
1:30p Bible Study, Old Main, 301 S. Fifth Street
4:00p ILS Volleyball 4-5 vs Mount Olive *in the gym*
4:30p ILS Volleyball 5-7 vs Mount Olive *in the gym*
5:45p Televised **WORSHIP** Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Communications #7
- Fri Sep 13** **6:30a** Men's Breakfast and Bible Study *in the church basement*
8-9:30a Pastors' Office Hours
9:30a ILS K-12 Chapel *in the church sanctuary*
3:00p Worship Music Practice *in the church sanctuary*
- Sat Sep 14** **10:00a** Bible Study, Primrose, Fireplace Community Room, 1360 Adams Street
6:00p **WORSHIP** followed by 3rd Sunday Communion
7:00p Bible Study *in the church basement*
7:00p Sunday School *in the Kindergarten room*
- Sun Sep 15** **9:00a** Bible Study *in the church basement*
9:00a Sunday School *in designated classrooms*
9:15a Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
10:00a **WORSHIP** followed by 3rd Sunday Communion
11:00a Church Choir Practice *in the sanctuary*
11:00a Freshman Carnival

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Everyone is invited to the church office following the Sunday morning service for light refreshments. We will have some coffee and tea, please help yourself! We are hoping this can continue and be a wonderful opportunity for fellowship with one another!

IMMANUEL ADULT CHOIR Jackie Friedrichs, Dwain Frazee and Hilary Lien will be co-directing choir this year as Grace Schreyer has stepped down. We thank Grace for many years and hours of service! In addition to the director change, there will be a rehearsal schedule change. For this upcoming choir season, we will be holding half hour rehearsals in front of the church on **Sundays** after worship **starting September 8**. Please join us.

MCCL FALL TOUR The [Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life](#) (MCCL) Fall Tour presentation is scheduled to be at Immanuel this Sunday, **September 8**, beginning at 7 pm, in the church basement. MCCL provides education on life-related issues and promotes pro-life legislation and candidates. One particular concern is that an assisted-suicide bill is being

promoted in the MN House of Representatives. The House plans to hold hearings on September 11. Mankato's representative, Jack Considine, supported this bill when it was introduced several years ago.

SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING The *Old Town Dental Clinic* building has recently become available and a special voters' meeting has been called on Monday, **September 9**, at 7 pm, to discuss the opportunity to purchase the building in order to re-purpose it as a preschool. The building will be available for viewing at 6:30 pm before the meeting begins. Please plan on attending this important meeting.

PUBLIC SCHOOL CATECHISM/CONFIRMATION classes begin Wedn, **September 11**. Children in 6th - 8th grade will be meeting for class on Wednesdays from 4 pm - 5 pm. Pastor Radichel is leading this class and doing confirmation this year. If you have a child in these grades or have any other questions, please let one of the pastors know.

FRESHMAN CARNIVAL The Freshmen Class will be hosting the annual Freshman Carnival on Sunday, **September 15**, right after the Sunday church service until 1:30 p.m. There will be a silent auction with donations and prizes the Freshmen gathered from local businesses. Walking Tacos will be available for purchase along with soda and water. Popular games like ring toss for soda and the cakewalk return as well as some new surprises. All ages are invited to attend the carnival and help support the ILHS Class of 2023!

RED CROSS BLOOD DONATION OPPORTUNITY We have been blessed with another opportunity to donate blood right here at Immanuel. The fall drive will be on Wednesday, **September 18**. There is currently a blood shortage, please plan to donate. Those donating will receive a coupon by email for a free haircut at participating Sports Clips. To schedule your donation, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767); go on line at www.redcrossblood.org or call Karen Frank at 507-340-5876. Volunteers are also needed for greeting and for the canteen (sign up in the Church entry or call Karen).

AMBASSADORS BARN BLUFF HIKE AND CLIMB A group will meet at school at 7:00 am on Sunday, **October 13**, to drive to our sister church in Red Wing, MN, for worship at 9:30am. Then we'll hit Barn Bluff in Red Wing, for some hiking and rock climbing. The Messiah Eau Claire Youth Group will be meeting us at Red Wing! This is a rare YG event for High School age only. (Pastor Schaller from Eau Claire and Pastor Radichel have experience and the proper safety equipment). Everyone who wants to climb will get at least twice 2 climbs. At 5:30 pm, we'll pack up and head to a restaurant before returning to Mankato for pickup at school by 9:00pm. Register at <https://forms.gle/iZ2R8PPsXGku2pql7> or call Pastor Radichel at 920-268-8002 (cell). You'll need to submit a signed liability release form and prepay the \$15 fee for expenses **BEFORE the October 6 deadline** to ensure a spot. We have an **18 climber limit**, so claim your spot quickly! There are more than 18 spots for Youth Groupers who want to hike and hang out, but not climb. Be sure to pack a sack lunch, snacks/water, and some cash for supper. For additional information, contact Pastor Radichel. If money is a hindrance, let Pastor Radichel know. Financial assistance may be available.

GREETER PROGRAM The Outreach Committee has established a greeter program to help reach out and welcome our visitors. Members are welcome and encouraged to

introduce any visitors to the scheduled greeter. If you are interested in joining this outreach opportunity or would like more information, please contact Daniel Pfeiffer (507-304-3473).

NEEDED: Altar Flower Volunteers The altar flower sign-up is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the narthex and openings are listed below. Please consider **volunteering or donating**. Any questions or if interested in donating, please email StudyGuild@ImmanuelMankato.org or call Kristen Friedrichs at 507-382-5257.

Sept 14/15 _____
Sept 21/22 _____
Sept 28/29 _____

Oct 19/20 _____
Oct 26/27 _____

DID YOU KNOW? "There are two difference-making practices in marriage that stand out among the rest. These two, done consistently will absolutely lead to an awesome marriage. One is prayer. The other is daily reading the Bible together. Listen to this stat. The divorce rate for couples who regularly pray together and read the Bible together is less than 1 percent. Let that soak in a minute: Less than 1 percent!" (c.f. Proverbs 18:22)

Excerpt from awesomemarriage.com

CLC ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLC CALL NEWS Pastor Del Maas, has returned the call extended to him by Trinity, Spokane, WA.

ILC CHAPEL TALKS Available on Amazon Echo & Google Home If you have a smart speaker device, you can now use it to listen to morning chapel services from Immanuel Lutheran College. For Amazon Echo, first enable the Stitcher skill, then say, "Alexa, ask Stitcher to play Morning Chapels from ILC." For Google Home, simply say "Hey Google, play the most recent episode of Morning Chapels from ILC." They can also be accessed from many popular podcast apps, including Apple Podcast, Google Podcast, and Spotify.

NEW DEVOTION BOOK AVAILABLE A sequel to Pastor Em Daniel Fleischer's work *Standing on the Wall* is in the final stage of review. It is titled *Christ - No Other Foundation*. It touches on a variety of Scriptural teachings and studies and includes some poetry. He hopes to be able to release it by Reformation with a projected cost of \$15. If you are interested in ordering a copy, please sign the sheet in one of the entries.

CLC KINSHIP The CLC KINSHIP Committee is seeking sponsors for a group called "Myanmar Children's Assistance" as well as seminary students at the new Wartburg Theological Seminary of Tanzania. For more info, please contact Dan Roehl at 507-381-2042 or danroehl@hotmail.com.

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If you have an announcement or event for next weekend's bulletin, please send it to Bulletin@ImmanuelMankato.org or contact one of the pastors by Thursday at 12 pm. Thank you!