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# MISSION FESTIVAL

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'You are my witnesses,' says the  
Lord, 'and my servant whom I  
have chosen.'

Isaiah 43:10a

## SERVING US THIS WEEK

SEMINARIAN Drew Naumann DEACON Brent Schreyer

ORGANIST Colleen Matzke SOUND Evan Matzke

FLOWERS Vivian Hanel SCREEN Joe Furst & Russ Schmitt

VIDEO Vern Frank

# WELCOME!

We are excited to share the Good News with you! Guests, please contact us if you are interested in learning more about Immanuel.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

### WE PREPARE TO MEET OUR LORD

**INVOCATION** *We invoke ("call upon") the name of our Triune God.*

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**Pastor (P):** We begin our mission festival service in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation (C):** Amen!

Opening Hymn 496 vs 1 TLH (Red Hymnal)  
Hark! The Voice of Jesus Crying

Hark! the voice of Jesus crying, "Who will go and work today?  
Fields are white and harvests waiting, who will bear the sheaves away?"  
Loud and long the Master calleth, Rich reward He offers thee;  
Who will answer, gladly saying, "Here am I, send me, send me"?

### WE PRAISE OUR LORD

**P:** What is the purpose of a mission festival? What is the mission of a church? What is *your* mission? Today's service is a happy occasion. We are reminded it is our joy that Jesus, the risen Savior, has called us and sent us to be His messengers and witnesses to ALL... to share the Good News with the world!

Hymn 496 vs 2 TLH (Red Hymnal)  
Hark! The Voice of Jesus Crying

If you cannot speak like angels, If you cannot preach like Paul,  
You can tell the love of Jesus, You can say He died for all.  
If you cannot rouse the wicked With the Judgment's dread alarms,  
You can lead the little children To the Savior's waiting arms.

## OUR CONFESSION OF SINS

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P: Let us therefore confess and pray:

ALL: Dear Father in heaven, You are mighty in all You do and say. You have shown Your unfailing love to us even though we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. We worship and adore You because You have sacrificed Your only beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, for the full payment and forgiveness of all our sins. As sinful human beings, we often fail to share Your Word and have often been poor examples as Your dear children.

Forgive us, Lord, for these offenses, and give us the courage and strength to boldly confess and glorify Your name and Your truth to all. Let us walk before You as a light to this dark world. All this we confess and pray in the name of Your Son, our risen and eternal Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

P: Upon this confession of your sins, by the promise and authority of Christ our Savior, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Hymn 496 vs 4 TLH (Red Hymnal)  
Hark! The Voice of Jesus Crying

Let none hear you idly saying, "There is nothing I can do,"  
While the souls of men are dying And the Master calls for you.  
Take the task He gives you gladly, Let His work your pleasure be;  
Answer quickly when He calleth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"

## OUR LORD SPEAKS TO US

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON ISAIAH 43:1-12

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But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; You are Mine. **2** When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, Nor shall the flame scorch you. **3** For I am the LORD your God, The Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I gave Egypt for your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in

your place. **4** Since you were precious in My sight, You have been honored, And I have loved you; Therefore I will give men for you, And people for your life. **5** Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your descendants from the east, And gather you from the west; **6** I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' And to the south, 'Do not keep them back!' Bring My sons from afar, And My daughters from the ends of the earth-- **7** Everyone who is called by My name, Whom I have created for My glory; I have formed him, yes, I have made him." **8** Bring out the blind people who have eyes, And the deaf who have ears. **9** Let all the nations be gathered together, And let the people be assembled. Who among them can declare this, And show us former things? Let them bring out their witnesses, that they may be justified; Or let them hear and say, "It is truth." **10** "You are My witnesses," says the LORD, "And My servant whom I have chosen, That you may know and believe Me, And understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed, Nor shall there be after Me. **11** I, even I, am the LORD, And besides Me there is no savior. **12** I have declared and saved, I have proclaimed, And there was no foreign god among you; Therefore you are My witnesses," Says the LORD, "that I am God.

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#### RESPONSIVE READING PSALM 34: 1-14

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P: I will bless the LORD at all times;

**C: His praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

P: My soul shall make its boast in the LORD;

**C: The humble shall hear of it and be glad!**

P: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, And let us exalt His name together.

**C: I sought the LORD, and He heard me, And delivered me from all my fears.**

P: They looked to Him and were radiant,

**C: And their faces were not ashamed.**

P: This poor man cried out, and the LORD heard him,

**C: And saved him out of all his troubles.**

P; The angel of the LORD encamps all around those who fear Him, And delivers them.

**C: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good; Blessed is the man who trusts in Him!**

P: Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints!

**C: There is no want to those who fear Him.**

P: The young lions lack and suffer hunger;

**C: But those who seek the LORD shall not lack any good thing.**

P: Come, you children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.  
Who is the man who desires life, And loves many days, that he may see good?

**C: Keep your tongue from evil, And your lips from speaking deceit.**

P: Depart from evil and do good;

**C: Seek peace and pursue it. Amen!**

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## SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 PETER 2: 1-10

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Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, **2** as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby, **3** if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious. **4** Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious, **5** you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. **6** Therefore it is also contained in the Scripture, "Behold, I lay in Zion A chief cornerstone, elect, precious, And he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame." **7** Therefore, to you who believe, He is precious; but to those who are disobedient, "The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone," **8** and "A stone of stumbling And a rock of offense." They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed. **9** But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; **10** who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

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## CONFESSIO OF FAITH LUTHER'S EXPLANATION TO THE 3<sup>RD</sup> ARTICLE

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I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him. But the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified, and kept me in true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all sins to me and all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead and give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life.

This is most certainly true.

Sermon Hymn 421 (Red Hymnal)  
Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake

## SERMON JOHN 1:35-51

*Jesus said, "...Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!" Luke 11:28*

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Again, the next day, John stood with two of his disciples. **36** And looking at Jesus as He walked, he said, "Behold the Lamb of God!" **37** The two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus. **38** Then Jesus turned, and seeing them following, said to them, "What do you seek?" They said to Him, "Rabbi " (which is to say, when translated, Teacher), "where are You staying?" **39** He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where He was staying, and remained with Him that day (now it was about the tenth hour). **40** One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. **41** He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, "We have found the Messiah " (which is translated, the Christ). **42** And he brought him to Jesus. Now when Jesus looked at him, He said, "You are Simon the son of Jonah. You shall be called Cephas " (which is translated, A Stone). **43** The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." **44** Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. **45** Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote-- Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." **46** And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." **47** Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!" **48** Nathanael said to Him, "How do You know me?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." **49** Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" **50** Jesus answered and said to him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." **51** And He said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

## God's "Come and See" Guarantee

1. He offers it to you

2. He offers it through you

*Guest preaching today: Seminarian Drew Naumann (Eau Claire, WI)*

# WE OFFER OURSELVES TO THE LORD

OFFERTORY WS (TAN HYMNAL) PG 16

*In this prayer we offer God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.*

♪ 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.

Sermon Hymn 765 WS (Tan Hymnal)  
Christ High-Ascended

## 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*

**'WHAT HE SAYS'** BY N. RADICHEL

You say, Why believe in ever after? I say, the Bible tells me so.

You say, Why trust in just a book? I say, it was written by my God.

You say, Why is your God, the right God? I say, it's not by works of me.

You say, I think I'm a good person. I say, My God is who judges me!

**But He says, "I am the way the truth and the life"**

He says, "No one comes to the Father, but by Me"

**And He says, "I give the waters of eternal life"**

**He says, "He who hears you hears Me"**

You say, Is your God a loving God? I say, He loves more than we can see.

You say, Then why do bad things happen? I say, Sin brought all this to be.

You say, So you think I am a sinner? I say, We are both guilty!

You say, So what then is the answer? I say, Christ died for all to be free!

Offering Hymn 507 vs 1,6 TLH (Red Hymnal)  
Spread, Oh, Spread Thou Mighty Word

Spread, oh, spread, thou mighty Word, Spread the kingdom of the Lord,  
Wheresoe'er His breath has giv'n, Life to beings meant for heav'n.  
Lord of Harvest, let there be, Joy and strength to work for Thee  
Till the nations far and near, See Thy light and learn Thy fear.

## RESPONSIVE PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

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P: Lord Jesus Christ, You have paid the price of our sins

**C: and reconciled us to God.**

P: Make us fully committed to You and Your Gospel,

**C: so that we feel an urgent need to share You with others.**

P: Help us to seek and save the lost among our families, neighbors, and friends;

**C: and bless the Word we speak, using it to work faith in their hearts.**

P: Cause the Word of salvation thus sown and rooted in the hearts of redeemed sinners

**C: to bring forth abundantly the fruit of good works to Your glory.**

P: Defeat every godless force

**C: which would lay stumbling blocks in the way of the Gospel.**

P: Give our pastors, teachers, and missionaries a deep sense of dedication to their calling, that selfish pride and self-glory may have no part in their ministries.

**C: Fill each of us with enthusiasm for their work.**

P: May we ever support them with our prayers

**C: and willingly provide for their physical needs.**

P: Protect our missionaries wherever they labor,

**C: keeping them and their families from all harm and danger.**

P: According to Your gracious will give them good health

C: and spare them the ravages of sickness and disease.

P: Bear them up when they have no strength

**C: and encourage them when the way is difficult.**

P: Hinder every evil power which would threaten to drive our missionaries from foreign lands.

**C: Open up those countries to the Gospel which hitherto have been closed to it.**

P: Grant that Your Word, wherever it is preached, will not return unto You void,

**C: but accomplish Your purpose of bringing sinners to repentance.**

P: O crucified and risen Christ, give grace to Your Church day by day that it may accomplish that task to which You have called it:

**C: to witness Your name in all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.**

P: We, too, must flee for refuge to Your name,

**C: asking pardon for our many sins.**

P: Pardon especially our neglect of Your great commission, for we all too often fail to glorify Your saving name to others.



C: Forgive us and save us, precious Redeemer of humankind. Amen.

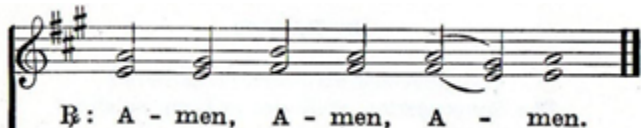
P: And we join to pray what Jesus taught us:

ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven; Hallowed be 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.

## OUR LORD BLESSES US

BENEDICTION *A Good Word or Blessing.*

P: The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; The LORD turn His face and smile upon you and give you His peace!

ALL: 

Closing Hymn 421 vs 1,4-5 TLH (Red Hymnal)  
Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake

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## LAST WEEK

### Gatherings

Saturday Worship 10/10: **34**

Saturday Family Bible Study 10/10: **13**

Sunday Worship 10/11: **In Person 112 ; Views 108**

Sunday Family Bible Study 10/11: **19 ; Views**

Wednesday Bible class 10/14: **18**

Primrose Bible Study 10/16: **9**

Autumn Grace Bible Study 10/16: **6**

*Note: the number of views listed is as of 10/16/2020; "views" does not represent the number of viewers, but rather only the number of computers/devices that accessed it*

## Fruits of Faith

Immanuel	Plate/Mail	CashApp
Current Expenses <i>Weekly Need: \$21,829.15</i>	<b>\$13,569.60</b>	<b>\$574</b>
ILS Foundation	<b>\$15</b>	
Student Aid	<b>\$465</b>	
MPF Floor Replacement	<b>\$3,150.50</b>	<b>\$200</b>
Preschool Fund	<b>\$80</b>	
Benevolent Fund	<b>\$80</b>	
CLC	Plate/Mail	CashApp
Missions (CB) <i>Weekly Need: \$2,490.55</i>	<b>\$610</b>	<b>\$10</b>
Memorials for LaDonna Boettcher	Plate/Mail	CashApp
ILS Foundation	<b>\$2,500</b>	
ILS Student Aid	<b>\$2,500</b>	

## THIS WEEK

- Sat Oct 17** 6:00p **WORSHIP**, In-Person- Communion Weekend  
7-7:45p Family Bible Class- Sanctuary
- Sun Oct 18** 9-9:45a Family Bible Class- Sanctuary  
9:15a Radio Sermon: *KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM*  
10:00a **MISSION FEST WORSHIP**, In-Person or Live Stream  
Join us live by following the link at the top of the page on our website [www.ImmanuelMankato.org](http://www.ImmanuelMankato.org) OR find and watch the recording afterwards at [www.ImmanuelMankato.org/sermons](http://www.ImmanuelMankato.org/sermons)  
11:00a 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Communion in pastors' offices
- Mon Oct 19** 7-10:00p Quarterly Voters Meeting held *in person* in the sanctuary & also via Zoom, the link will be sent out via email please contact Zachary Lien with any questions
- Tues Oct 20** 3-5p Pastors' Office Hours  
4:00p HS Soccer Game vs Grace Christian at Caswell Soccer Complex
- Wed Oct 21** **NO SCHOOL**  
12:45p Televised **WORSHIP** Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7  
6:00p Online Confirmation Class (*In person has been cancelled*)  
7:00p Online Bible Class - *look for weekly log-in info in email*
- Thu Oct 22** 8-10:00a Pastors' Office Hours  
9-9:30a Bible Study, Water's Edge 800 Agency Rd  
10:00a Bible Study, Walnut Towers, 105 E Walnut St

5:45p Televised **WORSHIP** Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7  
5:30p HS Soccer Game vs St Cloud at Caswell Soccer Complex

Fri Oct 23 9:00a Bible Class, Primrose 1360 Adams St  
11:00a Autumn Grace Worship Service 118 Raven Ct

Sat Oct 24 2:00p Alumni Soccer Day at Land of Memories Park  
6:00p **WORSHIP**, In-Person  
7-7:45p Family Bible Class - Sanctuary

Sun Oct 25 9-9:45a Family Bible Class- Sanctuary  
9:15a Radio Sermon: *KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM*  
10:00a **MISSION FESTIVAL WORSHIP**, In-Person or Live Stream

## IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS WANTED** The school is looking for members who would be willing to be called on from time to time to help fill in when a teacher is absent. If you might be able to serve in this way please contact Principal Heinze at 507-404-0782 or by email at [brandan.heinze@immanuelmankato.org](mailto:brandan.heinze@immanuelmankato.org). Thank you!

**HIGH SCHOOL CALL NOMINATIONS** At our upcoming Voters' Meeting the Immanuel Board of Education will be requesting nominations for a full-time Secondary Math/Science teacher to begin the 2021 - 2022 school year. The individual may be asked to teach courses in 7-12 Math/Science and/or Spanish 1/Spanish 2. There are also technology duties as a possibility. The BOE is putting together a call list with the help of the CLC President. Part of this process includes compiling basic biographical information on any individuals who will be nominated. If you have been prayerfully led to nominate someone at the upcoming meeting, please inform BOE Chairman Bennett Olmanson, Principal Brandan Heinze, or Pastor Naumann so that they can include the name and biography on the call list. They are hoping to get the list to our regular Voters' Meeting on October 19. Any voting member of Immanuel can nominate. Non-voters should speak to a voter or a pastor if they would like to nominate. Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

**ERC: SHOULD IMMANUEL RELOCATE?** The Expansion Relocation Committee is re-investigating why certain areas of our current Immanuel campus are problematic. We hope to try to expand on these areas for the congregation in the coming months. Over the years, some of the major concerns the congregation has about our current campus have been:

Parking <> Single Level <> **PRESCHOOL** <> Facility Congestion <> Security <> Storage <> Green Space <> Maintenance & Operational Costs <> Location

- **Preschool**

- **IF added on our current campus** - we would sacrifice other vital space on our property. We would also need to add and update sprinkler systems and remove asbestos.
- **Looking elsewhere** - many of our member and non-member parents are looking for preschool options.
- **No feeder program for Kindergarten** - as families choose pre-schools they are more likely to stay with that school. Most schools see a growth from the addition of a preschool program.
- **Missed outreach opportunity** - when our congregation doesn't offer a service, there is potential for this lost opportunity to share the Gospel in this way.

**Questions to consider:**

Are there ways to resolve these concerns with our current property?

Do you think these areas alone justify moving to a different location?

**More questions?** Would you like to meet and discuss more with one or two of us? Please ask one of our **ERC** members: Dave Busse (chair), Mick Rykhus, Russ Schmitt, Jared Miller, Jason Dick, Scott Kruse, Jim Buckley, Brandan Heinze, Neal Radichel

**ALUMNI SOCCER GAME** Saturday, October 24 at 2 PM, Land of Memories Soccer Field. ILS Soccer Coach Alex Hanel is organizing an Alumni vs. ILS Varsity soccer game, please join us for a fun afternoon of soccer! All former ILS players from all years are welcome to attend! This is an outdoor event, social distancing is recommended on the sidelines for players and fans. If you have questions, and to RSVP, please contact Alex at [alex3124.ah@gmail.com](mailto:alex3124.ah@gmail.com).

**BIBLE STUDIES SERIES** The Committee on Domestic Fields of the CLC (CDF - subcommittee of the Mission Board) has produced a Bible study video series on the Great Commission. The series is designed to be shared in five sessions, one video per session, with discussion questions paired with each video. The videos are roughly 30 minutes in length and address a specific topic involving mission work in light of the Great Commission. Following each video, we'll go through a 15 minute discussion that will encourage us in our local work for Christ. We hope you can make it!

The outline of the series we'll be showing here at Immanuel is as follows:  
Series: The Congregation's Great Commission

- **Video #1: A Gospel Commission** (Mission Festival: Oct 17-18th)
  - *A broad study of each of the Great Commission sections.*

- **Video #2: One Body** (Oct 24-25th)
  - *In what ways can every group, committee, and member work together on Evangelism?*
- **Video #3: Strengthening From Within** (Oct 31- Nov 1st)
  - *The importance of "in reach" within the congregation.*
- **Video #4: Big Picture Mission Work** (Nov 7-8th)
  - *How does a congregation support the work of foreign and domestic synodical mission work?*
- **Video #5: Bringing the Message Home** (Nov 14-15th)
  - *What are some practical tips for developing a mission focus as a congregation?*

**GRADUATION GOWN DONATION** If you have Immanuel graduation gowns in good condition that you would like to donate to the school for other seniors to use, please drop them by the school office. (Only recent graduation gowns please; not the old satin ones.) Thanks!

**THANK YOU BROTHERS AND SISTERS** for the outpouring of your support to us pastors! It was very unexpected to receive so many notes of encouragement and treats from you and your families. We are incredibly blessed to be here at Immanuel, and thank each of you for your love, your prayers, and your friendship! You continue to be in our prayers as we seek to serve our Lord Jesus and all of you!

With appreciation for you all and love for you in Christ,  
Pastor Naumann and Pastor Radichel

**CORRECTION** from last weekend's sermon. In discussing II Kings 6, Elisha led the blinded Syrian soldiers from Dothan to Samaria, not Jerusalem (v. 19-20) as I had said. Glad to be corrected! I'm praying that the point that the incident demonstrated God's power that brought about peace still came across. Lord's blessings! -Pastor Neal

# CLC ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CLC CALLS** Mrs. Bethany Gurgel has received the call to serve as the female part-time on-campus counselor<> June Schmid was called to teach 4<sup>th</sup> grade part-time at Messiah, Lutheran, Eau Claire WI <> Pastor Johnathan Schnose has been called to serve as resident vacancy pastor to Bethel, Morris, MN as well as Redeemer, Bowdle/Zion, Ipswich, SD

**CANDIDATES FOR IMMANUEL PROFESSOR CALL** The Board of Regents for Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary invites "all pastors, professors, male teachers, and voting members of member congregations of the Church of the Lutheran Confession" (CLC Constitution) to nominate an individual or individuals to fill the vacancy which will be created by the retirement of Professor John Reim at the end of the 2020-21 academic year. The position would require someone seminary trained with the ability to teach primarily music, college Greek, and other potential disciplines commencing with the 2021-22 academic year. The person would serve as the director of the mass and tour choirs, potentially teaching piano and organ. Those submitting nominations are strongly encouraged to verify that the individual would be willing to be nominated and would need to include information regarding the nominee's educational background and teaching and/or professional experience, also indicating how the person might help our school in technology expertise, extracurricular activities, or administrative positions. Nominations are to be received by email or letter no later than midnight November 20, 2020 (letters postmarked November 10, 2020) to: Mr. James Burkhardt; 217 Windy Lane; Rockwall, TX 75087; email: [jeb6217@yahoo.com](mailto:jeb6217@yahoo.com).

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

This is last year's mission dollar report... it gives an overview of how Mission Dollars are spent. These balances have changed.



## My Mission Offering

We are privileged to share in the work of God's Kingdom with our sister congregations in the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC). Offerings that are designated for "Missions" are contributions to the *General Fund* of the CLC. These offerings support our mission of sharing the Gospel through Christian Education at Immanuel Lutheran High School, College and Seminary (Regents); funding the business expenses of our church body (Trustees); supporting Christian Education and Publications (Education and Publications); and supporting mission congregations and outreach in North America, Central America, Asia, and Africa.

The CLC budgets the General Fund offerings for the various ministries that we have undertaken as a church body. The budgeted total revenue for this fiscal year (July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020) is \$1,062,900.

## Your Mission Dollar



**Board of Regents** — The CLC subsidizes the Christian education at Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary (ILC) in Eau Claire. The total ILC operating budget is \$1,448,980. The synodical subsidy is 40% of the operating budget. The balance of the operating expenses are funded via student revenue. [www.ilc.edu](http://www.ilc.edu)

**Board of Missions** — Funding for domestic missions (currently five congregations and Traveling Vacation Bible School) and foreign missions (aid to various sister church bodies in foreign fields, two full time missionaries—currently calling for a third, and additional part-time missionaries). [www.lutheranmissions.org](http://www.lutheranmissions.org)

**Board of Education and Publications** — Funding for various publishing projects, the CLC website, and providing resources and encouragement in Christian education. The Board of Education and Publications oversees the synod's periodical magazines and the CLC Book House.

**Additional Funds** have been created to support various efforts in the CLC as offerings allow. None of your Mission offerings go to these funds, however, an offering can be designated for these funds at any time.

**ILC Academic Center** — The Academic Center was built with a 30 year mortgage. The monthly payment on the mortgage is \$7,984. Offerings to the Academic Center are applied to the mortgage. The mortgage balance is: \$1,193,550

**Mission Development Fund (MDF)** — This fund finances various extra-budgetary projects and aid efforts. Examples of MDF projects: Bibles for missions, translations, exploratory mission work, rice aid in India, bicycles, motorcycles, disaster relief.

**Project Kinship** — Project Kinship supports orphans in India, Nigeria, East Africa, Nepal as well as seminary students and pastors' widows.

**Student Aid Fund (SAF)** — This fund supports the grants, loans, and work-study offered to students at ILC in an effort to make the Christian education at ILC as affordable as possible.

**ILC Improvement Fund (IIF)** — These funds are used for larger maintenance and capital improvement projects on the ILC campus and its buildings.

**Church Extension Fund (CEF)** — These resources are loaned to congregations at low mortgage rates for building projects. Mortgage payments replenish the fund.