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Welcome!

We are excited to share the Good News of the Gospel with you! Guests, please sign our guest book in the entry. We invite you to join us again.

1st Sunday after Epiphany

Did you not know that I must be
about My Father's business? *Luke 2:49*

Pre-Service Meditation

Psalm 26 (*Red Hymnal pg. 128*)

Prayer *Lord Jesus, remind us today as we gather together in Your house that You are truly present here through Your Word. Strengthen us through that Word to see how you would have us walk as children of the light. Amen.*

Serving Us Today

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We Prepare to Meet Our Lord

Hymn

4 *Red Hymnal*

God Himself Is Present

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 26: 1-3, 11-12

P: Vindicate me, O LORD, For I have walked in my integrity.

C: **I have also trusted in the LORD; I shall not slip.**

P: Examine me, O LORD, and prove me;

C: **Try my mind and my heart.**

P: For Your lovingkindness is before my eyes,

C: **And I have walked in Your truth.**

P: But as for me, I will walk in my integrity;

C: **Redeem me and be merciful to me.**

P: My foot stands in an even place;

C: **In the congregations I will bless the LORD.**

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!"**

Tune: LSB 820

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

ECCLESIASTES 12: 1-7

Congregational Praise: ♪ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

NEW TESTAMENT READING

ROMANS 12: 1-5

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

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

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH

THE APOSTOLIC 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.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Children (preschool - 2nd grade) are invited to come forward and gather around the pastor in the front of the church.

Hymn

133 *Red Hymnal*

Within the Father's House

His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. **42** And when He was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem according to the custom of the feast. **43** When they had finished the days, as they returned, the Boy Jesus lingered behind in Jerusalem. And Joseph and His mother did not know it; **44** but supposing Him to have been in the company, they went a day's journey, and sought Him among their relatives and acquaintances. **45** So when they did not find Him, they returned to Jerusalem, seeking Him. **46** Now so it was that after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions. **47** And all who heard Him were astonished at His understanding and answers. **48** So when they saw Him, they were amazed; and His mother said to Him, "Son, why have You done this to us? Look, Your father and I have sought You anxiously." **49** And He said to them, "Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?" **50** But they did not understand the statement which He spoke to them. **51** Then He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was subject to them, but His mother kept all these things in her heart. **52** And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

THE FAMILY BUSINESS: SALVATION

- 1) As Outlined in God's Word
- 2) Profits Eternal Reward

*Preaching today Pastor Joe Naumann
Sermon note sheets available in the narthex*

We Offer Ourselves to the Lord

OFFERTORY

Red Hymnal pg 12

♪ 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.

AN OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS TO THE LORD

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

PRAYERS – LORD’S PRAYER

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

Congregational Response: ♪ Amen. Amen. Amen.

Closing Hymn
129 *Red Hymnal*

Hail, Thou Source of Every Blessing

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Serving Us Next Weekend

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Clobes; Hunter Hanel; Jay Hanel; Ty Hanel; Dennis Heinze; Brett Kruse;
Andy Olmanson; Luke Olmanson; Mick Rykhus; Russ Schmitt; Alex
Schmitt; Ron Wollé; Steve Wollé

This Week

- Sat Jan 12 6:00p** **WORSHIP** *with the Lord's Supper*
7:00p Bible Study *in the church basement*
- Sun Jan 13 8:15a** Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
9:00a Bible Study *in the church basement*
9:00a Sunday School - *see online calendar for specific classroom locations*
10:00a **WORSHIP** *with the Lord's Supper*
11:00a Sunday School Teachers Meeting *in the language classroom*
- Mon Jan 14 8:10a** ILS K-6 Devotion *in the sanctuary*
4:30p ILS Basketball Home Game Co-Ed 5-6 vs Immanuel Gaylord
5:30p ILS Basketball Home Game Co-Ed 7-8 vs Immanuel Gaylord
- Tues Jan 15 10:00a** Bible Study, *New Perspective Senior Living, 100 Dublin Road*
3p-5p Pastors' Office Hours
4:00p ILS Grade School Home Game Boys 7-8 vs North Metro
5:00p ILS Basketball Home Game Boys JV vs North Metro
6:30p ILS Basketball Home Game Girls Varsity vs North Metro
6:30p Women's Study Guild *in the church basement*
8:00p ILS Basketball Home Game Boys Varsity vs North Metro
- Wed Jan 16** **Pastor Naumann on vacation through January 23; contact Pastor Radichel**
12:45p Televised **WORSHIP** Service, *Charter #181; Consolidated Communications #7*
5:00p Confirmation Class (for non-ILS students) *in the 7th-8th grade classroom*
- Thu Jan 17 10:00a** Bible Study, *Walnut Towers, 105 E. Walnut Street*
1:30p Bible Study, *Old Main, 301 S. Fifth Street*
5:00p Adult Instruction Class *in the language classroom*
5:00p ILS Basketball Home Game Girls 7-8 vs Hope Christian
5:45p Televised **WORSHIP** Service, *Charter #181; Consolidated Communications #7*
6:00p Church Choir Rehearsal *in the sanctuary*
- Fri Jan 18 6:30a** Men's Breakfast and Bible Study *in the church basement*
8a-10a Pastors' Office Hours
9:30a ILS K-12 Chapel *in the sanctuary*
10:15a Bible Study, *Pathstone, 708 Mound Avenue*
- Sat Jan 19 10:00a** Bible Study, *Primrose, 2nd floor community room, 1360 Adams Street*
6:00p **WORSHIP**
7:00p Bible Study *in the church basement*
- Sun Jan 20 8:15a** Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
9:00a Bible Study *in the church basement*
9:00a Sunday School - *see online calendar for specific classroom locations*
9:45a Grade School Choir Rehearsal *in the 7th-8th grade classroom*
10:00a **WORSHIP**
11:00a Third Sunday Communion *in the pastors' office*

If you have an announcement/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!

Last Week

Gatherings

January 5-6

Saturday Worship: **87**
Sunday Worship: **254**
Weekend Total: **341**

Saturday Bible Study: **31**
Saturday School: **8**
Sunday Bible Study: **38**
Sunday School: **20**
Ambassadors: **8**

January 10

New Perspective Worship: **11**

Bible Studies

Adult Instruction: **10**
Men's Breakfast: **23**
New Perspective: **5**
Old Main: **5**
Walnut Towers: **9**

Fruits of Faith

Immanuel

Benevolent **\$20**
Current Expenses **\$10,257.12**
ILS Foundation **\$22**
ILS Student Aid **\$50**
ILS Tuition Aid **\$40**
Land Purchase **\$115**
Major Improvement **\$784.30**

CLC

Kinship **\$25**
Missions (Cooperative Budget) **\$591**
Mission Development Fund (MDF) **\$320**

In memory of Alvin P. Sieg

CLC Mission Development Fund **\$20**

Immanuel Announcements

ANNUAL REPORTS As soon as reports are ready, please email any annual reports to church@immanuelmankato.org. Please send them by January 16 to be included at the January 21 Voters Meeting.

CHURCH SECRETARY UPDATE We very much appreciate Kym Stelter for the many hours she has spent taking over our Church Secretary position after Sara Nolting moved away. She has also been currently training in other helpers, as well as our new Church Secretary, Hilary Lien. We thank them both for their dedicated willingness to serve our Lord Jesus and us all in this way! Contact info for the church secretary remains the same: church@immanuelmankato.org - 507-345-3027 x223.

PHOTO DIRECTORY If you had a picture taken for the photo directory, you should have received a directory in your mailbox. If you did not and would like to order a photo directory for \$6, we have ordered more copies and there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex entryway. Please place your check to Immanuel in the offering plate clearly labeled on the memo line "Photo Directory" if you are ordering.

MEMBER DIRECTORY With all the work that is going into reaching out to members at this time, we will be working on updating member contact information. Watch for printed member directories in the entryways. Please check your information and make note of changes and/or send changes to the church secretary at 507-345-3027 x223 or at church@immanuelmankato.org.

PASTOR ON VACATION Pastor Naumann and family will be on vacation from January 16 – 23. For pastoral needs during this time, please contact Pastor Radichel at neal.radichel@immanuelmankato.org or at 920-268-8002.

MEMBER MAILBOXES are available for use out in the church narthex entryway. We are working to adjust their height and location to make them easier for all to reach. If you do not see your name or know of a needed change, please let Michelle Stratton 507-387-7043 or Erin Radichel 920-922-3318 know right away. We are looking forward to these mailboxes helping improve communication among us all.

AMBASSADORS WHITEWATER CAMP High school age students are encouraged to go winter camping on February 1-3 at Whitewater State Park. Deadline to register is January 23. Registration fee is \$70 per person, which includes transportation, meals, lodging and utilities. Information packets are available along with a sign-up sheet in the school office or by contacting Amanda Harris at secretary@immanuelmankato.org.

***Whitewater 101:** Whitewater Camp began in 1999 and has been held every year since except one (2008) when summer flooding closed the park for several months. Whitewater is an opportunity for outside play and old-fashioned “wrestlin” in the snow (when snow exists), hiking on the bluffs, relaxing by the fire in the cabin, playing games, studying God’s Word, relaxed time just hangin’ out and visiting with friends both old and new. Whitewater is a chance to “rough it” just a little but not enough to make it hard. Overall, Whitewater is a weekend of fun, adventure, growth and much more!*

CLC Announcements

2019 MIDWEST CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S RETREAT Registration for the retreat opened January 1, is \$75 and is limited to the first 120 applicants. The retreat will be held March 22-24, at the Riverport Inn & Suites in Winona. Registration information can be found at www.ladiesretreat.clclutheran.net. Hotel reservations are separate from retreat registration and can be made by calling (507) 452-0606. Be sure to mention the retreat to get the block rate.

LEGO ROBOTICS SPRING CHALLENGE: 4th - 8th grade students of the CLC are invited to enter the 2019 CLC Lego Robotics Challenge. The Challenge will be held at ILC during the Spring CLC Basketball Tournament, March 8-9. High school or adult teams may be allowed to participate by special request. New this year: Lego Bible Story Challenge. For more information, find a handout in the narthex or contact Lawrence Bade at Lmsbade@gmail.com.

CLC MISSION OPPORTUNITIES PRAYER LIST *January 8, 2019*

Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may run swiftly and be glorified, just as it is with you... 2 Thessalonians 3:1 (NKJV)

1. **Missionary to India** – Our missionary to India is planning a late January return to India. Pray that the Lord will bless his travel plans. Pray that he will have a safe and uneventful trip and that there will be no issues clearing through immigration upon his return to India.
2. **Visiting Missionary** – Missionary Ohlmann departed on Wednesday, January 9th for visits to Tanzania, Zambia, Myanmar, Nepal, and Bangladesh. He will be gone from home for almost nine weeks. He is scheduled to return home in mid-March. Pray for safe and uneventful travel and for his family while he is away.
3. **CLC Mission Helper Program** – The application period for the 2019 trip to India has come to close. The 2019 Mission Helper Team will be announced after the Board of Missions has had an opportunity to approve the applicants for participation. Pray for the volunteers over the next several months as they make preparations to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ to thousands of children in July. Pray also for the pastors and leaders of the CLCI and BELC in India as they prepare to host the 2019 Mission Helper volunteers.
4. **Tanzania** – The leaders of the CLC-Tanzania will meet with Missionary Ohlmann in January to finalize plans before classes begin in February at the newly established Wartburg Lutheran Seminary in Arusha, Tanzania. There are currently twelve men from four districts who are planning to attend. Pray for both students and teachers that the Lord will bless this effort and that He will provide all that is necessary for this important work to go forward.
5. **Zambia** – Missionary Ohlmann will be in Zambia in late January and early February. He will have the opportunity to teach pastoral training seminars in the Lusaka, Livingstone, and Kitwe districts. Pastor Ibrahim has recently moved the headquarters of the CLC-Zambia from Lusaka to Livingstone. They hope to property that can serve as a church, Bible Institute, living quarters, and student dormitory. Pray that the Lord will bless their plans and provide the resources necessary to serve the sheep of God's CLC-Zambia flock and train men to serve as faithful preachers and teachers of His saving word.
6. **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)** – Due to the current political climate, refugee crisis, and on-going armed conflict, it has been a few years since our CLC missionaries have been able to acquire the necessary visa to visit DRC. Leaders of the CLC-D.R. Congo will travel over the border into Zambia in late January to meet with Missionary Ohlmann while he is making his annual visit to the CLC-Zambia.
7. **Myanmar** – Seminars in Kalaymyo and Yangon will be conducted while Missionary Ohlmann visits in February. Pray that the Lord will bless these seminars that many will be strengthened in their faith and that those who hear the truth for the first time will be led by the Holy Spirit to repent and in saving faith rejoice in the forgiveness of sins, salvation, and eternal life through Jesus Christ.
8. **Nepal** – Translation of Luther's Large Catechism into Nepalese has recently been completed and five-hundred copies will be printed and ready for distribution to the pastors

of the HCLC-Nepal in February. The pastors will then begin leading congregations and preaching stations through a study this book. This project was made possible through a grant from the CLC Mission Development Fund (MDF). Thank the Lord for providing the gifts, abilities, and resources to complete this project. Pray that the Lord will bless the study of His word and strengthen the faith of those who are given the opportunity to study this book together with their pastor.

9. **Nepal** – CLC Board of Missions Chairman, Joel Krafft will join Missionary Ohlmann in Nepal in mid-February. Together they will visit several congregations and meet with the pastors and students of the Himalayan Church of the Lutheran Confession of Nepal for a training seminar. While in Nepal they will also have the opportunity to travel to the recently established Dang district to meet with the pastors and students who are training to be faithful preachers and teachers of God's saving word. Pray for safe travels and success in the proclamation of God's saving word.
10. **Bangladesh** – After more than three years of extensive Online Theological Studies correspondence courses, Board of Missions chairman Joel Krafft and Missionary Ohlmann will visit Bangladesh for our first face to face meetings with the president and leaders of the Bangladesh Lutheran Church Mission (BLCM). Pray that the Lord will bless these meetings as we work toward establishing agreement in doctrine.
11. **Nigeria** – Rejoice in the Lord's provision as two men who have successfully completed the five-year seminary course of the NCLC Luther Bible Institute graduated in December. These two men were ordained and assigned to the congregation they will serve. Pray that the Lord will bless their ministry!
12. **Nigeria** – Our brothers and sisters in Christ of the Nigeria-CLC are facing a variety of challenges as they work together to provide both spiritual and bodily care for orphaned children. They are currently working to develop guidelines and policies that are in compliance with the regulations of the Nigeria Ministry of Women and Children's Welfare. If and when they are able to re-open the NCLC Children's Home the CLC Kinship Committee will be involved in providing support for these children. Please pray that the Lord will provide the NCLC the wisdom, compassion, and all that is needed to carry out this important work of love, care, and compassion.
13. **CLC Online Theological Studies** – continue to pray for individuals in the following countries around the world who are studying God's word through email correspondence courses as they continue to train to be faithful preachers and teachers of God's saving word:
 - a. Senegal, West Africa
 - b. D. R. Congo, Central Africa
 - c. Togo, West Africa
 - d. Liberia, West Africa
 - e. Bangladesh, South East Asia
 - f. Zimbabwe, Africa
 - g. Myanmar, South East Asia
 - h. Tanzania, East Africa
 - i. Kenya, East Africa
 - j. Uganda, East Africa

If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. *(Matthew 16:24)*

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The **revive** series looks at a specific portion of God's Word and delves into the meaning and content. It is meant to be both devotional and instructional.

Pillar 2: Review



The **review** series looks at various kinds of popular media such as: movies, books and music and examines the content in the light of God's Word.

Pillar 3: Discuss



The **discuss** series seeks to breath life into topics from a Biblical perspective (CPR). At times, we answer the critical arguments against God's Word.

Pillar 4: Define



The **define** series is the shortest podcast we offer. In 5-7 minutes we strive to explain the definition and application of a Biblical word or concept.