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*Welcome!*

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

*Serving Us This Weekend*

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*Pre-Service Meditation*

**Psalm 31** (pg. 130, Red Hymnal)

*Psalm 31 is a prayer to the LORD in a time of distress and asking for deliverance. In such a time of trouble, Christians realize that it is ONLY the LORD who can save. Trust in and worship of idols is foolish and worthless! We also see in these verses a description of Jesus and His agony on the cross as He is attacked by His enemies without cause, yet trusts in His Father and entrusts His life into His Father's hands.*

# Fourth Sunday in Lent

Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage. *Galatians 5:1*

## ORDER OF SERVICE

*Worship Supplement 2000, pg 22ff*

Opening Hymn  
364 (v. 1-5) *Red Hymnal*

How Sweet the Name  
of Jesus Sounds

### INVOCATION

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

**Pastor (P):** Let us begin our worship of God and His sacrificial service to us in the name of our Triune God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**Congregational Response (C):** ♪ Amen.

### CONFESSION OF SINS & ABSOLUTION

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**P:** God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

**C:** If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

**P:** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C:** If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**P:** Let us pray.

**ALL:** Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.

**P:** Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven. With boldness and confidence we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord!

Hymn  
364 (v. 6-7) *Red Hymnal*

How Sweet the Name  
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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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**P:** Let us pray...

**C:** ♪ Amen.

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

EXODUS 16: 2-16

*When we are not content it is an attack against God. It also drives us to desire foolish things (like wanting to return to Egypt!). We often take our frustration out on others around us (like Moses and Aaron). Are we any different? Not at all. But God still provides food for His people in the wilderness through manna and quail. And God shows His mercy to us as well. The repeated nature of God's mercy on Israel and us shows His love and power.*

Then the whole congregation of the children of Israel complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. **3** And the children of Israel said to them, "Oh, that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat and when we ate bread to the full! For you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." **4** Then the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you. And the people shall go out and gather a certain quota every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My law or not.

**5** "And it shall be on the sixth day that they shall prepare what they bring in, and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily." **6** Then Moses and Aaron said to all the children of Israel, "At evening you shall know that the LORD has brought you out of the land of Egypt. **7** "And in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD; for He hears your complaints against the LORD. But what are we, that you complain against us?" **8** Also Moses said, "This shall be seen when the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening, and in the morning bread to the full; for the LORD hears your complaints which you make against Him. And what are we? Your complaints are not

against us but against the LORD." 9 Then Moses spoke to Aaron, "Say to all the congregation of the children of Israel, 'Come near before the LORD, for He has heard your complaints.'" 10 Now it came to pass, as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. 11 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, 12 "I have heard the complaints of the children of Israel. Speak to them, saying, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. And you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'" 13 So it was that quails came up at evening and covered the camp, and in the morning the dew lay all around the camp. 14 And when the layer of dew lifted, there, on the surface of the wilderness, was a small round substance, as fine as frost on the ground. 15 So when the children of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, "This is the bread which the LORD has given you to eat. 16 "This is the thing which the LORD has commanded: 'Let every man gather it according to each one's need, one omer for each person, according to the number of persons; let every man take for those who are in his tent.'"

## CHURCH CHOIR

## GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD

*"God So Loved the World" from "The Crucifixion". Comp. John Stainer.  
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*God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,  
That whoso believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting  
life.*

*For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world;  
But that the world through Him might be saved.*

## GOSPEL READING

JOHN 6: 1-15

*Jesus uses the need of the people as a teaching opportunity, but the disciples miss the point of what Jesus is going to do. Jesus provides for all the people using just a small amount of food. There is even more left over than what they begin with! The response of the people is both good and bad. They confess that Jesus is The Prophet foretold, but want to make Him their physical, earthly king.*

After these things Jesus went over the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. 2 Then a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His signs which He performed on those who were diseased. 3 And Jesus went up on the mountain, and there He sat with His disciples. 4 Now the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. 5 Then

Jesus lifted up His eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?" 6 But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do. 7 Philip answered Him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little." 8 One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Him, 9 "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?" 10 Then Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. 11 And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks, He distributed them to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted. 12 So when they were filled, He said to His disciples, "Gather up the fragments that remain, so that nothing is lost." 13 Therefore they gathered them up, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. 14 Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, "This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world." 15 Therefore when Jesus perceived that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, He departed again to the mountain by Himself alone.

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

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

## **OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH**

## **SECOND ARTICLE**

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.

Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not hear the law? **22** For it is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman, the other by a freewoman. **23** But he who was of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and he of the freewoman through promise, **24** which things are symbolic. For these are the two covenants: the one from Mount Sinai which gives birth to bondage, which is Hagar **25** for this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children **26** but the Jerusalem above is free, which is the mother of us all. **27** For it is written: "Rejoice, O barren, You who do not bear! Break forth and shout, You who are not in labor! For the desolate has many more children Than she who has a husband." **28** Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are children of promise. **29** But, as he who was born according to the flesh then persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, even so it is now. **30** Nevertheless what does the Scripture say? "Cast out the bondwoman and her son, for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman." **31** So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman but of the free. **5:1** Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.

## A perplexing family problem - solved by Christ

1. One son was born as a result of <b>doubting</b> the promise <i>(man's way)</i>	2. One son was born as a result of <b>inheriting</b> the promise <i>(God's way)</i>
<u>Ishmael</u> <i>(Abraham's son of Hagar his servant)</i>	<u>Isaac</u> <i>(Abraham's son of Sarah his wife)</i>
Born naturally (v23)	Born miraculously (v23)
Born into slavery (v24-26)	Born free (v24-26)
Born through human meddling (v30-31)	Born through God's promise (v28-29)

*Preaching today Pastor Neal Radichel  
Sermon note sheets available in the narthex*

## 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*

Offering Meditation: **Judas** (N. Radichel)  
*See screen for lyrics*

Offering Hymn  
151 (v. 1, 7) *Red Hymnal*

Christ, the Life of All the Living

## PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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**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.**

## BENEDICTION

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*A benediction is a short, concise statement given in the Bible in the form of a petition, an assurance, a promise or principle. It voices images of protection, or comfort, or abundance, or some other word of assurance. The word benediction means to say good, to voice good thoughts, to pronounce. What makes good thoughts good is that they are based on Truth, based on the Word of God.*

**P:** Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord, as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue.

**C:** ♪ **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

*[2 Peter 1:2,3]*

Closing Hymn  
736 (v. 1-3) *Tan Hymnal*

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

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# Last Week

## Gatherings

### March 23-24

Saturday Worship: 73

Sunday Worship: 222

Weekend Total: 295

Saturday Bible Study: 24

Saturday School: 12

Sunday Bible Class: 35

Sunday School: 33

### March 27

1 pm Worship: 40

6 pm Worship: 149

### Bible Studies

Adult Instruction: 7

Men's Breakfast: 28

New Perspective: 10

Old Main: 7

Primrose: 6

Walnut Towers: 9

Wednesday Confirmation: 8

## Fruits of Faith

### Immanuel

Benevolent \$10

Current Expenses \$12,432.38

*Weekly Need \$13,435.07*

ILS Foundation \$10

ILS Student Aid \$100

ILS Tuition Aid \$40

Land Purchase \$160

Major Improvement \$72

Mission Helper \$90

### CLC

Kinship \$200

Missions (Cooperative Budget) \$530

*Weekly Need \$1,235.05*

Mission Development Fund (MDF) \$335

### In memory of Donald Schweim

Bleacher Replacement \$20

### In memory of Ron Roehl

Undesignated \$10

### In memory of Amanda Madson

Undesignated \$10

## Did you know?

Offerings specifically designated to “**School Student Aid**” provide tuition scholarships for students wishing to attend Immanuel Lutheran School. Families with students in our school pay tuition. At times, families have difficulty meeting the tuition costs for their children. It is our prayer that any student wishing to attend our school will be able to do so without financial hardship.

**From the Board of Finance:** The first months of 2019 were challenging for consistent church attendance--bad roads, cancelled services, cold, .... This likely contributed to our \$15,000 deficit in offerings at the end of February. This is a larger deficit than the same time last year, a year with a very large deficit in November/December (which the Lord graciously moved us to overcome). We would like to avoid the situation this year. Therefore, we encourage you to review your contribution budget, to see if winter has affected your goals for giving. If you would like periodic contribution statements from the Financial Secretary during the year instead of one year-end annual statement, please contact Douglas Schaller at [financial.secretary@immanuelmankato.org](mailto:financial.secretary@immanuelmankato.org) or at 507-625-5700 to schedule additional statements. Thank you.



# This Week

- Sat Mar 30 6:00p WORSHIP**  
7:00p **NO** Bible Study  
7:00p Arts Camp Show *in the gym*
- Sun Mar 31 Food Shelf Sunday: donations accepted in the church office entry or offering plate**  
8:15a Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM  
9:00a Bible Study (Current Events Q & A) *in the church basement*  
9:00a Sunday School - see *online calendar* for specific classroom locations  
10:00a **WORSHIP**  
11:00a Outreach Committee Meeting *in the social studies room*
- Mon Apr 1 Pastors at CLC Area Pastors Study in Fridley, MN – available via cell phone**  
8:10a ILS K-6 Devotion *in the church sanctuary*
- Tues Apr 2 9:30a Bible Study, New Perspective Senior Living, 100 Dublin Road**  
3p-5p Pastors Office Hours  
5:30p Expansion Relocation Committee Meeting *in the pastors' offices*
- Wed Apr 3 12:45p Televised WORSHIP Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Communications #7**  
1:00p Lent **WORSHIP**  
5:00p Confirmation Class (for non-ILS students) *in the 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade classroom*  
6:00p Lent **WORSHIP**
- Thu Apr 4 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*  
5:45p Televised **WORSHIP** Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Communications #7  
6:00p Church Choir Rehearsal *in the sanctuary*
- Fri Apr 5 6:30a Men's Breakfast and Bible Study in the church basement**  
8a-10a Pastors' Office Hours  
8a Elders Team Meeting *in the basement conference room*  
9:30a ILS K-12 Chapel *in the sanctuary*
- Sat Apr 6 10:00a Bible Study, Primrose, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor community room, 1360 Adams Street**  
6:00p **WORSHIP with the Lord's Supper**  
7:00p Bible Study *in the church basement*
- Sun Apr 7 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**

## Serving Us Midweek

PASTOR Neal Radichel ♦ DEACON Ron Wolle (1pm) Logan Wendt (6pm)  
ORGANIST Karla Olmanson (1pm) Colleen Matzke (6pm) ♦ SOUND Craig Stelter ♦ SCREEN Cliff Kuehne (1pm) Russ Schmitt (6pm) ♦ FLOWERS Mark Stelter & Kristen Friedrichs ♦ USHERS Council

# *Serving Us Next Weekend*

PASTOR Joe Naumann ♦ DEACON Logan Wendt ♦ ORGANIST Grace Schreyer ♦ SOUND Craig Stelter ♦ VIDEO Tony Harris ♦ SCREEN Russ Schmitt ♦ FLOWERS Viv Hanel ♦ HEAD USHER Karl Friedrichs ♦ ASSISTANT Kyle Hulke ♦ USHERS Aaron Busse; Matt Hagen; Allen Hansen; Andrew Lentz; Richard Lueck; Gary Mittelsteadt; Alan Olmanson; Brent Schreyer; Ben Stratton; Tim Williams

## *Immanuel Announcements*

**ARTS CAMP 2019** is March 29-31. All are welcome to attend the show to be held on Saturday, **March 30**, at 7 pm, in the gym. [www.ImmanuelMankato.org/school/arts-camp](http://www.ImmanuelMankato.org/school/arts-camp)

**MEMORIAL PLANTS FOR THE ALTAR ON EASTER** Women's Study Guild is offering 2 types of 6-inch potted plants to adorn the altar on Easter. If interested in purchasing plants, please sign up in the entry way. Lilies are available for \$8 each and tulips are available for \$13 each. **The deadline to order is this Sunday, March 31.** Questions? Email [StudyGuild@ImmanuelMankato.org](mailto:StudyGuild@ImmanuelMankato.org) or call Katie Dick at 612-616-4600.

**CEMETERY CLEAN-UP DAY** The Pilgrims Rest Cemetery Board scheduled the annual cemetery cleanup day on **April 6** (backup date April 27) starting at 9 am. We will be doing general garbage cleanup, branch and leaf removal, raising lot markers and flat stones, and leveling of the grounds. Please bring rakes, shovels, and/or wheelbarrows. Lunch will be provided around 11:30 and depending on the number of volunteers, we will be done 1:30-2:00 pm. Questions, contact Tony Harris 507-382-3081 or Scott Kruse 507-317-0699.

**INVITATION: Apologetics Seminar** All are invited to an Apologetics Seminar in the church basement on **April 12**, from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Matt Starland, a member of Berea Lutheran Church in Inver Grove Heights, MN, will be presenting.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Church Cleaning Day** is scheduled for **April 13** from 8 am – 1 pm. Lunch is a potluck with WSO Division 3 assisting with serving. A master cleaning list will be posted in case you are not able to help on April 13, but can come on your own schedule to assist. Questions, contact a member of the property board as listed below.

Chairman Kyle Hulke 507-382-7335

Matt Hagen 507-327-4188

Jesse Cornish 507-382-7545

Charles Olmanson 507-351-0754

Joe Friedrichs 507-380-7521

Mick Rykhus 507-380-1653

**AMBASSADORS EVENT** High school age students are invited for pizza, games and a devotion in the church basement on **April 13**, from 2:00 – 5:00 pm.

**EASTER PANCAKE BREAKFAST** will be **April 21**, from 8:00 - 9:30 am. Per tradition, the men of the congregation prepare and serve. All men wishing to assist are welcome. For more information, contact Daryl Pischner 507-340-4143, Mark Stelter 507-381-3308 or Larry Hartman 507-345-6139.

**BANQUET RSVP** If you received an invitation in your church mailbox for the ILHS Junior/Senior Banquet, please RSVP at [secretary@immanuelmankato.org](mailto:secretary@immanuelmankato.org) or by calling or texting Paula at 507-720-1174. Due to a meal count deadline, **RSVP's will not be accepted after April 23**. Prepayment is preferred. Make checks payable to *Immanuel Student Funds*.

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** Immanuel is hosting a Red Cross blood drive on **April 25** in the narthex (not the gym) from 12 pm – 5 pm. To make an appointment, call 800-733-2767 or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter ImmanuelELC. Mara Heinze is coordinating and is looking for 2-4 volunteers to help with check-in and the canteen. Please call 507-382-4331 if interested in volunteering.

**NEEDED: Newspapers** The ILS junior class needs your old newspapers. Please drop them off in the school office. Thank you.

**NEEDED: Altar Flower Volunteers** The altar flower sign-up for May through October is now posted on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the narthex. Please consider volunteering. Questions? Email [StudyGuild@ImmanuelMankato.org](mailto:StudyGuild@ImmanuelMankato.org) or call Kristen Friedrichs at 507-382-5257.

**WHAT DO YOU THINK...** The Deacons are interested in feedback about a number of recent efforts (mailboxes, service music, nametag Sunday, etc.) A half sheet survey was placed in everyone's mailboxes and extra copies are available in the narthex. Please leave your feedback in the drop box in the narthex.

## **OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT CLC MISSION HELPER TRIP**

My name is Abigail Stelter, I am a senior at ILHS. I Am very excited that God has opened a door of opportunity for me to be a part of the CLC Mission Helper Trip this coming summer! As you can well imagine, the financial cost of such service to the Lord is rather large. The cost of the trip is approximately \$3,000 - \$3,500. With the help of my home church and my own personal savings, have put up a portion of the trip but there is still a large sum left in food, lodging, and travel expenses still needed. I am asking for your assistance to help me cover part of the cost for this trip as well as your prayers on behalf of myself, the other volunteers, and the many lost souls who will be reached with the Gospel. Anything you are able to give will be greatly appreciated and put to good use in the Lord's Kingdom.

**CARD DISPLAY** Women's Study Guild would like to remind everyone that there are Easter, graduation and Mother's Day cards available for \$0.50 each in the card display located in the church office entryway.

**HELP YOURSELF** There is a box of Church Service and School Programs on VHS and Cassette tapes in the narthex. Members are welcome to take any of them home! Any remaining tapes will be discarded at the end of the month.

