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Welcome 1

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

PASTOR Neal Radichel ♦ DEACON Daniel Pfeiffer ORGANIST Viv Hanel ♦ SOUND Brent Schreyer ♦ VIDEO Paul Bode SCREEN Cliff Kuehne ♦ FLOWERS Grace Schreyer HEAD USHER Paul Bade ♦ ASSISTANT Justin Mueller USHERS Brandan Heinze; Scott Kruse; Todd Kruse; David Lueck; Bennett Olmanson; Daniel Pfeiffer; Daryl Pischner; Mike Schweim; Dale Spear; Philip Stelter; Logan Wendt

Serving Us Next Weekend

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

Therefore, you now have sorrow; but I will see you again and your heart will rejoice, and your joy no one will take from you. John 16:22

Pre-Service Meditation

Psalm 66 (Red Hymnal pg 136)

Prayer: My faithful Creator, Counselor, and Father, I pray that you would rescue my soul from distraction, disappointment, grudges, guilt, and pride while I am in Your house today. Lift me up in my heart knowing the love You have shown to me through Jesus Christ my Savior. Teach me how to pray in His name and that His will be done. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

ORDER OF SERVICE

We Prepare to Meet Our Lord

Opening Hymn 459 (v. 1-5) *Red Hymnal*

Come, My Soul, Thy Suit Prepare

INVOCATION

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

Pastor (P): We begin our worship service today in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation (C): ightharpoonse 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.
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- P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
- C: ightarrow 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 66: 10-12

- P: You, O God, have tested us;
- C: You have refined us as silver is refined.
- P: You brought us into the net;
- C: You laid affliction on our backs.
- P: You have caused men to ride over our heads;
- C: We went through fire and through water; But You brought us out to rich fulfillment.
- 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: \checkmark And with your spirit.
- P: Let us pray...
- C: 🎝 Amen.

Our Lord Speaks to Us

OLD TESTAMENT READING

ISAIAH 40: 26-31

Isaiah points us to the power of God who does hear our cry for help, and who gives strength as we live in this world of sin. There may be times that we are tempted to think that God doesn't see or know what we are facing in our lives. But He does! He offers us strength to face the troubles of this life through His almighty power which is seen in the work of Jesus' death and Calvary and His resurrection from the dead. His strength is ours in Christ.

26 Lift up your eyes on high, And see who has created these things, Who brings out their host by number; He calls them all by name, By the greatness of His might And the strength of His power; Not one is missing. **27** Why do you say, O Jacob, And speak, O Israel: "My way is hidden from the LORD, And my just claim is passed over by my God "? **28** Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the LORD, The Creator of the ends of the earth, Neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable. **29** He gives power to the weak, And to those who have no might He increases strength. **30** Even the youths shall faint and be weary, And the young men shall utterly fall, **31** But those who wait on the LORD Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

C: 👌 Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

EPISTLE READING

1 PETER 2: 11-20

- C: ♪ Glory be to You, O Lord!
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Because we live in a sinful world, we will face many hardships and even evil. This can discourage us, and our flesh often wants to retaliate. But Peter reminds us that, as Christians, we are called to glorify God by loving and serving others as He has loved and served us, even when we are mistreated or taken advantage of.

Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul, **12** having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation. 13 Therefore submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake, whether to the king as supreme, 14 or to governors, as to those who are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and for the praise of those who do good. 15 For this is the will of God, that by doing good you may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men 16 as free, yet not using liberty as a cloak for vice, but as bondservants of God. 17 Honor all people. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king. 18 Servants be submissive to your masters with all fear, not only to the good and gentle, but also to the harsh. 19 For this is commendable, if because of conscience toward God one endures grief, suffering wrongfully. 20 For what credit is it if, when you are beaten for your faults, you take it patiently? But when you do good and suffer, if you take it patiently, this is commendable before God.

C: ♪ Praise be to You, O Christ!

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH

THE 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.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

SERMON MEDITATION

JOHN 16: 16-24

sermons and services online at <u>www.ImmanuelMankato.org</u>

"A little while, and you will not see Me; and again a little while, and you will see Me, because I go to the Father." 17 Then some of His disciples said among themselves, "What is this that He says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see Me; and again a little while, and you will see Me'; and, 'because I go to the Father '?" 18 They said therefore, "What is this that He says, 'A little while '? We do not know what He is saying." 19 Now Jesus knew that they desired to ask Him, and He said to them, "Are you inquiring among yourselves about what I said, 'A little while, and you will not see Me; and again a little while, and you will see Me '? 20 "Most assuredly, I say to you that you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; and you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will be turned into joy. 21 "A woman, when she is in labor, has sorrow because her hour has come; but as soon as she has given birth to the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. 22 "Therefore you now have sorrow; but I will see you again and your heart will rejoice, and your joy no one will take from you. 23 "And in that day you will ask Me nothing. Most assuredly, I say to you, whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you. 24 "Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

"A little while" with Jesus goes a long way!

1. Preparing for SORROW with Prayer

2. Perceiving His JOY through Prayer

OFFERTORY

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 457 *Red Hymnal*

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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: "I AM" by Nyamer Riek

I Am He says, I Am He says, I Am Jesus Christ your Lord. Fear not, for I've been with you, Since the day you were born. Now don't forget my child, What I have done for your soul. For I Am He says, I Am He says I Am Jesus Christ your Lord.

He came down from up above To save us all from our sins. He came as a little baby, What a marvelous thing this is. He came down to spread the gospel, And to preach His good news. Some didn't believe and hated. He later on was then accused.

He later died on the cross, Because they didn't believe in this. Jesus Christ our One True Savior. What a wonderful name it is. Now we wait for the second coming, Whatever day that might be. When we join him up in heaven, If we truly believe.

Hymn	
441 (v. 1-2) Red Hymnal

We Give Thee But Thine Own

SPECIAL PRAYERS - GENERAL PRAYER - 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.

Dur Lord Blesses Us

BENEDICTION

GOD'S BLESSING OF HIS PEOPLE

Congregational Response: 🔎 Amen. Amen. Amen.

Closing Hymn 459 (v. 6-7) *Red Hymnal*

Come, My Soul, Thy Suit Prepare

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Last Week

Gatherings

May 4-5 Saturday Worship: 66 Sunday Worship: 283 Weekend Total: 349

Sunday Bible Study: **48** Sunday School: **37**

Worship

New Perspective: 12

Bible Studies

Adult Instruction: 3 Men's Breakfast: 25 Old Main: 4 New Perspective: 8 Primrose: 5 Walnut Towers: 8 Wedn. Confirmation: 6 Fruits of Faith Immanuel Benevolent \$25 Current Expenses \$10,377.29 Weekly Need \$13,105.13 ILS Foundation \$10 ILS Smart Boards \$50 ILS Student Aid \$120 ILS Tuition Aid \$80 Land Purchase \$155 Major Improvement \$592 Mission Helper \$200

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KINSHIP **\$75** Missions (Coop Budget) **\$778** *Weekly Need \$1,195.09* Mission Development Fund (MDF) **\$282**

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

This Week

Sat	Мау	11		WORSHIP Bible Study in the church basement
Sun	May	12	Happy 8:15a 9:00a 9:00a	Mother's Day! Radio Sermon: <i>KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM</i> Bible Study <i>in the church basement</i>
Mon	Мау	13	CLC Ar 8:10a	rea Pastors Study in Inver Grove Heights, MN ILS K-6 Devotion in the church sanctuary
Tues	Мау	14	6:30p 7:00p 7:00p	Bible Study, New Perspective Senior Living, 100 Dublin Road Pastors Office Hours Deacons' Meeting in the basement conference room Board of Education Meeting in the high school language classroom Property Board Meeting in the church basement Finance Board Meeting Council Meeting in the church basement
Wed	Мау	15		Televised WORSHIP Service, <i>Charter</i> #181; <i>Consolidated Communications</i> #7 Confirmation Class (for non-ILS students) in the 7 th -8 th grade classroom
Thu	May	16	1:30p 5:45p	Bible Study, Walnut Towers, 105 E. Walnut Street Bible Study, Old Main, 301 S. Fifth Street Televised WORSHIP Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Communications #7 Church Choir Rehearsal in the sanctuary
Fri	Мау	17	6:30a 8a-10a 10:15a 11:00a	St Day of School Year 2018-2019 Men's Breakfast and Bible Study <i>in the church basement</i> Pastors' Office Hours WORSHIP, <i>Pathstone, 708 Mound Avenue</i> WORSHIP, <i>Autumn Grace, 118 Raven Court</i> Worship Team Music Practice <i>in the church sanctuary</i> <i>Any interested members are welcome!</i>
Sat	Мау	18	10:00a 10:00a	Church Basement Reserved ILS Graduation, <i>in the church sanctuary</i> Bible Study, <i>Primrose, 2nd floor community room, 1360 Adams Street</i> WORSHIP Third Sunday Communion <i>in the pastors' offices</i> Bible Study <i>in the church basement</i>
Sun	Мау	19		Radio Sermon: <i>KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM</i> Bible Study <i>in the church sanctuary</i> Sunday School - see online calendar for specific classroom locations WORSHIP Third Sunday Communion <i>in the church sanctuary</i> Pastor Rollin Reim Graveside Committal <i>at the New Ulm Cemetery</i>

Immanuel Announcements

CARD DISPLAY There are **graduation** and **Mother's Day** cards available for \$0.50 each in the card display located in the church office entryway.

ILS ART FAIR Come check out the ILS Art Fair in the church basement. It will be set up from 2:45 pm Thursday, **May 9**, through Monday, **May 13**.

ILS GRADUATION All are invited to the graduation service for the ILS high school seniors on Saturday, **May 18**, at 10 am, in the church sanctuary.

INVITATIONS: *Graduation Open Houses* All are invited to the celebrate the following ILS high school graduates:

- > Lynae Casto, Saturday, May 18, 1 4 pm, 28013 Cedar Trail Ct, Cleveland
- Emma Busch, Saturday, May 18, 2 5 pm, 424 Cardinal Dr, Mankato
- Mara Wheaton, Sunday, May 19, 11 am 2 pm, 233 Pinehurst Dr; Mankato
- Nikolai Becker, Sunday, May 19, 4 8 pm, 56966 Juneau Rd, Mankato
- > Abbi Stelter, Sunday, May 19, 5 9 pm, 141 Hidden Oaks Circle, Mankato

CHURCH PICNIC Immanuel's annual Church Picnic will take place at Tourtellotte Park on **May 27**, after the Memorial Day Service at Pilgrim's Rest Cemetery. The main dish will be provided, so please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Please plan to bring your own seating or picnic blankets for eating. Lawn games will be provided for children. All are encouraged to wear an Immanuel shirt if they have one. We look forward to seeing everyone!

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY PLANS We will not hold weekend Bible Class or Sunday School this summer starting June 8-9. Weekend Bible Class and Sunday School will resume this fall. Instead, all are invited on **Wednesdays at 5:30 pm to a family Bible Study** followed by an optional (bring your own) picnic at a local park. Park locations will be announced in the bulletin and in the online church calendar.

Other summer study opportunities include:

- Marriage Built to Last: a 6-week study on Saturdays starting May 25 at 10 am in the Church Basement. Childcare will be available.
- Perceptive Parenting with Jesus: a 5-week study on Saturdays starting July 6 at 10 am in the Church Basement. Childcare will be available.

Watch the weekly and online calendars for all study opportunities.

INTERACTIVE DISPLAY FUND The school is looking at replacing the SMART boards within the next 2 years with Interactive Displays. The estimated cost of replacement is \$38,000. The voters have setup a fund for contributions for this purpose. If you are interested in helping the school with the funding needed to make this upgrade, you can designate an offering to the *Interactive Display Fund*. If you have any questions about the new interactive displays or our current SMART boards, feel free to contact Mr. Brandan Heinze (brandan.heinze@immanuelmankato.org).

CHURCH CLEANING There are a handful of items on the list that have not been completed. If able to help out on your own schedule, please see the list in the narthex. Be sure to mark items off when completed.

NEEDED: *Plastic Jars* The Property Board is in need of plastic wide mouth jars. Peanut butter or jam jars work best. Jars can be dropped off in the church or school offices.

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 and listed below. Please consider volunteering for one of the open opportunities. Questions? Email <u>StudyGuild@ImmanuelMankato.org</u> or call Kristen Friedrichs at 507-382-5257.

May 11/12 Grace Schreyer May 18/19 ILS Class of 2019 May 25/26
May 30 (Ascension)
June 1/2 June 8/9 June 15/16 June 22/23 Grace Schreyer June 29/30
July 6/7 July 13/14 Daryl Pischner July 20/21 Viv Hanel July 27/28 Allen Hansen

August 3/4	
August 10/11	Karla Olmanson
August 17/18	Viv Hanel
August 24/25	Allen Hansen

Aug 31/Sept 1	
September 7/8 Daryl Pischner	
September 14/15	
September 21/22	
September 28/29	
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CLC Announcements

INVITATION: Committal Service

The committal service for Pastor Rollin Reim is scheduled for 3:00 pm on Sunday, **May 19**, at St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery in New Ulm, MN. The service will be conducted by one of his former pastors and our current Pastor Neal Radichel.

"O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

CLC CALL NEWS Berea member Christy Moen, has accepted the call to serve as Pre-School and Kindergarten teacher at Berea Lutheran School (Inver Grove Heights, MN) for the 2019-2020 school year. <> Prince of Peace of Loveland has called Pastor Paul Krause. <> Teacher Josh Ohlmann (Grace, Sleepy Eye) has returned the call to Holy Trinity, West Columbia, SC. <> Seminary Graduate Samuel Naumann has accepted the Call to serve Resurrection Lutheran Church, Corpus Christi, TX. <> ILC Teacher Graduate Nathan Buck has accepted the call to Valley Bible Academy - St. John's Lutheran Church, Clarkston, WA. **TRAVELING VBS** The TVBS committee has finalized the 2019 destinations. Teams will be going to California, Michigan, Nebraska, Washington, and Milwaukee, WI. If you are interested in volunteering and/or for more information, visit <u>http://www.clctvbs.org/tvbs</u>.

ARISE AND SHINE RETREAT registration is open This year's theme is Confidence. In the post-truth age that we live in, so many have a hard time knowing what to believe. The Lord does not want us to have uncertainty but rather calls us to be confident in His Word and the salvation which He has won. This 20's and 30's retreat is **June 13-16**, in Pillager, MN. Cost is \$140 per adult; \$100 per child. For more info, visit: <u>http://ariseandshineretreat.com</u>.

THE BRANCHES is a CLC Christian Women's magazine which is published quarterly. Subscriptions are available for the 2019-2020 subscription year (July through June). The Branches staff prays that, through this publication, we serve:

- to encourage you in your personal and family Bible study
- to edify you in your daily walk with Christ
- to provide a means to use and share your God-given gifts
- to celebrate and reflect upon God's gift of Christian sisters, near and far

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