



# *Immanuel Lutheran*

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# *Advent*

## *First Sunday*

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## *Welcome!*

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

## *Serving Us This Week*

PASTOR Joe Naumann ♦ DEACON Paul Bade ♦ ORGANIST (Sat) Colleen Matzke  
(Sun) Bonnie Cornish ♦ SOUND Craig Stelter ♦ VIDEO Tony Harris  
SCREEN Russ Schmitt ♦ FLOWERS Grace Schreyer & Katie Dick  
GREETERS (Sat) \_\_\_\_\_ (Sun) Pfeiffers ♦ HEAD USHER Karl Friedrichs  
ASSISTANT Kyle Hulke ♦ USHERS Aaron Busse; Mac Friedrichs; Matt Hagen;  
Andrew Lentz; Austin Lien; Gary Mittelsteadt; Kyle Ochsner; Alan Olmanson;  
Leif Olmanson; Alex Schmitt; Brent Schreyer; Collin Schreyer; Ted Schreyer;  
Ben Stratton; Ross Theneman; Tim Williams

### MIDWEEK SERVICE

PASTOR Joe Naumann ♦ SOUND, FLOWERS & USHERS same as above  
1 PM: DEACON Ron Wolle ORGANIST Karla Olmanson SCREEN Cliff Kuehne  
6 PM: DEACON Jason Dick ORGANIST Grace Schreyer SCREEN Russ Schmitt

This is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

*Jeremiah 33:16*

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## *Pre-Service Meditation*

Psalm 45 (pg 134, TLH - Red Hymnal)

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, As I look forward to Your second coming, remind me today of the greatness of Your first coming. Through Your perfect life, innocent death, and glorious resurrection, You have won eternal life for me and for all believers. Remind me of this important truth throughout my earthly life until You come again to take me to Yourself. Amen!

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## *Order of Service*

Hymn 701 *WS2000 (Tan Hymnal)*  
Prepare the Royal Highway

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

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**Pastor (P):** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation (C):** ♪ Amen!

### OUR CONFESSION OF SINS

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**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.

ALL: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended You. I justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for my sins and sincerely repent of them. I pray that You would of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: ♪ Amen.

## *We Praise our Lord*

### RESPONSIVE READING PSALM 45:1-7

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P: My heart is overflowing with a good theme; I recite my composition concerning the King;

C: **My tongue is the pen of a ready writer.**

P: You are fairer than the sons of men; Grace is poured upon Your lips;

C: **Therefore God has blessed You forever.**

P: Gird Your sword upon Your thigh, O Mighty One

C: **With Your glory and Your majesty.**

P: And in Your majesty ride prosperously because of truth, humility, and righteousness;

C: **And Your right hand shall teach You awesome things.**

P: Your arrows are sharp in the heart of the King's enemies;

C: **The peoples fall under You.**

P: Your throne, O God, is forever and ever;

C: **A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom.**

P: You love righteousness and hate wickedness; Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You

C: **With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.**

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.

Isaiah, mighty seer in days of old,  
The Lord of all in spirit did behold  
High on a lofty throne, in splendor bright,  
With robes that filled the temple courts with light.

Above the throne were flaming seraphim;  
Six wings had they, these messengers of Him.  
With two they veiled their faces as was right,  
With two they humbly hid their feet from sight,  
And with the other two aloft they soared;  
One to the other called and praised the Lord:

“Holy is God, the Lord of heav’nly hosts!

Holy is God, the Lord of heav’nly hosts!

Holy is God, the Lord of heav’nly hosts!

His glory fills the heavens and the earth!”

The beams and lintels trembled at the cry,  
And clouds of smoke enwrapped the throne on high.

P: Let us pray...

C: ♪ Amen.

## *Our Lord Speaks to Us*

### GOSPEL READING LUKE 1:1-25

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Inasmuch as many have taken in hand to set in order a narrative of those things which have been fulfilled among us, **2** just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word delivered them to us, **3** it seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write to you an orderly account, most excellent Theophilus, **4** that you may know the certainty of those things in which you were instructed. **5** There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judea, a certain priest named Zacharias, of the division of Abijah. His wife was of the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. **6** And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments

and ordinances of the Lord blameless. **7** But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and they were both well advanced in years. **8** So it was, that while he was serving as priest before God in the order of his division, **9** according to the custom of the priesthood, his lot fell to burn incense when he went into the temple of the Lord. **10** And the whole multitude of the people was praying outside at the hour of incense. **11** Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing on the right side of the altar of incense. **12** And when Zacharias saw him, he was troubled, and fear fell upon him. **13** But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for your prayer is heard; and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. **14** "And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth. **15** "For he will be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink. He will also be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. **16** "And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God. **17** "He will also go before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah, 'to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children,' and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord." **18** And Zacharias said to the angel, "How shall I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife is well advanced in years." **19** And the angel answered and said to him, "I am Gabriel, who stands in the presence of God, and was sent to speak to you and bring you these glad tidings. **20** "But behold, you will be mute and not able to speak until the day these things take place, because you did not believe my words which will be fulfilled in their own time." **21** And the people waited for Zacharias, and marveled that he lingered so long in the temple. **22** But when he came out, he could not speak to them; and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple, for he beckoned to them and remained speechless. **23** And so it was, as soon as the days of his service were completed, that he departed to his own house. **24** Now after those days his wife Elizabeth conceived; and she hid herself five months, saying, **25** "Thus the Lord has dealt with me, in the days when He looked on me, to take away my reproach among people."

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

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### EPISTLE READING COLOSSIANS 1:12-23

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

Giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. **13** He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His

love, **14** in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. **15** He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. **16** For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. **17** And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. **18** And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence. **19** For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell, **20** and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross. **21** And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled **22** in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight-- **23** if indeed you continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and are not moved away from the hope of the gospel which you heard, which was preached to every creature under heaven, of which I, Paul, became a minister.

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

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## CONFESSION OF FAITH THE NICENE CREED

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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn 55 TLH (Red Hymnal)  
Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come

SERMON JEREMIAH 33:14-18 ESV

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"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. **15** In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. **16** In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.' **17** "For thus says the LORD: David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel, **18** and the Levitical priests shall never lack a man in my presence to offer burnt offerings, to burn grain offerings, and to make sacrifices forever."

## The LORD Identifies the Promised Savior

1. A Descendant of David
2. An Executor of Righteousness
3. A King on David's Throne
4. A Priest in the LORD's Presence

*Preaching today Pastor Joe Naumann  
services online at [www.ImmanuelMankato.org](http://www.ImmanuelMankato.org)*

## *We Offer Ourselves to the Lord*

### OFFERTORY TLH (RED HYMNAL) PG 22

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

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- ♪ 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 Thy free spirit. Amen.

## 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*

### PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

# *Our Lord Gives Himself to Us*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: ♪ We lift them up unto the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: ♪ It is meet and right so to do.

P: It is truly fitting, right, and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God: . . . Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

♪ Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Your glory; hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!

P: Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed by 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.

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### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always!

♪ Amen. O Christ, the Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, the Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.



O Christ, the Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the world, grant us Your peace. Amen.

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## DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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**Our Practice of Close Communion:** *We believe that God desires unity of faith and confession among all who commune together. All communicant members of Immanuel and of our sister congregations in the CLC (Church of the Lutheran Confession) are welcome at the Lord's Table. If there are visitors present who wish to commune with us in the future, you are invited to speak with the Pastor about this at your convenience. For more information, pick up the tract from the narthex titled "Why Close Communion."*

**Communing:** *Members who have difficulty at the kneeling rail may sit in the front pew on either side. The pastors will bring communion to you there. Any communicants sitting in the balcony should please come down to the narthex for direction to the table. Communicants are ushered to the communion table. If you desire the bread in your hand, simply extend your hand to the Pastor as he approaches you with the bread. Those desiring an individual cup, please take a cup when the tray is offered. The common cup will immediately follow. Please dispose of your individual cup in the baskets located behind each pillar or in the center aisle.*

### Communion Hymns

704 WS2000 (*Tan Hymnal*)  
371 TLH (*Red Hymnal*)

Oh Lord, How Shall I Meet You  
Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

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## NUNC DIMITTIS *Song of Simeon (Luke 2: 29-32)*

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♪ Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace according to Your word. For my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared before the face of all people. A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Your people Israel. 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.

## *Our Lord Blesses Us*

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### BENEDICTION *A Good Word or Blessing.*

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Congregational Response: ♪ Amen. Amen. Amen.

# Closing Hymn 68 *TLH (Red Hymnal)* The Advent of Our King

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## *Last Week*

### Gatherings

#### November 23-24

Saturday Worship: 162  
 Sunday Worship: 222  
 Weekend Total: 384  
 Sunday Bible Class: 32  
 Sunday School: 25  
 Ambassadors: 7

#### November 27-28

Wednesday Worship: 117  
 Thursday Worship: 106

### Bible Studies

Jail (Women's): 10  
 Primrose: 7  
 Realife: 10

### Fruits of Faith

|                   | Current Expenses | Missions (CBP) |
|-------------------|------------------|----------------|
| ■ <b>Received</b> | <b>\$8,510</b>   | <b>\$586</b>   |
| ■ <b>Needed</b>   | <b>\$17,179</b>  | <b>\$1,966</b> |

#### Immanuel

Benevolent \$2  
 ILS Foundation \$77  
 ILS Interactive Display Fund \$25  
 ILS Student Aid \$70  
 ILS Tuition Aid \$40  
 Land Purchase \$95

#### CLC

KINSHIP \$45  
 Mission Development Fund (MDF) \$105

#### Thanksgiving \$7,900.87

#### In memory of Mary Timm

Sunday School \$2,000

#### In memory of Pastor John Johannes

Mission Development Fund (MDF) \$25

## *Serving Us Next Week*

PASTOR Joe Naumann ♦ DEACON Paul Bade ♦ ORGANIST Kristen Friedrichs  
 SOUND Brent Schreyer ♦ VIDEO Paul Bode ♦ SCREEN Russ Schmitt  
 FLOWERS Grace Schreyer & Katie Dick ♦ GREETERS (Sat) Pischners (Sun) Liens  
 HEAD USHER Paul Bade ♦- ASSISTANT Justin Mueller  
 USHERS Jesse Cornish Sr; Orrin Gessner; Brandan Heinze; Scott Kruse;  
 Todd Kruse; Evan Matzke; Jared Mueller; Bennett Olmanson; Daniel Pfeiffer;  
 Daryl Pischner; Mike Schweim; Dale Spear; Philip Stelter; Jeff Strand; Logan Wendt

# This Week

- Sat Nov 30 6:00p WORSHIP *with the Lord's Supper*  
7:00p Bible Study *in the church basement*  
7:00p Sunday School *in the Kindergarten room*
- Sun Dec 1 9:00a Bible Study *in the church basement*  
9:00a Sunday School *in designated classrooms*  
9:15a Radio Sermon: *KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM*  
10:00a WORSHIP *with the Lord's Supper*  
11:00a Church Choir Practice *in the sanctuary*
- Mon Dec 2 Have a **blessed week!**
- Tues Dec 3 9:00a Bible Study, *New Perspective Senior Living, 100 Dublin Road*  
9:00a Bible Study, *Realife, 50 Teton Lane*  
3p-5p Pastors Office Hours  
3:30p ILS Home BB Game Boys JV vs Willmar *in the gym*  
5:00p ILS Home BB Game Girls Varsity vs Willmar *in the gym*  
5:30p Expansion Relocation Committee Meeting, *pastors' offices*  
7:00p ILS Home BB Game Boys Varsity vs Willmar *in the gym*  
7:00p Outreach Committee Meeting, *language classroom*
- Wed Dec 4 12:45p Televised WORSHIP Service, *Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7*  
1:00p **Advent WORSHIP**  
4:00p Public School Catechism Class *in the pastors' offices*  
6:00p **Advent WORSHIP**
- Thu Dec 5 9:00a Bible Study, *Walnut Towers, 105 E. Walnut Street*  
1:30p Bible Study, *Old Main, 301 S. Fifth Street*  
5:45p Televised WORSHIP Service, *Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7*  
7:00p ILS Fall Awards
- Fri Dec 6 6:30a Men's Breakfast and Bible Study *in the church basement*  
8-9:30a Pastors' Office Hours  
8:10a Christmas Eve Practice *in the church sanctuary*  
9:30a ILS K-12 Chapel *in the church sanctuary*  
3:00p Worship Music Practice *in the church sanctuary*
- Sat Dec 7 10:00a Bible Study, *Primrose, Fireplace Community Rm, 1360 Adams St*  
6:00p **WORSHIP**  
7:00p Bible Study *in the church basement*  
7:00p Sunday School *in the Kindergarten room*
- Sun Dec 8 9:00a Bible Study *in the church basement*  
9:00a Sunday School *in designated classrooms*  
9:15a Radio Sermon: *KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM*  
10:00a **WORSHIP**  
11:00a Church Choir Practice *in the sanctuary*

# Immanuel Announcements

**THANK YOU** to everyone who helped decorate the church for Christmas and thank you to Trudy Dackins & Women's Study Guild for providing poinsettias.

**NEEDED: Volunteers for ILS PTO fundraiser** Last year, PTO raised almost \$1,000 for our school at the Kiwanis Holiday Lights. Help us do that again!

Concessions We need 5 people from 4:40 – 9 pm on **Thursday, December 5**.

Night at the park Our volunteer night will be **Thursday, December 26**, from 4:40 – 9 pm. We will be looking for 8 volunteers ages 16 or older (more if we split shifts).

Clean-Up We need at least 3 volunteers (ages 12 and older) to help with taking down the lights and displays on **January 1, 4, or 5**. Plus 1 volunteer to remove the decorations from the ILS Christmas tree the morning of January 1.

Ready to volunteer? Contact Sarah Kruse at email: [sarah.kruse@mnsu.edu](mailto:sarah.kruse@mnsu.edu); text: 507-380-6018; phone/voice messages: 507-625-3512. When arriving at the park, sign in and list Immanuel Lutheran School Mankato as your organization so we get credit.

**INVITATION: A Family Christmas Party** has been planned at Daryl and Cindy Pischner's place on Friday, December 20, from 6-9pm. We're planning on hot cider and hot chocolate, live music and singing, and sled rides around the farm depending on the weather. Bring a snack or dessert to share. Hope you can make it!

**CHRISTMAS EVE PRACTICE** Our Christmas Eve program will be holding practices during the Sunday School/Bible Study hour at 9 am on the two Sundays before Christmas, **December 15 and 22**. Please expect to see the children practicing if you arrive to service early. The chairs will be moved before the 10 am services start.

## ADULT BAPTISM

Brandon John Rose was baptized into the Holy Christian Church on November 26, by Russ Schmitt.

*For you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. Gal. 3:26-27*

# CLC Announcements

**CLC CALL NEWS** Redeemer of Bowdle/Zion of Ipswich has called Pastor Norman Greve, St. Peter's, Iron River, MI. <> Mr. Steve Sydow has returned the call extended to him by Berea, Sioux Falls, SD. <> Pastor Paul Tiefel, Jr., Messiah, Eau Claire, has been called by Bethel, Morris, MN.

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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!