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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) Vickie Schreyer
(Sun) Viv Hanel ♦ 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

MIDWEEK SERVICE

PASTOR Neal Radichel ♦ SOUND, FLOWERS & USHERS same as above
1 PM DEACON Gary Hanel ORGANIST Kristen Friedrichs SCREEN Cliff Kuehne
6 PM DEACON Mark Stelter ORGANIST Kristen Friedrichs SCREEN Russ Schmitt

Behold, you will conceive in your
womb and bring forth a Son and
shall call His name JESUS.

Luke 1:31

Pre-Service Meditation

Psalm 22 (pg 127, TLH - Red Hymnal)

Prayer: How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear! It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds, and drives away his fear. It makes the wounded spirit whole and calms the troubled breast; 'tis manna to the hungry soul and to the weary, rest. Amen. (TLH #364:1-2)

Order of Service

We Prepare to Meet our Lord

Hymn 65 (v. 1-4) TLH (Red Hymnal)
When Sinners See Their Lost Condition

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 22:22-26

P: I will declare Your name to My brethren;

C: **In the midst of the assembly I will praise You.**

P: You who fear the LORD, praise Him! All you descendants of Jacob, glorify Him,

C: **And fear Him, all you offspring of Israel!**

P: For He has not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted;

C: **Nor has He hidden His face from Him; But when He cried to Him, He heard.**

P: My praise shall be of You in the great assembly;

C: I will pay My vows before those who fear Him

P: The poor shall eat and be satisfied;

C: Those who seek Him will praise the LORD. Let your heart live forever!

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!"

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 MICAH 4:1-7

Now it shall come to pass in the latter days That the mountain of the LORD'S house Shall be established on the top of the mountains, And shall be exalted above the hills; And peoples shall flow to it. **2** Many nations shall come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, And we shall walk in His paths." For out of Zion the law shall go forth, And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. **3** He shall judge between many peoples, And rebuke strong nations afar off; They shall beat their swords into plowshares, And their spears into pruning hooks; Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, Neither shall they learn war any more. **4** But everyone shall sit under his vine and under his fig tree, And no one shall make them afraid; For the mouth of the LORD of hosts has

spoken. **5** For all people walk each in the name of his god, But we will walk in the name of the LORD our God Forever and ever. **6** "In that day," says the LORD, "I will assemble the lame, I will gather the outcast And those whom I have afflicted; **7** I will make the lame a remnant, And the outcast a strong nation; So the LORD will reign over them in Mount Zion From now on, even forever.

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

EPISTLE READING ROMANS 2:1-16

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

Therefore, you are inexcusable, O man, whoever you are who judge, for in whatever you judge another you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things. **2** But we know that the judgment of God is according to truth against those who practice such things. **3** And do you think this, O man, you who judge those practicing such things, and doing the same, that you will escape the judgment of God? **4** Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and long suffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance? **5** But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, **6** who "will render to each one according to his deeds": **7** eternal life to those who by patient continuance in doing good seek for glory, honor, and immortality; **8** but to those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness--indignation and wrath, **9** tribulation and anguish, on every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek; **10** but glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. **11** For there is no partiality with God. **12** For as many as have sinned without law will also perish without law, and as many as have sinned in the law will be judged by the law **13** (for not the hearers of the law are just in the sight of God, but the doers of the law will be justified; **14** for when Gentiles, who do not have the law, by nature do the things in the law, these, although not having the law, are a law to themselves, **15** who show the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and between themselves their thoughts accusing or else excusing them) **16** in the day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel.

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

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 are invited to come forward and gather around the pastor in the front of the church.

Hymn 712 WS2000 (Tan Hymnal)
What Child Is This

SERMON LUKE 1:26-38

Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, **27** to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. **28** And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!" **29** But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was. **30** Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. **31** "And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS. **32** "He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. **33** "And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." **34** Then Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I do not know a man?" **35** And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God. **36** "Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her

who was called barren. 37 "For with God nothing will be impossible."
38 Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

JESUS: THE NAME THAT DOES THE IMPOSSIBLE

1. The Virgin Will Conceive

2. The Fearful Will Find Favor

Preaching today Pastor Joe Naumann
services online at www.ImmanuelMankato.org

We Offer Ourselves to the Lord

OFFERTORY TLH (RED HYMNAL) PG 12

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, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Hymn 114 *TLH (Red Hymnal)*
Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love

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 Blesses Us

BENEDICTION A Good Word or Blessing.

Congregational Response: ♪ Amen. Amen. Amen.

Closing Hymn 364 *TLH (Red Hymnal)*
How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

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Last Week

Gatherings

November 30 –December 1

Saturday Worship: 79

Sunday Worship: 171

Weekend Total: 250

Saturday Bible Class: 11

Saturday School: 5

Sunday Bible Class: 22

Sunday School: 15

Ambassadors: 10

December 4

1 pm Worship: 22

6 pm Worship: 143

Wednesday Total: 165

Bible Studies

Men's Breakfast: 28

New Perspective: 9

Old Main: 7

Realife: 9

Walnut Towers: 8

Fruits of Faith

	Current Expenses	Missions (CBP)
■ Received	\$7,382	\$15,793
■ Needed	\$17,179	\$1,966

Immanuel

ILS Foundation \$15

ILS Interactive Display Fund \$25

ILS Student Aid \$275

ILS Tuition Aid \$40

Land Purchase \$145

Advent \$1,798.82

Thanksgiving \$20

CLC

KINSHIP \$50

Mission Development Fund (MDF) \$415

Did you know?

Current Expenses: Offerings designated for “Current Expenses” provide the money necessary to fund our church. These offerings are used to pay the salaries of our workers, to cover the costs of utilities, maintenance, and insurance for our property, and to provide the funds necessary for our radio ministry and other local outreach efforts. This fund is currently running a significant deficit for the 2019 fiscal year. Please consider your ability to contribute.

Major Improvement Fund: Offerings designated to the “Major Improvement Fund (MIF)” help with major repair and replacement costs for our physical property. For instance, MIF funds will pay for re-roofing projects, carpet replacement, and heating and cooling system updates among other major improvements to our facility.

This Week

- Sat Dec 7** 6:00p **WORSHIP**
7:00p Bible Study in the church basement
7:00p Saturday 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
- Mon Dec 9** 7:00p ILS Christmas Concert in the sanctuary
- Tues Dec 10** **ILS Late Start at 10 am**
9:00a Bible Study, New Perspective Senior Living, 100 Dublin Road
9:00a Bible Study, Realife, 50 Teton Lane
3p-5p Pastors Office Hours
6:00p ILS Home BB Game Boys Varsity vs Nicollet in the gym
6:30p Deacons' Meeting in the basement conference room
7:00p Board of Education Meeting in the language classroom
7:00p Property Board Meeting in the church basement
7:30p Finance Board Meeting in the pastors' offices
8:00p Council Meeting in the church basement
- Wed Dec 11** 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 12** 9:00a Bible Study, Walnut Towers, 105 E. Walnut Street
10:00a **WORSHIP**, New Perspective, 100 Dublin Road
1:15p ILS Spelling Bee in the church basement—all are welcome!
1:30p Bible Study, Old Main, 301 S. Fifth Street
5:00p Jail Ministry Meeting in the pastors' offices
5:45p Televised **WORSHIP** Service, Charter#181; Consolidated Comm #7
- Fri Dec 13** 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
6:00p ILS Home BB Game Girls Varsity vs Victory Christian in the gym
7:30p ILS Home BB Game Boys Varsity vs Victory Christian in the gym
- Sat Dec 14** 9:00a Worship Music Practice in the church sanctuary
10:00a Bible Study, Primrose, Fireplace Community Rm, 1360 Adams St
1p-4p Ambassadors Curling Outing, 600 Hope St
6:00p **WORSHIP** followed by 3rd Sunday Communion
7:00p Bible Study in the church basement
7:00p Saturday School in the Kindergarten room

Sun Dec 15 9:00a Bible Study in the church basement
9:00a Christmas Eve Practice in the church sanctuary
9:15a Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
10:00a **WORSHIP** followed by 3rd Sunday Communion
Note: ILS Grade School sings
11:00a Church Choir Practice in the sanctuary

Serving Us Next Week

PASTOR Neal Radichel ♦ DEACON Logan Wendt ♦ ORGANIST Vickie Schreyer
SOUND Evan Matzke ♦ VIDEO Vern Frank ♦ SCREEN Cliff Kuehne
FLOWERS Grace Schreyer & Katie Dick ♦ GREETERS (Sat) _____ (Sun) Busches
HEAD USHER Fred Friedrichs ♦ ASSISTANT John Heinze
USHERS Niko Becker; Joshua Clobes; David Clobes; Austin Hanel; Hunter Hanel;
Jay Hanel; Ty Hanel; Dennis Heinze; Brett Kruse; David Lueck; Andy Olmanson;
Luke Olmanson; Peter Olmanson; Mick Rykhus; Russ Schmitt; Alex Schmitt;
Ron Wolle; Steve Wolle

Immanuel Announcements

FROM JAYSYDOW:

Dear Members of Immanuel Lutheran Church

After prayerful consideration, I have decided to decline the call to Immanuel Lutheran School. At this time, I believe the Lord has other plans for my family and me. I want to thank you for the prayers you have extended to our family. Your school still holds a special place in my heart for the years I taught there. I will continue to pray for your school as you try to fill the teaching vacancy. In service to our Lord, Jay Sydow

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.

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

GREETER PROGRAM The Outreach Committee has established a greeter program to help reach out and welcome our visitors. Members are encouraged to introduce any visitors to the scheduled greeter. There are still a few openings if you are interested in joining this outreach opportunity. For more info, please contact Daniel Pfeiffer (507-304-3473).

STILL 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!

Directing Traffic 6 more volunteers (16 and older) are still needed for our ILS volunteer night on **Thursday, December 26**, from 4:40 –9 pm. We can split shifts if you cannot be there the full time.

Clean-Up 2 more volunteers (ages 12 and older) are still needed to help with taking down the lights and displays on **January 1, 4, or 5**.

Contact person To sign up or for more info, contact Sarah Kruse at email 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 fundraising credit.

REGISTRATION OPEN: *White water Winter Camp*

Attention High School Freshmen through College Sophomores. Join us **January 24-26, 2020**, (Check in Friday 2 pm - Check out Sunday 11 am) for Whitewater XXI Winter Camp. Registration is first come, first served with a deadline no later than January 15. Questions can be directed to Matthew Busch (507-720-4531 mbusch1@isd77.org) or Pastor Neal Radichel (920-268-8002 nealradichel@gmail.com) Find the Info Packet and Schedule at <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QAKuoY9M3aWTS3nXxfbeBpiWnBWFVZ2U9flar6Vr0/edit?usp=sharing>

HOLIDAY GREETING CARDS Women's Study Guild has updated the card display in the church office entry so it now includes Thanksgiving and Christmas cards. Cards are available for purchase for 50 cents each.

AVAILABLE: *Books for gifts, personal joy & growth.* What a great idea! Nothing could be better than a devotional and original Christian poetry (the last 30 pages are devoted to Christmas time) written to give all glory to God. These writings are available in the back entry at Immanuel, through the ILC Book House and from the author: L Dale Redlin: Phone 507-625-2572 or email hope-dale@uno.com

CLC Announcements

CLC CALL NEWS The CLC Call Committee for Educational Institutions has called Pastor John Hein to serve as professor at Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire.

NOMINATIONS FOR ILC PRESIDENT The Board of Regents invites nominations for the office of President of Immanuel Lutheran College. The current term of Professor Steven Sippert concludes on June 30, 2020. He has requested that he not be considered for another term. We thank him for his faithful service in this key administrative function at our campus. All pastors, professors, male teachers, and voting members of the CLC are entitled to nominate a man from the faculty of Immanuel Lutheran College to serve a two-year term beginning July 1, 2020. Nominations are to be received by email or letter

no later than midnight **February 15, 2020** (extended deadline; letters postmarked February 1, 2020) to: Mr. James Burkhardt; 217 Windy Lane; Rockwall, TX 75087; email: jeb6217@yahoo.com.

2020 CLC MISSION HELPER TRIP TO NEPAL The CLC Mission Helper Program is now accepting applications for the 2020 trip to Nepal in July. This trip will be limited to eight volunteers so please apply early. An online application and more information can be found at www.MHT.LutheranMissions.org

2021 ISRAEL TRIP Pastor Mayhew in Sleepy Eye, MN, is hosting a trip to Israel on **January 13-22, 2021**, with a possible three-day extension to Jordan for those interested. The trip will visit Caesarea, Mt. Carmel, Nazareth, Cana, Capernaum, Jerusalem, the Dead Sea, En Gedi and more. It will visit the traditional sites of many of the events in Jesus's ministry as well as those of the prophets and apostles. This is a wonderful opportunity to see the places which we read about in the Scriptures and where God brought His plan of salvation to completion through the life and the death of Jesus. More info can be found in the church entry or by contacting Pastor Mayhew at 404-729-4602 or ndmayhew@att.net.

FROM KIM MCKENNEY November 25, 2019

"But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." Colossians 3:14-17 (NKJV)

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you so much for remembering me and my family with your generous gifts during the last few months. What a blessing from the LORD! I want to especially thank you for remembering me and my family in your prayers. Once again, my heart overflows with thanksgiving to the LORD and also to all of you! Please know that your gifts have been used for God's glory and also for our many expenses.

I am humbled by and greatly appreciate your outpouring of Christian love, care and concern. What a blessed fellowship and faith that we share in the Triune God! May our LORD bless you and keep you in His care and in the One True Faith!

We continue to keep all of you in our prayers. And if you are able, please remember me and my family in your prayers. The LORD has given us great strength and comfort and we ask that you pray that it continues.

In Christian Love and Fellowship,

Kim McKenney—Becky, Kevin Jr., Ryan, Jacob and Mikayla

If you have an announcement or 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!