

Immanuel Lutheran

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First Sunday after

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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 Mark Stelter ♦ ORGANIST Viv Hanel SOUND Craig Stelter ♦ VIDEO Alan Olmanson ♦ SCREEN Rachael Hanel FLOWERS Grace Schreyer & Katie Dick ♦ GREETERS (Sat) _____ (Sun) _____ USHERS Council Members

NEW YEAR'S EVE

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NEW YEAR'S DAY

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A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel.

Luke 2:32

Pre-Service Meditation

Psalm 8 (pg. 124, TLH - Red Hymnal)

Prayer: My heart for very joy doth leap, My lips no more can silence keep; I, too, must sing with joyful tongue That sweetest ancient cradle-song: Glory to God in highest heaven, who unto us His Son hath given! While angels sing with pious mirth A glad new year to all the earth. Amen! (TLH 85:14-15)

Order of Service

Worship Supplement 2000, pg. 22ff

Hymn 106 (v. 1, 4-7) *TLH (Red Hymnal)* The People That in Darkness Sat

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!

CONFESSION OF SINS & ABSOLUTION

- 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!

PSALM OF THE DAY PSALM 96

Worship Supplement (Tan Hymnal) page 26

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: Let us pray...
- C: ♪ Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING ISAIAH 11:1-5

There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots. **2** The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD. **3** His delight is in the fear of the LORD, And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, Nor decide by the hearing of His ears; **4** But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, And decide with equity for the meek of the earth; He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, And with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked. **5** Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, And faithfulness the belt of His waist.

IMMANUEL ADULT CHOIR "HE IS BORN!"

NEW TESTAMENT READING HEBREWS 2:9-16

But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. 10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. 11 For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one, for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren, 12 saying: "I will declare Your name to My brethren; In the midst of the assembly I will sing praise to You." 13 And again: "I will put My trust in Him." And again: "Here am I and the children whom God has given Me." 14 Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. 16 For indeed He does not give aid to angels, but He does give aid to the seed of Abraham.

- P: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- C: ♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

CONFESSION OF FAITH 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.

Hymn 139 *TLH (Red Hymnal)* In His Temple Now Behold Him And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. 26 And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. **27** So he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law, 28 he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said: 29 "Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, According to Your word; 30 For my eyes have seen Your salvation 31 Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples, 32 A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel." 33 And Joseph and His mother marveled at those things which were spoken of Him. 34 Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, "Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against 35 "(yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

What Child is This?

1. The Christ Who Was Predicted and Expected

2. The Christ Who Brings Peace and a Sword

Preaching today Pastor Joe Naumann services online at <u>www.ImmanuelMankato.org</u>

Hymn 712 WS2000 (Tan Hymnal) What Child Is This

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

PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION A Good Word or Blessing.

Congregational Response: 1 Amen. Amen. Amen.

Closing Hymn 90 (v. 1, 2, 7, 8) *TLH (Red Hymnal)* Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising

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Gatherings

December 21-22 Saturday Worship: 77 Sunday Worship: 294 Weekend Total: 371 Saturday Bible Class: 13 Saturday School: 3 Sunday Bible Class: 38 Sunday School: --Ambassadors: 5 December 24 610

December 25 248

Last Week

Fruits of Faith

Immanuel Current Expenses \$14,902.81 Weekly Need for the Remainder of 2019: \$49,000

Advent \$38 Benevolent \$20 Christmas Day \$15,156.64 Christmas Eve \$13,109.87 ILS Bleacher Fund **\$16** (from aluminum cans) ILS Foundation \$55 ILS Interactive Display Fund \$30 ILS Preschool Fund \$50 ILS Student Aid \$50 ILS Tuition Aid \$40 Land Purchase \$115 Major Improvement \$20 CLC Missions (Cooperative Budgeted Plan CBP) \$659 Weekly Need for the Remainder of 2019: \$2,300 KINSHIP \$25 Mission Development Fund (MDF) \$122

FROM THE BOARD OF FINANCE

We are behind on our 2019 giving goal. This gap in giving is a significant amount of money to make up over the remaining services in 2019. Please take time to consider your giving.

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 Dec 28	6:00p 7:00p 7:00p	WORSHIP Bible Study in the church basement Saturday School in the Kindergarten room
Sun Dec 29	9:00a 9:00a 9:15a 10:00a 11:00a	nelf Sunday: donations accepted in the church office entry or offering plate Bible Study in the church basement Sunday School in designated classrooms Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM WORSHIP Church Choir Practice in the sanctuary Voters Meeting in the church basement The agenda includes: (1) Teacher call; (2) Board of Ed: 2019 Budget Increase Request; (3) Compensation Committee update.
Mon Dec 30 ILS Christmas Break - classes resume on January 6		
Tues Dec 31	9:00a 9:00a 6:00p	Bible Study, New Perspective Senior Living, 100 Dublin Road Bible Study, Realife, 50 Teton Lane WORSHIP: New Year's Eve with the Lord's Supper
Wed Jan 1		WORSHIP: New Year's Day Televised WORSHIP Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7
Thu Jan 2	9:00a 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 Comm #7
Fri Jan 3	6:30a 8-9:30a 4:00p 5:30p	Men's Breakfast and Bible Study <i>in the church basement</i> Pastors' Office Hours ILS Home Basketball Game Girls Varsity vs Victory Christian ILS Home Basketball Game Boys Varsity vs Victory Christian
Sat Jan 4	9:00a 10:00a 6:00p 7:00p 7:00p	Worship Music Practice in the church sanctuary Bible Study, Primrose, Fireplace Community Rm, 1360 Adams St WORSHIP with the Lord's Supper Bible Study in the church basement Saturday School in the Kindergarten room
Sun Jan 5	9:00a 9:00a 9:15a 10:00a 11:00a	nnual Reports due Bible Study in the church basement Sunday School in designated classrooms Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM WORSHIP with the Lord's Supper Church Choir Practice ??in the sanctuary?? Christmas Undecorating in the sanctuary
Mon Jan 6		ses resume ILS Home Basketball Games <i>in the gym</i> Grade School teams vs Trinity Janesville

Serving US Next Week

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Immanuel Announcements

STILL NEEDED: Volunteers for ILS PTO fundraiser 2 more volunteers (ages 12 and older) are needed to help with taking down the lights and displays on January 1, 4, or 5. To sign up or for more info, contact Sarah Kruse at email <u>sarah.kruse@mnsu.edu</u>; 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.

CHURCH CHRISTMAS UNDECORATING Please stay after the 10 am service on Sunday, January 5, to help us undecorate the sanctuary. Many hands make light work and your assistance would be appreciated!

HELPERS NEEDED We are looking for more volunteers to:

- 1) show slides for the worship services (contact: Cliff Kuehne 385-0696) and
- 2) video-record the worship services particularly the midweek services (contact: Alan Olmanson 344-0328).

Neither of these tasks are very complicated to do, but we would like to have a few more people to help if possible! Please contact the respective individuals above for more info.

CLC Announcements

CLC CALL NEWS Pastor Jim Albrecht, St. John's, Okabena, MN, has returned the call extended to him by Berea, Sioux Falls, SD. <> Pastor Caleb Schaller, Messiah, Eau Claire, WI, has received the call to serve Trinity, Spokane, WA. <> Pastor Mike Wilke, Gethsemane, MI, has received the call to serve Redeemer, Bowdle, and Zion, Ipswich, SD.

LAST CALL: Spain Student Trip in May 2020 We are looking for a few more interested travelers of any age to accompany us as we travel around Spain. Unused air seats will be given up January 15. Please contact Paula Stelter askpaula@poinsettiatravel.com or Prof. Joel Gullerud joel.gullerud@ilc.edu quickly if you are interested in this physically active and fun student trip. Thanks so much and we hope you are able to join us. We welcome guestions if you are unsure...