



# *Immanuel Lutheran*

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# *Festival of Epiphany*

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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 Neal Radichel ♦ DEACON Logan Wendt ♦ ORGANIST Colleen Matzke

♦ VIDEO Tony Harris ♦ SCREEN Cliff Kuehne

FLOWERS Karla Olmanson ♦ GREETERS (Sun) Pfeiffers

COMMUNION WARE (Sat) Williams (Sun) Pfeiffer/Hoffman; Schreyer/Mueller

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

## *Serving Us Next Week*

PASTOR Joe Naumann ♦ DEACON Daniel Pfeiffer ♦ ORGANIST Grace Schreyer

♦ VIDEO Paul Bode ♦ SCREEN Russ Schmitt

FLOWERS Karla Olmanson ♦ GREETERS (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

# Pre-Service Meditation

Psalm 150 (pg.157, TLH - Red Hymnal)

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## Order of Service

Hymn 127 TLH (Red Hymnal)  
As with Gladness

**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 150

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P: Praise the LORD! Praise God in His sanctuary; Praise Him in His mighty firmament!

**C: Praise Him for His mighty acts; Praise Him according to His excellent greatness!**

P: Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet; Praise Him with the lute and harp!

**C: Praise Him with the timbrel and dance; Praise Him with stringed instruments and flutes!**

P: Praise Him with loud cymbals; Praise Him with clashing cymbals!

**C: Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD!**

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** ISAIAH 42:1-9

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**1** "Behold! My Servant whom I uphold, My Elect One in whom My soul delights! I have put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth justice to the Gentiles. **2** He will not cry out, nor raise His voice, Nor cause His voice to be heard in the street. **3** A bruised reed He will not break, And smoking flax He will not quench; He will bring forth justice for truth. **4** He will not fail nor be discouraged, Till He has established justice in the earth; And the coastlands shall wait for His law." **5** Thus says God the LORD, Who created the heavens and stretched them out, Who spread forth the earth and that which comes from it, Who gives breath to the people on it, And spirit to those who walk on it: **6** "I, the LORD, have called You in righteousness, And will hold Your hand; I will keep You and give You as a covenant to the people, As a light to the Gentiles, **7** To open blind eyes, To bring out prisoners from the prison, Those who sit in darkness from the prison house. **8** I am the LORD, that is My name; And My glory I will not give to another, Nor My praise to carved images. **9** Behold, the former things have come to pass, And new things I declare; Before they spring forth I tell you of them."

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

## **EPISTLE READING** MATTHEW 3: 1-12

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

**1** In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, **2** and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" **3** For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah, saying: "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the LORD; Make His paths straight.'" **4** And John himself was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist; and his food was locusts and wild honey. **5** Then Jerusalem, all Judea, and all the region around the Jordan went out to him **6** and were baptized by him in the Jordan, confessing their sins. **7** But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "Brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from

the wrath to come? **8** "Therefore bear fruits worthy of repentance, **9** "and do not think to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I say to you that God is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones. **10** "And even now the ax is laid to the root of the trees. Therefore every tree which does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. **11** "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. **12** "His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather His wheat into the barn; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."

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

## **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 81 *Lutheran Worship v. 1,2,5 (Blue Hymnal)* When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known**

**Vs.1** When Christ's appearing was made known, King Herod trembled for his throne: But he who offers heavn'ly birth  
Seeks not the kingdoms of this earth

**Vs.2** The eastern sages saw from far, And followed on his guiding star  
By light their way to light they trod, And by their gifts confessed their God.

**Vs.5** For this His glad epiphany All glory onto Jesus be,  
Whom with the Father we adore, And Holy Ghost forevermore.

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## SERMON ROMANS 3:19-22

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**19** Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. **20** Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin. **21** But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, **22** even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe.

### **The Audible Effects of Christmas Rings Out**

**Sermon Part 1: The Law shuts my mouth so I can listen to Him**    **Sermon Part 2: The Gospel opens my heart so I can praise Him.**

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

**Hymn 129 TLH (Red Hymnal)  
Hail Thou Source of Every Blessing**

## *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.*

♪ **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 THANKSGIVING**

*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** *"You are my all in all"* by [Dennis Jernigan](#)

Words below (*as always, sing along if you'd like*)

You are my strength when I am weak, You are the treasure that I seek  
You are my all in all, Seeking You as a precious jewel  
Lord to give up I'd be a fool, You are my all in all  
**Jesus Lamb of God, worthy is Your name**  
**Jesus Lamb of God, worthy is Your name**  
Taking my sin my cross my shame, Rising again I bless your name  
You are my all in all, When I fall down you pick me up  
When I am dry You fill my cup, You are my all in all

## 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.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**Congregation (sings):** And with your spirit.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**Congregation (sings):** We lift them up unto the Lord.

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

**Congregation (sings):** It is meet and right so to do.

Pastor: 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:

**Congregation (sings):** 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!

Pastor: The Lord's Prayer

**Congregation (sings):** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

♪ **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.**

## 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

621 LSB

311 TLH (*Red Hymnal*)

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior

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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 343 TLH (*Red Hymnal*)

### How Lovely Shines the Morning Star

V. 1,2,6,7

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## *Last Week*

### Gatherings

December 28-29

Saturday Worship: 86

Sunday Worship: 198

Weekend Total: 284

Saturday Bible Class: 15

### Fruits of Faith

Immanuel

Current Expenses **\$13,535.00**

*Weekly Need for the Remainder of 2019: \$49,000*

Benevolent **\$90.00**

ILS Foundation **\$1,050.00**

Saturday School: 4  
Sunday Bible Class: 21  
Sunday School: 12  
Ambassadors: 2

**December 31** : 125

**January 1** : 92

**Bible Studies**

Walnut Towers: 8

Old Main: 9

Men's Breakfast: 18

ILS Interactive Display Fund **\$35.00**

ILS Preschool Fund \$

ILS Student Aid **\$100.00**

ILS Tuition Aid \$

Land Purchase **\$80.00**

Major Improvement \$

New Year's Day **\$1,223.02**

New Year's Eve **\$5,877.51**

**CLC**

Missions (Cooperative Budgeted Plan CBP)

**\$1,203.00**

*Weekly Need for the Remainder of 2019: \$2,300*

KINSHIP \$

Mission Development Fund (MDF) **\$80.00**

# *This Week*

- Sat Jan 4**    **6:00p**    **WORSHIP** *with the Lord's Supper*  
**7:00p**    Bible Study *in the church basement*  
**7:00p**    Saturday School *in the Kindergarten room*
- Sun Jan 5**    2019 Annual Reports due  
**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**    Christmas Undecorating *in the sanctuary*
- Mon Jan 6**    ILS classes resume  
**4:00p**    ILS Home Basketball Game Girls 5-6 vs Trinity Janesville  
**5:00p**    ILS Home Basketball Game Boys 5-6 vs Trinity Janesville  
**6:00p**    ILS Home Basketball Game Girls 7-8 vs Trinity Janesville  
**7:00p**    ILS Home Basketball Game Boys 7-8 vs Trinity Janesville
- Tues Jan 7**    **9:00a**    Bible Study, *New Perspective Senior Living, 100 Dublin Road*  
**9:00a**    Bible Study, *Realife, 50 Teton Lane*  
**3-5p**    Pastors' Office Hours  
**5:30p**    Expansion-Relocation Committee Meeting *in the pastors' offices*  
**5:30p**    ILS Home Basketball Game Girls Varsity vs MSAD  
**7:00p**    ILS Home Basketball Game Boys Varsity vs MSAD  
**7:00p**    Finance Board Meeting *in the church office*  
**7:00p**    Outreach Committee Meeting *in the language classroom*
- Wed Jan 8**    **12:45p**    Televised **WORSHIP** Service, *Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7*  
**5:00p**    Public School Catechism *in the pastors' offices*  
**6 - 8 p**    What is Christianity Seminar *at the Sleepy Eye Convention Center*
- Thu Jan 9**    **9:00a**    Bible Study, *Walnut Towers, 105 E. Walnut Street*  
**10:00a**    **WORSHIP**, *New Perspective Senior Living, 100 Dublin Road*  
**1:30p**    Bible Study, *Old Main, 301 S. Fifth Street*  
**4:30p**    ILS Home Basketball Game Girls 5-6 vs St Paul's Fairmont  
**5:30p**    ILS Home Basketball Game Boys 5-6 vs St Paul's Fairmont  
**5:45p**    Televised **WORSHIP** Service, *Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7*

- 6:30p ILS Home Basketball Game Girls 7-8 vs St Paul's Fairmont  
 7:30p ILS Home Basketball Game Boys 7-8 vs St Paul's Fairmont
- Fri Jan 10** 6:30a Men's Breakfast and Bible Study *in the church basement*  
 8-9:30a Pastors' Office Hours  
 9:30a ILS K-12 Chapel *in the sanctuary*
- Sat Jan 11** 9:00a Worship Music Practice *in the church sanctuary*  
 10:00a Bible Study, *Primrose, Fireplace Community Rm, 1360 Adams St*  
 6:00p **WORSHIP**  
 7:00p Bible Study *in the church basement*  
 7:00p Saturday School *in the Kindergarten room*
- Sun Jan 12** 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

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

**REGISTRATION OPEN: *Whitewater Winter Camp*** For High School Freshmen through College Sophomores. Join us **January 24-26** (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.

**Find the Info Packet and Schedule at**  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QAKtuoY9M3aWTS3nXxfbeBpiWnBWVZXX2U9f1ar6Vr0/edit?usp=sharing>

**Questions:** contact Matthew Busch (507-720-4531; [mbusch1@isd77.org](mailto:mbusch1@isd77.org)) or Pastor Radichel (920-268-8002; [nealradichel@gmail.com](mailto:nealradichel@gmail.com))

**2020 CALENDAR ORDERS** were delivered to member mailboxes. If you still owe payment, please leave it in the boxes in the entryways or with the church secretary.

**ALTAR FLOWER VOLUNTEERS** We are looking for more volunteers to help arrange for altar flowers during the upcoming months. Fake flower arrangements as well as donated funds for fresh flowers are available to use. We simply need manpower to help ensure flowers are placed on the altar each weekend and/or for midweek services. Please find more information in the church entry on the bulletin board between the church and the school. Openings are listed below for easy reference:

January 2020	Karla Olmanson	_____	
		_____	
February 2020	Laura Heinze Kristen Friedrichs	April 2020	Vivian Hanel Marilyn Timm
March 2020	Mark Stelter		

**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 Caleb Schaller of Messiah, Eau Claire WI received a call to serve Trinity Spokane, WA. Pastor Mike Wilke of Gethesmane, MI received a call to serve Redeemer Bowdle, SD and Zion, Ipswich, SD

**SEMINAR: *What is Christianity?*** Pastors Joe Naumann and Nathanael Mayhew are putting on a presentation at the Sleepy Eye Convention Center on Wednesday, **January 8**, from 6 – 8 pm, entitled "What is Christianity?". This presentation will be based on the Veith book, *The Spirituality of the Cross*, and will delve into the alarming movement of people departing from organized religion, the dangers this presents to our society and how only Christianity fills the greatest need we have as human beings. For more information, contact Michael at 507-461-1698.

### **UPDATE: 2020 CLC Mission Helper Trip to Nepal**

The maximum number of applications have been accepted for the trip to Nepal this summer. If you would like to have your name placed on a waiting list, please contact Missionary Todd Ohlmann at [thohlmann@gmail.com](mailto:thohlmann@gmail.com).

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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!**