

Immanuel Lutheran

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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 Brent Schreyer ◆ ORGANIST Bonnie Cornish SOUND ____ ◆ VIDEO Vern Frank ◆ SCREEN Russ Schmitt FLOWERS Karla Olmanson ◆ GREETERS (Sat) ____ (Sun) Busches HEAD USHER Fred Friedrichs ◆ ASSISTANT John Heinze ◆ USHERS 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

Serving Us Next Week

PASTOR Joe Naumann ◆ DEACON Mark Stelter ◆ ORGANIST Vivian Hanel SOUND _____ ◆ VIDEO Mike Schweim ◆ SCREEN Rachael Hanel FLOWERS Karla Olmanson ◆ GREETERS (Sat) _____ (Sun) J K Friedrichs HEAD USHER Joe Friedrichs ◆ ASSISTANT Michael Wheaton ◆ USHERS Ben Busse; Jacob Busse; Peter Busse; Sherman Carstensen; Jason Dick; Mark Geiger; Sam Geschwind; Sam Hagen; Kevin Moeri; Karl Mueller; Bernt Olmanson; Charles Olmanson; Chuck Schmid; Nick Schmid; Noah Schmid; Ben Stelter; Wayne Timm

Submitting to one another in the fear of God.

Ephesians 5:21

Pre-Service Meditation

Psalm 104 (pg.146. TLH - Red Hymnal)

Prayer: Dear Lord, almighty God, we pray that the brightness of Your glory would shine upon us and that the light of Your light, by the illumination of the Holy Spirit through Your Word alone, establish and strengthen the hearts of all by Your grace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

Order of Service

Hymn 294 TLH (Red Hymnal) O Word of God Incarnate

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

Pastor (P): [And Jesus said to them], "He who is of God..." Congregation (C): "Hears God's words." (John. 8:47)

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: ♪ Amen!

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: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy upon you and has given His only Son to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your 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.
- P: ♪ The Lord be with you
- C: And with your spirit.
- P: Delory be to God on high
- C: And on earth peace, good will toward men.
- C: Description We glorify You, we give thanks to You, for Your great glory.
- P: D Lord God, heav'nly King,
- C: ♪ God the Father Almighty.
- P: D Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
- C: DO Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
- P: D Who takes away the sin of the world,
- C: → Have mercy upon us.
- P: > You who takes away the sin of the world,
- C: ▶ Receive our prayer.
- P: You who sits at the right hand of God the Father,
- C: ♪ Have mercy upon us.
- P: For You only are holy;
- C: ♪ You only are the Lord.
- P: You only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
- C: Are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING DEUTERONOMY 18:15-18

How was the Light prophesied about? The prophet Moses was a spokesman for God to His people Israel for 40 years. Moses was the LORD's mouthpiece to communicate the LORD's will and Word. Now, as Moses was about to die, he points ahead to another greater Prophet Who would come in the future. Jesus was that Prophet Who came to speak God's Word of truth, and Who was the Word incarnate.

"The LORD your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your midst, from your brethren. Him you shall hear, 16 "according to all you desired of the LORD your God in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying,

'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God, nor let me see this great fire anymore, lest I die.' 17 "And the LORD said to me: 'What they have spoken is good. 18 `I will raise up for them a Prophet like you from among their brethren, and will put My words in His mouth, and He shall speak to them all that I command Him.

Congregational Praise: > Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

RESPONSIVE READING PSALM 104:24-34

What is the power of God's Word/Light? The LORD's gifts surround us in this world, fallen though it may be, and He is still sovereign over all things. In His love He provides for all of His creation, feeding them and giving them life. Jesus also used His power for healing and protection during His ministry showing His compassion for sinners, but a day is coming when His power will be used to judge sin.

- P: O LORD, how manifold are Your works!
- C: In wisdom You have made them all. The earth is full of Your possessions--
- P: This great and wide sea, In which are innumerable teeming things, Living things both small and great. There the ships sail about; There is that Leviathan Which You have made to play there. These all wait for You,
- C: That You may give them their food in due season.
- P: What You give them they gather in;
- C: You open Your hand, they are filled with good.
- P: You hide Your face, they are troubled;
- C: You take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- P: You send forth Your Spirit, they are created; And You renew the face of the earth.
- C: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; May the LORD rejoice in His works.
- P: He looks on the earth, and it trembles; He touches the hills, and they smoke.
- C: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.
- P: May my meditation be sweet to Him;
- C: I will be glad in the LORD!

GOSPEL READING LUKE 19:1-10

Congregational Welcome: Delory be to You, O Lord!

How do you reveal the light of Christ? Jesus shows us! Zacchaeus was an outcast, and he deserved the reputation he had because he had cheated his fellow Jews. But the actions of Jesus remind us that no one is beyond God's grace and show us that God's desire is to save all people by leading them to know Jesus as their Savior and to lead them to repentance over their sins. This is God's desire for us as well!

Then Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. 2 Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. 3 And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. 4 So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way. 5 And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house." 6 So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. 7 But when they saw it, they all complained, saying, "He has gone to be a guest with a man who is a sinner." 8 Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold." 9 And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham; 10 "for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

Congregational Response: > Praise be to You, O Christ!

MEMBER AFFIRMATION

Scott Osborne

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.

Hymn of the Day 324 (v. 1-4) *TLH (Red Hymnal)*Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

SERMON EPHESIANS 5:21-33

21 submitting to one another in the fear of God.

22 Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. 23 For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. 24 Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything.

25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, 26 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, 27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. 28 So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself.

29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church. 30 For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones. 31 "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." 32 This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church. 33 Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Mysteries of Marriage, Revealed in Christ

This two part series touches on these conflicts in homes and churches still today:

Current Culture:

- Anti-Biblical Feminism
- Anti-roles of husband and wife
- Fornication
- Homosexuality
- Cohabiting
- Divorce (unfaithful)
- Hostility toward spouse/others

Christ's Command

- Biblical submission
- Mutual submission
- Sacrificial love
- Creation, Institution of Marriage
- Family nurturing
- Commitment (faithful)
- Honoring one's spouse/others

Ladies and Gentlemen of Christ's Church

(Jan 18-19)

- 1. Wives, how are you blessed by submitting to your husband?
- 2. Christians, how are you blessed by submitting to Christ?

(Feb 1-2)

- 3. Husbands, how are you blessed by loving your wife as Christ loved you?
- 4. Christians, how are you blessed by loving Christ in the way He loved you?

Preaching today Pastor Neal Radichel bulletins and services online at www.lmmanuelMankato.org

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.

Sermon Hymn 477 (v. 1-3) *TLH (Red Hymnal)* Lord Jesus, Thou the Church's Head

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

O Father, at Creation

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O Father, at creation You made a man and wife,
To have, to hold each other throughout their earthly life.
Your image and Your likeness they bore and holy love.
Reflecting to all creatures Your perfect love above.
The blessing of our parents in Paradise impart,
Upon this man and woman till death these two does part.

Oh Jesus, guest that Cana, You gave a wondrous sign,
Transforming simple water into the richest wine.
Perfecter of creation, Your word makes all things new,
The darkness turns to daylight, and gloom to joy in You.
Perfect this wedding union, transform these two as one,
That no man put asunder the wondrous work You've done.

Oh Spirit, by the water and blood from Jesus side, The Church is bathed in beauty, the Holy Virgin Bride. No stain or wrinkle mars her, no hint of sin or shame; His righteous robe adorns her; He gives to Her his name. The saving blood of Jesus on bride and groom bestow, And robe them, as His Body, and raiment white as snow.

Offering Hymn 127 (v. 3-4) *TLH (Red Hymnal)*As with Gladness Men of Old

PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION A Good Word or Blessing.

Congregational Response: Amen. Amen. Amen.

Closing Hymn 477 (v. 4) TLH (Red Hymnal) Lord Jesus, Thou the Church's Head

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THIRD SUNDAY COMMUNION

in the pastors' offices following the service

Daily e-Devotions

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This Week

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Sat Jan 18	6:00p 7:00p 7:00p	WORSHIP followed by third Sunday Communion Bible Study in the church basement Saturday School in the Kindergarten room
Sun Jan 19	9:00a 9:00a 9:15a 10:00a 11:00a	Bible Study in the church basement Sunday School in designated classrooms Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM WORSHIP followed by third Sunday Communion Church Choir Practice in the sanctuary
Mon Jan 20	7:00p	Annual Voter's Meetings in the church basement
Tues Jan 21	9:00a 9:00a 3-5p 6:00p 6:30p 7:00p	Bible Study, New Perspective Senior Living, 100 Dublin Road Bible Study, Realife, 50 Teton Lane Pastors' Office Hours ILS Home Basketball Game Girls Varsity vs St John's Prep Women's Study Guild in the church basement Church Council Reorganization Meeting in the sanctuary
Wed Jan 22	12:45p 5:00p	Televised WORSHIP Service, <i>Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7</i> Public School Catechism <i>in the pastors' offices</i>
Thu Jan 23	9:00a 1:30p 4:30p 5:00p 5:45p 6:00p 7:30p	Bible Study, Walnut Towers, 105 E. Walnut Street Bible Study, Old Main, 301 S. Fifth Street ILS Home Basketball Game Boys JV vs South Metro Jail Ministry Meeting in the pastors' offices Televised WORSHIP Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7 ILS Home Basketball Game Girls Varsity vs South Metro ILS Home Basketball Game Boys Varsity vs South Metro
Fri Jan 24	6:30a	School - Whitewater Camp XXI Men's Breakfast and Bible Study <i>in the church basement</i> Pastors' Office Hours
Sat Jan 25	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 followed by 3 rd Sunday Communion Bible Study in the church basement Saturday School in the Kindergarten room
Sun Jan 26	9:00a 9:00a 9:15a 10:00a	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 followed by 3rd Sunday Communion Church Choir Practice in the sanctuary

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!

Last Week

Gatherings

January 11-12

Saturday Worship: 68 Sunday Worship: 240 Weekend Total: 308

Saturday Bible Class: 12 Saturday School: 6 Sunday Bible Class: 30 Sunday School: 36

Bible Studies

New Perspective: 6

Ambassadors: 9

Old Main: 7 Realife: 7

Walnut Towers: 9

Worship

New Perspective: 9

Fruits of Faith

Immanuel

Current Expenses **\$8,910.47** *Weekly Need:* \$13,864.76

Benevolent \$80 Christmas Day \$30 ILS Foundation \$15

ILS Interactive Display Fund \$30

ILS Student Aid \$70
ILS Tuition Aid \$40
Land Purchase \$155
Major Improvement \$125

CLC

Missions (Cooperative Budgeted Plan CBP) \$768

Weekly Need: \$1,190.86

ILC Building \$40 ILC Student Aid \$50 KINSHIP \$25

Mission Development Fund (MDF) \$130

Immanuel Announcements

SUMMARY OF SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING December 29, 2019

- Darin Lau was called to teach in the area of Science.
- An adjustment was made to the budget to move funds from Teacher Conference and Substitute Teachers line items to Full-Time Teacher line item.
- The Compensation Committee presented a Tiered Tuition Discount for Immanuel Workers; the proposal failed.

The meeting was adjourned. Alan Olmanson, Congregational Secretary

ANNUAL VOTERS MEETING Plan to attend the annual meeting on Monday, January 20, 2020, at 7 pm in the church basement.

BIBLE CLASS is finishing up our study of Genesis this weekend. We are planning next weekend (January 21-22), to begin a study of "Questions about Heaven." These questions include: "The Reality, Residents, Real Estate, and what We'll Remember" in Heaven. We pray you will take the time to join us for this study and discussion!

AN IMMANUEL MOVIE SEMINAR is planned for Wednesday, February 19, from 5:30-8 pm. We plan to watch the "Patterns of Evidence" documentary exploring the striking archaeological findings of the Exodus from Egypt. Children are welcome; supervision will be available in the gym. We plan

to break halfway through for pizza, so please RSVP by signing up on the bulletin boards or in the narthex if you/your family plan to attend. Hope you can make it!

SAVE THE DATE! CAL Basketball Tournament Immanuel Lutheran School will once again be hosting the Christian Athletic League (CAL) Basketball Tournament this March 5, 6, and 7. This is our 22nd year of hosting the tournament. Hosting the tournament is a service to our school, as well as the rest of the CAL schools. That is the main reason we host the tournament. It is also true that for all the volunteer hours given, we do derive some support for our athletic fund. The profit gained from the tournament is used to help offset the cost of referees, busing to away games, the cost of new uniforms, etc. This in turn allows the athletic department to keep player fees lower. To successfully run the tournament, we need many volunteers. If you have a grade school or high school student at Immanuel, are an Immanuel alumni, or just someone who can spare an extra hour or two, we need you! Look for more information to come!

PARKING AND DROP OFF ZONE FOR SERVICES The Property Board asks that members reserve the area in front of the main Church entrance on Second Street for dropping off and picking up on service days. Also, members are asked to reserve the first 5 parking spots along the playground side of the parking lot for the members who may need assistance in getting into the building.

JANITOR NEEDED The Property Board is looking to hire a janitor for the church and school. This position will start at the end of the 2020 school year. Our longtime janitor, John Paulson, will be leaving the position at that time.

MONTHLY CLEANING DAY The Property Board will be starting a monthly volunteer cleaning day, beginning in February. This cleaning day will be on the second Saturday of the month from 8am-1pm.

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	March 2020	Mark Stelter	
February 2020	Laura Heinze Kristen Friedrichs	April 2020		_

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 parti0cularly 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 Living Savior, Eden Prairie, MN, has called Pastor Mark Tiefel, Redemption, Lynnwood, WA. <> Immanuel Lutheran High School, Mankato, MN, has called Mr. Darin Lau, Eau Claire, WI, to be their science and math teacher beginning the 2020-21 school year. <> Berea, Sioux Falls, SD, has called Pastor David Schaller, Redeemer, Sister Lakes, MI. <> Pastor Caleb Schaller, Messiah, Eau Claire, WI, has returned the call extended to him by Trinity, Spokane, WA.<> Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran School, West Columbia, SC, has extended the following calls: Paul Tiefel III of Eau Claire, WI, as full time teacher and principal in the upper grades, Leah Fossum of West Columbia, SC, as part time teacher in preschool and kindergarten for one year, and Deana Pfeiffer of West Columbia, SC, as part time teacher in the upper grades for one year.

CLC GRADE SCHOOL TOURNAMENT BAND The 17th Annual Tournament Band will be performing at the CLC Grade School Basketball Tournament at Immanuel Lutheran High School and College in Eau Claire, WI, on Saturday, March 14. Any CLC student in grades 5-8 that plays a band instrument is invited to play with us. You do not have to be playing on a basketball team to play with the group. REGISTER ONLINE and print music for six songs at http://clclutheran.net/tourney Click on "Band information". Exact rehearsal and performance times (both on March 14) will be announced by mid-February. If you have any questions, please contact Laurie Lau, Eau Claire at music@thelaus.com

DAVE RAMSEY'S PERSONAL FINANCE COURSE All are invited to join the Grace Sleepy Eye congregation beginning in January for a nine week course which uses Biblical principles and common sense to learn how to budget, eliminate debt, and prepare for emergencies. It will also discuss retirement, the role of insurance, saving for college, paying off your mortgage, and much more. This program offers a change in the way we approach spending and money. The class will be held at Grace Ev. Lutheran Church in Sleepy Eye on Friday nights at 6:30pm beginning on January 10. You may attend the course for free, or you may purchase the full program which includes a member workbook and a wealth of other resources including a budgeting app and access to many digital books, courses and tools. If you are interested in learning more, contact Pastor Nathanael Mayhew at 404-729-4602, or visit fpu.com/1108947 to sign up!

KINSHIP SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES The CLC KINSHIP Committee is seeking sponsors to support overseas orphans and seminary students. Opportunities are expanding in these important fields but can only expand as fast as our financial support allows. One example is the Congregation Confessionnelle Lutheranienne Du Congo (CCLC). The CLC-sponsored seminary in the Congo is hoping to expand their enrollment to fifteen students from their current enrollment of seven. There are eight men waiting to enroll, but we need sponsors to make that enrollment possible. This particular sponsorship is \$40/month. For more info, please call, email, or text Dan Roehl at danroehl@hotmail.com or 507-381-2042.