

Immanuel Lutheran

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Lent Second 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 Neal Radichel ◆ DĒACON Daniel Pfeiffer ◆ ORGANIST Grace Schreyer SOUND B Schreyer ◆ VIDEO P Bode ◆ SCREEN (Sat) R Schmitt (Sun) C Kuehne FLOWERS Kristen Friedrichs ◆ 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 LENTEN SERVICE

PASTOR Neal Radichel ♦ SOUND / FLOWERS / USHERS same as above 1 PM: DEACON G Hanel ♦ ORGANIST K Friedrichs ♦ SCREEN C Kuehne 6 PM: DEACON D Pfeiffer ♦ ORGANIST K Friedrichs ♦ SCREEN R Schmitt

The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

James 5:16b

Pre-Service Meditation

Psalm 115 (p. 147 TLH, Red Hymnal)

Prayer Dear Lord, remind me of Your Word of promise to "Call upon Me in the day of trouble. I will deliver you, and you will glorify Me." Spare me, O Father, and mercifully forgive me all my sins through Your Son Jesus, my Savior. Even though my sins are deserving of Your punishment, be gracious to me and teach me of Your sacrificial love continually. Teach me to do Your will, O Lord. And let me ask with Your disciples, "Lord, teach us how to pray!" In Jesus name I pray, Amen.

Order of Service We Prepare to Meet our Lord

Opening Hymn 19 (v. 1-4) TLH (Red Hymnal)

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

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

Pastor (P): "Seek the LORD while He may be found, Congregation (C): Call upon Him while He is near.

P: Let the wicked forsake his way,

C: And the unrighteous man his thoughts;

P: Let him return to the LORD,

C: And He will have mercy on him;

- P: And to our God,
- C: For He will abundantly pardon." (Isa. 55:6-7 NKJ)
- P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: ♪ Amen!

SERVICE THEME:

There are some things money can't buy, for everything else... there's Jesus. Lessons from the LORD on our Prayer Life

FIRST LESSON PSALM 115:1-9

When the gods of the world do nothing.

- P: Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us,
- C: But to Your name give glory,
- P: Because of Your mercy,
- C: Because of Your truth.
- P: Why should the Gentiles say, "So where is their God?"
- C: But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases.
- P: Their idols are silver and gold, ... C: The work of men's hands.
- P: Eyes they have, C: But they do not see;
- P: They have ears, C: But they do not hear;
- P: Noses they have, C: But they do not smell;
- P: They have hands, C: But they do not handle;
- P: Feet they have, C: But they do not walk;
- P: Nor do they mutter through their throat. Those who make them are like them;
- C: So is everyone who trusts in them.
- P: O Israel, trust in the LORD;
- C: He is their help and their shield!
- All: Amen.

There are some things money can't buy, for everything else... there's Jesus. Lessons from the LORD on our Prayer Life

Who should we call on in prayer?

- 1)
- 2)

Opening Hymn 19 (v. 5-6) *TLH (Red Hymnal)* All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

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: Nho 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

Hymn of the Day 454 (v. 1-5) TLH (Red Hymnal) - tune: TLH 361 Prayer is the Soul's Sincere Desire

SECOND LESSON JAMES 5:13-20 When doctors and medicines can do nothing.

13 Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms. 14 Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. 15 And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. 16 Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. 17 Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. 18 And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit. 19 Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the truth, and someone turns him back, 20 let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins.

Congregational Praise: > Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

There are some things money can't buy, for everything else... there's Jesus. Lessons from the LORD on our Prayer Life

What prayers are effective?

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2)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with your spirit.

P: Let us pray...
C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF FAITH THE FIRST ARTICLE (CREATION)

I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe that God has created me and all creatures. He has given me my body and life, eyes, ears, and all my bodily members, my mind, and all my senses and still keeps them for me.

God also preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, spouse and children, land, animals, and all my property and all I need to support this body and life. He protects me from all danger. He guards and defends me from every evil. God does all this because He is my good and gracious Father in heaven, not because of anything I have done to earn or deserve it. For all of this it is my duty to thank, praise, serve, and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

Hymn of the Day 454 (v. 6-8) TLH (Red Hymnal) - tune: TLH 361 Prayer is the Soul's Sincere Desire

Our Lord Speaks to Us

THIRD LESSON MARK 9:17-29 When even faith seems to do nothing.

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

17 Then one of the crowd answered and said, "Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. 18 "And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not." 19 He answered him and said, "O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me." 20 Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth. 21 So He asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood.

22 "And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." 23 Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes." 24 Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!" 25 When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!" 26 Then the spirit cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, "He is dead." 27 But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. 28 And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" 29 So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting."

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

There are some things money can't buy, for everything else... there's Jesus. Lessons from the LORD on our Prayer Life

When prayer isn't answered immediately, then what?

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2)

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 Your free Spirit. Amen.

We Offer Ourselves to the Lord

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

"Come to Me" (with TLH 457) by N. Radichel

Are you weary? Are you tired? Are you worried about tomorrow's problems? Are you sad? Are you gloomy? Are you wondering if I'm watching over you?

Come to Me... I am gently and lowly.

Come to Me... And I will give you rest. (x2)

What a Friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry, Ev'rything to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we often forfeit, Oh, what needless pain we bear, All because we do not carry, Ev'rything to God in prayer!

Come to Me... I am gently and lowly.

Come to Me... And I will give you rest.

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged, Take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a Friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness-- Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Come to Me... I am gently and lowly.

Come to Me... And I will give you rest.

Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our Refuge--Take it to the Lord in prayer. Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer; In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.

Come to Me... I am gently and lowly. Come to Me... And I will give you rest. (x2)

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Offering Response Hymn 400 (v. 1, 6) TLH (Red Hymnal) Take My Life and Let it Be

Our Lord Blesses Us

FOURTH LESSON ISAIAH 45:20-25 When our works do nothing.

20 "Assemble yourselves and come; Draw near together, You who have escaped from the nations. They have no knowledge, Who carry the wood of their carved image, And pray to a god that cannot save. 21 Tell and bring forth your case; Yes, let them take counsel together. Who has declared this from ancient time? Who has told it from that time? Have not I, the LORD? And there is no other God besides Me, A just God and a Savior; There is none besides Me. 22 "Look to Me, and be saved, All you ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. 23 I have sworn by Myself; The word has gone out of My mouth in righteousness, And shall not return, That to Me every knee shall bow, Every tongue shall take an oath. 24 He shall say, 'Surely in the LORD I have righteousness and strength. To Him men shall come, And all shall be ashamed Who are incensed against Him. 25 In the LORD all the descendants of Israel Shall be justified, and shall glory.'"

There are some things money can't buy, for everything else... there's Jesus.

Lessons from the LORD on our Prayer Life

Where is our confidence in prayer?

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

BENEDICTION A Good Word or Blessing.

Closing Hymn 779 *LSB*Come, My Soul, with Every Care

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Last Week

Gatherings

February 29-March 1 Saturday Worship: 127

Sunday Worship: 189
Weekend Total: 316

Saturday Bible Class: N/A Saturday School: N/A

Sunday Bible Class: **31** Sunday School: 20 Ambassadors: N/R

Bible Studies

Jail (Men): 19 Old Main: 9 Primrose: 5

New Perspective: 8

Realife: 7

Walnut Towers: 11

March 4

1 pm Worship: 38 6 pm Worship: 131 Midweek Total: 169

Worship

Water's Edge: 6

Fruits of Faith

Immanuel

Current Expenses \$9,323.55 Weekly Need \$14,016.72

Benevolent \$33
ILS Foundation \$15
ILS Interactive Display Fund \$25
ILS Preschool Fund \$150
ILS Student Aid \$170
ILS Tuition Aid \$40

Land Purchase \$55 Lent \$2.167.18

MPF Bleacher Fund \$77.84

CLC

Missions (Coop. Budgeted Plan CBP) **\$959** Weekly Need \$1,155.30

KINSHIP \$50

Mission Development Fund (MDF) \$120

In memory of Herb Geiger ILS Foundation \$20

Undesignated \$30

This Week

Sat Mar 7 CAL Tournament

6:00p WORSHIP

7:00p Bible Study in the church basement

7:00p Saturday School in the Kindergarten room

Sun	Mar 8	11:00a	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 Sunday School Teachers Meeting in the language classroom
Mon	Mar 9	Have a b	plessed week!
Tues	Mar 10	ILS Late 9:00a 9:00a 3-5p 6:30p 7:00p 7:00p 7:30p 8:00p	Start at 10 am Bible Study, New Perspective Senior Living, 100 Dublin Road Bible Study, Realife, 50 Teton Lane Pastors' Office Hours Deacons' Meeting in the basement conference room Board of Education Meeting in the language classroom Property Board Meeting in the church basement Finance Board Meeting in the pastors' offices Council Meeting in the church basement
Wed	Mar 11	12:45p 1:00p 5:00p 6:00p	Televised WORSHIP Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7 WORSHIP: Lenten Service Public School Catechism in the pastors' offices WORSHIP: Lenten Service
Thu	Mar 12	9:00a 10:00a 10:00a 1:30p 3p-6p 5:45p 7:00p	Bible Study, Walnut Towers, 105 E. Walnut Street Bible Study, Water's Edge, 800 Agency Trail WORSHIP, New Perspective, 100 Dublin Road Bible Study, Old Main, 301 S. Fifth Street MPF (Gym) and Basement Reserved Televised WORSHIP Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7 ILS High School Lock-In (overnight)
Fri	Mar 13	6:30a 8-9:30a	sketball Tournament in Eau Claire, WI - no school Men's Breakfast and Bible Study in the church basement Pastors' Office Hours Red Cross Blood Drive in the gym
Sat	Mar 14	8a-1p 9:00a	Sketball Tournament in Eau Claire, WI Church Cleaning Day 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	Mar 15	9:00a 9:00a 9:15a	Bible Study in the church basement Sunday School in designated classrooms Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM WORSHIP followed by 3 rd Sunday Communion Church Choir Practice in the sanctuary Sunday School Teachers' Meeting in the language classroom

Serving Us Next Week

PASTOR Joe Naumann ◆ DEACON Brent Schreyer ◆ ORGANIST Lane Fischer SOUND E Matzke ◆ VIDEO V Frank ◆ SCREEN (Sat) C Kuehne (Sun) R Schmitt FLOWERS Mark Stelter ◆ GREETERS (Sat) ______ (Sun) Busch 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

ALTAR FLOWERS this weekend are in memory of Jone Stelter.

THANK YOU to all who volunteered their time and donated food and money for the CAL Tournament. We appreciate the support that Immanuel members and non-member volunteers have given to the athletic program. You are greatly appreciated. The C.A.L. Committee

CALL RESPONSE

Dear Members of Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church,

After prayerful consideration of your call to serve as teacher at Immanuel Lutheran School, I have been led by the Lord to return the call.

I appreciate your prayers and support during my deliberation. It was a blessing to worship and talk with many of you in person last weekend.

I pray that the Lord soon provides your congregation with a teacher. May He continue to bless all your ministries at Immanuel Lutheran Church and School. In Christ, Joel Gullerud

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Immanuel is hosting a blood drive from 12 pm - 5 pm on Friday, March 13, in the gym. To schedule an appointment, please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: ImmanuelELC. Volunteers are also needed to be greeters or canteen helpers. Please call Mara Heinze at 507-382-4331 if you can help or have questions.

MONTHLY CLEANING DAY The Property Board is hosting a monthly volunteer cleaning day on the second Saturday of the month from 8am-1pm. The next scheduled day is this coming Saturday, March 14. Feel free to come for as much time as your schedule allows. A cleaning list is posted in both church entries for easy reference. Members of the property board will be onsite to open the building, answer questions and/or provide direction as needed.

VOTERS' MEETING was recessed pending the outcome of our high school teacher call. Because that call has been returned, the meeting is set to resume on Monday, **March 16**, at 7pm. The agenda includes: • Teacher Call • Membership Matters.

ILC TOUR CHOIR AT IMMANUEL: March 21 @ 7:30 pm

Invite your friends and bring your family to this great opportunity to hear beautiful anthems of praise to God by 32 students of Immanuel Lutheran College, returning home to Eau Claire, WI, from Texas. Our own Immanuel school students will be joining the choir for an anthem. A free-will offering will be taken to help defray the choir's traveling expenses. Students will also present information about Immanuel Lutheran High School and College. Refreshments will be serviced following the concert so you can meet the choir. We will still looking for volunteers to host choir members overnight. A sign-up sheet for housing is on the table in the Narthex and monetary donations for a March 21 dinner for the students can be placed in the offering plate.

MEMORIAL PLANTS FOR THE ALTAR ON EASTER

Women's Study Guild is offering 2 types of 6-inch potted plants to adorn the altar on Easter. If interested in purchasing plants, please sign up in the entry way. Lilies are available for \$8 each and tulips are available for \$13 each. The deadline to order is Tuesday, March 31. Questions? Call Katie Dick at 612-616-4600 or Email StudyGuild@ImmanuelMankato.org.

ERC MARCH UPDATE This past year the Expansion Relocation Committee (ERC) has been investigating three different approaches to expanding and/or relocating: 1) purchasing bare land and building new, 2) buying an existing facility and remodeling, and 3) starting a preschool. The ERC divided into groups to fabricate basic plans for how expansion/relocation phases would look for each approach. A big goal in the coming year(s) is to create unity within the congregation as to how, when, and where we will expand and/or relocate. The ERC hopes to have a variety of different presentations to the voters and congregation in the coming months. Stay tuned!

SUMMARY of RECESSED ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING February 3, 2020

Michael and Erika Hart were accepted into communicant membership by completed classes with children Austin, Titus, Nathaniel, and Audrey into baptized membership.

Judy Mielke was accepted into communicant membership by completed classes.

Deacons are short one member and are looking for a voting member to volunteer to fill this very important role.

A letter regarding the suspension of inactive voters was approved to be sent out to voters that have been inactive for the past year.

Defibrillator cabinet has been reinstalled in the upper hallway and is alarmed. The defibrillator has been updated with new pads as well as the one located in the gym.

An ongoing call for a part time teacher to teach 60 mins per week K-2 Art, 60 mins per week 5-6 Grade Art, and 300 mins per week for 1st Grade reading, for an estimated net increase of \$5,300 to the annual budget was approved.

A change to the total number of teaching aid hours from 60 hours to 53 hours per week was approved.

The budget was approved. Discussion about an approximate 3% tuition increase in this budget proposal.

Immanuel Mankato gave \$52,941.43 to the CBP budget which was short of the \$56,500 budgeted goal.

Voters approved to set the CBP budget giving in 2020 at \$57,000.

A \$10,000 bequest was given to Immanuel to be used where it is needed most. Voters sent the bequest to church council for review and recommendation.

Anthony Harris, Substitute Congregational Secretary

MISSION HELPER FUND Immanuel is blessed to be represented on this year's CLC Mission Helper Trip by our member Nyibol Kuan. This trip is a significant expense and we generally try to support our Mission Helpers by helping them pay for part of their trip. The Mission Helper Fund is currently empty, so please consider supporting Nyibol and future Mission Helpers by giving to this fund. Thank you!

NEEDED: Funeral Volunteers Volunteers help setup, serve and clean up for meals at funerals. We are in need of adding additional names to the volunteer pool. If you would be willing to be contacted as needs arise, please connect with Marilyn Timm 507-387-7862 or Kristen Friedrichs 507-382-5257 to have your name added to the list.

NEEDED: Worship Service Volunteers We continue to need volunteers to (1) show slides for the worship services (contact: Cliff Kuehne 507-385-0696) and (2) video-record the worship services – particularly the midweek services (contact: Alan Olmanson 507-344-0328). 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.

NEEDED: School Janitor The Property Board is looking to hire a janitor for the school. This position will start at the end of the 2019-2020 school year. Our longtime janitor, John Paulson, will be leaving the position at that time. Interested applicants are asked to leave a resume in the Property Board mailbox in the church office. Resumes will be taken through Friday, March 27. For more information, please connect with Kyle Hulke at 507-382-7335.

NEEDED: Hand Tools The Board of Property is looking to acquire donated hand tools (such as hammers, screwdrivers, wrenches, etc.) to supplement the tool inventory used to take care of the church and school. If you have any tools you would like to donate, please connect with Kyle Hulke at 507-382-7335.

CLC Announcements

CLC CALL NEWS Pastor Terrel Kesterson has returned the call extended to him by Bowdle, SD, and Zion, Ipswich, SD. <> Missionary Peter Evenson has returned the call extended to him by Bethel, Morris, MN. <> Pastor Matthew Hanel, St. Matthew, Dallas, TX, was called by and has returned the call to Living Savior, Eden Prairie, MN. <> Pastor Michael Gurath, Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ, was called by and has returned the call to Berea Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls, SD. They have now extended a Call to a Seminary Graduate through the Call Committee on Graduates. <> Teacher Neil Bernthal, Immanuel, Winter Haven, FL, has been called by Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran, West Columbia, SC, to be Principal and upper grades teacher. <> Teacher Joshua Ohlmann, Grace, Sleepy Eye, MN, has been called by Redeemer, Cheyenne, WY, to be their Principal/Teacher. <> Mrs. Sarah Ude, Middleton, WI, has been called by Faith, Markesan, WI, to be their upper grades teacher.

CLC GRADE SCHOOL TOURNAMENT BAND The 17th

Annual Tournament Band will be performing at the CLC Grade School Basketball Tournament at Immanuel Lutheran 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

NOMINATIONS FOR ILC PRESIDENT The Board of Regents announces the following nominations for the office of President of Immanuel Lutheran College: Professors Paul Naumann, Daniel Schierenbeck, and John Ude. The term of this call is for two years, extending to the end of Academic Year 2022. All comments from members of CLC congregations regarding these candidates are to be received by April 11 (postmarked by April 1), to: Mr. James Burkhardt; 217 Windy Lane; Rockwall, TX 75087; email: jeb6217@yahoo.com.

INVITATION: Evangelism Workshop You are invited to an Evangelism Workshop at Messiah, Eau Claire, WI, on Sunday, April 26. The theme is "Introducing the REAL Jesus." Almost everyone in our society has at least heard of Jesus, but many people have a misinformed idea of who He really is. At this workshop, we will learn about some of these misconceptions, and



discuss ways to introduce the real Jesus to people we care about. The presentations and group discussions go from 3 to 5:30 pm with a chili supper to follow. Plan now to attend!

CLC CONVENTION The 34th CLC Convention will be **June 25-28**, in Eau Claire, WI. A new video entitled "How Does Convention Work?" has been produced to explain the basics of Convention. If interested, please find this 14 minute video on the homepage of our synod's website <u>clclutheran.org</u>.

2020 MANUP! MEN'S RETREAT The 2020 ManUp! Men's Retreat will be held September 24-27, at beautiful Wyalusing State Park near Prairie du Chien, WI, about an hour south of La Crosse. ManUp! offers strength and encouragement for men 18 and older for their personal faith, family, and fellowship at church. The weekend will include Bible study, fellowship, leadership training, team building, relationship building, worship, and many outdoor bonding activities. The cost is \$75, including lodging and meals. You can register at: www.tinyurl.com/manup-2020. For more information, pictures of previous retreats and reviews from those who have attended in the past, visit our website www.manup.clclutheran.org. Questions? Contact Phil Strike at plstrike7@aol.com. We look forward to seeing you in September!

2021 ISRAEL TRIP A group trip to Israel is being planned for January 13-22, 2021, with a possible 3-day extension to Jordan for those who are interested. We currently have 10 members of CLC congregations registered for the trip and many more who have expressed an interest. Join this group of likeminded believers as we see the places where God stepped into History to fulfill His plan of salvation for sinners! The trip will include visits to Caesarea, Mt. Carmel, Nazareth, Cana, Capernaum, Jerusalem, the Dead Sea, and En Gedi and more. It will include visits to the traditional sites of many of the events in the ministry of Jesus as well as those of the prophets and apostles. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Pastor Nathanael Mayhew at 404-729-4602 or at ndmayhew@att.net.

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!