

Immanuel Lutheran

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Welcome!

We are excited to share the Good News with you! Guests, please contact us if you're interested in learning more about Immanuel.

Serving Us This Week

PASTOR Joe Naumann ♦ ORGANIST Kristen Friedrichs FLOWERS Kristen Friedrichs ♦ VIDEO Craig Stelter & Matthew Kranz

Serving Us Next Week

PASTOR Neal Radichel ◆ ORGANIST Lane Fischer FLOWERS _____ ◆ VIDEO Craig Stelter & Matthew Kranz

Order of Service We Prepare to Meet our Lord

Hymn 10 TLH (Red Hymnal) This is the Day the Lord Hath Made

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: 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

RESPONSIVE READING PSALM 98:1-4,8-9

- P: Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! For He has done marvelous things;
- C: His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory.
- P: The LORD has made known His salvation;
- C: His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations.
- P: He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness to the house of Israel;
- C: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
- P: Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth;
- C: Break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises.
- P: Let the rivers clap their hands;
- C: Let the hills be joyful together before the LORD,
- P: For He is coming to judge the earth.
- C: With righteousness He shall judge the world, And the peoples with equity.
- 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!"

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- 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 ISAIAH 12:1-6

And in that day you will say: "O LORD, I will praise You; Though You were angry with me, Your anger is turned away, and You comfort me.

2 Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; For YAH, the LORD, is my strength and song; He also has become my salvation.'"

3 Therefore with joy you will draw water From the wells of salvation.

4 And in that day you will say: "Praise the LORD, call upon His name; Declare His deeds among the peoples, Make mention that His name is exalted. 5 Sing to the LORD, For He has done excellent things; This is known in all the earth. 6 Cry out and shout, O inhabitant of Zion, For great is the Holy One of Israel in your midst!"

Congregational Praise: > Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

EPISTLE READING ACTS 5:17-25

Then the high priest rose up, and all those who were with him (which is the sect of the Sadducees), and they were filled with indignation, 18 and laid their hands on the apostles and put them in the common prison. 19 But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, 20 "Go, stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this life." 21 And when they heard that, they entered the temple early in the morning and taught. But the high priest and those with him came and called the council together, with all the elders of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought. 22 But when the officers came and did not find them in the prison, they returned and reported, 23 saying, "Indeed we found the prison shut securely, and the guards standing outside before the doors; but when we opened them, we found no one inside!" 24 Now when the high priest, the captain of the temple, and the chief priests heard these things, they wondered what the outcome would be. 25 So one came and told them, saying, "Look, the men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people!"

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.

Hymn 141 *TLH (Red Hymnal)* Enslaved by Sin and Bound in Chains

SERMON JOHN 8:21-36

Jesus said, "...Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!" Luke 11:28

Then Jesus said to them again, "I am going away, and you will seek Me, and will die in your sin. Where I go you cannot come." 22 So the Jews said, "Will He kill Himself, because He says, `Where I go you cannot come'?" 23 And He said to them, "You are from beneath; I am from above. You are of this world: I am not of this world. 24 "Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins." 25 Then they said to Him, "Who are You?" And Jesus said to them, "Just what I have been saying to you from the beginning. 26 "I have many things to say and to judge concerning you, but He who sent Me is true; and I speak to the world those things which I heard from Him." 27 They did not understand that He spoke to them of the Father. 28 Then Jesus said to them, "When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am He, and that I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father taught Me, I speak these things. 29 "And He who sent Me is with Me. The Father has not left Me alone, for I always do those things that please Him." 30 As He spoke these words, many believed in Him. 31 Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. 32 "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." 33 They answered Him, "We are Abraham's descendants, and have never been in bondage to anyone.

How can you say, 'You will be made free'?" **34** Jesus answered them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. **35** "And a slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever. **36** "Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.

Only Jesus Gives Absolute Truth and Real Freedom

- I. Absolute Truth for a World Confused
- II. Real Freedom for a World Enslaved

Preaching today Pastor Joe Naumann bulletins and services online at www.lmmanuelMankato.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.

Hymn 360 TLH (Red Hymnal) Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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

While we are worshipping at home, it is important to continue to support the work of Immanuel's ministry with our offerings. This can be done in several ways:

OPTION 1

Mail your weekly contribution to: 421 N 2nd St, Mankato, MN 56001

OPTION 2

Use your bank's bill pay service.

OPTION 3

Drop off your contribution in the mail slot to the left 3of the school entrance on the south side of the building in the parking lot. Please do not use cash if you choose to use this option.

OPTION 4

Download the CashApp on your mobile device or go to <u>cash.app/login</u> to sign up. Once you sign up, you may pay by connecting a bank account, credit card or debit card. The church's \$cashtag is "\$immanuelmankato". In the memo section, please indicate your envelope number and how you would like your offering distributed between funds. For example: #317 General Fund: \$25 MDF: \$5.

BONUS: Prior to registering with CashApp, send the email address that you plan to register with to myoffering@immanuelmankato.org and have Mr. Douglas Schaller send you a referral email from CashApp. This referral will earn a bonus \$5 for Immanuel and for yourself with your first offering. If you have any questions, please contact the Financial Secretary at the above email address or at financial.secretary@immanuelmankato.org

Thank you for your continued support of His Work at Immanuel!

PRAYERS

Our Lord Blesses Us

BENEDICTION A Good Word or Blessing.

Congregational Response: Amen. Amen. Amen.

Closing Hymn 261 TLH (Red Hymnal) Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word

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This Week

Sat May 9 6:00p No WORSHIP

Sun May 10 9:15a Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM

10:00a Online WORSHIP

Join us live by following the link at the top of the page on our website www.lmmanuelMankato.org OR find and watch the recording afterwards at www.lmmanuelMankato.org/sermons/

Mon May 11 9:30a Online Chapel – join us via <u>YouTube</u>

Tues May 12 9:30a Online Chapel - join us via YouTube

No Pastors' Office Hours - Please call to visit or to set up an online meeting!

6:30p - Online Board and Council meetings

Wed May 13 9:30a Online Chapel - join us via YouTube

12:45p Televised WORSHIP Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7

7:00p Online Bible Study

Thu May 14 9:30a Online Chapel - join us via YouTube

5:45p Televised WORSHIP Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7

Fri May 15 ILS Last Day of School Year

9:30a Online Chapel - join us via <u>YouTube</u>

No Pastors' Office Hours - Please call to visit or to set up an online meeting!

Sat May 16 ILHS Graduation Postponed

6:00p No WORSHİP

Sun May 17 Online Confirmation - watch for more information to come

9:15a Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM

10:00a Online WORSHIP

Join us live by following the link at the top of the page on our website www.lmmanuelMankato.org OR find and watch the recording afterwards at www.lmmanuelMankato.org/sermons/

CANCELLED All activities, services, and office hours at Immanuel Lutheran Church have been cancelled due to the shelter-at-home orders issued by our government. Some activities will be conducted online and services will still be live-streamed from Immanuel, but during this time, we ask that no one but the pastors, the organist, and the camera operator attend services inperson. Thank you!

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

Service Sunday 5/3: 448 views
Chapel Monday 5/4: 92 views
Chapel Tuesday 5/5: 68 views
Chapel Wednesday 5/6: 59 views
Chapel Thursday 5/7: 50 views
Chapel Friday 5/8: 58 views

Note: the number of views listed is as of 5/9/2020; "views" does not represent the number of viewers, but rather only the number of computers/devices that accessed it

Fruits of Faith

Immanuel		Mail/Drop off	CashApp
	Current Expenses Weekly Need \$14,258.64	\$15,848	\$875
•	Easter	\$25	
	ILS Foundation	\$15	
•	ILS Interactive Display Fund	\$5	
	ILS Preschool Fund	\$100	
	ILS Student Aid	\$25	\$50
	Land Purchase Fund		\$100
	Major Improvement	\$25	
CLC		Mail/Drop off	CashApp
	Missions (Coop. Budgeted Plan CBP) Weekly Need \$1,275.74	\$795	\$85
•	KINSHIP	\$50	
	MDF (Mission Development Fund)	\$150	
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Immanuel Announcements

ILS BANQUET Banquet will continue this year, however, it will be in a video format. Invitations will be sent out through email and a link to the video will be posted on the school website. The video will be available for the invitees to view on May 23, and then made available for the rest of the church and student body on May 24. We understand there may be a lot of questions and concerns regarding Banquet but the Juniors and class advisor are doing everything possible to make this happen with regard to the current safety concerns. We appreciate your patience and ask for your prayers as we take on this endeavor. May God continue to bless and strengthen our Church and school.

UPDATED SAVE THE DATE: Summer VBS The Immanuel Board of Ed has decided to cancel our first scheduled session of Vacation Bible School. We are still planning on holding one session on July 27-31. We hope that you will be able to join us! Look for volunteer sign-up sheets very soon!

ALTAR FLOWERS Study Guild is looking for volunteers to help place altar flowers in upcoming weeks. If able and willing, please contact Kristen Friedrichs at StudyGuild@ImmanuelMankato.org or at 507-382-5257 (text or call). We are looking for volunteers for the following weekends:

May 17		_
May 24		
May 31	Karla Olmanson	
June 7		

TVBS OPPORTUNITY POSTPONED Grace Lutheran Church in Valentine, Nebraska has postponed their VBS program at this time. They are looking to reschedule for later in the summer. Please look for upcoming announcements for more information. Thank you!

COMMUNITY RESOURCE ECHO Food Shelf is taking food orders from anyone in Blue Earth County regardless of income. If interested, you do need to call them to apply for an account. They will ask you questions about what you will need. You can order once a month for staples and once a week for extra items which include lots of great fresh produce. They have personal items such as diapers as well. Tons of donations are coming in from local businesses and so what you get will vary from week to week and day to day. Due to the pandemic, you cannot do your own shopping right now but volunteer shoppers will fill your order. Be specific so that you get what you need. You need to specify a pick-up time and try to be prompt since items are shopped close to that time and are not refrigerated once they are shopped.

The summer program to help feed kids of school age will begins early this year on May 11. Families need an account to have the kids involved in this program as well.

Finally, ECHO also has a delivery service for those who need it. Once you order, it can take up to a week for your items to be delivered so order earlier than you need things.

If you or someone you know could use some good food, please encourage them to call ECHO to sign up.

CLC Announcements

RETIREMENT GIFT Professor Paul Sullivan has announced his retirement effective the end of the current academic year. His faithful service to our church and our school will be acknowledged during the ILC Class Day & Graduation festivities on May 22-23, 2020. Our custom is to present a monetary gift to Prof. Sullivan as a token of our appreciation. CLC members are invited to contribute to a monetary gift which will be presented to him at Graduation on May 23. Please make your checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran College and indicate: "Prof. Sullivan Retirement." Send your gift to: Immanuel Lutheran College, 501 Grover Road, Eau Claire, WI 54701.

CLC CONVENTION The 34th CLC Convention will be **Jul 30 - Aug 2**, 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>.

2019 CLC CONGREGATIONAL STATISTICS (membership totals, attendance figures, congregational contributions) can be viewed or downloaded at https://tinyurl.com/2019CLCcong

2019 CLC MINISTRY STATISTICS (membership totals, attendance figures, baptisms, confirmations, marriages, funerals, education attendance figures) can be viewed or downloaded at https://tinyurl.com/2019CLCministry