



# *Immanuel Lutheran*

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## *The Season after Pentecost*

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Your faith has saved you.  
Go in peace.

Luke 7:50

### *Serving Us This Week*

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# Welcome!

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

## Order of Service

### We Prepare to Meet our Lord

Hymn 17 TLH

Oh, Worship the King

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**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!

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### OUR CONFESSION OF SINS

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**P:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

**C:** Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

**P:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

**C:** ♪ Amen!

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

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♪ Lord, have mercy on us.  
Christ, have mercy on us.  
Lord, have mercy on us.

Glory to God, we give You thanks and praise;  
Of heav'nly joy and peace on earth we sing.  
We worship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
Lord God, almighty Father, heav'nly King.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,  
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
O Lamb of God, Your glorious vict'ry won,  
Receive our prayer, grant us Your peace within.

Alone, O Christ, You only are the Lord,  
At God's right hand in majesty most high:  
Who, with the Spirit worshiped and adored,  
With all the heav'nly host we glorify.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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P: Let us pray...

C: ♪ Amen

## FIRST LESSON 2 SAMUEL 22:21-29

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"The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness; According to the cleanness of my hands He has recompensed me. **22** For I have kept the ways of the LORD, And have not wickedly departed from my God. **23** For all His judgments were before me; And as for His statutes, I did not depart from them. **24** I was also blameless before Him, And I kept myself from my iniquity. **25** Therefore the LORD has recompensed me according to my righteousness, According to my cleanness in His eyes. **26** "With the merciful You will show Yourself merciful; With a blameless man You will show Yourself blameless; **27** With the pure You will show Yourself pure; And with the devious You will show Yourself shrewd. **28** You will save the humble people; But Your eyes are on the haughty, that You may bring them down. **29** "For You are my lamp, O LORD; The LORD shall enlighten my darkness."

## PSALM OF THE DAY PSALM 6:1-9

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P: O LORD, do not rebuke me in Your anger,

**C: Nor chasten me in Your hot displeasure.**

P: Have mercy on me, O LORD,

**C: For I am weak;**

P: O LORD, heal me,

**C: For my bones are troubled.**

P: My soul also is greatly troubled;

**C: But You, O LORD-- how long?**

P: Return, O LORD, deliver me!

**C: Oh, save me for Your mercies' sake!**

P: For in death there is no remembrance of You;

**C: In the grave who will give You thanks?**

P: I am weary with my groaning; All night I make my bed swim;

**C: I drench my couch with my tears.**

P: My eye wastes away because of grief;

**C: It grows old because of all my enemies.**

P: Depart from me, all you workers of iniquity;

**C: For the LORD has heard the voice of my weeping.**

P: The LORD has heard my supplication;

**C: The LORD will receive my prayer.**

## SECOND LESSON ROMANS 10:4-18

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"For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes. **5** For Moses writes about the righteousness which is of the law, "The man who does those things shall live by them." **6** But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down from above) **7** or, "Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). **8** But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart " (that is, the word of faith which we preach): **9** that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. **10** For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. **11** For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame." **12** For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for

the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. **13** For "whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved." **14** How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? **15** And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!" **16** But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our report?" **17** So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. **18** But I say, have they not heard? Yes indeed: "Their sound has gone out to all the earth, And their words to the ends of the world."

**P:** Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

**C:** ♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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## CONFESSION OF FAITH THE APOSTOLIC CREED

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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 175 TLH When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

## SERMON LUKE 7:36-50

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

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"Then one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee's house, and sat down to eat. **37** And behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil, **38** and

stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil. **39** Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke to himself, saying, "This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner." **40** And Jesus answered and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." So he said, "Teacher, say it." **41** "There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. **42** "And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?" **43** Simon answered and said, "I suppose the one whom he forgave more." And He said to him, "You have rightly judged." **44** Then He turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has washed My feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head. **45** "You gave Me no kiss, but this woman has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in. **46** "You did not anoint My head with oil, but this woman has anointed My feet with fragrant oil. **47** "Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little." **48** Then He said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." **49** And those who sat at the table with Him began to say to themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" **50** Then He said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

## God's Forgiveness Goes Deeper

1. Deeper Than the Self- Righteous Can Believe

2. Deeper Than the Sinner Can Understand

# We Offer Ourselves to the Lord

OFFERTORY WS (TAN HYMNAL) PG 16

*In this prayer we offer God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.*

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♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.

Hymn 342 TLH  
Chief of Sinners Though I Be

## 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*

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OPTION 1 *If attending a service in-person, leave your contribution in the offering plate in the narthex.*

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

OPTION 3 *Use your bank's bill pay service.*

OPTION 4 *Drop off your contribution in the mail slot at the school entrance on the south side of the building in the parking lot. Please do not use cash.*

OPTION 5 *Download CashApp on your mobile device or visit [cash.app/login](https://cash.app/login). 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.*

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

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION *A Good Word or Blessing*

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Congregational Response: ♪ Amen.

Closing Hymn 354 TLH  
In the Cross of Christ I Glory

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**REOPENING** Please see the [Church Reopening webpage](#) for the full plan laid out by the Deacons of Immanuel for the cautious and careful reopening of our church for weekend services. Note: during this time, most other activities, services, and office hours at Immanuel Lutheran Church have been cancelled due to the stay safe orders issued by our government. Thank you!

**COMING BACK TO CHURCH** Your pastors and church leaders want to reassure you that in these times, when we are all finding our way of how to deal with the threat of COVID-19 in our own personal circumstances, we will go out of our way to not judge any one of you because you are or are not attending church in person. We will be glad to see you when you come; we will be glad that you watch the service at home when you do not. We will understand if you decide you are not comfortable yet and support you in that personal decision. How any one of us deals with these current times is not a reason for passing judgment on someone else. We each have our own unique situation. Our hearts long for the day when we can all come to worship again! Please feel free to reach out with any concerns or questions that you may have.

## Last Week

### Gatherings

Saturday Worship 8/15: **Church Cancelled**

Sunday Worship 8/16: **Church Cancelled; Views 331**

Wednesday Bible class 8/19: **19**

*Note: the number of views listed is as of 8/21/2020; "views" does not represent the number of viewers, but rather only the number of computers/devices that accessed it*

### Fruits of Faith

Immanuel	Plate/Mail	CashApp
Current Expenses	\$5,323.02	\$310
Benevolent	\$40	
Preschool Fund	\$30	
ILS Foundation	\$15	

CLC	Plate/Mail	CashApp
Missions (CBP)	\$365	

In memory of Carol Harmon	Plate/Mail	CashApp
ILS Foundation	\$50	



# This Week

- Sat Aug 22 6:00p WORSHIP, In-Person
- Sun Aug 23 9:15a Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM  
10:00a WORSHIP, In-Person or Live Stream  
Join us live by following the link at the top of the page on our website [www.ImmanuelMankato.org](http://www.ImmanuelMankato.org) OR find and watch the recording afterwards at [www.ImmanuelMankato.org/sermons/](http://www.ImmanuelMankato.org/sermons/)
- Mon Aug 24 Have a blessed week!
- Tues Aug 25 No Pastors' Office Hours - Please call to visit or to set up an online meeting!
- Wed Aug 26 12:45p Televised WORSHIP Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7  
7:00p Online Bible Class via [Zoom](#); Mtg ID 776 933 7565; Pswd 204320
- Thu Aug 27 10:00a Outdoor WORSHIP, Water's Edge, 800 Agency Rd  
4:00p High School Soccer Game @ Home (Land of Memories Park)  
5:45p Televised WORSHIP Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7
- Fri Aug 28 No Pastors' Office Hours - Please call to visit or to set up an online meeting!  
9:00a Outdoor Bible Class, Primrose 1360 Adams St
- Sat Aug 29 6:00p WORSHIP, In-Person
- Sun Aug 30 9:15a Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM  
10:00a WORSHIP, In-Person or Live Stream

## Immanuel Announcements

**SCHOOL JANITOR NEEDED** The Property Board is looking to hire a janitor for the school immediately. Interested applicants are asked to leave a resume in the Property Board mailbox in the church office. For more information, please connect with Kyle Hulke at 507-382-7335.

**SCHOOL OPENING DELAYED ONE WEEK** Due to events beyond our control, the Board of Education has decided to delay the start of school by **one week** to help us get the facility ready for adaptations in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The first day of school will now be Mon, **August 31**. This lost week of school will be made up during the week in October that we would normally have CLC Teachers Conference since that was cancelled for this year. If you have any questions, please speak with or email Principal Heinze. [Brandan.Heinze@ImmanuelMankato.org](mailto:Brandan.Heinze@ImmanuelMankato.org)

**VOTERS MEETING** Called for **September 1** via Zoom for membership matters, gym floor options, and teachers aid request

**HOSPITALIZED?** During this time of caution, the pastors have not been allowed to visit members in the hospital unless it is an end of life situation. This makes it especially difficult to find out when members are in the hospital, unless we are informed by others. Please help us by keeping the lines of communication open and letting us know if you are aware of anyone in the hospital who needs a phone call or more pressing spiritual needs in the very least, because we simply would like to pray for you!! Thank you for your help as we continue the good work of the ministry of Jesus Christ!

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES** As we begin to reopen and return to church, now is a good time for us to reevaluate the many different volunteer positions that are necessary for the weekly operation of our church. With that in mind, the Board of Deacons is encouraging all of our members to consider their God-given talents and consider volunteering for the following positions.

- 1. Slideshow Director** This is an easy way to contribute to the service by clicking through the slides during the service. You are able to do so from any place in the Sanctuary.
- 2. Video Camera Conductor** Any experience with a camera qualifies you to keep the pastor centered in the video camera. Because of the new LiveStream format, this job has become simpler.
- 3. LiveStream Operator** This position is a little more technical and involves switching between different scenes in order to cast the slideshow onto the YouTube livestream. Training will be available to anyone who is interested.
- 4. Sound Booth Monitor** Although the soundboard looks intimidating, a quick introduction is all you need to manage the sound in the worship service.

If any of these positions seem interesting to you, please reach out to either of the Pastors or the Board of Deacons.

**ERC: Should Immanuel Stay or Relocate?** The Expansion Relocation Committee (ERC) is re-investigating why certain areas of our current Immanuel campus are problematic. We hope to try to expand on these areas for the congregation in the coming months. Over the years, some of the major concerns the congregation has about our current campus are related to **parking congestion**:

- o **Closer off street parking** - because of the apartment buildings nearby, there is limited street parking especially on weekends.
- o **Traffic flow** - as the business of 2nd street continues to rise, so do our concerns about traffic safety with our exit (Mankato Downtown Plan).
- o **Pedestrian safety** - also, as 2nd street gains more traffic so do the concerns for the children on the playground or high school age who walk offsite.
- o **Snow plowing** - there are challenges most years of where to pile snow accumulation, which also impacts our parking lot.

- o **Allow for more vehicles** - there's not enough stalls in our current lot for all of our members (we have 35 stalls on site).
- o **Dedicated off street staff parking** - during the school year, the parking lot is needed for recess for the children.
- o **Handicap parking** - we are limited on the handicap and elderly parking accessibility around the building.

**Questions to consider:**

- o Are there ways to resolve these concerns with our current property?
- o Do you think these areas alone justify moving to a different location?

**Other questions?** Please ask one of our **ERC** members: Dave Busse (chair), Mick Rykhus, Russ Schmidt, Jared Mueller, Jason Dick, Scott Kruse, Jim Buckley, Brandan Heinze, Neal Radichel

**ALTAR FLOWERS** Study Guild is looking for volunteers to help place altar flowers. If willing, please contact Kristen at 507-382-5257 (text or call) or at [StudyGuild@ImmanuelMankato.org](mailto:StudyGuild@ImmanuelMankato.org). The following weekends are available:

- August 29/30 \_\_\_\_\_
- Sept 5-6 \_\_\_\_\_
- Sept 12-13 \_\_\_\_\_

# *CLC Announcements*

**CLC CALLS** Mrs. Marie Muehlenhaupt accepted the one year call as upper grade teacher and co-principal at Faith, Markesan, WI. <> Pastor Luke Bernthal, St Stephen, Mountain View, and St. Stephen, Hayward, CA, was called to Living Savior, Eden Prairie, MN. <> Pastor Ben Libby, Ascension, Tacoma, WA, was called to Redeemer, Bowdle, and Zion, Ipswich, SD, <> Pastor Del Maas, Gift of God, Mapleton, ND, has accepted the non-resident call to St. Paul's, Ponsford, MN. He will be serving both congregations full time, while living in Mapleton.

**ILC'S OPENING SERVICE** Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary in Eau Claire, WI, is opening its academic year with in-person learning. The opening service will be on Sunday, **August 23**, at 3 pm. This will also include the installation of ILC President Daniel Schierenbeck and Professor Mark Weis. Some precautions will be necessary for this service given mitigation and local guidelines, e.g., physical distancing, collecting contact information, gathering size, etc. For those who are not students, parents, or staff, we encourage you to virtually attend the service through livestream to help ensure that our gathering size is manageable and compliant with local guidelines. For details about livestreaming and the opening weekend schedule, see [ilc.edu](http://ilc.edu). Please keep the staff and the students in your prayers during these challenging times. May the Lord richly bless the upcoming year as the students grow in the truth of God's saving Word!

**TRIP TO ISRAEL** A group trip to Israel, which has been planned for January 2021, is still scheduled and is now less than six months away. The dates are set for **January 13-22, 2021**, with a possible 3-day extension to Jordan. We currently have 17 members of CLC congregations registered for the trip, and over a dozen more have expressed an interest. The tour company is expecting that our tour will be possible, but they do have options available for us if it is cancelled due to the situation at that time. You are invited to join this group of like-minded 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, 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 (404-729-4602 or [nmayhew@sleepyeyelutheran.com](mailto:nmayhew@sleepyeyelutheran.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!