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Blessed is the nation whose God
is the Lord, the people who He
has chosen as his heritage!

Psalm 33:12

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

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

Pastor (P): Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous!

Congregation (C): For praise from the upright is beautiful.

P: Give thanks to the LORD with the harp; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!

C: Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully with a shout of joy.

P: For the word of the LORD is upright,

C: And all his work is done in faithfulness. (Ps. 33:1-4)

P: Let us then begin this Communion Service in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: ♪ Amen!

Hymn 246 TLH (Red Hymnal)
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

Our Lord Speaks to Us

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON 1ST TIMOTHY 1:5-17

"Love is the fulfillment of the Law." If we always loved as we should, we wouldn't need the law. But because of sin, the law is needed to point out what is good and loving. The law of God clearly reveals our sin. But God's grace toward sinners is abundant and found in the actions of Jesus who came to save sinners. God's mercy is given to us first, so that it might also be shown through us to others.

The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. 6 Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, 7 desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions. 8 Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully, 9 understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, 10 the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, 11 in accordance with the gospel of the glory of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted. 12 I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, 13 though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, 14 and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 15 The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. 16 But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. 17 To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Congregational Praise: ♪ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON MATTHEW 20: 20-28

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

What goals do you have for your children? The mother of James and John had their best interests in mind when she came to Jesus. She wanted to ensure that they would have a place in Jesus' kingdom. Jesus points out that such a desire would not come without great sacrifice. He also shows that we should not be motivated by selfish desires, but by love and a willingness to serve our neighbor, just as He has served us.

Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came up to him with her sons, and kneeling before him she asked him for something. 21 And he said to her, "What do you want?" She said to him, "Say that these two sons of mine are to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom." 22 Jesus answered, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am to drink?" They said to him, "We are able." 23 He said to them, "You will drink my cup, but to sit at my right

hand and at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father." 24 And when the ten heard it, they were indignant at the two brothers. 25 But Jesus called them to him and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. 26 It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, 27 and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, 28 even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

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

CONFESSION OF FAITH THE NICENE CREED

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 of the Day 320 *TLH (Red Hymnal)*
Lord Jesus Think on Me

SERMON PSALM 33:10-22

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

The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples. 11 The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the

plans of his heart to all generations. **12** Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage! **13** The LORD looks down from heaven; he sees all the children of man; **14** from where he sits enthroned he looks out on all the inhabitants of the earth, **15** he who fashions the hearts of them all and observes all their deeds.

16 The king is not saved by his great army;
a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.

17 The war horse is a false hope for salvation, and by its great might it cannot rescue.

18 Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, **19** that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine. **20** Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. **21** For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. **22** Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

When the Lord Looks Down on Me

1. He observes the heart of my deeds
2. He gladdens my heart with His decrees

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

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 Your free Spirit. Amen.

Sermon Hymn 398 TLH (Red Hymnal)
Renew Me, O Eternal Light

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: PSALM 42 (NIV) (N.RADICHEL)

Hymn 400 (v. 1,4) *TLH (Red Hymnal)*

Take My Life and Let It Be

PRAYERS

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

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.

OUR CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Having heard God's Word, let us confess our sins to Him. Do you sincerely confess that you have sinned against God and deserve His wrath and punishment? Then declare so by saying: I do confess.

C: I do confess.

P: Surely, you should confess; for the Word of God declares: "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us."

♪ I come, O Savior, to Thy Table,
For weak and weary is my soul;
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able,
To satisfy and make me whole:
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood,
Be for my soul the highest good!

P: Do you repent of all your sins committed in thought, word, and deed, as well as the sin of failing to do what God expects to be done? Then declare so by saying: I do repent.

C: I do repent.

P: Surely, you should repent, as did the penitent sinners: David, who prayed for a sorrowful heart; Peter, who wept bitterly; the sinful woman; the prodigal son; and many others.

♪ Weary am I and heavy laden,
With sin my soul is sore opprest;
Receive me graciously, and gladden,
My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood,
Be for my soul the highest good!

P: Do you believe that God, through His undeserved grace and love for us, for Jesus' sake, forgives you all of your sins? Then declare so by saying: I do believe.

C: I do believe.

P: Surely, you should believe, for Holy Scripture declares: "God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life."

♪ What higher gift can we inherit?
It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and spirit,
The covenant of hope and grace.
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood,
Be for my soul the highest good!

P: Do you promise with the help of the Holy Spirit, that you hope to amend your sinful life? Declare it to God in saying: I do promise.

C: I do promise.

P: Surely, this is a good promise, for Christ, our Lord, tells us to: "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."

♪ Thy body given for me O Savior,
Thy blood which Thou for me didst shed
These are my life and strength forever,
By them my hungry soul is fed.
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood,
Be for my soul the highest good!

P: Finally, do you believe that through me, a called servant of God, by the authority and command of our Lord Jesus Christ, you receive from God this blessed forgiveness and assurance of all your sins? Then joyfully declare it by saying:

By the grace of my Lord Jesus Christ, I do believe.

C: By the grace of my Lord Jesus Christ, I do believe.

P: As you believe, even so may it be for you! On this confession of your sins, I announce the grace and peace of God to you, and by the authority and command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

♪ Who can condemn me now?
For surely The Lord is nigh, who justifies.
No hell I fear, and thus securely,
With Jesus I to heaven rise.
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood,
Be for my soul the highest good!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: May this peace of the Lord be with you always!

C: Amen!

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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."*

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING "Song of Simeon" [Melody - TLH #15]

"Lord, let Your servant now depart,
With peace and joy within my heart.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

According to Your Holy Word,
I've seen salvation from the Lord!

Alleluia! (x4)

The Promised One has come for all,
For Gentiles and for Israel,

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Light to lighten all the blind,
God's glory for the heart and mind."

Alleluia! (x4)

Our Lord Blesses Us

BENEDICTION *A Good Word or Blessing.*

P: The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace!

ALL: ♪ Amen!

Closing Hymn 316 (v. 1,5) TLH (Red Hymnal)

○ Living Bread from Heaven

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Last Week

Gatherings

Saturday Worship 8/29: **40**

Sunday Worship 8/30: **In Person 80 ; Views 179**

Wednesday Bible class 9/3: **17**

Note: the number of views listed is as of 9/4/2020; "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 <i>Weekly Need</i> \$18,397.86	\$9,135	\$835
MPF Floor	\$50	
Preschool Fund	\$25	
ILS Foundation	\$30	
Major Improvement	\$114	
Food Shelf	\$100	
ILS Student Aid	\$465	
Interactive Display Fund	\$20	
Benevolent Fund	\$10	
CLC	Plate/Mail	CashApp
Missions (CBP) <i>Weekly Need</i> \$1,923.82	\$494	\$5
In memory of Evelyn Hoffman	Plate/Mail	CashApp
Benevolent Fund	\$10	
In memory of Ronald Matzke	Plate/Mail	CashApp
Undesignated	\$30	\$5
In memory of Herbert Geiger	Plate/Mail	CashApp
Undesignated & New Church Fridge	\$5,000	
In memory of Dr. Burdette Wheaton	Plate/Mail	CashApp
ILS Bleacher Fund	\$6,100	\$5
In memory of Janet Barry	Plate/Mail	CashApp
ILS Undesignated	\$2,535	
Undesignated	\$125	
ILS Student Aid	\$100	
Church Sanctuary Painting	\$100	

ILS Foundation	\$30
ILS Bleacher Fund	\$25
In memory of Robert G Heinze	Plate/Mail CashApp
Undesignated	\$925
Church Sanctuary Painting	\$100
ILS Foundation	\$50
ILS Undesignated	\$50
ILS Bleacher Fund	\$25

This Week

- Sat Sept 5 6:00p WORSHIP, In-Person
- Sun Sept 6 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 OR find and watch the recording afterwards at www.immanuelmankato.org/sermons/
- Mon Sept 7 NO School (Labor Day)
- Tues Sept 8 3-5p Pastors' Office Hours
 5:30p ERC Meeting Pastors' Offices
 6:30p Deacons Meeting *Conference Room*
 7:00p Board of Education Meeting *Language Room*
 7:00p Board of Property Meeting *Church Basement*
 7:30p Board of Finance Meeting *Pastors' Office*
 8:00p Council Meeting *Church Basement*
- Wed Sept 9 12:45p Televised WORSHIP Service, *Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7*
 5:00p Confirmation Class
 7:00p Online Bible Class - *look for weekly log-in info in email*
- Thu Sept 10 9:00a Bible Study, *Walnut Towers, 105 E Walnut St*
 5:45p Televised WORSHIP Service, *Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7*
 7:00p Elders Team Blue Meeting
- Fri Sept 11 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 Sept 12 6:00p WORSHIP, In-Person
- Sun Sept 13 9:15a Radio Sermon: *KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM*
 10:00a WORSHIP, In-Person or Live Stream

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!

Immanuel Announcements

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. The following weekends are available:

Sept 19-20 _____ Sept 26-27 _____

WEDNESDAY EVENING CONFIRMATION classes begin this week! Children in 6th - 8th grade who do not attend ILS will be meeting for class on Wednesdays from 5pm-6:30pm. Pastor Naumann will be teaching the classes this year. If you have a child in this age bracket, you should have received an email with more information. If you did not or if you know of anyone who would be interested in taking these classes, please let Pastor Naumann know.

CLC Announcements

CLC CALLS Pastor Ben Libby, Ascension, Tacoma, WA, has returned the call to Redeemer, Bowdle, and Zion, Ipswich, SD. <> Pastor Emeritis John Schierenbeck has accepted the vacancy call to Morningstar, Fairchild; Trinity, Millston; and Peace with God, Onalaska, WI. <> Pastor Tom Schuetze, St. Paul, Lakewood, CO, has been called by Bethel, Morris, MN.

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 trip 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 nnmayhew@sleepyeyelutheran.com).