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And these words which I
command you today shall be in
your heart.

Deuteronomy 6:6

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 16 TLH (Red Hymnal)
Blessed Jesus At Thy Word

PRAYER

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.

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: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

We Praise our Lord

Gloria in Excelsis

C: ♪ Glory be to God on high

And on earth peace, good will toward men.

We praise You, we bless You, we worship You,

We glorify You, we give thanks to You, for Your great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

Who takes away the sin of the world,

Have mercy upon us.

You who take away the sin of the world, Receive our prayer.

You who sit at the right hand of God the Father, Have mercy upon us.

For You only are holy; You only are the Lord.

You only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

Are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Our Lord Speaks to Us

OLD TESTAMENT READING DEUTERONOMY 6:4-12

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one! **5** You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.**6** "And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. **7** You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. **8** You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. **9** You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.**10** "So it shall be, when the Lord your God brings you into the land of which He swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give you large and beautiful cities which you did not build, **11** houses full of all good things, which you did not fill, hewn-out wells which you did not dig, vineyards and olive trees which you did not plant—when you have eaten and are full— **12** then beware, lest you forget the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

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

Congregational Praise: ♪ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

NEW TESTAMENT READING ACTS 8:26-40

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

Now an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, "Arise and go toward the south along the road which goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is desert. **27** So he arose and went. And behold, a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great authority under Candace the queen of the Ethiopians, who had charge of all her treasury, and had come to Jerusalem to worship, **28** was returning. And sitting in his chariot, he was reading Isaiah the prophet. **29** Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go near and overtake this chariot." **30** So Philip ran to him, and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah, and said, "Do you understand what you are reading?"

31 And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he asked Philip to come up and sit with him. **32** The place in the Scripture which he read was this:

"He was led as a sheep to the slaughter;
And as a lamb before its shearer is silent,
So He opened not His mouth.

33 In His humiliation His justice was taken away,
And who will declare His generation?
For His life is taken from the earth."

34 So the eunuch answered Philip and said, "I ask you, of whom does the prophet say this, of himself or of some other man?" **35** Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning at this Scripture, preached Jesus to him. **36** Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, "See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?" **37** Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God." **38** So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him. **39** Now when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more; and he went on his way rejoicing. **40** But Philip was found at Azotus. And passing through, he preached in all the cities till he came to Caesarea.

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 425 TLH (Red Hymnal)
All Depends on Our Possessing

SERMON LUKE 10:38-42

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

Now it happened as they went that He entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house. **39** And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus' feet and heard His word. **40** But Martha was distracted with much serving, and she approached Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me."**41** And Jesus answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. **42** But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her."

Only God's Word is Essential

1. It is essential for eternal life
2. It is essential for everyday life

Preaching today Vicar Drew Naumann
bulletins and services online at www.ImmanuelMankato.org

We Offer Ourselves to the Lord

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.

Hymn 366 TLH

One Thing Needful, Lord, This Treasure vs. 1-2,5-7

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

PRAYERS & LORD'S PRAYER

Our Lord Blesses Us

BENEDICTION *A Good Word or Blessing.*

Congregational Response: ♪ Amen! Amen! Amen!

Closing Hymn 52 TLH (Red Hymnal)
Almighty Father Bless the Word

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Last Week

Gatherings

Saturday Worship 9/12: 50

Saturday Family Bible Study 9/12: 0

Sunday Worship 9/13: **In Person 75 ; Views 202**

Sunday Family Bible Study 9/13: 6

Wednesday Bible class 9/16:

Note: the number of views listed is as of 9/18/2020; "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	\$9,562	\$530
MPF Floor Replacement	\$214	
Preschool Fund	\$75	
ILS Foundation	\$15	
Major Improvement	\$1,528	
ILS Student Aid	\$565	
Interactive Display Fund	\$10	
Benevolent Fund	\$60	
CLC	Plate/Mail	CashApp
Missions (CB)	\$1,394	\$10
Memorial for Robert Heinze	Plate/Mail	CashApp
Undesignated	\$10	

This Week

Sat Sept 19 6:00p WORSHIP, In-Person

7-7:45p Family Bible Class- Sanctuary

Sun Sept 20 9-9:45a Family Bible Class- Sanctuary

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/

11:00a 3rd Sunday Communion - pastors offices

Mon Sept 21 4:15p GS Soccer Game at Caswell Soccer Complex

- 7:00p Recessed Voters Meeting in basement or via Zoom
- Tues Sept 22 3-5p Pastors' Office Hours
- 7:00p Board of Education Meeting- high school language room
- Wed Sept 23 12:45p Televised **WORSHIP** Service, *Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7*
- 5:00p Confirmation Class- *In the MPF*
- 7:00p Online Bible Class - *look for weekly log-in info in email*
- Thu Sept 24 10:00a Bible Study, *Walnut Towers, 105 E Walnut St*
- 10:00a Bible Study, *Water's Edge, 800 Agency Rd*
- 4:15p GS Soccer Game @ Mt Olive
- 5:45p Televised **WORSHIP** Service, *Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7*
- Fri Sept 25 9:00a Outdoor Bible Class, *Primrose 1360 Adams St*
- Sat Sept 26 6:00p **WORSHIP**, In-Person
- 7-7:45p Family Bible Class - Sanctuary
- Sun Sept 27 9-9:45a Family Bible Class- Sanctuary
- 9:15a Radio Sermon: *KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM*
- 10:00a **WORSHIP**, In-Person or Live Stream

Immanuel Announcements

VICAR DREW NAUMANN is finishing off his last week with us here at Immanuel. His last Sunday is September 20th. For the last four months he has worked among us gaining a great deal of hands on experience with the worship services, Bible studies, VBS, camp, school prep, flood relief, teaching a variety of classes and devotions, painting, counseling, visits that were possible, and more. We are thankful for his service to our Lord Jesus and to us this past summer! He returns to Eau Claire for his last year of Seminary and eagerly waits for a call to a CLC congregation in the spring, Lord willing. Please keep him in your prayers as we thank the Lord for the opportunity to grow with him this year. Here is his contact info if you'd like to personally thank, encourage, or offer him support with a card or message:

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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:

- Oct 3-4 _____
- Oct 10-11 _____
- Oct 17-18 _____

RECESSED QUARTERLY VOTERS MEETING Called for **September 21st** in the church basement and on zoom. Agenda items include: Membership matters (deacons), gym floor recommendation (Council/Property), gym floor funding (Lentz/J Hanel), and custodian hours increase (Property).

ERC: Should Immanuel Relocate or possibly have two campuses? The Expansion Relocation Committee is re-investigating why certain areas of our current Immanuel campus are problematic and prohibitive. 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 have been:

- **Single Level**

- **Accessibility** - individuals who are handicap or have limited mobility struggle with the location of our elevator and access to our sanctuary and other church and school events.
- **Cleaning** - transportation of supplies and storage locations aren't easily accessible.
- **Elevators** - can be costly to maintain and our current elevator's location and size at times isn't ideal.
- **Codes** - whether it be sprinkler systems, emergency exits, or security, a large portion of our property is currently noncompliant to today's codes and standards.
- **Stairs** - the trips and slips on our internal or external stairs continues to be a safety concern for all ages. Video proof is available upon request.
- **Basements** - leak and flood. The gym has flooded three times since 1991, and the church basement has flooded more often. The AC and heating temperatures are difficult to maintain. Proper lighting is difficult, and the asbestos makes it even more challenging to update.
- **Pre-school** - at this location has been hindered because it is not single level.

Questions to consider:

Are there ways to resolve these concerns with our current property?

Do you think these areas alone justify moving to or looking for a different or supplement location?

More questions? Would you like to meet and discuss more with one or two of us? Please ask one of our **ERC** members: Dave Busse (chair), Mick Rykhus, Russ Schmitt, Jared Miller, Jason Dick, Scott Kruse, Jim Buckley, Brandan Heinze, Neal Radichel

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.

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 returned the call by Bethel, Morris, MN<> Missionary Todd Ohlmann has been called by Living Savior, Eden Prairie, MN <> 2020 Seminary graduate Nick Naumann has been called by Redeemer, Bowdle and Zion, Ipswich, SD

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).

e-Devotions

REDEEMER COMPILATION

<http://www.redeemerclc.info/ministries/>

This email subscription will provide you with free short devotions in your inbox daily. These devotions are written by a staff of CLC pastors and compiled by David Schaller.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COLLEGE (ILC) CHAPELS

Audio recordings of ILC Chapels are regularly uploaded to the ILC website at <http://ilc.edu/faith-worship/chapel-list/>. These 10-minute sermons are an excellent source for morning devotions.

At the website listed above, you may subscribe to receive an email alert whenever these devotions are posted to the website.

These chapels can also now be listened to via podcast through iTunes, Google Play, Spotify, or wherever you might listen to your podcasts. Search for "Morning Chapels from ILC" and subscribe to get daily comfort from God's Word delivered straight to your phone.

These Chapel Talks are also now available on Amazon Echo & Google Home. If you have a smart speaker device, you can now use it to listen to ILC morning chapel services.

For Amazon Echo, first enable the Stitcher skill, then say, "Alexa, ask Stitcher to play Morning Chapels from ILC."

For Google Home, simply say "Hey Google, play the most recent episode of Morning Chapels from ILC."

BURDEN & BLESSING

<https://burdenblessing.podbean.com/>

<https://player.fm/series/burden-and-blessingpodcast-2366967>

These podcasts cover a variety of topics, current events, and scriptural themes. This effort of CLC pastors will help you grow in your knowledge of God and the world from solid Biblical foundation.

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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!