

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart.

Deuteronomy 30:14

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.

CHANTING ORDER OF SERVICE

Hymn 773 WS (Tan Hymnal) Rise, Shine, You People!

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 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: > The Lord be with you

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

P: > Glory be to God on high

C: ▶ And on earth peace, good will toward men.

P: > We praise You, we bless You, we worship You,

C: Ne glorify You, we give thanks to You, for Your great glory.

P: D Lord God, heav'nly King,

C: ▶ God the Father Almighty.

- P: ▶ O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
- C: ▶ O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
- P: > Who takes away the sin of the world,
- C: ▶ Have mercy upon us.
- P: > You who takes away the sin of the world,
- C: ▶ Receive our prayer.
- P: > You who sits at the right hand of God the Father,
- C: ▶ Have mercy upon us.
- P: > For You only are holy;
- C: ▶ You only are the Lord.
- P: > You only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
- C: ▶ Are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING ISAIAH 8:20-22

Since the fall into sin, the world has been lost in darkness. It is blind to the truth of sin and our need for a Savior who can remove the problem of sin and what it deserves. But God has revealed His truth through His word, to point us to the light, life and salvation. Still many continue in darkness, either by ignorance or willful rejection of the truth.

To the law and to the testimony! If they do not speak according to this word, it is because there is no light in them. 21 They will pass through it hard pressed and hungry; and it shall happen, when they are hungry, that they will be enraged and curse their king and their God, and look upward. 22 Then they will look to the earth, and see trouble and darkness, gloom of anguish; and they will be driven into darkness.

C: ▶ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

RESPONISVE READING PSALM 139:1-12

P: You have searched me, Lord,

C: And you know me.

P: You know when I sit and when I rise;

C: You perceive my thoughts from afar.

P: You discern my going out and my lying down;

C: You are familiar with all my ways.

P: Before a word is on my tongue

C: You, Lord, know it completely.

P: You hem me in behind and before,

C: And you lay your hand upon me.

P: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me,

C: Too lofty for me to attain.

P: Where can I go from your Spirit?

C: Where can I flee from your presence?

P: If I go up to the heavens, you are there;

C: If I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

P: If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea,

C: Even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.

P: If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,"

C: Even the darkness will not be dark to you;

P: The night will shine like the day,

C: For darkness is as light to you.

GOSPEL READING LUKE 4:14-22

C: ▶ Glory be to You, O Lord!

The season of Epiphany points to the truth that Jesus was "revealed" as True God and the Savior of all people. Jesus read from the Old Testament Scriptures and announced to His hearers that He was the One foretold by the prophets. While the people marveled at the words of Jesus, many refused to accept the logical conclusion that He was true God. In the following verses we see their efforts to kill Jesus because of the implications of His words.

Then Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and news of Him went out through all the surrounding region. 15 And He taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all. 16 So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. 17 And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written: 18 "The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; 19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD." 20 Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. 21 And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." 22 So all bore witness to Him, and marveled at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth. And they said, "Is this not Joseph's son?"

C:: ▶ Praise be to You, O Christ!

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Joel and Anika Enter along with their children: Elijah, Mary, Benjamin, Esther, Rebekah, and Christian

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 364 vs 1-4 TLH (Red Hymnal) How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

SERMON ROMANS 10:1-12

Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved. **2** For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. **3** For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God. **4** 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." [Lev. 18:5]

6 But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" [Deut. 30:12](that is, to bring Christ down from above) 7 or, "'Who will descend into the abyss?'" [Deut. 30:13](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" [Deut. 30:14](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." [Isaiah 28:16]12 For there is no distinction

between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him.

The Word is Near You

- 1. In your heart (by Christ's work of salvation)
- 2. In your mouth (by your confession of faith)

Preaching today: Pastor Neal Radichel

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.

Hymn Nearer, my God, to Thee

- Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to Thee!
 E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me, Still all my song shall be, Nearer, my God, to Thee;
 Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!
- 2. Thy Son has come to earth, my sin to bear, My every wound to heal, my pain to share. "God in the flesh" for me, Brings me now nearer Thee, Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

3. Lo! All my debt is paid, my guilt is gone.
See! He has ris'n for me, my throne is won.
Thanks, O my God, to Thee!
None now can nearer be,
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

4. Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!
Through Word and Sacrament, Thou com'st to me.
Thy grace is ever near,
Thy Spirit ever here,
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

5. Surely it matters not, what earth may bring, Death is of none account, grace will I sing.

Nothing remains for me,

Save to be nearer Thee,

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

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

I KNOW THAT...

I know that sin and guilt combine,
To rule o'er every thought of mine
And torn from good to ill;
I know that when I try to be
Romans 5:21
1 Peter 2:11-12

A light on a hill for all to see Matthew 5:15-16

I am a sinner still. For

I know that though in doing good,

I spend my life, I never could Ephesians 2:8-10
Atone for all I've done; And Lord Galatians 2:16

I know my sins are dark as night,

I dare to come before Your sight... Galatians 2:19-21

But I know I trust in Your Son!

Chorus:

What a wretched man I am!

Who will rescue me? For Romans 7:24

What a slave to sin I am!

Who will save me, please? Yes! John 8:34

What a gracious God I have!
Who lived and died for me! So Romans 14:9

What a thankful man I am!

Lord let me serve You... Rom. 7:25 2 Cor. 5:15

I know that what I want to do

That's just what I do not do Romans 7:19
My old man desires to sin; For Ephesians 4:22

I know that good I wish to do

Evil lies there also too! Romans 7:21
Infecting my soul within... Yet Romans 7:18

I know that as I run my race, Coming

Boldly to Your Throne of grace, Hebrews 4:16
I find Your mercy is all I need. Cause then Romans 7:24

I know salvation for sure, is mine,

And patiently, I bide my time, Isaiah 12:1-2
When Jesus You'll come for me! John 14:18-20

Chorus:

I know that my soul, Isn't worthy of Your grace; so I wonder when I speak to You, How will my eyes meet Your face...?

Chorus:

I serve You free!

I know that... You love me! John 8:36

You set me free! I know that...

I know that... Eternally. Psalm 49:8-9

Neal Radichel - 11.5.20 Frank B. St. John, 1878 Based off TLH #379 and Romans 7:19-25

PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION A Good Word or Blessing.

Congregational Response: ♪Amen!

Hymn 364 vs 5-7 TLH (Red Hymnal) How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

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LAST WEEK

Gatherings

Saturday Worship 1/9: 48

Sunday Worship 1/10: In Person 96; Views 165

Sunday Family Sunday School: 16 Wednesday Midweek Bible Study: 24

Primrose Bible Study 1/15: 10

Note: the number of views listed is as of 1/15/2021; "views" does not represent the number of viewers, but rather only the number of computers/devices that accessed it

Fruits of Faith

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Immanuel	Plate/Mail	CashApp
Current Expenses Weekly Need \$13,461.54	\$10,576.75	\$751
Student Aid	\$50	
Land Purchase	\$40	
ILS Foundation	\$15	
Benevolent	\$20	
Interactive Display Fund	\$5	
MPF Floor Replacement	\$100.75	
2020 Remolding/ Painting	\$30	
Athletic Fund	\$8,000	
Aluminum Cans	\$11.85	
Christmas Eve	\$75	
Christmas Day	\$75	
New Years Eve	\$1,030	
Bequest to be Designated	\$10,000	
CLC		
CB Missions	\$633.00	\$10
MDF Mission	\$220	\$100
Student Aid ILC	\$15	
CLC Kinship		\$100
Memorial for Desirae Naumann		

CLC MDF \$50

THIS WEEK

Sat Jan 16 6:00p **WORSHIP**, In-Person 7:00p Family Bible School Sun Jan 17 9:00a Family Sunday School Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM 9:15a WORSHIP, In-Person or Live Stream-Join us live by following the 10:00a 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/ 3rd Sunday Communion-pastors' offices 11:00a Mon Jan 18 Have a great week! 7:30p Annual Voters Meeting Tues Jan 19 Pastors' Office Hours 3-5p 7:00p Council Reorganization Meeting 12:45p Televised WORSHIP Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7 Wed Jan 20 7:00p Online Bible Study- http://meet.google.com/obb-erjc-eva Thur Jan 21 10:00a Walnut Towers Bible Study 105 E Walnut St Mankato 5:45 Televised WORSHIP Service, Chart #181; Consolidated Comm #7 q00:6 Online Confirmation Class a00:6 Elders Team Red Meeting Fri Jan 22 9:00a Primrose Bible Study 1360 Adams St Mankato Have a great weekend! Sat Jan 23 WORSHIP In-Person. 6:00p 7:00p Family Sunday School Family Sunday School Sun Jan 24 9:00a 9:15a Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM 10:00a WORSHIP In-Person or Live Stream

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER CALL At our upcoming Annual Voters' Meeting on January 18, 2020, the Immanuel Board of Education will be requesting nominations for a high school math and science teacher to begin the 2021–2022 school year. The individual would be expected to teach an agreed upon number of the following courses: Precalculus, Calculus, Statistics, Physical Science/Biology, Chemistry/Physics, Spanish 1/Spanish 2, and Technology Coordinator. The BOE is putting together a call list with the help of the CLC President. Part of this process includes compiling basic biographical information on any individuals who will be nominated. If you have been prayerfully led to nominate someone at the upcoming meeting, please inform BOE Chairman Bennett Olmanson and Pastor Naumann so that they can

include the name and biography on the call list. They are hoping to get the list to our Voters' in advance of the Annual Meeting. Any voting member of Immanuel is able to nominate. Non-voters should speak to a voter or a pastor if they would like to nominate. Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

DRAFT OF ANNUAL REPORT has been emailed out to the congregation. This is in preparation for the Annual Voters' Meeting on January 18th at 7pm (all are invited to attend). A few hard copies of this draft have also been placed in the narthex so you can start reading up on some of the reports ahead of time. It's a lot of work getting all the reports done and together, so thank you for your patience with all the committees! May our Lord Jesus continue to bless His work at Immanuel. He is with us!

ANNUAL VOTERS MEETING The Annual Meeting will be held in person on Monday, January 18th in the sanctuary. Any questions can be directed to Zachary Lien.

DEAR IMMANUEL BASKETBALL FANS With the recent COVID-19 restrictions for high school sports, we regret that fans will only be allowed into the gym to watch if they are part of a player's ability to invite two fans. Please watch for a live stream link to view the games from home. Thank you for your continued support of our basketball program.

SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLC CALLS Pastor David Ude has returned the call extended to him by Redeemer, Cheyenne, WY <> Pastor Mike Eichstadt has returned the call extended to him by Living Savior, Eden Prairie, MN <> Joshua Ohlmann, Grace, Sleepy Eye, MN has accepted the call by Holy Trinity, West Columbia, SC to be upper grade teacher and principal