



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SEVENTH SUNDAY IN THE TRINITY SEASON



Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you.

Genesis 28:15

SERVING US THIS WEEK

PASTOR Neal Radichel <> DEACON Brent Schreyer <> ORGANIST Bonnie
Cornish <> ALTAR FLOWERS Daryl Pischner
SCREEN (Sat.) Joe Furst (Sun.) Russ Schmitt

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

VBS Children Opening Hymn WS 785
Saturday- Congregation sings 1-4
Sunday- Congregation joins in for v. 4

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.

(Spoken)

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

P: O 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.

GOSPEL READING MATTHEW 13:44-53

In this series of parables Jesus is describing the nature of the kingdom of God. He compares God's kingdom to two precious items that are so valuable they are worth more than anything else. God did this very thing. He gave all that He had in order to redeem mankind and open His kingdom to sinners. In the same way, Christians will be led to value God's kingdom as the greatest thing we can ever possess and worth sacrificing everything we have for it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and hid; and for joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

45 "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking beautiful pearls, **46** "who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

47 "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet that was cast into the sea and gathered some of every kind, **48** "which, when it was full, they drew to shore; and they sat down and gathered the good into vessels, but threw the bad away. **49** "So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come forth, separate the wicked from among the just, **50** "and cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth."

51 Jesus said to them, "Have you understood all these things?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." **52** Then He said to them, "Therefore every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure things new and old." **53** Now it came to pass, when Jesus had finished these parables, that He departed from there.

Congregational Praise: ♪ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

RESPONSIVE READING PSALM 46

This psalm boldly proclaims the work of God and the confidence that Christians have in Him. He is our Refuge, our Strength, and our Help. He is ever present with us in any and every trouble. God is gracious! Knowing and trusting this truth about God changes the way we live our lives as Christians - without fear and with confidence in His wonderful works!

P: God is our refuge and strength,

C: A very present help in trouble.

P: Therefore we will not fear, Even though the earth be removed, And though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;

C: Though its waters roar and be troubled, Though the mountains shake with its swelling. Selah

P: There is a river whose streams shall make glad the city of God,

C: The holy place of the tabernacle of the Most High.

P: God is in the midst of her,

C: She shall not be moved;

P: God shall help her,

C: Just at the break of dawn.

P: The nations raged, the kingdoms were moved; He uttered His voice, the earth melted.

C: The LORD of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah

P: Come, behold the works of the LORD, Who has made desolations in the earth.

C: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and cuts the spear in two; He burns the chariot in the fire.

P: Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!

ALL: The LORD of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our refuge. Amen!

EPISTLE READING ACTS 16:22-33

Paul's experience in the city of Philippi was not what one would willingly plan or desire, but the Lord uses these events to bring His kingdom to many including an unsuspecting jailer. Though beaten and unjustly imprisoned, Paul and Silas witnessed to Jesus as the only Savior through hymns and prayers. Through this testimony, God opens the door for a man and his family to be brought into His kingdom by faith.

Then the multitude rose up together against them; and the magistrates tore off their clothes and commanded them to be beaten with rods. **23** And when they had laid many stripes on them, they threw them into prison, commanding the jailer to keep them securely. **24** Having received such a charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. **25** But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. **26** Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were loosed. **27** And the keeper of the prison, awaking from sleep and seeing the prison doors open, supposing the prisoners had fled,

drew his sword and was about to kill himself. **28** But Paul called with a loud voice, saying, "Do yourself no harm, for we are all here." **29** Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. **30** And he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" **31** So they said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household." **32** Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. **33** And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes. And immediately he and all his family were baptized.

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

CONFESSION OF FAITH 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 of the Day 301 TLH (Red Hymnal)

He that Believes and is Baptized

SERMON READING GENESIS 28:10-22

Now Jacob went out from Beersheba and went toward Haran. **11** So he came to a certain place and stayed there all night, because the sun had set. And he took one of the stones of that place and put it at his head, and he lay down in that place to sleep.

12 Then he dreamed, and behold, a ladder was set up on the earth, and its top reached to heaven; and there the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. **13** And behold, the LORD stood above it and said: "I am the LORD God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and your descendants. **14** "Also your descendants shall be as the dust of the earth; you shall spread abroad to the west and the east, to the north

and the south; and in you and in your seed all the families of the earth shall be blessed. **15** "Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you."

16 Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it." **17** And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven!" **18** Then Jacob rose early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put at his head, set it up as a pillar, and poured oil on top of it. **19** And he called the name of that place Bethel; but the name of that city had been Luz previously. **20** Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me, and keep me in this way that I am going, and give me bread to eat and clothing to put on, **21** "so that I come back to my father's house in peace, then the LORD shall be my God. **22** "And this stone which I have set as a pillar shall be God's house, and of all that You give me I will surely give a tenth to You."

Vows Worth Venerating

1. *REPENT for your vows TO the LORD*

2. *REJOICE in your vows FROM the LORD*

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.

Sermon Hymn 333 TLH (Red Hymnal)
Blessed Savior, Who hast Taught Me

OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS & MEDITATION

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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Our God is far greater than words can make known.
Exalted and holy, He reigns on His throne.
In infinite splendor He rules over all;
Yet He feeds the poor sparrows, and He knows when they fall.

Chorus: His power is great and will ever endure.
His wisdom is peaceable, gentle, and pure.
But greater than all these glories I see
Is the glorious promise that He cares for me.

The earth and the heavens are the work of His hands.
And billions of angels obey His commands.
He guides the great galaxies spinning through space
Yet He gave us His Son as a gift of His grace.

Chorus

He rides the wild heavens; He strides thru' the seas;
The high mountains tremble to hear His decrees.
His voice with great thundering sounds from above
But to His own Children He whispers His love.

Chorus

FOLLOWED BY THE OFFERING HYMN: *[Red hymnal #441:1,2]*

**We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
May we Thy bounties thus, As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!**

PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION *A Good Word or Blessing.*

Congregational Response: ♪ Amen!

Closing Hymn 648 TLH (Red Hymnal)
I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

LAST WEEK

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Budgetary (\$13,461.54 budgeted per week)

\$ 15,859.05 Current Expenses General Budget

Non-Budgetary

\$ 650.75 Major Improvement

\$ 696 ILS Student Aid

\$ 15 ILS Foundation

\$ 50 Benevolent Fund

\$ 50 MPF Floor Replacement Fund

\$ 50 MPF Free Will Donation

Memorial: In Memory of Muriel Dunkel

\$ 100 ILS Memorial

\$ 20 ILS Student Aid

CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION

\$ 708 CLC General Budget (CBP)

\$ 160 CLC Kinship

\$ 9 ILC Student Aid

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Type	# Souls
New Perspective	No	9:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	1
Realife	No	9:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	
Latitude Bible Study	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	7
Monarch Meadows	No	9:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	5
Laurel's Peak	Yes	10:45 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	4
Wednesday Online	Yes	7:00 PM	Every Wednesday	Study	19
Walnut Towers	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	7
Old Main	Yes	1:30 PM	Every Thursday	Study	7
New Perspective	Yes	10:00 AM	2nd Thursday	Worship	
Primrose	No	3:30 PM	5th Thursday	Worship	
College study	No	7:00 PM	Every other Thursday	Study	
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	19
Primrose	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Friday	Study	4
Hillcrest	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Friday	Worship	15
Pathstone	No	10:00 AM	3rd, 5th Friday	Worship	12
Autumn Grace	Yes	11:15 AM	2nd, 4th Friday	Worship	
<i>Blue Earth Jail (Women's)</i>	No	8:45 AM	Every Friday	Study	
<i>Blue Earth Jail (Men's)</i>	No	7:00 PM	Every Friday	Study	
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					100

Saturday Worship 7/10: 55

Sunday Worship 7/11: 188

THIS WEEK

Sat July 17	6:00p	WORSHIP, In-Person
Sun July 18	9:15a	Radio Sermon: <i>KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM</i>
	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	3 rd Sunday Communion
Mon July 19		God bless your week!
	7:00p	Quarterly Voters Meeting
Tues July 20	3-5p	Pastors' Office Hours
Wed July 21	12:45p	Televised WORSHIP Service, <i>Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7</i>
	7:00p	Online Bible Study
Thur July 22	5:45p	Televised WORSHIP Service, <i>Chart #181; Consolidated Comm #7</i>
Fri July 23	6:30a	Men's Breakfast
	11:00a	SIC Meeting
Sat July 24	6:00p	WORSHIP In-Person
Sun July 25	9:15a	Radio Sermon: <i>KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM</i>
	10:00a	WORSHIP In-Person or Live Stream

LOOKING AHEAD

- Aug 11-15- Porcupine Mountains Camp
- August- Outdoor Adventure Day (Details to come)
- August 23- First Day of School for ILS

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEEDED: ALTAR FLOWER VOLUNTEERS The altar flower sign-up for July through October is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the narthex. Please consider volunteering. Questions? Email StudyGuild@ImmanuelMankato.org or call Kristen Friedrichs at 507-382-5257.

FLOOR REPLACEMENT VOLUNTEERS The Board of Property is looking for volunteers to help with tearing out the narthex and deacons room flooring to get ready for the resurfacing process. This will take place **July 25 at 12pm**. Please help with this project if you can!

FLOOR WAXING Floor waxing will be taking place starting **Monday, July 19** we are asking for helpers to remove desks etc from grade school classrooms after the church services this weekend.

MEETINGS RESUME The Ladies Auxiliary will resume their meetings on the last Wednesday of each month. We will meet this month on **July 28th** at 1 PM in the church basement. Please use the south entrance when you arrive!

CLC Financial Report - June

CLC Financial Report Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2020	YTD Revenue	YTD Disbursed	Budget 12 Months	Balance 6/30/2021
General Fund	0	998,765	1,037,570	1,097,400	- 38,805
ILC Operations (incl. CLC subsidy)	0	1,329,126	1,332,554	1,378,140	- 3,428
Auxiliary Funds					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF)	201,448	52,159	129,017		124,590
ILC Building Projects	14,542	2,176,220	1,094,046		1,096,716
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	84,054	244,700	196,441		132,313
Kinship	86,093	242,254	146,228		182,119
Church Extension Fund (CEF)	1,914,371	2,132,149	518,635		3,527,885
Student Aid Fund (SAF)	84,280	160,138	110,833		133,585
Reserve Fund	294,092	5,067	0		299,159
Total	\$2,678,880	\$5,012,687	\$2,195,200		\$5,496,367

General Fund – June offerings: \$115,970 vs disbursements: \$80,858, resulted in a net gain for June of \$35,112, reducing the closing General Fund deficit to -\$38,805. Offerings at year end fell short of CBP estimated budget revenues by \$98,635, but disbursements at year end were \$59,830 less than estimated expenses. The four Boards (Missions, Trustees, Regents, & Ed Pub) did their best to stay under budget & our members did their best to bring their offerings for the budget. But in the end, the Lord has done the best of all, sacrificing His Son to cover our eternal deficit, and also blessing us with a Reserve from previous years of His abundant blessings to cover these material shortfalls! The Trustees will transfer funds from the Reserve Fund to cover these year-end deficits. Our Boards will start the new fiscal year with a new budget of our congregations' estimated offerings for the estimated work they have approved our boards to do!

ILC Operations – June revenue: \$77,164 (incl \$49,500 subsidy) vs disbursements: \$136,182, but with the May balance of \$55,590 ended the fiscal year with a small deficit.

ILC Building Projects – June offerings were \$770 plus some portfolio capital gains and no disbursements from the Planning Committee. June earnings (Div/Int) were \$5,010 for a fiscal year total of \$66,068. The Committee presented footprints & renderings of the proposed multi-level new gym facility to the recent CLC Convention. The Convention Proceedings will report the resolutions of the delegates for this project and other Convention actions when it is published in August.

CEF – June revenue: \$42,350 (\$42,260 loan payments, \$90 offerings) vs disbursements: \$40,458 (incl \$36,748 note repayments & interest). Over the next several months of the calendar year, the Trustees will be funding new CEF congregational building loans of \$1.58 million.

MDF – June offerings: \$30,363 of several special offerings vs disbursements of \$11,042, which includes the 12th & final \$10,000 building construction grant for the Nepal Bible Institute facility.

SAF – June receipts: \$22,193 from several lump sum SAF student loan re-payments & a \$2,370 gift.

Kinship – June Offerings: \$57,531 (\$30k special gift) vs disbursed: \$26,312 Medical & Disaster Aid.

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it. (Malachi 3:10)

James E. Sandeen, CLC Treasurer

Thomas J. Lentz, Chairman, CLC Board of Trustees

SYNOD ANNOUCEMENTS

SYNOD CALLS Greta Brown-Kempenaar has been called as music teacher and preschool aid for one year by Faith, Markesan, WI <> Mr. Andrew Roehl, 5-6th grade teacher Messiah, Eau Claire, WI has been called to be teacher and principal at Valley Bible Academy in Clarkston, WA <> Grace, Valentine, NE has extended a one-year call to David Bernthal, teacher emeritus, living in Fond du Lac, WI to be their principal and upper grade teacher <> Pastor Mark Tiefel of Redemption, Lynnwood, WA, has the call to Living Savior, Eden Prairie, MN

ONLINE & MOBILE CLC STUDIES

Daily e-Devotions

Daily Bible readings from the Messiah bulletin back page www.tinyurl.com/m-current-bulletin

Daily readings that match our church services, with a brief introduction for each by Prof. Paul Koch.

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

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

Burden & Blessing <https://burdenblessing.podbean.com/>

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.

The Witness <http://www.clcwitness.org/>

The Witness is an email newsletter for young Christians, especially those faced with the daily trials of life on a college campus or in other secular settings. As Christians who believe every word of Scripture is inspired by God, our views are often dismissed in favor of more contemporary, humanist thinking. It's very easy to feel alone in our faith. The Witness seeks to fill that void by connecting like-minded Christians through social media.

Immanuel, Mankato's "Twin Steeples Podcast" <https://twinsteeple.podbean.com>

Pastors Neal Radichel and Joe Naumann regularly publish audio devotions for your listening edification.

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. 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.

Lutheran Spokesman <http://lutheranspokesman.org/>

The Spokesman was first started in 1958 and is a monthly publication of the CLC covering a variety of studies, answering questions, and providing detailed stateside news as well as foreign mission updates. If you subscribe, it will be mailed directly to your home. You can also read specific articles online. The website is a helpful way to search for specific subjects or articles that you may want to learn more about.

Ministry by Mail <http://ministrybymail.clclutheran.org/>

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Sermons of Martin Luther www.lutherantacoma.com/luthersermons

A series of mp3 podcasts of the sermons of Dr. Martin Luther, read by Prof. Paul Naumann. Each sermon is a separate podcast, and they come from Lenker's eight-volume edition, which is in the public domain.

Inspirational Music *"Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world."* - Dr. Martin Luther.

Selections are endless, but if you would like a place to start try the 1-hour collection of instrumental piano hymns found here: <https://youtu.be/nnk1HTsmJk0>

Also – see the collection of favorite hymns from *The Lutheran Hymnal* as sung by the "Lutheran Quartet" here: www.tinyurl.com/lutheran-q On-screen lyrics makes it easy to sing along!

If you have any announcements you would like to put in the bulletin for next weekend please notify the church secretary no later than **10am on Friday**. Thank you!