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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN THE TRINITY SEASON

So David said to Nathan,
'I have sinned against the Lord.'
And Nathan said to David,
'The Lord also has put away your sin;
you shall not die.'

2 Samuel 12:13

SERVING US THIS WEEK

PASTOR Neal Radichel <> DEACON Ben Stratton

ORGANIST Bonnie Cornish <> ALTAR FLOWERS Trudy Dackins

SCREEN (*Sat.*) Joe Furst (*Sun.*) Gabrielle Harris

USHERS Kyle Hulke, Karl Friedrichs, Mac Friedrichs, Matt Hagen, Andrew Lentz,
Austin Lien, Gary Mittelsteadt, Alan Olmanson, Alex Schmitt, Brent Schreyer, Ted
Schreyer, Philip Stelter, Ross Theneman

ORDER OF SERVICE

Tan Worship Supplement (page 22 in front)

Opening Hymn 324 V 1-5 TLH (*Red Hymnal*)
Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

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

Congregation (C) ♪: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS & ABSOLUTION

P: God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

C: If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.

P: Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven. With boldness and confidence we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray...

C: ♪ Amen.

FIRST READING MATTHEW 5:13-19

"You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. **14** "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on

a hill cannot be hidden. **15** "Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. **16** "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. **17** "Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. **18** "For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled. **19** "Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

RESPONSIVE READING PSALM 51:1-13

P: <To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David when Nathan the prophet went to him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba.> Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness;

C: According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions.

P: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,

C: And cleanse me from my sin.

P: For I acknowledge my transgressions,

C: And my sin is always before me.

P: Against You, You only, have I sinned,

C: And done this evil in Your sight-- That You may be found just when You speak, And blameless when You judge.

SECOND READING ACTS 20:17-38

From Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called for the elders of the church.

18 And when they had come to him, he said to them:

"You know, from the first day that I came to Asia, in what manner I always lived among you, **19** "serving the Lord with all humility, with many tears and trials which happened to me by the plotting of the Jews; **20** "how I kept back nothing that was helpful, but proclaimed it to you, and taught you publicly and from house to house, **21** "testifying to Jews, and also to Greeks, repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. **22** "And see, now I go bound in the spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things that will happen to me there, **23** "except that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city, saying that chains and tribulations await me. **24** "But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. **25** "And indeed, now I know

that you all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, will see my face no more. **26** "Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all men. **27** "For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God. **28** "Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. **29** "For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. **30** "Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves. **31** "Therefore watch, and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears. **32** "So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified. **33** "I have coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. **34** "Yes, you yourselves know that these hands have provided for my necessities, and for those who were with me. **35** "I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" **36** And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all. **37** Then they all wept freely, and fell on Paul's neck and kissed him, **38** sorrowing most of all for the words which he spoke, that they would see his face no more. And they accompanied him to the ship.

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!

CONFESSIO 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 of the Day 782 TLH (*Tan Hymnal*)
Evening and Morning

SERMON 2 SAMUEL 12:1-14

Then the LORD sent Nathan to David. And he came to him, and said to him: "There were two men in one city, one rich and the other poor. **2** "The rich man had exceedingly many flocks and herds. **3** "But the poor man had nothing, except one little ewe lamb which he had bought and nourished; and it grew up together with him and with his children. It ate of his own food and drank from his own cup and lay in his bosom; and it was like a daughter to him. **4** "And a traveler came to the rich man, who refused to take from his own flock and from his own herd to prepare one for the wayfaring man who had come to him; but he took the poor man's lamb and prepared it for the man who had come to him."

5 So David's anger was greatly aroused against the man, and he said to Nathan, "As the LORD lives, the man who has done this shall surely die!

6 "And he shall restore fourfold for the lamb, because he did this thing and because he had no pity." **7** Then Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the LORD God of Israel:

'I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you from the hand of Saul. **8** 'I gave you your master's house and your master's wives into your keeping, and gave you the house of Israel and Judah. And if that had been too little, I also would have given you much more! **9** 'Why have you despised the commandment of the LORD, to do evil in His sight? You have killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword; you have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the people of Ammon. **10** 'Now therefore, the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised Me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife.' **11** "Thus says the LORD: 'Behold, I will raise up adversity against you from your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this sun.

12 'For you did it secretly, but I will do this thing before all Israel, before the sun.'"

13 So David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD." And Nathan said to David, "The LORD also has put away your sin; you shall not die. **14** "However, because by this deed you have given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme, the child also who is born to you shall surely die."

Don't miss out on the Lord's Keys!

- David heard them- and confesses
- Nathan used them - and absolves
- Christ stands behind them- and delivers

Preaching today: Pastor Neal Radichel

RESPONSIVE READING CONTINUED PSALM 5: 1, 5-12

P: <To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David when Nathan the prophet went to him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba.> Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness;

C: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me.

P: Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts,

C: And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom.

P: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;

C: Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

P: Make me hear joy and gladness, That the bones You have broken may rejoice.

C: Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out all my iniquities.

P: Create in me a clean heart, O God,

C: And renew a steadfast spirit within me.

P: Do not cast me away from Your presence,

C: And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.

P: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,

C: And uphold me by Your generous Spirit. Amen!

**Sermon Hymn 318 TLH (Red Hymnal)
Before Thee, God, Who Knowest All**

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 - 'Falling Back' N. Radichel

In my mind, in my life, I've got so many choices, Of what to do and not to
So I walk the line, so defined, by the Holy Voices, Or at least I want to try to
With temptations all around, in this town, I can't deny
Wicked lifestyles lived carelessly, I know inside, I must lose my pride
For I'm an example for all to see
But then sin lies dead ahead, No hesitation to avoid it
But what I'd like to do instead, Is drown that Old Man who employs it
Cause I keep falling back to this same place
And I know too well I can't be here, When I fall flat on my face
Lord please forgive me for what I've done
And give me the strength to carry on, And keep me from falling back here

FOLLOWED BY THE OFFERING HYMN: WS #788:1

***We are Yours--Your mercy sought us, Found us in death's dreadful way,
To the fold in safety brought us, Nevermore from You to stray.
Your own life was freely given, As an off'ring on the cross
For each sinner, now forgiven, From eternal shame and loss.***

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH & THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION *A Good Word or Blessing.*

Congregational Response: ♪ Amen, Amen, Amen.

**Closing Hymn 324 v 6-8 TLH (Red Hymnal)
Jesus Sinners Doth Receive**

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LAST WEEK

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Budgetary (\$13,461.54 budgeted per week)

\$9,466.77 Current Expenses General Budget

Non-Budgetary

\$ 410 Major Improvement

\$ 740 ILS Student Aid

\$ 265 Land Purchase Fund

\$65 ILS Foundation

\$60 Benevolent Fund

\$73.86 MPF Floor Replacement Fund

CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION

\$471 CLC General Budget (CBP)

\$20 CLC Kinship

Memorials:

In Memory of Daniel Gurgel:

\$ 70 New Equipment Fund

In Memory of Larry Fischer:

\$ 10 Endowment Fund

\$ 50 Endowment Fund

Saturday Worship 8/21: 71 Sunday Worship 8/22: 150

| Location | Active | Time | Day of the week | Type | # Souls |
|---|--------|----------|----------------------|---------|-----------|
| New Perspective | Yes | 9:00 AM | 2nd, 4th Tuesday | Study | |
| Latitude Bible Study | Yes | 10:00 AM | Every Tuesday | Study | 7 |
| Laurel's Edge | Yes | 10:00 AM | Every Wednesday | Study | 4 |
| Laurel's Peak | Yes | 10:45 AM | Every Wednesday | Study | 4 |
| Wednesday Online | Yes | 7:00 PM | Every Wednesday | Study | 16 |
| Walnut Towers | Yes | 10:00 AM | Every Thursday | Study | 6 |
| Old Main | Yes | 1:30 PM | Every Thursday | Study | 9 |
| New Perspective | Yes | 10:00 AM | 2nd Thursday | Worship | |
| College study | No | 7:00 PM | Every other Thursday | Study | |
| Men's Breakfast | Yes | 6:30 AM | Every Friday | Study | 22 |
| Primrose | Yes | 9:00 AM | Every Friday | Study | 5 |
| Hillcrest | Yes | 10:00 AM | Every Friday | Worship | 10 |
| Pathstone | Yes | 10:00 AM | 3rd, 5th Friday | Worship | |
| Autumn Grace | Yes | 11:15 AM | 2nd, 4th Friday | Worship | 12 |
| Blue Earth Jail (Women's) | No | 8:45 AM | Every Friday | Study | |
| Blue Earth Jail (Men's) | No | 7:00 PM | Every Friday | Study | |
| Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week: | | | | | 95 |

THIS WEEK

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| Sat Aug 28 | 6:00p | WORSHIP, In-Person |
| Sun Aug 29 | 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/ God Bless Your Week! |
| Mon Aug 30 | | |
| Tues Aug 31 | 3-5p | Pastors Office Hours (<i>let him know if you need a visit</i>) |
| Wed Sept 1 | 12:45p | Televised WORSHIP Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7 |
| | 7:00p | Congregational Meeting |
| Thur Sept 2 | 5:45p | Televised WORSHIP Service, Chart #181; Consolidated Comm #7 |
| Fri Sept 3 | 6:30a | Men's Breakfast |
| Sat Sept 4 | 6:00p | WORSHIP, In- Person Communion Service |
| | 7:00p | Study Guild Meeting After Service |
| Sun Sept 5 | 9:15a | Radio Sermon: <i>KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM</i> |
| | 10:00a | WORSHIP In-Person or Live Stream Communion Service |
| | 11:00a | Study Guild Meeting After Service |

LOOKING AHEAD

Sept 1, 15, 29 Weds 7-8:30pm Congregational Choir Policy Discussion
Sept 30 to Oct 3- Man Up! Retreat www.manup.clclutheran.org.

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

STUDY GUILD- TOUCH BASE All women at Immanuel are invited to a brief meeting following the services this weekend to discuss planning for the 2021-2022 meetings and officer elections. If you are unable to attend either of these dates, please share your ideas to Kristen Friedrichs at 507-382-5257 or via email studyguild@immanuelmankato.org

SIC COMMITTEE UPDATE The Sanctuary Improvement Committee is not presently pursuing any further updates to the sanctuary beyond the carpet and the pew reconditioning. We recommend giving priority to the major structural maintenance needs reported by the Property Board.

PROPERTY ANNOUNCEMENT Our facility is in need of roughly \$300,000 in repairs over the next several years:

Time line and estimate as follows:

Present-2 years Church roof \$70K

2-6 years Tuck Pointing on exterior brick \$120K

6-10 years. Placing a rubber roof on the gym \$110K

Funds from Major Improvement will go towards these projects and prioritize the need when funds become available. Thank you for the consideration.

UPCOMING CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

At our July 19, 2021 Voters meeting...

A letter from the Immanuel Faculty was shared with a desire to revisit the current Immanuel School Singing Policy. In particular allowing non members to join in singing for school-led worship and ministry opportunities (e.g. caroling in nursing homes, singing at graduation). A letter from Pastor Naumann was presented providing perspective on the current choir policy.

It was moved and carried at the July Voters meeting to have the Faculty, Board of Deacons, Board of Education and Pastors coordinate three open congregational meetings, prior to the next quarterly meeting, on the topic of Immanuel's student singing policy. The purpose of these meetings are to provide information, allow for conversation, and work toward alignment on the topic as the policy is planned to be revisited at the October Voters meeting.

DATES for these meetings have been set beginning on Wednesday, September 1st at 7pm (for no more than 90 mins) in the church basement.

To prepare attendees for the meetings, the following resources can be found attached: History around Immanuel School Signing Policy, Immanuel Faculty Letter, and Pastor Naumann's Letter.

Please review these resources in advance of the first meeting.

In order to encourage more open discussion, the committees decided the meetings won't be live streamed or recorded.

AGENDA for the 1st meeting will be focused on providing information and gaining shared understanding and is as follows:

- -Summary of concerns of both sides, including a brief history of this discussion at Immanuel
- -Breakout discussion with small groups, followed by larger regroup
- -Questions and comments at the end will help focus the 2nd meeting

During subsequent meetings, the focus will be diving deeper into areas of question and concern as well as working toward alignment as a congregation on the topic.

BLOOD DRIVE Immanuel will be hosting a Blood Drive 10/22/21. Please mark your calendars and be on the look out for more information to come!

ILS SCHOOL STORE If you are looking to buy some Immanuel school swag, here is the link to the school store!

<http://www.mybstarkstore.com/immanuelutheran/>

SOPHOMORE 5K The Sophomore 5k is back and on a new date! Come run along the scenic Minnesota River and enjoy the beautiful fall weather all while supporting the ILHS Class of 2024.

When: Saturday, Sep. 18 @ 9:05 AM

Where: Sibley Park in Mankato

How to Register: Online at: sophomore5k.weebly.com or talk to a Sophomore \$20 per runner; students 6th grade and under are free!

See our website for more information: sophomore5k.weebly.com

Questions? Email Beth Greve at Beth.Greve@immanuelmankato.org

SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

SYNOD CALLS Pastor Ben Libby of Ascension Lutheran Church of Tacoma, WA, has received the call to Redeemer Lutheran Church, Cheyenne, WY <> Mrs. Louise Mayhew has received the call to serve a one-year, part-time call, teaching the upper grades at Grace Lutheran School, Valentine, NE <> Michael Sprengeler has received the calls to Redeemer Lutheran Church, Bowdle, SD, as well as to Zion Lutheran Church, Ipswich, SD <> Pastor Caleb Schaller, Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI, has received the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO

MAN UP! RETREAT The 2021 ManUp! Men's Retreat is on for this fall will be held September 30 - October 3, 2021, at beautiful Wyalusing State Park near Prairie du Chien, WI, about an hour south of La Crosse. The Theme this year is: "No Fear!" and will offer strength and encouragement for men 18 and older for their personal faith, family, and fellowship at church. The weekend will include Bible study, fellowship, leadership training, team building, relationship building, worship, and many outdoor bonding activities. The cost is \$75 before September 1, and includes lodging and meals. You can register by going to the Man Up! website here: www.manup.clclutheran.org. Please plan to join us!

ONLINE & MOBILE CLC STUDIES

Daily e-Devotions

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

Daily readings that match our church services, with a brief introduction 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.

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/lutherasermons

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.

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!