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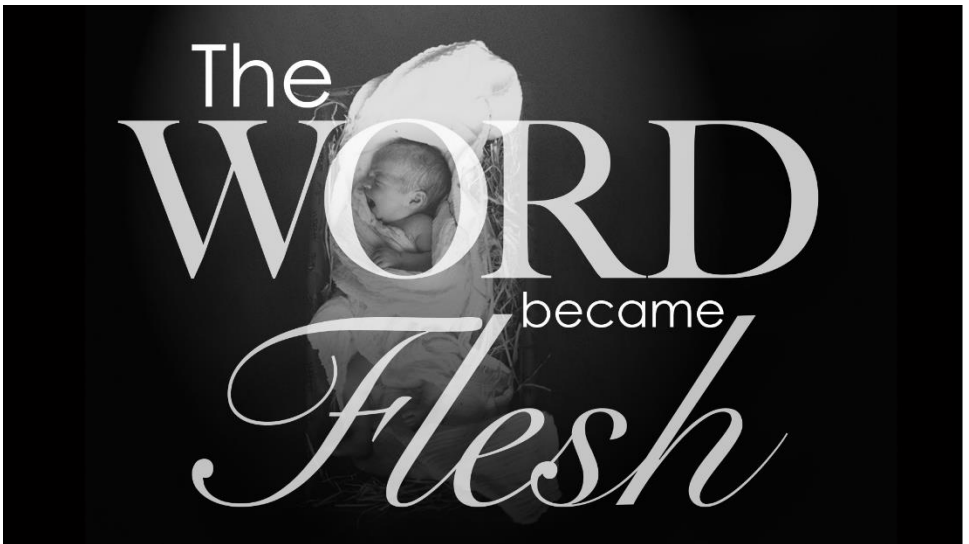
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17TH SUNDAY IN TRINITY SEASON



But the wisdom that comes from above is first pure,
then also peaceful, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and
good fruits, impartial, and sincere.

James 3:17

SERVING US THIS WEEK

PASTOR Neal Radichel <> DEACON Ross Theneman

ORGANIST Bonnie Cornish <> SCREEN (Sat.) Joe Furst (Sun.) Austin Lien

USHERS Fred Friedrichs, John Heinze, Aaron Busse, Austin Hanel, Hunter Hanel, Jay Hanel, Ty Hanel, Brett Kruse, Ross Libby, Jordan Meungsaksith, Andy Olmanson, Luke Olmanson, Leif Olmanson, Chuck Schmid, Ron Wolle, Steve Wolle

ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Supplement 2000 pg 12

Entrance Hymn 235 v 1,3,4,6 TLH (Red Hymnal)

○ Holy Spirit, Enter In

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.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

♪ Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.

Glory to God, we give You thanks and praise;
Of heav'nly joy and peace on earth we sing.
We worship You, to You our hearts we raise,
Lord God, almighty Father, heav'nly King.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
O Lamb of God, Your glorious vict'ry won,
Receive our prayer, grant us Your peace within.

Alone, O Christ, You only are the Lord,
At God's right hand in majesty most high:
Who, with the Spirit worshiped and adored,
With all the heav'nly host we glorify.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray...

C: ♪ Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING PROVERBS 16:1-9

Solomon builds on wisdom that is NOT self-seeking, but rather God-pleasing. When mankind weighs his own plans and desires they all seem right in his or her own understanding. But it is the LORD who knows the motives behind all our ways. The focus of this section is how we bring honor to our LORD God, and to seek His mercy and Atonement for our iniquity. May our LORD always guide our steps in the way of His righteousness as He brings us the peace we have in our Savior, the Messiah, Jesus the Christ.

The preparations of the heart belong to man, But the answer of the tongue is from the LORD. **2** All the ways of a man are pure in his own eyes, But the LORD weighs the spirits. **3** Commit your works to the LORD, And your thoughts will be established. **4** The LORD has made all for Himself, Yes, even the wicked for the day of doom. **5** Everyone proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD; Though they join forces, none will go unpunished. **6** In mercy and truth Atonement is provided for iniquity; And by the fear of the LORD one departs from evil. **7** When a man's ways please the LORD, He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him. **8** Better is a little with righteousness, Than vast revenues without justice. **9** A man's heart plans his way, But the LORD directs his steps.

RESPONSIVE READING PSALM 37:10-20

Yes, we pray for our enemies to repent. David did this often as we see in many of the Psalms. At the same time we pray that the LORD will one day bring His justice against those who rebel and fight against Him (Psalm 2 is another example). Many times we see the LORD "laugh" at His enemies as we do here. We shouldn't regard His laughter as menacing, but as in a response to the plans of the wicked that think they will prevail against the LORD or His anointed. As Revelation reminds us, Jesus has won, is winning, and will show ultimate victory in the end.

P: For yet a little while and the wicked shall be no more;
C: Indeed, you will look carefully for his place, But it shall be no more.
P: But the meek shall inherit the earth,
C: And shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.
P: The wicked plots against the just, And gnashes at him with his teeth.
C: The Lord laughs at him, For He sees that his day is coming.
P: The wicked have drawn the sword And have bent their bow, To cast
down the poor and needy, To slay those who are of upright conduct.
C: Their sword shall enter their own heart, And their bows shall be
broken.
P: A little that a righteous man has Is better than the riches of many wicked.
C: For the arms of the wicked shall be broken, But the Lord upholds the
righteous.
P: The LORD knows the days of the upright,
C: And their inheritance shall be forever.
P: They shall not be ashamed in the evil time,
C: And in the days of famine they shall be forever.
P: But the wicked shall perish; And the enemies of the LORD,
C: Like the splendor of the meadows, shall vanish. Into smoke they shall
vanish away.

ILS CHOIR – SUNDAY SERVICE

'Jesus Sat wit His Disciples'

GOSPEL READING LUKE 10:38-42

Worry, trouble, and distraction can become major parts of life, especially when our focus is in the wrong place. Martha had good intentions - she desired to serve Jesus - yet she was consumed by the wrong focus because she lost sight of the primary connection she had with Jesus - the blessing of His Word. This lesson provides a timely reminder for us of how Jesus helps us with worry, trouble, and distraction - He brings us back to His Word.

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."

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!

CONFESSION OF FAITH- THE THIRD ARTICLE & EXPLANATION

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.

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him. But the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all sins to me and all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead and give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life.

This is most certainly true.

Hymn of the Day 904 LSB
Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Preschool through 6th Grade are invited to come up front for a few minutes.

SERMON JAMES 3:13-18

Who among you is wise and intelligent? Let him by his good way of living show that he does things in wise humility. **14** But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your heart, do not boast and lie, contrary to the truth.

15 This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but it is worldly, unspiritual, and demonic. **16** In fact, where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and every bad practice. **17** But the wisdom that comes from above is first pure, then also peaceful, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial, and sincere. **18** And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who practice peace.

Which Wisdom does your Heart Harvest?

- *Worldly* wisdom- leads to practicing a selfish ambition
- *Heavenly* wisdom- leads to practicing a peaceful disposition

*Preaching today Pastor Neal Radichel
Sermon Notes Sheet by the guest book in narthex*

OFFERTORY WS (TAN HYMNAL) PG 16

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. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.

Sermon Hymn 381 v 1,3 TLH (Red Hymnal)
I Know My Faith is Founded

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

SPECIAL PRAYERS - LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION *A Good Word or Blessing.*

Congregational Response: ♪ Amen.

Closing Hymn 655 TLH (Red Hymnal)
I Pray Thee, Dear Lord Jesus

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LAST WEEK

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Budgetary (\$13,461.54 budgeted per week)

\$8,017.03 Current Expenses General Budget

Non-Budgetary

\$ 120 Major Improvement

\$ 55 ILS Student Aid

\$ 15 ILS Foundation

\$ 20 Benevolent Fund

\$ 651.33 MPF Floor Replacement Fund

CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION

\$ 764 CLC General Budget (CBP)

\$ 55 CLC Student Aid

\$ 123 CLC Kinship

\$ 5 ILC Student Aid

\$ 50 CLC Missions (MDF)

Memorials:

In Memory of Jake Busse:

\$ 70 New Equipment

Saturday Worship 9/18: **83**
 Saturday Sunday School: **11**
 Saturday Bible Study: **14**

Sunday Worship 9/19: **144**
 Sunday School: **13**
 Sunday Bible Study: **19**

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Type	# Souls
New Perspective	Yes	9:00 AM	1st, 3rd Tuesday	Study	5
Latitude Bible Study	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	6
Realife	Yes	1:00 PM	Every Tuesday	Study	-
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	8
Laurel's Peak	Yes	10:45 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	-
Wednesday Online	Yes	7:00 PM	Every Wednesday	Study	-
Walnut Towers	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	6
Old Main	Yes	1:30 PM	Every Thursday	Study	12
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	17
Primrose	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Friday	Study	7
Hillcrest	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Friday	Worship	21
Pathstone	Yes	10:00 AM	3rd, 5th Friday	Worship	
Autumn Grace	Yes	11:15 AM	2nd, 4th Friday	Worship	15
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:					97

THIS WEEK

Sat Sept 25 6:00p **WORSHIP**, In-Person
 7:00p Adult Bible Class & Sunday School

Sun Sept 26 9:00a Adult Bible Class & Sunday School & Ambassadors
 9:15a Radio Sermon: *KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM*
 10:00a **WORSHIP**, In-Person or Live Stream-
 Live Stream- www.ImmanuelMankato.org
 Watch - www.ImmanuelMankato.org/sermons/

Mon Sept 27 God Bless Your Week!

5:00p Home Varsity Soccer Game- Caswell Soccer Complex
 5:00p Home Varsity Volleyball Game

Tues Sept 28 3-5p Pastors Office Hours (*let him know if you need a visit*)
 7:00p Board of Education Meeting

Wed Sept 29 8:30a SIC Meeting
 12:45p Televised **WORSHIP** Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7
 2:00p Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
 5:30p Public School Catechism
 7:00p Congregational Meeting

Thur Sept 30	5:45p	Televised WORSHIP Service, Chart #181; Consolidated Comm #7
Fri Oct 1	6:30a	Men's Breakfast
	4:15p	Home Grade School Soccer Game- Caswell Soccer Complex
Sat Oct 2	6:00p	WORSHIP, In- Person - Communion Weekend
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class & Sunday School
Sun Oct 3	9:00a	Adult Bible Class & Sunday School
	9:15a	Radio Sermon: <i>KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM</i>
	10:00a	WORSHIP In-Person or Live Stream - Communion Weekend

LOOKING AHEAD

Sept 30 to Oct 3 - Man Up! Retreat www.manup.clclutheran.org.

Oct. 10 - Outdoor Adventure Day- Seven Mile

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES The Financial Secretary (Douglas Schaller) is looking to place an order for 2022 contribution envelopes within the next few weeks. If you are currently using envelopes you will automatically be placed on this new order list. If you did not get envelopes last year and want some for next, please contact Douglas and let him know.

BLOOD DRIVE Immanuel will be hosting a Blood Drive **10/22/21**. The date was wrong in previous announcements! Please mark your calendars and be on the look out for more information to come!

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE DAY- SEVEN MILE Join your Immanuel Church Family for a day of fun activities **October 10th from 2-5pm**. We will be meeting at Seven Mile Creek Park for a family devotion and an opportunity to enjoy the outdoors together! There will be plenty of options- pick up soccer or football games, pick up kickball games, badminton or volleyball games, cornhole, and group hikes. Come enjoy the Lord's creation together! Hope to see you there. Any questions can be directed to the church secretary.

ALUMNI SOCCER DAY

Please join us for ILS Varsity vs. Alumni Soccer Day!

Sunday, October 24

2 PM at Caswell North Soccer Complex

Anyone from ILHS classes, 1960 - 2021, would be welcome to play, even if ILS did not offer soccer during the time you were attending Immanuel. You may also come and cheer on your classmates and enjoy catching up with old friends! We are looking for anyone who would like to officiate for the game, or have a few officials to rotate through during the game. Please see Coach Alex Hanel if you have any questions, or Marie Casto to volunteer. We look forward to seeing you!

LADIES AUXILIARY All women at Immanuel are invited to our Ladies Auxiliary for bible study and fellowship. We will meet at 2:00 PM on Wednesday **September 29th**. We will meet in the basement. Please use the south entry/parking lot entrance. Linda Appel and Marlys Leiding will serve lunch.

SURPLUS SCHOOL ITEMS The school has items that we are no longer using on the stage in the church basement. If you would have use for any of these items we would like to offer them to members of the congregation before getting rid of them. The items that are available will have labels on them that say "surplus". If you would like an item, but need help transporting it, please contact Principal Heinze (brandan.heinze@immanuelmankato.org or 507-404-0782). Items remaining after October 19 will be disposed of.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Dear Members of Immanuel,

Thank you to the continued participation in the recent congregational meetings on the Immanuel School Singing Policy.

As a reminder, this is part of a series and you are encouraged to join the 3rd meeting (and last currently planned) occurring on Wednesday, **September 29th at 7:00 PM (for no more than 90 mins)** in the church basement. Find below details for the next congregational meetings as well as the recap from the second meeting.

AGENDA (see below) for the 2nd meeting will focus on what the Bible has to say about fellowship, spiritual care, worship/praise, and evangelism as we study, under, and apply the doctrine of Scripture:

- Guided discussion based on Bible passages relate to fellowship, spiritual care, worship/praise, and evangelism
- Open forum for additional questions and comments to further our understanding
- Conversation related to application doctrine

To aid the discussion, you are encouraged to study the Bible passages linked [HERE](#) beforehand (or hardcopy in narthex) and contribute other relevant and related passages in the section titled "*Additional passages regarding fellowship, spiritual care, worship/praise, and evangelism*".

RECAP from 2nd meeting:

Broader questions from 1st meeting related to policy history, implementation, etc. addressed:

Why has Immanuel's school singing policies changed over time? Is there a reason that it has been getting more defined and prescriptive?

Historical records have shown there has been an increase in non-members over the last few decades since the 1950s synodical split. Different denominations with differing beliefs have contributed to the choir policy discussions and changes

When are students and parents made aware of the singing policy?

Currently, the Board of Education has the handbook addressing the choir policy and the pastors discuss it with new parents/families.

Should there be concern that Immanuel Pastors and Faculty are not in agreement on the policy? What care and concern should be given to our non-member students and parents in the matter?

We desire unity in our doctrine and practice. Clear communication that can be understood by all is the prayerful desire for both of these questions.

If confirmation is a determining factor in the matter, could/should the confirmation age be revisited?

There are some that are currently looking into what this would look like. It may be a simple solution to several of the concerns.

Who should ultimately decide what the singing policy is?

There always exists a delicate balance between the voters deciding all the decisions or allowing the committees to carry out some of those decisions. Given the history of the choir policy, it is good it is coming to the voters again to review.

Core questions from 1st meeting related to policy discussed:

- Should/could there be a distinction between school led and church led functions?
- When and where does fellowship come into play in these decisions?
- Poll on singing policy viewpoints conducted

We look forward to the continued participation in this discussion. May the Lord bless it for the building up of His kingdom here at Immanuel.

SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLC SOUTHEASTERN WOMEN'S RETREAT A women's retreat is planned in Myrtle Beach, SC, from November 5-7. The theme is "Walking with Jesus." The registration fee is \$40, plus the cost of transportation and hotel. Details on hotel reservations and presentations can be found on the counter in the narthex. Contact Amy Osborne at 651-329-3662 or newyorker13@hotmail.com with any questions.

OUR SAVIORS CHURCH 90th ANNIVERSARY All are welcome to help Our Savior's give glory to God for 90 years of gospel preaching and teaching in Jamestown, ND this October 17th. The schedule of events:

- No Sunday School or Bible Class
- Anniversary Service 10 am (Guest Preacher—Mike Wilke)
- Meal 11:30
- Program to follow

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!



OUTDOOR

ADVENTURE & FELLOWSHIP

OCTOBER 10th | 2-5pm

Seven Mile Creek Park

47454 US-169 St Peter MN 56082

Join your church family for some outdoor fun! We will start with a bible study at 2pm and then you can pick an activity or two! There can be hiking, cornhole, badmitten, volleyball, or a pick up football and kick ball games. There is playground equipment on site for younger kids to enjoy. Bring your family and friends and we will see you there!