



# IMMANUEL EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## SECOND SUNDAY IN THE ADVENT SEASON



### SERVING US THIS WEEK

**PASTOR** Paul Naumann <> **DEACON** Ben Stratton <> **ORGANIST** Colleen Matzke<>  
**SCREEN** (Sat.) Joe Furst (Sun.) Russ Schmitt <> **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

### SERVING US NEXT WEEK

**PASTOR** Joe Naumann <> **DEACON** Ty Hanel<> **ORGANIST** (Sat.) Vivian Hanel (Sun.) Kristen Friedrichs<> **SCREEN** (Sat.) Joe Furst (Sun.) Austin Lien **USHERS** Paul Bade, Justin Mueller, Orrin Gessner, Scott Kruse, Todd Kruse, Evan Matzke, Bennett Olmanson, Daniel Pfeffier, Kaleb Rhiger, Mike Schweim, Ben Stratton, Jack Stratton, Tim Williams

**Pre-Service Devotion:** Psalm 2 (p. 123, red hymnal)

**Pre-Service Prayer:** O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer and Comforter, we are assembled in your presence to hear Your holy Word. We pray you so to open our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of the Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and in death, and to grow, day by day, in grace and holiness. Hear us, for Christ's sake, Amen.

## WE PREPARE TO MEET OUR LORD

### Opening Hymn 68 TLH (Red Hymnal) The Advent of Our King

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

Pastor (P): We begin this Communion Service in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation (C):** ♪ **Amen.**

## WE PRAISE OUR LORD

**INTROIT** PSALM 25:1-3 & ZECHARIAH 9:9

P: Behold, your king is coming to you;

**C: righteous and having salvation.**

P: To you, O Lord,

**C: I lift up my soul.**

P: O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame;

**C: let not my enemies exult over me.**

P: Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;

**C: they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.**

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son

**C: and to the Holy Spirit;**

P: as it was in the beginning,

**C: is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: Behold, your king is coming to you;

**C: righteous and having salvation.**

# OUR LORD SPEAKS TO US

## 1<sup>ST</sup> SCRIPTURE LESSON ISAIAH 64:1-9

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Oh, that You would rend the heavens! That You would come down!  
That the mountains might shake at Your presence— **2** As fire burns  
brushwood, As fire causes water to boil— To make Your name known to  
Your adversaries, That the nations may tremble at Your presence! **3**  
When You did awesome things for which we did not look, You came  
down, The mountains shook at Your presence. **4** For since the  
beginning of the world Men have not heard nor perceived by the ear,  
Nor has the eye seen any God besides You, Who acts for the one who  
waits for Him. **5** You meet him who rejoices and does righteousness,  
Who remembers You in Your ways. You are indeed angry, for we have  
sinned— In these ways we continue; And we need to be saved. **6** But we  
are all like an unclean thing, And all our righteousnesses are like filthy  
rags; We all fade as a leaf, And our iniquities, like the wind, Have taken  
us away. **7** And there is no one who calls on Your name, Who stirs  
himself up to take hold of You; For You have hidden Your face from us,  
And have consumed us because of our iniquities. **8** But now, O LORD,  
You are our Father; We are the clay, and You our potter; And all  
we are the work of Your hand. **9** Do not be furious, O LORD, Nor  
remember iniquity forever; Indeed, please look—we all are Your people!  
**Congregational Praise:** ♪ **Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

## GRADUAL ZECHARIAH 9:9 & PSALM 118:26

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P: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.

**C: Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.**

P: Behold, your king is coming to you;

**C: righteous and having salvation.**

P: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C: From the house of the Lord we bless you.**

## 2<sup>ND</sup> SCRIPTURE LESSON MARK 11:1-10

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

Now when they drew near Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the  
Mount of Olives, He sent two of His disciples; **2** and He said to  
them, "Go into the village opposite you; and as soon as you have  
entered it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has sat. Loose it and

bring it. **3** And if anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it,' and immediately he will send it here." **4** So they went their way, and found the colt tied by the door outside on the street, and they loosed it. **5** But some of those who stood there said to them, "What are you doing, loosing the colt?" **6** And they spoke to them just as Jesus had commanded. So they let them go. **7** Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their clothes on it, and He sat on it. **8** And many spread their clothes on the road, and others cut down leafy branches from the trees and spread them on the road. **9** Then those who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!" **10** Blessed is the kingdom of our father David That comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

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

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## **OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH** THE NICENE CREED

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**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead And the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Hymn of the Day 58 v 1-4 TLH (Red Hymnal)**  
**O Lord, How Shall I Meet Thee**

**SERMON ROMANS 13:11-14**

And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. **12** The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. **13** Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. **14** But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.

**Advent is Time to Wake Up**

- 1. Now is the time to put away the works of night**
- 2. Now is the time to anticipate the eternal day**
- 3. Now is the time to walk properly, as in the day**

*Preaching today: Pastor Paul Naumann  
Sermon Notes Sheet in Entryway*

**Hymn of the Day 60 TLH (Red Hymnal)**  
**Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding**

**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 Hymn 400 v 1, 6 TLH (Red Hymnal)**  
**Take My Life and Let it Be**

**SPECIAL PRAYERS- GENERAL PRAYER- LORD'S PRAYER**

# OUR LORD GIVES HIMSELF TO US

## OUR CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION OF SINS

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P: Having heard God's Word, let us confess our sins to Him. Do you sincerely confess that you have sinned against God and deserve His wrath and punishment? Then declare so by saying: I do confess.

**C: I do confess.**

P: Surely, you should confess; for the Word of God declares: "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us."

**C: ♪ I come, O Savior, to Thy Table, For weak and weary is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able, To satisfy and make me whole: Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood, Be for my soul the highest good!**

P: Do you repent of all your sins committed in thought, word, and deed, as well as the sin of failing to do what God expects to be done? Then declare so by saying: I do repent.

**C: I do repent.**

P: Surely, you should repent, as did the penitent sinners: David, who prayed for a sorrowful heart; Peter, who wept bitterly; the sinful woman; the prodigal son; and many others.

**C: ♪ Weary am I and heavy laden, With sin my soul is sore opprest; Receive me graciously, and gladden, My heart, for I am now Thy guest. Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood, Be for my soul the highest good!**

P: Do you believe that God, through His undeserved grace and love for us, for Jesus' sake, forgives you all of your sins? Then declare so by saying: I do believe.

**C: I do believe.**

P: Surely, you should believe, for Holy Scripture declares: "God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life."

**C: ♪ What higher gift can we inherit? It is faith's bond and solid base; It is the strength of heart and spirit, The covenant of hope and grace. Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood, Be for my soul the highest good!**

P: Do you promise with the help of the Holy Spirit, that you hope to amend your sinful life? Declare it to God in saying: I do promise.

**C: I do promise.**

P: Surely, this is a good promise, for Christ, our Lord, tells us to: "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."

**C: ♪ Thy body given for me O Savior, Thy blood which Thou for me didst shed. These are my life and strength forever, By them my hungry soul is fed. Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood, Be for my soul the highest good!**

P: Finally, do you believe that through me, a called servant of God, by the authority and command of our Lord Jesus Christ, you receive from God this blessed forgiveness and assurance of all your sins? Then joyfully declare it by saying: By the grace of my Lord Jesus Christ, I do believe.

**C: By the grace of my Lord Jesus Christ, I do believe.**

P: As you believe, even so may it be for you! On this confession of your sins, I announce the grace and peace of God to you, and by the authority and command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**C: ♪ Who can condemn me now? For surely The Lord is nigh, who justifies. No hell I fear, and thus securely, With Jesus I to heaven rise. Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood, Be for my soul the highest good!**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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P: May this peace of the Lord be with you always!

**All: Amen!**

### Distribution Hymn 755 WS (Tan Hymnal) What Is This Bread?

**1. What is this bread? Christ's body risen from the dead: This bread we break, This life we take, Was crushed to pay for our release. Oh, taste and see- the Lord is peace.**

**2. What is this wine? The blood of Jesus shed for mine; The cup of grace, Brings His embrace, Of life and love, and so I sing: Oh taste and see- The Lord is King.**

**3. So who am I, That I should live and He should die, Under the rod.  
My God, my God, Why have You not forsaken me? Oh taste and  
see- the Lord is free.**

**4. Yet is God here? Oh, yes! By Word and promise clear. In mouth  
and soul, He makes us whole- Christ, truly present in this meal. Oh,  
taste and see- the Lord is real.**

**5. Is this for me? I am forgiven and set free! I do believe, That I  
receive, His very body and His blood. Oh, taste and see- the Lord  
is good.**

**6. How shall I live, For Him who fully doth forgive, My sinful  
ways? Through all my days, I'll strive to honor with praise- Until  
the end, my life amend.**

**7. What shall I fear, Though dangers threaten and be near? His  
promise sure, Makes me secure, He guides my life from year to  
year. So faithfully, God is with me.**

**8. I too shall rise, To join my Savior in the skies; When trumpets  
blast, And life is past- He will from death awaken me. Eternally,  
with Him I'll be.**

**9. What can I say, To ever thank Him for His grace? I'll take my  
place, Among His saints, And join my tongue in word and  
song. Oh, taste and see, Praise God with me!**

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**HYMN OF THANKSGIVING 'SONG OF SIMEON' [Melody - TLH #15]**

**"Lord, let Your servant now depart,  
With peace and joy within my heart.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**According to Your Holy Word,  
I've seen salvation from the Lord!**

**Alleluia! (x4)**

**The Promised One has come for all,  
For Gentiles and for Israel,**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Light to lighten all the blind,  
God's glory for the heart and mind."**

**Alleluia! (x4)**



# OUR LORD BLESSES US

## BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; the Lord turn His face toward you and give you His peace!

**C: (spoken) Amen!**

**Closing Hymn 56 TLH (Red Hymnal)  
Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring**

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## LAST WEEK

### IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

(NOV. 24-25, & NOV. 27-28 REPORTED)

**Budgetary** (\$13,461.54 budgeted per week)

**\$7,534.67** Current Expenses General Budget

#### **Non-Budgetary**

\$ 20 Major Improvement

\$ 1 ILS Student Aid

\$ 20 Land Purchase Fund

\$ 15 Foundation

\$ 20 Benevolent

\$ 125.66 MPF Floor Replacement

\$ 4,477.50 Thanksgiving

### CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION

\$ 865 CLC General Budget (CBP)

\$ 6 CLC Kinship

Saturday Worship 11/27: **46**

Thanksgiving Eve Service: **152**

Thanksgiving Day Service: **77**

Sunday Worship 11/28: **181**

Sunday Bible Study: **33**

Sunday School: **21**

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Type	# Souls
New Perspective	Yes	9:00 AM	1st, 3rd Tuesday	Study	7
Latitude Bible Study	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	8
Realife	Yes	1:00 PM	Every Tuesday	Study	5
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	7
Laurel's Peak	Yes	10:45 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	n/a
Wednesday Online	Yes	7:00 PM	Every Wednesday	Study	
Walnut Towers	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	7
Old Main	Yes	1:30 PM	Every Thursday	Study	7

<b>New Perspective</b>	<b>Yes</b>	10:00 AM	2nd Thursday	Worship	
College study	No	7:00 PM	Every other Thursday	Study	
<b>Men's Breakfast</b>	<b>Yes</b>	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	<b>24</b>
<b>Primrose</b>	<b>Yes</b>	9:00 AM	Every Friday	Study	<b>5</b>
<b>Hillcrest</b>	<b>Yes</b>	10:00 AM	Every Friday	Worship	<b>15</b>
<b>Pathstone</b>	<b>Yes</b>	10:00 AM	3rd, 5th Friday	Worship	
<b>Autumn Grace</b>	<b>Yes</b>	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	
<b>Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:</b>					<b>85</b>
<i>Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!</i>					

## THIS WEEK

- Sat Dec. 4** **6:00p** **WORSHIP**, In-Person- Communion Weekend  
**7:00p** Adult Bible Class & Sunday School
- Sun Dec. 5** **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- Communion Weekend  
 Live Stream- [www.immanuelmankato.org](http://www.immanuelmankato.org)  
 Watch - [www.immanuelmankato.org/sermons/](http://www.immanuelmankato.org/sermons/)  
**11:00a** Choir Practice  
**12-6pm** Basement Reserved- Private Event
- Mon Dec. 6** God Bless Your Week!
- Tues Dec. 7** **3-5p** Pastors Office Hours (*let him know if you need a visit*)  
**5:00p** Home Game -Boys JV Basketball vs South Metro  
**6:30p** Home Game- Girls Varsity Basketball vs South Metro  
**8:00p** Home Game- Boys Varsity Basketball vs South Metro  
**7:00p** Outreach Meeting
- Wed Dec. 8** **12:45p** Televised **WORSHIP** Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Comm #7  
**5:30p** Catechism Class  
**6:00p** Midweek Advent Service
- Thur Dec. 9** **5:45p** Televised **WORSHIP** Service, Chart #181; Consolidated Comm #7  
**6:00p** Home Game- Girls Varsity Basketball vs Madelia
- Fri Dec. 10** **6:30a** Men's Breakfast  
**4-5:00p** Sanctuary Reserved- Rehearsal  
**5:30-6:30** Sanctuary Reserved- Recital  
**6:30p** Ambassadors Event  
**6:30p** Christmas Card Mailings
- Sat Dec. 11** **8-5:30p** Sanctuary & Basement Reserved- Wedding  
**6:00p** **WORSHIP**, In- Person  
**7:00p** Adult Bible Class & Sunday School
- Sun Dec. 12** **9:00a** Adult Bible Class & Ambassadors  
**9:00a** Christmas Eve Practice  
**9:15a** Radio Sermon: *KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM*  
**10:00a** **WORSHIP** In-Person or Live Stream  
**11:00a** Choir Practice

# IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Advent 2021** During our Advent meditation this year we will be studying the different aspects of the gift of life given to us by the Christchild. He has given us our physical life through His creation and gift of parents. He has given us spiritual life through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit. Finally, He will give (or has given?) the gift of eternal life with Him in Heaven. Please join us, Wednesdays at 6pm (December 1, 8, 15) for this important preparation for the coming of our Savior.

**HEAD USHER NEEDED** There is a need for a head usher for 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Weekends. If you are able to serve your church family in this way, please contact Tim Williams for details. [tjawilliams@outlook.com](mailto:tjawilliams@outlook.com)

**BUDGET UPDATE** We will need **\$45,719.75** per week till the end of the year to make our yearly budget. Please consider this need in your giving.

## KIWANIS HOLIDAY LIGHT VOLUNTEERS

The PTO is still in need of volunteers for the Kiwanis Holiday Lights. This event gives recognition to the school on the night we work! It is also a fundraiser because organizations who help receive a share of the donations. If you are able to help volunteer your time please sign up on using this online form: [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1RvHKfWyb3AK32eyiepnQm5GNWj\\_uqTxG3Xins-XBkhhc/edit#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1RvHKfWyb3AK32eyiepnQm5GNWj_uqTxG3Xins-XBkhhc/edit#gid=0)

# SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SYNOD CALLS** Pastor Rob Sauers of Luther Memorial Church, Fond du Lac, WI, has returned the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO <> Pastor Neal Radichel of Immanuel Mankato has returned the call to Living Savior Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie MN <> After 24 years of teaching at Berea Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN, Susan Rehm has asked for a peaceful release from her call effective at the end of the 2021-22 school year

**2022 CLC MISSION HELPER TRIP** The leaders of the CLC-Tanzania and CLC-Zambia are very eager and excited to host volunteers again in 2022. The deadline for applications for the 2022 Mission Helper Trip to Africa this summer is **January 10th**. Find more information and apply online at: [mht.lutheranmissions.org/2022-east-africa](http://mht.lutheranmissions.org/2022-east-africa)

**CURRENT CLC AFRICA MISSION TRIPS** Pastor John Hein and Missionary Todd Ohlmann have both been visiting CLC mission fields in Africa. You can watch Pastor Hein's Bible Class presentation about the visit to Liberia at: <https://clcgracelutheranchurch.org/20211128bc>. Missionary Ohlmann has been in Tanzania for about a month. He will return home on Dec. 10th. Read about the Tanzania visit: <http://missionaryohlmann.blogspot.com/>

## ✓ Church True Doctrine

**The invisible** Holy Christian Church is made up of all those who believe in Jesus as their Savior from sin, death, and the devil. [John 1:12](#), [Galatians 3:26](#). Only the LORD knows who all these people are because He knows the heart ([2 Timothy 2:19](#)).

Only believers in Jesus make up the spiritual body of Christ, the Holy Christian Church. Unbelievers and hypocrites aren't part of the Church. [Romans 8:9](#), [Ephesians 5:25-27](#), [1 Peter 2:4-9](#).

There is no salvation outside of the Holy Christian Church. [2 Timothy 2:19](#).

**Visible churches** (church groups and denominations) are based on a confession of how each individual member, church, or denomination (synod) submits to the teachings God's Word ([John 8:31-32](#)). Because we cannot read hearts, we base our fellowship with other believers on the individual's confession about God's Word and conduct in life ([Matthew 7:15-16](#), [1 John 4:1](#)).

## ✗ Church False Doctrine

All people are children of God, whether or not they have faith in Jesus as their Savior. [tolerated in ELCA, some REF]

Everyone who claims to be a Christian is a member of the Church. [tolerated in ELCA and REF]

There is no salvation outside of membership in the denomination. [JW, LDS, SDA, RC - depending on the pope, and others]

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