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9AM CATECHISM REVIEW

Pastor: Opening Prayer

THE TRINITARIAN INVOCATION

- 1. What do you need to know for eternal life? (#1)
- 2. What is our "Great Commission" from Jesus? (#130)

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

1st Commandment – "You shall have no other gods"

- 3. What does the LORD say about graven images? (#19)
- 4. What does God promise you as you commit your way to Him? (#20)

2nd Commandment – "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain"

- 5. What is the meaning of Jesus' name? (#25)
- 6. What should not come out of my mouth? (#26)

3rd Commandment – "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy"

- 7. Why do we no longer have commandments about food, drink, or religious festivals? (#31)
- 8. How much should Christ dwell in you? (#32)

4th Commandment – "You shall honor your father and your mother that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth"

- **9.** Who should we always obey first? (#37)
- 10. Why should children obey parents? (#38)

5th Commandment – "You shall not murder"

- 11. Why shouldn't we shed man's blood? (#43)
- 12. What is the greatest love that a friend can show? (#44)

6th Commandment - "You shall not commit adultery"

- 13. How does God define marriage? (#50)
- 14. When is sex right and when is it wrong? (#51)

7th Commandment – "You shall not steal"

- 15. How could Job bless the LORD? (#55)
- **16.** What is God's rule for lazy people? (#56)
- 8th Commandment "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor"
- 17. What is better than great riches? (#61)
- 18. What will happen to a false witness? (#62)



9th Commandment – "You shall not covet your neighbor's house"

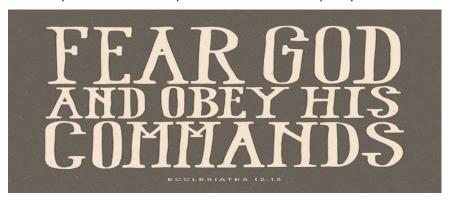
- 19. What is the root of all kinds of evil? (#67)
- **20.** Whose interests should we look out for? (#68)

10th Commandment – "You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his workers, nor his animals, nor anything that is your neighbor's."

- 21. How does the Bible define sin? (#73)
- 22. How long have I been a sinner? (#74)

The Conclusion to the Commandments

23. Why is Jesus the only name that saves? (#76)



THE OFFICE OF THE KEYS AND CONFESSION

- **24.** How did Nathan use the Ministry of the Keys to forgive David? (#142)
- 25. What does God assure us when we confess our sins? (#143)
- 26. Why does God want us to confess our sins to each other? (#144)

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS (Bible: Law & Gospel)

- 27. Who wrote the Bible? (#3)
- 28. What does God say about being holy? (#79)
- 29. What do the deeds of the law tell me? (#7)
- **30.** What is the Gospel in a sentence? (#13)
- 31. If God gave us what we deserved, what would our wages be? (#8)
- **32.** How does Jesus describe those who hear and keep God's Word? (#2)



THE CONFESSION OF FAITH (THE APOSTLES' CREED)

1st Article - "I Believe in God the Father"

- 33. How does our faithfulness compare to God's? (#80)
- **34.** Where do all eyes look for food? (#85)
- 35. Who should we cast all our care on, and why? (#86)

2nd Article - "I Believe in God the Son"

- **36.** What announcement did the angels make to the shepherds? (#14)
- **37.** What passage plainly says that the Word is God and became flesh? (#91)
- **38.** What was Peter's bold confession about who Jesus really was? (#92)
- **39.** What did Jesus say about those who reject you? (#97)
- **40.** How do you know you were redeemed? (#103)
- **41.** Through whom did God reconcile the world to Himself? (#104)
- **42.** What did Jesus say about those who believe in Him? (#110)



3rd Article - "I Believe in God the Spirit"

- **43.** What has the Holy Spirit made known to you? (#115)
- **44.** What benediction mentions each member of the Trinity? (#116)
- **45.** What is Jesus' desire for His other sheep? (#121)
- **46.** What is Jesus' promise when 2 or 3 believers are gathered? (#122)

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

- **47.** When did I first become sinful? (#127)
- **48.** How are you all made sons of God? (#128)
- **49.** Who will be saved and who will be condemned? (#135)
- **50.** What does it mean that you were baptized into Jesus' death? (#133)



THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION



- **51.** What are we when we partake of Communion together? (#149)
- **52.** What is the connection between the cup and Christ's blood and the bread and Christ's body? (#148)
- **53.** What is the danger of taking Communion in an unworthy manner? (#151)
- **54.** What should a person be able to do himself before taking Communion? (#152)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- 55. What good does it do to ask, seek, and knock in prayer? (#156)
- **56.** What does the Lord tell us to do in the day of trouble, and how will He help? (#157)
- 57. Why should you be sober and vigilant? (#161)
- 58. What should you seek first in your life? (#163)

Confirmation is NOT a Sacrament

Confirmation is an important tradition. Holy Baptism and Holy Communion are Sacraments because 1) They were instituted by Christ, 2) Christ offers and declares His forgiveness through them, 3) They were instituted with earthly elements (water, bread & wine). When it comes to confirmation, what God does tell us in His Word is that we are to study and learn the truths He has given us for our salvation and blessing in order that we may continue to grow in Christian maturity:

"Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses" 1 Timothy 6:12.

"When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things" 1 Corinthians 13:11.

God teaches us that before someone participates in the Lord's Supper, he/she should be old enough and instructed well enough to understand what God offers in the Lord's Supper. The Apostle Paul's warnings from 1 Corinthians 11:23-29 speak to these points clearly.

Confirmation at Immanuel is our tradition that when a baptized student reaches a certain level of understanding in God's truth that he/she is confirmed and becomes communicant member of *Immanuel*.

- The tradition of confirmation was begun to provide an opportunity for those who were instructed to publicly confess their faith. Once a student of God's Word had completed the instruction and had a basic understanding of the Bible's truths, he/she was then ready to receive Holy Communion in a God-pleasing way. So, confirmation also became a time for an individual's first Communion.
- Even though we often use the word "examination" in connection with confirmation, we don't look at the day of confirmation itself as a pass/fail. During the classes the pastors examine and question the student's understanding and comprehension of God's Word in our studies together.

We thank the LORD and pray to Him to bless our confirmands today!



10AM CONFIRMATION SERVICE

1. THE TRINITARIAN INVOCATION

Pastor: We begin this confirmation service in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen!

OPENING HYMN: #338 [Red Hymnal] "Thine Forever, God of Love"

2. THE OFFICE OF THE KEYS AND CONFESSION

Responsive Reading of Psalm 51:1-13

- P: 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, And done this evil in Your sight-- That You may be found just when You speak,
- C: And blameless when You judge.
- P: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
- C: And in sin my mother conceived me.
- P: Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, 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!

3. THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

1st Lesson: 1 Timothy 6:6-12

Now godliness with contentment is great gain. 7 For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. 8 And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. 9 But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. 11 But you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

HYMN SUNG FOR CONFIRMANDS BY 3rd-6th GRADERS "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

O Jesus, I have promised, to serve You to the end. Lord, be forever near me, my Master and my Friend. I shall not fear the battle if You are by my side, nor wander from the pathway if You will be my guide.

Oh, let me feel You near me: the world is always near; I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear; my foes are always near me, around me, and within; but, Jesus, draw me nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

Oh, let me see Your foot-marks, and in them plant my own; my hope to follow You, Lord, is in Your strength alone. Oh, guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end; and then in heav'n receive me, my Savior and my Friend.

2nd Lesson: Matthew 12:38-41

Then some of the scribes and Pharisees answered, saying, "Teacher, we want to see a sign from You." **39** But He answered and said to them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, and no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. **40** "For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. **41** "The men of Nineveh will rise up in the judgment with this generation and condemn it, because they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and indeed a areater than Jonah is here.

4. THE CONFESSION OF FAITH (THE APOSTLES' CREED)

CONFIRMATION HYMN "This I Believe (The Creed)"

5. CONFIRMATION DEVOTION

Jesus said, "...Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!" ~Luke 11:28

Daniel 6:9-10

Therefore King Darius signed the written decree.

10 Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went home. And in his upper room, with his windows open toward Jerusalem, he knelt down on his knees three times that day, and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as was his custom since early days.

Good Customs for **Bad Christians**

HYMN OF THE DAY: #334 [Red Hymnal]
"Let Me Be Thine Forever"

6. RITE OF CONFIRMATION

- Do you this day, in the presence of God and of this Christian congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?
- 2. Do you renounce the devil?
- 3. Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?
- 4. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord?

- 5. Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
- 6. Do you believe that all the books of the Bible are the verbally inspired and inerrant Word of God?
- 7. Do you believe that the teachings of this Lutheran congregation drawn from the Bible as you have learned to know them from Luther's Small Catechism, are true and correct, as the Holy Spirit has led you to know and understand them?
- 8. Do you desire to become a communicant member of Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church?
- 9. Do you also, as a member of Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, intend to continue steadfast in the confession of the truth of the Holy Scripture, and to suffer all rather than fall away from it?
- 10. Finally, do you intend faithfully to conform all your life to the rule of the Divine Word, to be diligent in the use of the Means of Grace, both in Word and Sacraments; to walk in accordance with the Gospel of Christ and in faith, word, and deed remain true to the Triune God, even unto death?

7. CONFIRMATION BLESSING

Riley Lewis Anderson ~ Psalm 23:4 ESV

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Kate Beverly Cashin ~ 2 Thessalonians 3:3 NIV

But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one.

Andrew Marcus Clobes ~ John 3:16 NKJV

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Leah Alexandra Dick ~ Psalm 73:28 NKJV

But it is good for me to draw near to God; I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, That I may declare all Your works.

Logan Oliver Greve ~ Jeremiah 29:11 NKJV

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Riddic Kenneth Guentzel ~ James 1:12 NKJV

Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him.

Jeremy Daniel Hanel ~ Revelation 2:10 NKJV

Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.

Mason Robert Hanel ~ Joshua 1:9 NKJV

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.

Austin Andrew Hart ~ John 16:33 NKJV

In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.

Rebecca Brooke Heinze ~ Psalm 77:11-12 ESV

I will remember the deeds of the Lord; yes, I will remember your wonders of old. I will ponder all your work, and meditate on your mighty deeds.

Gaius James Hensley ~ Psalm 34:8 NKJV

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good; Blessed is the man who trusts in Him!

Kaden Hans Kruse ~ Romans 6:23 NKJV

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Cade Thomas Libby ~ Psalm 25:4-5 NKJV

Show me Your ways, O LORD; Teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me, For You are the God of my salvation; On You I wait all the day.

William Arthur Lien ~ Genesis 50:20 NKJV

But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive.

Alessandra Marie Mersman ~ Psalm 37:3 NKJV

Trust in the LORD, and do good; Dwell in the land, and feed on His faithfulness.

Gabrielle Christine Radichel ~ Ephesians 2:8-9 NKJV

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.

Mya Concordia Reyes ~ 1 Corinthians 13:13 NKJV

And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

Eliza Joletta Stearns ~ Isaiah 60:1 NKJV

Arise, shine; For your light has come! And the glory of the LORD is risen upon you.

8. THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

P: In keeping with God's Word in 1 Corinthians 10:16, "The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?"

As well as in 1 Corinthians 11:27-29, which cautions us that:

"Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body."

Let us then, humbly, examine our hearts:

- 1. Do you confess that you are a sinner before God and deserve His wrath and punishment?
 - Then confess it by saying, "I do confess."

Confirmands: I do confess.

2. Do you humbly seek the Lord's forgiveness, believing that God, by grace, for Jesus' sake, will forgive you all of your sins?

– Then declare it by saying: "I do believe."

Confirmands: I do believe.

- P: Be confident your Father in heaven, looks upon you with mercy for Jesus' sake. His Son was wounded for your transgressions and bruised for your iniquities. God's Word says, "For God made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him." (2 Cor. 5:21) The Lord comfort your hearts. In Jesus, you are forgiven!
- 3. Do you in humble faith recognize that the body and blood of our Lord Jesus are truly present together with the bread and the wine in this blessed sacrament?
- -- Then rejoice in saying: "By faith I do recognize and believe." **Confirmands: By faith I do recognize and believe.**
- 4. Finally, as a forgiven child of God, do you intend, with the strength of God the Spirit, to amend your sinful life and to put away the sin that so easily entangles and leads you away from our Lord?
- -Promise Jesus saying: "I do so intend, with the help of Christ.

Confirmands: I do so intend, with the help of Christ.

P: Receive then this sacrament with joy, comfort, and peace!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: May this peace of the LORD be with you, confirmands, always! ALL: Amen!

DISTRIBUTION TO THE CONFIRMANDS

FOLLOWED BY THE CONFIRMATION PRAYER: [Red Hymnal #400:1,6]

Take my life and let it be, Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour, At Thy feet its treasure-store;
Take myself, and I will be, Ever, only, all, for Thee!

SPECIAL PRAYERS & LORD'S PRAYER

9. THE BENEDICTION

P: The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you and give you His peace!

ALL: Amen, Amen, Amen!

CLOSING HYMN: #54 [Red Hymnal] Guide Me, Oh Thou Great Jehovah

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LAST WEEK

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

(APRIL 14-17 REPORTED)

CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION

Budgetary (\$13,461.54 budgeted per week)

\$372 CLC General Budget (CBP)

\$5,115 Current Expenses General Budget \$4 CLC Kinship

Non-Budgetary

\$1,585 Maundy Thursday

\$1,705 Good Friday

\$50 Major Improvement

\$60 Land Purchase Fund

\$15 ILS Mankato Foundation

\$70 Church Library

\$111.10 MPF Floor Replacement Fund

\$7.262.01 Easter

\$243 Easter Breakfast

Memorials:

In Memory of Bruce Neubert

\$20 Undesignated \$25 Endowment

Maundy Thursday 2pm: **173**

Maundy Thursday 2pm: 173

Maundy Thursday 6pm: 86

Good Friday 2pm: **124**

Good Friday 6pm: 110

Saturday Easter Worship Service 4/16: 60

Easter Sunrise Service 4/17: **153**Easter Worship Service 4/17: **279**

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Туре	# Souls
New Perspective	Yes	9:00 AM	1st, 3rd Tuesday	Study	5
Oaklawn	Yes	1:00 PM	Every Tuesday	Study	8
Realife	Yes	2:00 PM	Every Tuesday	Study	3
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	5
Laurel's Peak	Yes	2:00 PM	3 rd Wednesday	Study	7
Wednesday Online	Yes	7:00 PM	Every Wednesday	Study	13
Walnut Towers	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	7

Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	10
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	1st & 3rd Monday	Worship	5
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	26
Primrose	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Friday	Study	9
Hillcrest	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Friday	Worship	17
Autumn Grace	Yes	11:15AM	2 nd & 4 th Friday	Worship	15
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					130

Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!

THIS WEEK

Sat April 23	6:00p	WORSHIP , In-Person
Sun April 24	9:00a	Sunday School K-5 th Grade
•	9:00a	Confirmation Examination
	9:15a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	WORSHIP , In-Person or Live Stream-Confirmation Sunday
		Live Stream- <u>www.lmmanuelMankato.org</u>
		Watch - <u>www.lmmanuelMankato.org/sermons/</u>
	11:00a	
Mon April 25		Blessings on your week!
Tues April 26	3-5p	Pastors Office Hours (let them know if you need a visit)
	7:00p	Board of Education Meeting
Wed April 27	12:45p	Televised WORSHIP Service, Charter #181; Consolidated Com #7
	2:00p	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
	7:00p	Online Bible Study
Thur April 28	8-10a	Pastors Office Hours (let them know if you need a visit)
	5:45p	Televised WORSHIP Service, Chart #181; Consolidated Comm #7
Fri April 29	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
Sat Apil 30	6:00p	WORSHIP , In- Person- Communion Weekend
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class & Sunday School
	9:00a	Adult Bible Class & Ambassadors & Sunday School
Sun May 1	9:15a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	
		Weekend
		Live Stream- www.lmmanuelMankato.org
	11.00-	Watch - <u>www.lmmanuelMankato.org/sermons/</u>
	11:00a	Usher Reorg Meeting

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOU ARE INVITED The congregation is invited to a reception celebrating our confirmands immediately after the 10am Confirmation service on Sunday. Please join us in the church basement for cake, coffee, and punch! The confirmands will also

have pictures and baskets set out in the narthex if you want to drop off an encouraging card.

BANQUET INVITAITON RSVP Since the deadline to RSVP for Banquet is quickly approaching, we have extended it to April 22nd. Please call the School Office to confirm your invitation by this date. Thank you and we look forward to seeing everyone there!"

TVBS OPPORTUNITY Immanuel Lutheran Church is planning on sending a group of teachers to support our sister CLC congregation in Valentine, Nebraska for their Traveling Vacation Bible School this year. The dates are June 6-9, 2022. The members of Grace plan to host all the volunteers and have fun activities planned for the afternoons. Please speak to Pastor Naumann if you are interested in helping. Thanks!

USHER REORG/INFO MEETING Ushers plan to attend a brief usher reorg meeting **May 1, 2022**, after Sunday's service to go over any questions and updates. This year's male confirmands will be assigned to the various teams. Anyone not currently assigned to an usher team and would like to usher please plan to attend this meeting. Any questions please contact Deacon Tim Williams.

THANK YOU A huge thank you to Larry Hartman for organizing and leading the Easter Breakfast we enjoyed last weekend! There is a lot of work that goes on behind the scenes to make this happen, and it was SUCH a blessing to be able to do it again this year. Thank you to all the men who helped in the kitchen and otherwise as well! We appreciate you all!

OPEN HOUSE The congregation is invited up to the Lien's house to celebrate our William's confirmation. Please feel welcome to swing by anytime between 12-3 on Sunday April 24th.

VOLLEYBALL ASSSITANT COACH The ILS high school volleyball program has one individual ready to coach this fall. We are looking for an assistant to help her. Please send your interest and qualifications to marie.casto@immanuelmankato.org for consideration. If volleyball is not your sport but you have time and talents to help in our other sports programs, please feel free to send your interest and qualifications for that sport as well. We will keep them on file for consideration of any future openings. Thank you!

LADIES AUXILIARY All women at Immanuel are invited to our Ladies Auxiliary for our meeting and fellowship. We will meet at 2:00 PM on Wednesday April 27th. We will meet in the church basement. Please us the south entrance.

NEEDED: ALTAR FLOWER VOLUNTEERS The altar flower sign-up for weekends May-October 2022 is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the narthex. Volunteers may provide fresh flowers or simply ensure one of our artificial flower arrangements is placed on the altar for services. Please consider volunteering. Questions? Email StudyGuild@ImmanuelMankato.org or call Karla Olmanson at 507-625-3381.

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS ADDITION Flowers were also given in loving memory of Carl and Clara Doering and Tammy Sieg.

SYNOD ANNOUCEMENTS

SYNOD CALLS Pastor Mark Tiefel, Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA, has accepted the call to Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church, Middleton, WI <> Teacher Ross Kok, Holy Cross Lutheran of Phoenix, AZ, has returned the call to teach K-4 at Gethsemane Lutheran School, Spokane, WA <> Allison Brown, a member of Faith Lutheran Church, Markesan, WI, has been called a second time_to teach preschool part time at Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI <> Pastor Michael Wilke, Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Saginaw, MI, is still considering the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL

TRIP TO ISRAEL The group trip to Israel, which was originally set for January 2021, has been rescheduled for January 10-19, 2023 with a possible three day extension to Jordan for those who are interested. If you would like more information about this trip, please contact Pastor Mayhew (nnmayhew@sleepyeyelutheran.com). With travel restrictions lifting all over the world, it looks like we will finally be able to go! The trip will include visits to Caesarea, Mt. Carmel, Nazareth, Cana, Capernaum, Jerusalem, the Dead Sea, En Gedi and more. It will include visits to the traditional sites of many of the events in the ministry of Jesus as well as those of the prophets and apostles. Brochures with trip details are available upon request.

THE WITNESS An online periodical featuring scriptural encouragement for young Christians is being brought back! The Witness is written primarily by and for college aged CLC members and seeks to address some of the many dangers and temptations that our young people face today. If you or a young person you know might benefit from the reminder of God's grace and guidance in an increasingly secular world, you'll find an extra boost of encouragement from His Word at **clcwitness.org**.

PORCUPINE MOUNTAINS YOUTH CAMP OUT Every year Messiah Church sends a big group of CLC youth up to camp in the Porcupine Mountains in Upper Michigan. Most come from WI and MN, but everyone is invited. This year's camp will happen August 6-10 (Sat-Wed). This is for students entering grades 8-12. Total camp fee is around \$85. Go to tinyurl.com/porkies2022 to get more info and to register. Or, check out the printout posted in the entryway. -Pastor Caleb Schaller 715-577-6199

FINANCIAL AID APPLICATIONS Immanuel Lutheran College, and Seminary has a financial aid program that helps students to attend by assisting with loans, multi-student grants, individual student grants, scholarships, and work study. All students are encouraged to apply. While the scholarships are automatically applied based upon academic performance, the other aids are provided upon application made by the responsible party. To be as helpful and as equitable to all, these forms need to be submitted by the deadline, which is May 1, 2022, for the 2022-23 academic year. If any potential student is showing any interest in attending Immanuel, applying now ensures that you will be considered for financial assistance. While applications have already been provided to the families of current students, you may still find them at ilc.edu/resources/ under the heading "Financial Assistance Forms & Info.

YOU ARE INVITED Living Savior Lutheran of Eden Prairie will install Pastor Luke Willitz on **Sunday**, **May 1**, **at 4:00 p.m**. at the Huber Funeral Chapel, 16394 Glory Lane in Eden Prairie. A luncheon/reception will follow service. Attendees are asked to RSVP President Scott Libby, if possible, at salibby@msn.com

If you have an announcement or event for next weekend's bulletin, please send it to Bulletin@ImmanuelMankato.org or contact Hilary Lien by Friday at 10 am. Thank you!