

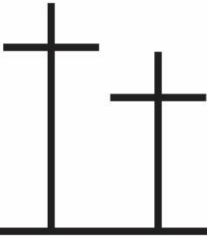
For then the dust will
return to the earth, and
the spirit will return to
God who gave it.



Ecclesiastes 12:7

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welcome to
IMMANUEL
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

1st Sunday in the Season of
Epiphany

VISITOR INFORMATION

RESTROOMS are located at the bottom of the stairs to the right when you exit the narthex into the school building.

MOTHER'S ROOM is next to the bookshelf in the corner of the narthex.

AMPLIFYING HEADSETS are available in the Deacons room. Please see any usher if you would like assistance.

QUESTIONS? Please contact the Deacon on call this weekend (wearing a “Deacon” badge) or one of the ushers. They would love to assist you!

WHAT DO WE BELIEVE? Take a picture of this QR code to learn more about what we believe here. Or visit our website, ImmanuelMankato.org.



ORDER OF SERVICE

The Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation (C): ♪ Amen.

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn *TLH 408 “Jesus Christ, My Pride and Glory”*

Confession and Absolution of Sins

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: ♪ Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: ♪ And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us, and

for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His name He gives the privilege of being children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C: ♪ Amen!

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 26:1-4, 8-12

P: <A Psalm of David.> Vindicate me, O LORD,

C: For I have walked in my integrity.

P: I have also trusted in the LORD; I shall not slip.

C: Examine me, O LORD, and prove me;

P: Try my mind and my heart.

C: For Your lovingkindness is before my eyes, And I have walked in Your truth.

P: LORD, I have loved the habitation of Your house,

C: And the place where Your glory dwells.

P: Do not gather my soul with sinners,

C: Nor my life with bloodthirsty men,

P: In whose hands is a sinister scheme,

C: And whose right hand is full of bribes.

P: But as for me, I will walk in my integrity;

C: Redeem me and be merciful to me.

P: My foot stands in an even place;

C: In the congregations I will bless the LORD.

P: Glory be to God!

The Gloria Patri

Glory to the Father

♪ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, forevermore. Amen.

The Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy

**♪ Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

The Gloria in Excelsis

Tune: LSB 820

♪ All glory, praise, and blessing to God the holy Trinity,
For planting and sustaining our faith in Him who sets us free,
On whom our trust is founded, our house built on a rock,
Our life by grace surrounded, our Shepherd's precious flock,
Dear children to Him clinging, who welcomed once again,
Join saints and angels singing, 'Amen, Amen, Amen!'

The Salutation

P: ♪ The Lord be with you

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray...

C: ♪ Amen.

1st Reading

Luke 2:41-52

His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. **42** And when He was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem according to the custom of the feast. **43** When they had finished the days, as they returned, the Boy Jesus lingered behind in Jerusalem. And Joseph and His mother did not know it; **44** but supposing Him to have been in the company, they went a day's journey, and sought Him among their relatives and acquaintances. **45** So when they did not find Him, they returned to Jerusalem, seeking Him. **46** Now so it was that after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions. **47** And all who heard Him were astonished at His understanding and answers. **48** So when they saw Him, they were amazed; and His mother said to Him, "Son, why have You done this to us? Look, Your father and I have sought You anxiously." **49** And He said to them, "Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?" **50** But they did not understand the statement which He spoke to

them. **51** Then He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was subject to them, but His mother kept all these things in her heart. **52** And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

C: ♪ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

2nd Reading

Romans 12:1-5

C: ♪ Glory be to You, O LORD!

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. **2** And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. **3** For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith. **4** For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, **5** so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.

C: ♪ Praise be to You, O Christ!

Confession of Faith

Apostles' 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.

Sermon**Ecclesiastes 12:1-7** (NKJV)

Remember now your Creator in the days of your youth, Before the difficult days come, And the years draw near when you say, "I have no pleasure in them":

2 While the sun and the light, The moon and the stars, Are not darkened, And the clouds do not return after the rain; **3** In the day when the keepers of the house tremble, And the strong men bow down; When the grinders cease because they are few, And those that look through the windows grow dim; **4** When the doors are shut in the streets, And the sound of grinding is low; When one rises up at the sound of a bird, And all the daughters of music are brought low; **5** Also they are afraid of height, And of terrors in the way; When the almond tree blossoms, The grasshopper is a burden, And desire fails. For man goes to his eternal home, And the mourners go about the streets.

6 Remember your Creator before the silver cord is loosed, Or the golden bowl is broken, Or the pitcher shattered at the fountain, Or the wheel broken at the well. **7** Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, And the spirit will return to God who gave it.

The Value of Life

(A Message to both the Young and the Old)

1. Given by the Creator (My Time of Grace)
2. Defined by the Redeemer (My Eternal Life)

Preaching today: Pastor Neal Radichel

Offertory

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♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation and uphold me with Your free spirit. Amen.

Sermon Hymn / Offering

“Dust and Ashes” Medley

Oh, Worship the King

1. Frail children of dust And feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, Nor find Thee to fail.
Thy mercies, how tender, How firm to the end,
Our maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

TLH #17:5; LSB 804 (key of G)

My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker

2. For as a tender father, Hath pity on his children here,
He in His arms will gather, All who are His in childlike fear.
He knows how frail our powers, Who but from dust are made;
We flourish like the flowers, And even so we fade;
The wind but o'er them passes, And all their bloom is o'er,-
We wither like the grasses, Our place knows us no more.

TLH #34:3; LSB melody 587 (key of G)

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

3. Thy word commands our flesh to dust: "Return ye sons of men!"
All nations rose from earth at first, And turn to earth again.

TLH #123:5; LSB 733 (key of C)

Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense

4. I am flesh and must return, Unto dust, whence I am taken;
But by faith I now discern, That from death I shall awaken
With my Savior to abide, In His glory, at His side.

TLH 206:4; LSB 741 (key of C)

The World is Very Evil

5. Strive, man, to win that glory; Toil, man, to gain that light;
Send hope before to grasp it, Till hope be lost in sight.
Exult, O dust and ashes, The Lord shall be thy part;
His only, His forever, Thou shalt be and thou art.

TLH 605:4; (key of C)

Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

6. When from the dust of death I rise, To claim my mansion in the skies,
E'en then, this shall be all my plea: Jesus hath lived and died for me.

TLH 371:6; LSB 563 (key of D)

Church of God, Elect and Glorious

7. Christ, at God's right hand victorious, You will judge the world You made;
Lord, in mercy help Your servants, For whose freedom You have paid:
Raise us up from dust to glory, Guard us from all sin today.
King enthroned above all praises, Save Your people, God, we pray!

WS 798:4; (key of D)

Offering Response

TLH 127:3,4

♪ **As they offered gifts most rare, At Thy cradle, rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy, Pure and free from sin's alloy
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to Thee our heavenly King!
Holy Jesus, every day, Keep us in the narrow way;
And when earthly things are past, Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glory hide.**

The General Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name;
Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is
in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And
forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who
trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation;
But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Benediction

P: The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His face shine upon you and be
gracious to you.
The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give
you peace.
C: ♪ **Amen! Amen! Amen!**

Closing Hymn

WS 795 "Then the Glory"

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LAST WEEK

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH	CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION
<u>(DEC 31- JAN 1 REPORTED)</u>	\$2,010 CLC General Budget (CBP)
Budgetary	\$2.60 CLC Kinship
\$2,842 Current Expenses General Budget	
Non-Budgetary	
\$1,075.61 Gym Floor Contributions	
\$50 Christmas Eve	
\$5,405 Christmas Day	
\$45,597.84 New Year's Eve	
\$15 ILS Foundation	
\$7,391 New Year's Day	
\$30 Benevolent	

Saturday Worship 12/31: **97**

Sunday Worship 1/1: **189**

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Type	# Souls
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	1st & 3rd Monday	Worship	9
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	6
Laurel's Peak	Yes	10:45 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	4
Wednesday Online	Yes	7:00 PM	Every Wednesday	Study	14
Oak Terrace	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	8
Walnut Towers	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	8
Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	5
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	20
Hillcrest	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Friday	Worship	19
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					104
Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!					

THIS WEEK

Sat Jan 7	6:00p	WORSHIP
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School
Sun Jan 8	9:00a	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School/ Ambassadors
	9:15a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	WORSHIP
		Live Stream- www.ImmanuelMankato.org
		Watch - www.ImmanuelMankato.org/sermons/

Mon Jan 9	11:00a	Church Undecorating Blessings on your week!
Tues Jan 10	3-5p	Pastors Office Hours (contact for a visit)
	6:30p	Board of Deacons Meeting
	7:00p	Board of Education Meeting
	7:00p	Board of Property Meeting
	7:30p	Board of Finance Meeting
	8:00p	Council Meeting
Wed Jan 11	12:45p	Televised Worship Service, Charter #181; Cons Com #7
	5:00p	Catechism Class
	7:00p	Online Bible Study
Thur Jan 12	8-10a	Pastors Office Hours (let them know if you need a visit)
	5:45p	Televised Worship Service, Chart #181; Cons Comm #7
Fri Jan 13	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
Sat Jan 14	6:00p	WORSHIP 3 rd Sunday Communion
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School
Sun Jan 15	9:00a	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School / Ambassadors
	9:15a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	WORSHIP
	11:00p	3 rd Sunday Communion

UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Voters Meeting- 7pm January 16th

Outdoor Adventure Day- Snow Tubing at Mt Kato 12:30p-2:30p January 22nd

Whitewater Trip- January 27-29th

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE DAY A fun day in the snow is being planned for **Sunday January 22nd from 12:30-2:30pm!** Come on out and go Snow Tubing with your church family at Mt Kato! Admission is \$18 per person. We need at least 10 people to sign up in advance to make this event possible, so if you are able to go, please see the Church Secretary to get your name on the list! Hope to see you there! Watch for more details to come.



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Serving Us Today

PASTOR Neal Radichel

DEACON Dan Pfeiffer

ORGANIST Lane Fischer

SCREEN Joe Furst & Austin Lien

FLOWERS Karla Olmanson

USHERS Paul Bade, Justin Mueller, Orrin Gessner, Logan Greve, Jeremy Hanel, Scott Kruse, Kaden Kruse, Todd Kruse, Evan Matzke, Alex Matzke, Bennett Olmanson, Jacob Olmanson, Daniel Pfeiffer, Daryl Pischner, Mike Schweim

Serving Us Next Weekend

PASTOR Joe Naumann

DEACON Ted Schreyer

ORGANIST Kristen Friedrichs

SCREEN (*Sat.*) Joe Furst (*Sun.*) Russ Schmitt

FLOWERS Rachel Greve

USHERS Fred Friedrichs, John Heinze, Aaron Busse, Austin Hanel, Hunter Hanel, Jay Hanel, Mason Hanel, Ty Hanel, Brett Kruse, Ross Libby, Austin Lien, William Lien, Andy Olmanson, Luke Olmanson, Chuck Schmid, Russ Schmitt, Ron Wolle, Steve Wolle

