

## "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?"

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# 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in the Season of Lent

## 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 425 V 1-4 "All Depends on Our Possessing"

#### **Confession and Absolution of Sins**

- All: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended You. I justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for my sins and sincerely repent of them. I pray that You would of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy upon you and has given His only Son to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your 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!

#### The Salutation

- P: ♪ The Lord be with you
- C: ♪ And with your spirit.

#### The Gloria in Excelsis

P: ♪ Glory be to God on highC: ♪ And on earth peace, good will toward men.

We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, We glorify You, we give thanks to You, for Your great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

Who takes away the sin of the world,

Have mercy upon us.

You who takes away the sin of the world, Receive our prayer.

You who sits at the right hand of God the Father, Have mercy upon us.

For You only are holy; You only are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

Are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### **Old Testament Reading**

#### Exodus 16:2-16

Then the whole congregation of the children of Israel complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. **3** And the children of Israel said to them, "Oh, that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat and when we ate bread to the full! For you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." **4** Then the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you. And the people shall go out and gather a certain quota every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My law or not. **5** "And it shall be on the sixth day that they shall prepare what they bring in, and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily." **6** Then Moses and Aaron said to all the children of Israel, "At evening you shall know that the LORD has brought you out of the land of Egypt. **7** "And in

the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD; for He hears your complaints against the LORD. But what are we, that you complain against us?" 8 Also Moses said, "This shall be seen when the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening, and in the morning bread to the full; for the LORD hears your complaints which you make against Him. And what are we? Your complaints are not against us but against the LORD." 9 Then Moses spoke to Aaron, "Say to all the congregation of the children of Israel, 'Come near before the LORD, for He has heard your complaints." 10 Now it came to pass, as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. 11 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, 12 "I have heard the complaints of the children of Israel. Speak to them, saying, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. And you shall know that I am the LORD your God." 13 So it was that quails came up at evening and covered the camp, and in the morning the dew lay all around the camp. 14 And when the layer of dew lifted, there, on the surface of the wilderness, was a small round substance, as fine as frost on the ground. 15 So when the children of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, "This is the bread which the LORD has given you to eat. 16 "This is the thing which the LORD has commanded: 'Let every man gather it according to each one's need, one omer for each person, according to the number of persons; let every man take for those who are in his tent."

**Alumni Choir** TLH 54 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" Graduates of ILHS who members of the CLC are invited to join our High School Choir for this piece at this time.

#### **New Testament Reading**

Galatians 4:21-31

Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not hear the law? 22 For it is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman, the other by a freewoman. 23 But he who was of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and he of the freewoman through promise, 24 which things are symbolic. For these are the two covenants: the one from Mount Sinai which gives birth to bondage, which is Hagar-- 25 for this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children-- 26 but the Jerusalem above is free, which is the mother of us all. 27 For it is written: "Rejoice, O barren, You who do not bear! Break forth and shout, You who are not in labor! For the desolate has many more children Than she who has a husband." **28** Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are children of promise. 29 But, as he who was born according to the flesh then persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, even so it is now. 30 Nevertheless what does the Scripture say? "Cast out the bondwoman and her son, for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman." **31** So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman but of the free.

#### **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.

Hymn of the Day

"By Gracious Powers" (p10)

#### Sermon

John 6:1-15

After these things Jesus went over the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. 2 Then a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His signs which He performed on those who were diseased. 3 And Jesus went up on the mountain, and there He sat with His disciples. 4 Now the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. 5 Then Jesus lifted up His eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?" 6 But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do. 7 Philip answered Him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little." 8 One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Him, 9 "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?" 10 Then Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. 11 And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed them to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted. 12 So when they were filled, He said to His disciples, "Gather up the fragments that remain, so that nothing is lost." 13 Therefore they gathered them up, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. 14 Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, "This is truly the

Prophet who is to come into the world." **15** Therefore when Jesus perceived that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, He departed again to the mountain by Himself alone.

## Jesus Creates Teachable Moments

1. To Test the Faith of His People

2. To Display His Divine Power

3. To Show Us His Priorities

Preaching today: Pastor Joe Naumann

Offertory

TLH p12

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** "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness" (p11)

**Offering of Thankful Hearts** 

**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 #789 "Consider How the Birds Above"

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#### **By Gracious Powers**





Jesus Creates Teachable Moments 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

#### LAST WEEK

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH     (Mar 8, 11-12   REPORTED)     Budgetary   \$14,951.12     Current Expenses General	CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION   \$993 CLC General Budget (CBP)   \$104 CLC Kinship   Il Budget
Non-Budgetary	
\$ <u>132</u> Major Improvement	Memorials
\$ <u>60</u> Land Purchase	In Loving Memory of Tom Jensen
\$ <u>15</u> ILS Foundation	\$14,951.12 Major Improvements
\$40 Benevolent	
Midweek Worship 2pm 3/8: 160	Sunday Worship 3/12: <b>139</b>
Midweek Worship 6pm 3/8: 44	Bible Class: <b>31</b>
Saturday Worship 3 /11: <b>51</b>	Ambassadors: 1
Saturday Bible Class: 10	

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Туре	# Souls
New Perspective	Yes	9:00 AM	1st, 3rd Tuesday	Study	13
Latitude Bible Study	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	14
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	6
Laurel's Peak	Yes	10:45 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	7
Gus Johnson	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	6
Old Main	Yes	1:30 PM	Every Thursday	Study	9
Oak Terrace	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	8
Walnut Towers	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	9
Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	10
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:			82		
Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!					

#### **THIS WEEK**

Sat Mar 18	9-5p	Alumni Day
	6:00p	WORSHIP 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday Communion
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School
Sun Mar 19	9:00a	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School/ Ambassadors
	9:15a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	WORSHIP 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday Communion
		Live Stream- www.ImmanuelMankato.org

		Watch - <u>www.ImmanuelMankato.org/sermons/</u>
	11:00a	Sunday School Teacher Meeting
Mon Mar 20		Blessings on your week!
Tues Mar 21	3-5p	Pastors Office Hours (contact for a visit)
	6:30p	Women's Study Guild
Wed Mar 22	12:45p	Televised Worship Service, Charter #181; Cons Com #7
	2:00p	Midweek Lenten Service
	5:00p	Catechism Class
	6:00p	Midweek Lenten Service
Thur Mar 23	8-10a	Pastors Office Hours (let them know if you need a visit)
	4:00p	Wedding in Sanctuary
	5:45p	Televised Worship Service, Chart #181; Cons Comm #7
Fri Mar 24	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
	3:00p	Arts Camp Begins
Sat Mar 25	6:00p	WORSHIP
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School
Sun Mar 26	9:00a	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School / Ambassadors
	9:15a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	WORSHIP
		Food Shelf Sunday

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### Kindergarten Round Up- March 31<sup>st</sup> Meet & Greet Coffee & Fellowship Hour- April 2<sup>nd</sup> Holy Week- April 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>

## **IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**COMMUNICATION AT IMMANUEL** is very important to the ministry that God has entrusted to us all. To keep those lines of communication open, email groups have been created so that you can voice your thoughts and concerns to the appropriate leaders and boards at Immanuel. To communicate with any of the groups below, simply address an email to the corresponding email address and it will be sent to the entire group.

Board of Education:	Board-of-Education@ImmanuelMankato.org
Board of Deacons:	Board-of-Deacons@ImmanuelMankato.org
Board of Property:	Board-of-Property@ImmanuelMankato.org
Board of Finance:	Board-of-Finance@ImmanuelMankato.org
Church Council:	Church-Council@ImmanuelMankato.org

**EASTER BREAKFAST** Easter Pancake Breakfast, prepared by the men will be Easter Morning (April 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:45-9:30am). All men wishing to assist are welcome. For more information contact Larry Hartman. 507-345-6139. We need a 6:15am set up/cooking crew, 7:45am serving crew, and a 9:30am cleaning crew.

**BRING A TREAT FOR THE MEET & GREET** The weekend of April 1-2 we will have another 'Name Tag Sunday' to help our members old and new get to know our congregation better. Please fill out a name tag and wear it! On **Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>** we will also have a little Fellowship Hour in the church basement after service. Come down, bring a treat to share, have some coffee and chit chat with your church family before going home! Hope to see you there!

**NEW DEACON** Mr. Ted Schreyer has resigned from his position on the Board of Deacons. Thank you for your years of service. Mr. Joe Friedrichs has been appointed by the Church Council to fill out the remainder of the term which ends in 2024.

**CHURCH LINENS** Thank you to all of those who donated new Church Kitchen Linens! We are well stocked now, and very grateful!

**MOTHERS ROOM REMINDER** This is just a reminder that our Mother's Room is to be utilized by young children and mothers during church services and events.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL SKIT** Next Sunday, March 26, our Sunday School Teachers will be putting on a skit that was written by our 5th and 6th grade classroom. The skit is about the importance of attending Sunday School. It will be put on in the MPF. All are invited to attend!

**ALUMNI CONTACT INFORMATION & SURVEY** We are trying to reach out to all Alumni of Immanuel Lutheran School to make sure we have your current contact information and just rebuild connections that may have been lost over the years. We are also conducting an optional survey that will take a few minutes to participate in if you would be willing to do so. Please fill out the following Google Form to participate: https://forms.gle/1yRzFJsunU1SfhVMA or snap a picture of the QR code.



**WOMEN'S STUDY GUILD** meets at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21. Please join us. Our Bible lesson will be from John 16-17, followed by a short business meeting, and refreshments served by Ruth Mueller and Karla Olmanson. Volunteers are still needed for altar flowers for the rest of March. Many thanks to those who have already volunteered.

## SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **BASKETBALL CAMP FOR GIRLS 5-12TH**

**Location:** Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire **Date:** Thursday, June 8 - Saturday, June 10. The CLC Youth Camp begins the next day, Sunday, June 11.

- Learn correct basketball fundamentals
- Meet new friends
- Enjoy Christian fellowship

Cost: \$35/girl (covers t-shirt, meals & lodging, if needed)

**Camp Staff:** Present and Former Immanuel Lutheran High School and College coaches and players.

**Registration:** Online at <u>https://ilc.edu/athletics/summer-skills-camps/qirls-</u> <u>basketball-camp/</u>

**Questions?** Call or email Ross Roehl at (715) 864-1764 or **ross.roehl@ilc.edu** After you register and prior to camp, you will receive additional information via email.

**CHRIST'S EXPLORERS CAMP** Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church (W. Columbia, SC) will be hosting Christ's Explorers Camp July 20th - 23rd in Sevierville, TN. Camp is open to students entering grades 3-9 for the 2023-24 school year. *Registration opens on Saturday, April 1st at 9 AM (EST).* Registrations will be limited to the first 25 boys and 25 girls. You may register online at christsexplorerscamp.com.



## Serving Us Today

PASTOR Joe Naumann DEACON Joel Enter ORGANIST Bonnie Cornish SCREEN (Sat.) Joe Furst (Sun.) Russ Schmitt FLOWERS Karla Olmanson 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, Zach Lien, Andy Olmanson, Luke Olmanson, Chuck Schmid, Russ Schmitt, Ron Wolle, Steve Wolle

## Serving Us Next Midweek

PASTOR George Dummann DEACON (2pm) Gary Hanel (6pm) Joel Enter ORGANIST (2pm) Lane Fischer (6pm) Grace Schreyer SCREEN (2pm) Austin Lien (6pm) Gabbi Harris FLOWERS Jackie Friedrichs USHERS See List for Next Weekend

## Serving Us Next Weekend

PASTOR Guest Preacher DEACON Brent Schreyer ORGANIST Kristen Friedrichs SCREEN (Sat.) Joe Furst (Sun.) Austin Lien USHERS Ben Busse, Michael Wheaton, Peter Busse, Jason Dick, Mark Geiger, Sam Geschwind, Sam Hagen, Gauis Hensley, Cade Libby, Travis Miller, Kevin Moeri, Bernt Olmanson, Charles Olmanson, Andrew Olmanson, Nick Schmid, Noah Schmid, Wayne Timm, Ben Stratton, Jack Stratton, Tim Williams, Troy Williams