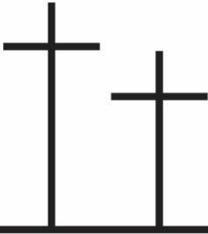




**"This is My beloved Son.
Hear Him!"**

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welcome to
IMMANUEL
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Transfiguration of Jesus Christ

VISITOR INFORMATION

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

THE MOTHER'S ROOM is next to the bookshelf in the corner of the narthex and is meant only for women and children. Fathers may use the bathroom in the upstairs school hallway.

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

QUESTIONS? Please contact the Deacon on duty this weekend or any of the ushers or pastors. They would love to assist you!

WHAT DO WE BELIEVE? Take a picture of this QR code to learn more about what we believe 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 246 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

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

Glory in the Highest

P: ♪ Glory be to God on high

C: ♪ **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.**

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray... O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your Son You confirmed the testimony of Moses and the prophets, and in the voice that came from the bright cloud You wondrously foreshadowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with Jesus our King, and bring us to Your glorious home in heaven, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 24:8-18

And Moses took the blood, sprinkled it on the people, and said, "This is the blood of the covenant which the LORD has made with you according to all these words." **9** Then Moses went up, also Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, **10** and they saw the God of Israel. And there was under His feet as it were a paved work of sapphire stone, and it was like the very heavens in its clarity. **11** But on the nobles of the children of Israel He did not lay His hand. So they saw God, and they ate and drank. **12** Then the LORD said to Moses, "Come up to Me on the

mountain and be there; and I will give you tablets of stone, and the law and commandments which I have written, that you may teach them." **13** So Moses arose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up to the mountain of God. **14** And he said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we come back to you. Indeed Aaron and Hur are with you. If any man has a difficulty, let him go to them." **15** Then Moses went up into the mountain, and a cloud covered the mountain. **16** Now the glory of the LORD rested on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day He called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. **17** The sight of the glory of the LORD was like a consuming fire on the top of the mountain in the eyes of the children of Israel. **18** So Moses went into the midst of the cloud and went up into the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

Gospel Reading

Mark 9:2-13

Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John, and led them up on a high mountain apart by themselves; and He was transfigured before them. **3** His clothes became shining, exceedingly white, like snow, such as no launderer on earth can whiten them. **4** And Elijah appeared to them with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. **5** Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; and let us make three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah "-- **6** because he did not know what to say, for they were greatly afraid. **7** And a cloud came and overshadowed them; and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!" **8** Suddenly, when they had looked around, they saw no one anymore, but only Jesus with themselves. **9** Now as they came down from the mountain, He commanded them that they should tell no one the things they had seen, till the Son of Man had risen from the dead. **10** So they kept this word to themselves, questioning what the rising from the dead

meant. **11** And they asked Him, saying, "Why do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?" **12** Then He answered and told them, "Indeed, Elijah is coming first and restores all things. And how is it written concerning the Son of Man, that He must suffer many things and be treated with contempt? **13** "But I say to you that Elijah has also come, and they did to him whatever they wished, as it is written of him."

Epistle Reading

2 Peter 3:14-18

Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless; **15** and consider that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation-- as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, **16** as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable people twist to their own destruction, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures. **17** You therefore, beloved, since you know this beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked; **18** but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen.

Church Council Installation

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

TLH 135 "Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here"

Sermon

Psalm 139:1-12

O LORD, You have searched me and known me. **2** You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. **3** You comprehend my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways. **4** For there is not a word on my tongue, But behold, O LORD, You know it altogether. **5** You have hedged me behind and before, And laid Your hand upon me. **6** Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is high, I cannot attain it. **7** Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? **8** If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there. **9** If I take the wings of the morning, And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, **10** Even there Your hand shall lead me, And Your right hand shall hold me. **11** If I say, "Surely the darkness shall fall on me," Even the night shall be light about me; **12** Indeed, the darkness shall not hide from You, But the night shines as the day; The darkness and the light are both alike to You.

Marvel at the Unknowable Nature of God!

1. The One Who Knows All Knows You
2. The One Who Is Everywhere Is with You

Preaching today: Pastor Joe Naumann

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

TLH 719 “*Jesus on the Mountain Peak*”

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

Numbers 6:24-26

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

TLH 47 “*Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name*”

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ONGOING IMMANUEL PRAYER LIST

Please keep these individuals in your personal prayers

- Pastor John Hein – from Grace, Fridley, MN with Thymic cancer
- Katie Sauers- Lymphoma
- James Lien- Cancer Treatments
- Marlene Hanel
- CLC Mission Development Fund- Details below

LAST WEEK

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Type	# Souls
New Perspective	Yes	10:15 AM	1,3,5 th Tuesday	Study	5
Latitude	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	18
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	6
Laurel's Peak	Yes	10:45 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	5
Oak Terrace	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	8
Walnut Towers	Yes	10:00 AM	Evey Thursday	Study	8
Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	15
Old Main	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	8
New Perspective	Yes	10:00 AM	2 nd Thursday	Worship	9
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	22
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 20	6:00p	WORSHIP 3 rd Sunday Communion
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School
Sun Jan 21	9:00a	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School/ Ambassadors
	9:15a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	WORSHIP 3 rd Sunday Communion
		Live Stream- www.ImmanuelMankato.org Watch - www.ImmanuelMankato.org/sermons/
Mon Jan 22	5:00p	Girls Varsity Home Game
	6:30p	Boys JV Home Game
	7:00p	Annual Voters Meeting
Tues Jan 23	4:00p	Girls 4-6 th Grade Home Game
	5:00p	Boys 5-6 th Grade Home Game
	7:00p	Elders Meeting
	7:00p	Board of Education Meeting

Wed Jan 24	5:30p	Catechism Class
Thur Jan 25	6:15p	Church Choir Practice
	5:45p	Televised Worship Service, Chart #181; Cons Comm #7
Fri Jan 26	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
Sat Jan 27	6:00p	WORSHIP
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School
Sun Jan 28	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

Annual Voters Meeting- January 22nd @ 7pm

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

NOTICE OF MEETING Notice is hereby given that at the Annual Congregation meeting to be held on **January 22, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.**, a Resolution will be presented seeking approval of the sale of Arizona property which was gifted to the Church.

COUNCIL REORG This meeting will take place right after the voters meeting on **January 22nd**.

ARTS CAMP Camp is **March 22-24** at Immanuel Mankato. This is an amazing opportunity for creative fun and learning with other young Christians. There will be a variety of sessions including things like music, theater, crafts and more! This is for students in 5th-8th grade. **Registration opens February 5th.** Contact Amber Casto with any other questions.

artscamp@immanuelmankato.org

SAVE THE DATE ILS will be hosting the Christian Athletic League (CAL) Basketball Tournament on **March 7th, 8th, and 9th 2024**. Hosting this tournament is our major fundraiser for our athletic program and requires many volunteers to help things run smoothly. Please consider volunteering to help support our program! More information will be coming.

SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

SYNOD CALLS Mr. Dan Roehl is still considering the call to be the new professor at Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire, WI, replacing retiring Professor Mark Kranz. <> Pastor Thomas Schuetze of St. Paul Lutheran of Lakewood, CO is still considering the calls from Calvary Lutheran of Marquette, MI and St. Peter's Lutheran of Iron River, MI.

CLC TOURNAMENT BAND Come and join the 20th CLC Tourney Band at the CLC Grade School Basketball Tournament in Eau Claire, WI on Saturday, March 9! Register band players (grades 5-8) at clctourneyband.weebly.com. Music is available on the website. Basketball players and non-basketball players are welcome! **Our one practice will be during that morning (time TBA) with a performance around noon. Please send questions to Laurie Lau music@thelaus.com**

CLC MISSIONARY EVENSON Missionary Evensen continues the work of translating Online Theological Studies courses into French for use in training pastors and church leaders in Togo and other French-speaking African countries. Ask for the Lord's continued blessings on this work and pray that the Lord will continue to provide good health and all that is necessary for the spread of the Gospel in Togo.

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!



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Serving Us Today

PASTOR Joe Naumann

DEACON Joe Friedrichs

ORGANIST Grace Schreyer

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

GREETERS Joel & Deidre Macias

USHERS Fred Friedrichs, John Heinze, Aaron Busse, Austin Hanel, Hunter Hanel, Jay Hanel, Mason Hanel, Ty Hanel, Brett Kruse, Ross Libby, William Lien, Wyatt Lien, Kevin Rykhus, Matthew Kranz

Serving Us Next Weekend

LEADER Russ Schmitt

DEACON Mark Matzke

ORGANIST Bonnie Cornish

SCREEN *(Sat.)* Joe Furst *(Sun.)* Wyatt Lien

GREETERS *(Sat)* Sue Jensen *(Sun)* Jen Schmitt

USHERS Ben Busse, Michael Wheaton, Peter Busse, Jason Dick, Mark Geiger, Sam Geschwind, Sam Hagen, Gavis Hensely, Cade Libby, Travis Miller, Kevin Moeri, Bernt Olmanson, Charles Olmanson, Andrew Olmanson, Nick Schmid, Noah Schmid, Wayne Timm, Ben Stratton, Jack Stratton, Troy Williams, Tim Williams