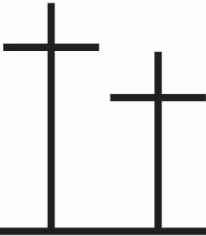
A wooden watchtower stands on a dark, silhouetted hillside at night. The sky is a deep, dark blue, filled with a dense field of stars. The Milky Way galaxy is visible as a bright, glowing band of light stretching across the sky from the upper left towards the center. The watchtower is constructed of dark wood and has a multi-tiered structure with a flat roof. The overall scene is serene and evocative of a watchman's duty.

**Son of man,
I have made
you a
watchman
for the
house of
Israel.**

Ezekiel 3:17



welcome to
IMMANUEL
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior!

Thank you for joining our worship family this morning. Immanuel is a Bible based Christian congregation and so our worship reflects deep devotion to God and to His Holy Word. We especially welcome any guests or visitors and invite you to sign our guest book.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE is printed in this bulletin and also will be projected on the screen in the front of the sanctuary.

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

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

THE MOTHER'S ROOM is next to the bookshelf and stained glass window in the corner of the entryway and is meant only for women and children. Fathers may use the bathroom in the upstairs school hallway. Kid's bulletins and quiet bags can also be found in the entryway.

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

WHAT DO WE BELIEVE? Scan this QR code to learn more about what we believe at ImmanuelMankato.org



18th Weekend in the Season of

Trinity

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 5 “Lord, Open Thou My Heart to Hear”*

Confession and Absolution of Sins

P: God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

C: If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive us for Jesus’ sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.

P: Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven. With boldness and confidence we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Response to the Forgiveness of Sins

WS 798:1,4

♪ **God, we praise You! God, we bless You!
God, we name you sov'reign Lord!
Mighty King whom angels worship,
Father, by Your Church adored:
All creation shows Your glory;
Heav'n and earth draw near Your throne,
Singing, "Holy, Holy, Holy
Lord of hosts and God alone!"**

♪ **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.**

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray... Almighty, merciful God, we pray that in Your overflowing goodness You will keep us from everything harmful, that in body and soul we may be ready to accomplish with glad hearts what You desire; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and rules with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain, and when He was seated His disciples came to Him. **2** Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying: **3** "Blessed are

the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. **4** Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted. **5** Blessed are the meek, For they shall inherit the earth. **6** Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled. **7** Blessed are the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy. **8** Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God. **9** Blessed are the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God. **10** Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. **11** Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. **12** Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 37:25-30

P: I have been young, and now am old; Yet I have not seen
the righteous forsaken,

C: Nor his descendants begging bread.

P: He is ever merciful, and lends;

C: And his descendants are blessed.

P: Depart from evil, and do good;

C: And dwell forevermore.

P: For the LORD loves justice, And does not forsake His
saints;

**C: They are preserved forever, But the descendants of the
wicked shall be cut off.**

P: The righteous shall inherit the land,

C: And dwell in it forever.

P: The mouth of the righteous speaks wisdom,

C: And his tongue talks of justice.

Epistle Reading

2 Thessalonians 3:1-5

Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord
may run swiftly and be glorified, just as it is with you, **2** and

that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men; for not all have faith. **3** But the Lord is faithful, who will establish you and guard you from the evil one. **4** And we have confidence in the Lord concerning you, both that you do and will do the things we command you. **5** Now may the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God and into the patience of Christ.

P: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C: ♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**These words are written that we may believe
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Logan James Landon
Saturday

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 487 "How Beauteous Are Their Feet"

Sermon*Ezekiel 3:17-21*

"Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; therefore hear a word from My mouth, and give them warning from Me: **18** "When I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' and you give him no warning, nor speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life, that same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand. **19** "Yet, if you warn the wicked, and he does not turn from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul. **20** "Again, when a righteous man turns from his righteousness and commits iniquity, and I lay a stumbling block before him, he shall die; because you did not give him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he has done shall not be remembered; but his blood I will require at your hand. **21** "Nevertheless if you warn the righteous man that the righteous should not sin, and he does not sin, he shall surely live because he took warning; also you will have delivered your soul."

God Has Called You to Be a Watchman

1. To Warn of the Wickedness of Sin
2. To Save Both the Listener and You

Preaching today: Pastor Joe Naumann

Offertory*WS p16*

♪ **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.**

Sermon Hymn*TLH 496 "Hark! The Voice of Jesus Crying"***Offering of Thankful Hearts**

Offering Hymn

WS 788

Lord, You love the cheerful giver
Who with open heart and hand
Blesses freely, as a river
That refreshes all the land.
Grant us, then, the grace of giving
With a spirit large and true
That our life and all our living
We may consecrate to You.

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 609 "Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying"

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LAST WEEK

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

(SEPT 21-22 REPORTED)

Budgetary

\$8,585 Current Expenses

Non-Budgetary

\$45 Major Improvement

\$580 ILS Student Aid

\$50 Land Purchase

\$65 ILS Foundation

\$40 Benevolent

CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION

\$845 CLC General Budget (CBP)

\$50 CLC Missions (MDF)

\$4 CLC Kinship



In the September 1 bulletin an offering of \$100,000 was noted as given to the ILS Foundation. To clarify, it was given to the Kindergarten Endowment.

Saturday Worship 9/21: **40**

Saturday Bible Class: **9**

Sunday Worship 9/22: **203**

Sunday Bible Class: **64**

Sunday School: **25**

Ambassadors: **5**

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Type	# Souls
Blue Earth Jail (Men's)	Yes	6:00 PM	1 st , 3 rd Sunday	Study	10
Old Main/ AZ Pioneer	Yes	11:00 AM	2 nd & 4 th Monday	Worship	14
Latitude	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	19
Laurel's Edge/Street	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	6
Ladies Auxiliary	Yes	2:00 PM	4 th Wednesday	Study	10
Oak Terrace	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	7
Pond's View	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	8
Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	14
College Study	Yes	7:00 PM	2 nd , 4 th Thursday	Study	5
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	29
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					122
Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!					

THIS WEEK

Sat Sept 28	6:00p	Divine Worship Service
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School
Sun Sept 29	9:00a	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School/ Ambassadors
	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	Divine Worship Service Live Stream – CLICK HERE
	11:00a	Freshmen Carnival Blessings on your week!
Mon Sept 30		
Tues Oct 1	7:00p	Outreach Meeting
Wed Oct 2	5:15p	Confirmation Class
Thur Oct 3	6:15p	Church Choir
Fri Oct 4	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
Sat Oct 5	6:00p	Divine Worship Service with Communion
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School
Sun Oct 6	9:00a	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School / Ambassadors
	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	Divine Worship Service with Communion

UPCOMING EVENTS

Outdoor Adventure Day- October 12th

Trunk or Treat- October 13th 2-4pm

Red Cross Blood Drive- October 17th

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT BIBLE CLASS In Bible Class this year we have been taking up a series of studies under the theme: "What Does the Bible Say About...?" This week we are considering the question "What does the Bible say about the Law and the Gospel." These two great teachings of the Bible have been given to us to convict us of our sin and to assure us of the forgiveness of sins found in the life and work of our Savior Jesus Christ. Next week we will study the different types of Old Testament Law as given by God. We hope that you will join us as we study what God has to say about these important topics!

SUNDAY SCHOOL This week our students studied the account of Hannah and Samuel. We learned about the power of prayer and how we ought to interpret our neighbor's words and actions in the best possible way. This lesson also reminds us that God is faithful in keeping His promises, including the most important promise of all, the promise of the Savior, Jesus Christ. Next week we will learn about the first King of Israel, Saul.

COMMUNION SERVICE In an effort towards being decent and orderly in our practice of distributing Communion, the Board of Deacons has decided to

stop livestreaming the Communion portion of our worship services. This is not meant to discourage any of our members from receiving the Lord's Supper, but rather an effort to be careful and intentional about this sacred offering of our Savior's very body and blood. We encourage all our members to contact a pastor at your convenience to schedule a time to receive Communion. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact a Pastor or a Deacon as well.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Our Immanuel High School Seniors are hosting a blood drive at Immanuel on **Thursday, October 17 from 11:00am - 4:00pm.** Visit redcrossblood.org and enter the Mankato zip code (56001) to find our blood drive and give the gift of life to those who need it! Thank you for your support.

THE IMMANUEL TRUNK OR TREAT will be **Sunday, October 13 from 2-4pm.** This has been a fun event for our families the past few years but to have a Trunk or Treat we need volunteers to bring a "Trunk!" If you are willing to help put on this fun event for the younger members of our church family, please sign up here: <https://forms.gle/RWPwB5FfnxXaGodE6>

2024 SOPHMORE SASQUATCH SEARCH Sasquatch is on the loose! He's been spotted in the area, and the 2024 Sophomore class needs *your* help. Join us at **Seven Mile Creek Park on Sunday, Nov. 3 from 2:00-3:30 PM.** Enjoy a fall hike along the trails with family and friends but keep your eyes open for hidden objects--you may win a prize! Registration is only **\$20** per person. Children 6th grade and under can participate for free. Come support the sophomore class! More details available at: sophomore5k.weebly.com. Pre-register online or with a sophomore.

SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

SYNOD CALLS Pastor Drew Naumann of Trinity Ev. Lutheran, Spokane, WA has **returned** the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School, Mountain View, CA. <> Pastor Timothy Daub of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Hecla, SD has **returned** the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO and has **accepted** the call to serve as vacancy pastor of Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Church, Bowdle, SD <> Pastor Jim Naumann has **received and accepted** the call to serve as vacancy pastor of Zion Ev. Lutheran Church Ipswich, SD. <> Pastor Zachary Sippert will be **installed** at Grace Ev. Lutheran Church, Sleepy Eye, MN on September 29, 2024.



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We Thank Those Serving Us Today

(5th Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Joe Naumann

ORGANIST Vickie Schreyer

SCREEN Joe Furst & Russ Schmitt

FLOWERS Karla Olmanson

HEAD USHER Council

USHERS Council

SOUND

DEACON Anthony Greve

GREETERS Ben & Michelle Stratton

COUNTERS

LIVESTREAM

ASST USHER Council

Serving Us Next Weekend

(1st Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Nathanael Mayhew

ORGANIST Grace Schreyer

SCREEN

COUNTERS Beckers & Thenemans

HEAD USHER Kyle Hulke

USHERS Mac Friedrichs, Matt Hagen, Austin Hart, Andrew Lentz, Alan Olmanson, Brent Schreyer, Philip Stelter, Ross Theneman

SOUND

COMMUNION SET UP Williams, Hoffman & Theneman

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION John Heinze, Alan Olmanson, Paul Bade, Michael Wheaton, Danile Pfeiffer

DEACON Joe Friedrichs

GREETERS Jay & Kelly Hanel

FLOWERS Diane Lentz

LIVESTREAM

ASST USHER Karl Friedrichs