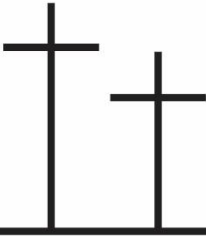




In God I trust;
I shall not be afraid.
What can man do to me?
Psalm 56:11



welcome to
IMMANUEL
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior!

Thank you for joining our church family for worship 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 in the entryway of the church and invite you to join us again.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE is printed in this bulletin and 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



Confirmation Sunday

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Worship Supplement Setting Two

Entrance Hymn

TLH 332:1-4 “Arm These Thy Soldiers”

Tune: TLH 290

The Invocation

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

Congregation (C): ♪ Amen.

Opening Prayer

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 798:1,3

**♪ 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!"**

**♪ Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
Everlasting Son of God,
Humble was Your virgin mother,
Hard the lonely path You trod:
By Your cross is sin defeated,
Hell confronted face to face,
Heaven opened to believers,
Sinners justified by grace.**

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray... Lord God, heavenly Father, you delivered Your Son for our offenses, and raised Him again for our justification. Grant us Your Holy Spirit, that He may always enlighten and sanctify us. Graciously keep us in the true faith, and after this life raise us to eternal life. This we pray through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Joshua 3:9-17

So Joshua said to the children of Israel, "Come here, and hear the words of the LORD your God." **10** And Joshua said, "By this you shall know that the living God is among you, and that He will without fail drive out from before you the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Hivites and the Perizzites and the Girgashites and the Amorites and the Jebusites: **11** "Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth is crossing over before you into the Jordan. **12** "Now therefore, take for yourselves twelve men from the tribes of Israel, one man from every tribe. **13** "And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests who bear the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of the Jordan, that the waters of the Jordan shall be cut off, the waters that come down from upstream, and they shall stand as a heap." **14** So it was, when the people set out from their camp to cross over the Jordan, with the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people, **15** and as those who bore the ark came to the Jordan, and the feet of the priests who bore the ark dipped in the edge of the water (for the Jordan overflows all its banks during the whole time of harvest), **16** that the waters which came down from upstream stood still, and rose in a heap very far away at Adam, the city that is beside Zaretan. So the waters that went down into the Sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, failed, and were cut off; and the people crossed over opposite Jericho. **17** Then the priests who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firm on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan; and all Israel crossed over on dry ground, until all the people had crossed completely over the Jordan.

Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 2:5-11

But if anyone has caused grief, he has not grieved me, but all of you to some extent-- not to be too severe. **6** This punishment which was inflicted by the majority is sufficient

for such a man, **7** so that, on the contrary, you ought rather to forgive and comfort him, lest perhaps such a one be swallowed up with too much sorrow. **8** Therefore I urge you to reaffirm your love to him. **9** For to this end I also wrote, that I might put you to the test, whether you are obedient in all things. **10** Now whom you forgive anything, I also forgive. For if indeed I have forgiven anything, I have forgiven that one for your sakes in the presence of Christ, **11** lest Satan should take advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his devices.

3rd – 6th Choir

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

Congregation joins on verse 4

1. O Jesus, I have promised, to serve You to the end.
Lord, be forever near me, my Master and my Friend.
I will not fear the battle if You are by my side,
nor wander from the pathway if You will be my guide.
2. 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.
3. O Jesus, You have promised to all who follow You,
that where You are in glory, Your servants shall be, too;
and Jesus I have promised to serve You to the end:
Oh, give me grace to follow, my Master and My Friend.
4. **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.**

Gospel Reading

Luke 11:29-36

And while the crowds were thickly gathered together, He began to say, "This is an evil generation. It seeks a sign, and no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah the prophet¹. **30** "For as Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites, so also the Son of Man will be to this generation. **31** "The

queen of the South will rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation and condemn them, for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and indeed a greater than Solomon is here. **32** "The men of Nineveh will rise up in the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and indeed a greater than Jonah is here. **33** "No one, when he has lit a lamp, puts it in a secret place or under a basket, but on a lampstand, that those who come in may see the light. **34** "The lamp of the body is the eye. Therefore, when your eye is good, your whole body also is full of light. But when your eye is bad, your body also is full of darkness. **35** "Therefore take heed that the light which is in you is not darkness. **36** "If then your whole body is full of light, having no part dark, the whole body will be full of light, as when the bright shining of a lamp gives you light."

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!

Luke 11:28; John 20:31

Holy Baptism

Lydia Grace Busse

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 472 “Rise, Ye Children of Salvation”

Sermon

Psalm 56:8-13 ESV

You have kept count of my tossings; put my tears in your bottle. Are they not in your book? **9** Then my enemies will turn back in the day when I call. This I know, that God is for me. **10** In God, whose word I praise, in the LORD, whose word I praise, **11** in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can man do to me? **12** I must perform my vows to you, O God; I will render thank offerings to you. **13** For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of life.

God Is for You

1. Through All the Tossings and the Tears
2. That You May Walk Before Him in the Light of Life

Preaching today: Pastor Joe Naumann

Offertory

**C: ♪ 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.**

Psalm 51:10-12

Offering of Thankful Hearts

**C: ♪ 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 Rite of Confirmation *Public Questions and Profession of Faith*

- *Do you this day, in the presence of God and of this Christian congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?*
- *Do you renounce the devil?*
- *Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?*
- *Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord?*
- *Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?*
- *Do you believe that all the books of the Bible are the verbally inspired and inerrant Word of God?*
- *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?*
- *Do you desire to become a communicant member of Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church?*
- *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?*
- *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?*

Confirmation Blessing and Bible Verse

Daisy Kay Anderson

Matthew 11:28 Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest.

Madison Marie Barry

John 3:16 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.

Damian Lee Busse

Psalms 37:5 Commit your way to the LORD, Trust also in Him, And
He shall bring it to pass.

Morgan Rose Casto

Matthew 6:34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow
will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble
of its own.

Esther Kay Enter

Psalms 3:3 But You, O LORD, are a shield for me, My glory and the
One who lifts up my head.

Bentley Thomas Hagen

Revelation 2:10 Be faithful until death, and I will give you the
crown of life.

Penelope June Hanel

Matthew 7:7 Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find;
knock, and it will be opened to you.

Titus Michael Hart

John 14:6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No
one comes to the Father except through Me.

Newland Riek

Isaiah 41:10 Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am
your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I
will uphold you with My righteous right hand.

Joey Rae Strand

John 8:12 *Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."*

Ryan Wesley Streeter

Psalm 46:1 *God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble.*

Nyamuoch Nit Tut

Psalm 23:4 *Yea, 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.*

Confirmation Hymn

"Lamb of God"

1. Your only Son no sin to hide
but You have sent Him from Your side
to walk upon this guilty sod
and to become the Lamb of God.
2. Your gift of love they crucified
they laughed and scorned Him as He died.
The humble King they named a fraud
and sacrificed the Lamb of God.

*Refrain: Oh Lamb of God, Sweet lamb of God
I love the Holy Lamb of God.
Oh wash me in His precious Blood
my Jesus Christ the Lamb of God.*

3. I was so lost I should have died
But You have brought me to Your side
To be led by Your staff and rod
And to be called a lamb of God.

Refrain

Words of Institution

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, “Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”
The peace of the Lord be with you always!

First Communion

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.**

Matthew 6:9-13

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.

Numbers 6:24-26

C: ♪ Amen! Amen! Amen!

Closing Hymn

TLH 464 “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

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LAST WEEK

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Type	# Souls
Laurel's Peak	Yes	10:00 AM	1 st , 3 rd Mondays	Worship	6
Laurel's Edge/Street	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	7
Wednesday Women's Bible Study	Yes	5:00 PM	Every Wednesday	Study	4
Old Main	Yes	1:30 PM	Every Thursday	Study	5
Evening Ambassadors	Yes	7:00 PM	As Scheduled	Study	9
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					31
Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!					

THIS WEEK

Sat April 26	4:00p	Confirmation Practice
	6:00p	Divine Worship Service
Sun April 27	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	9:00a	Confirmation Examination & Prek-4 th Sunday School
	10:00a	Divine Worship Confirmation Service
		Live Stream – CLICK HERE
	1-4:00p	Kitchen & Fellowship Hall Reserved
Mon April 28	7:00p	Recessed Voters Meeting
Tues April 29		
Wed April 30	2:00p	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
	5:00p	Women's Bible Study
Thur May 1	5:30p	Board of Elders Meeting
	6:15p	Church Choir Practice
Fri May 2	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
	7:00p	Ladies Bible Study- Finding Christ in the Old Testament
Sat May 3	6:00p	Divine Worship Service with Communion
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School
Sun May 4	9:00a	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School
	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	Divine Worship Service with Communion
	11:00a	Anchored in Hope: Loss & Grief
	12:00p	Banquet Encore Performance
	2:00p	Craft Du Jour for Ladies- Colorful Inked Coasters

UPCOMING EVENTS

Banquet Encore Performance- May 4th 12pm
 Adopt-a-Highway Clean Up- May 10th 9am
 Pool Adventure Day- May 11th 4:30pm
 Graduation Day- May 16th 6:00pm
 Rummage Sale- May 24-25th

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TWIN STEEPLES PODCAST Our Pastors produce a weekly podcast containing a devotion, weekly updates, and more. [Listen here.](#)

EMAIL LIST We send out weekly emails, reminders, and memos via our email list. To be added, contact our church secretary at church@immanuelmankato.org.

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP? New classes are beginning all the time! Please contact our pastors at your convenience. We look forward to welcoming you into our family!

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 Elders: Board-of-Elders@ImmanuelMankato.org

Board of Deacons: Board-of-Deacons@ImmanuelMankato.org

Board of Property: Board-of-Property@ImmanuelMankato.org

Finance Committee: Finance-Committee@ImmanuelMankato.org

Church Council: Church-Council@ImmanuelMankato.org

RUMMAGE SALE Mark your calendars! Dates for the church wide rummage sale are **Friday May 23- Saturday May 24th** all day. Sunday will be a 'bag sale' or giveaway day depending on what's left. Set up will be all day Thursday, including rolling out gym floor coverings, setting up tables and marking items. Items you'd like to donate to the sale can be marked 'rummage sale' and placed on the stage after May 5th. Furniture and other large items are accepted but cannot be stored anywhere prior to the day of the sale. If you have questions or are willing to help with any part of the rummage sale days please speak to Jackie Friedrichs. All proceeds will be donated to support the ILS/ILHS Athletic Programs.

SEWING GROUP PROPSAL An idea was proposed to start a sewing group for ladies at Immanuel! If you have a passion for sewing and would like an opportunity to do this together in a space with other sisters in Christ, please talk with Sandra Curtis. 507-327-0908 or honeybear11963@yahoo.com

POOL ADVENTURE DAY On **May 11th from 4:30-6:30pm** we will be renting out the Lake Crystal Rec Center Pool for our use only! Water slide included! Come

enjoy the day with us! This event will have a small fee of \$5 per person. Please sign up in the narthex or talk with Hilary Lien in the church office to get on the list!

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY Our first clean up day of the year is scheduled for **Saturday, May 10 at 9:00am!** Our highway that we clean for our community is located on Monks Avenue starting at Stadium road and heading south 2 miles to County Road 90. This project will need volunteers to come out and clean up trash and debris. Wear any Immanuel Gear you may have, bring a pair of gloves and walking shoes. We plan to meet at the 'Free Lot 23' for MSU (right across from the Kwik Trip) before we get started! Hope to see you there!

SOUND EQUIPMENT A huge thank you to those who donated to the Sound Equipment Fundraiser that had been running for the last few weeks! Due to your support we have **SURPASSED** our goal! Our cup runneth over! Praise be to the LORD for this gift!

LADIES AUXILIARY will meet on **Wednesday April 30th at 2:00 PM** in the church basement. We are studying **WOMEN IN THE BIBLE**. All women of Immanuel are welcome to join us. Please use the south entrance. After our bible study we have a short meeting and enjoy refreshments and fellowship.

BANQUET 2025 ENCORE Join us on **Sunday May 4, at 12 pm** for the Banquet 2025 Encore performance. This play was written by the Junior class and performed in honor of the Seniors. Come enjoy refreshments and entertainment in the in the Multi-Purpose Facility.

ILHS HISTORY TOUR FUNDRAISER Sophomores will be collecting flower basket sales on Sunday after Church in the Social Studies room until 11:45 PM.

SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

SYNOD CALLS Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rapid City, SD, has **received** the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO. <> Principal Brandan Heinze has been granted a **peaceful release** from his call as Principal and Teacher of Immanuel Ev. Lutheran School, Mankato, MN. <> Teacher Amy Mielke of Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI, has **returned** the call to Luther Memorial School, Fond du Lac WI. <> Pastor Wayne Eichstadt of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA, has **received** the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI. <> Pastor Frank Gantt of Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, Loganville, GA, has **received** the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church, Mountain View, CA.



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We Thank Those Serving Us Today

(4th Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Joe Naumann

ORGANIST Vickie Schreyer

HEAD USHER Ben Busse

USHERS Peter Busse, Jason Dick, Mark Geiger, Travis Miller, Kevin Moeri, Bernt Olmanson, Andrew Olmanson, Ben Stratton, Jack Stratton, Tim Williams, Troy Williams

DEACON Mac Friedrichs

SCREEN Furst/Lien

ASST USHER Michael Wheaton

Serving Us Next Weekend

(1st Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Joe Naumann

ORGANIST Vickie Schreyer

HEAD USHER Kyle Hulke

USHERS Mac Friedrichs, Matt Hagen, Alan Olmanson, Brent Schreyer, Philip Stelter, Ross Theneman, William Roettger

COMMUNION SET UP Dicks, Hoffman, Millers

COMMUNION DISTIRUTION Heinze, Stratton, Heinze, Olmanson, Pfeiffer

DEACON Brent Schreyer

SCREEN

ASST USHER Karl Friedrichs