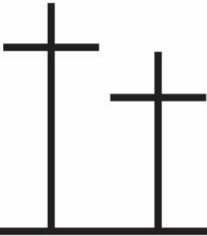




**The heavens
declare
the glory of God,**

**and the sky above
proclaims
his handiwork.**

Psalm 19:1 ESV



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!

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Weekend after Ascension

SERVICE OF THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

Worship Supplement (p. 12)

The Invocation

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. *Matthew 28:19*

Congregation (C): *(spoken)* **Amen.**

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn *TLH 267 "If God Had Not Been on Our Side"*

Confession and Absolution of Sins

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt. *Psalm 51:2,5*

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will. *1 John 3:1*

C: (spoken) Amen!

The Kyrie † *O Lord*

♪ Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.

Mark 10:47

Gloria in Excelsis † *Glory in the Highest*

♪ Glory to God, we give You thanks and praise;
Of heav'nly joy and peace on earth we sing.
We worship You, to You our hearts we raise,
LORD God, almighty Father, heav'nly King.

♪ Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
O Lamb of God, Your glorious vict'ry won,
Receive our prayer, grant us Your peace within.

♪ Alone, O Christ, You only are the LORD,
At God's right hand in majesty most high:
Who, with the Spirit worshiped and adored,
With all the heav'nly host we glorify. *Luke 2:14; John 1:29*

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. O King of glory, LORD of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, do not leave us without comfort, but send us the Spirit of Truth, whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, now and forever.

C: *(spoken)* Amen.

First Reading

Acts 13:1-12

Now in the church that was at Antioch there were certain prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. **2** As they ministered to the Lord and fasted, the Holy Spirit said, "Now separate to Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." **3** Then, having fasted and prayed, and laid hands on them, they sent them away. **4** So, being sent out by the Holy

Spirit, they went down to Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus. **5** And when they arrived in Salamis, they preached the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews. They also had John as their assistant. **6** Now when they had gone through the island to Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew whose name was Bar-Jesus, **7** who was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, an intelligent man. This man called for Barnabas and Saul and sought to hear the word of God. **8** But Elymas the sorcerer (for so his name is translated) withstood them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith. **9** Then Saul, who also is called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him **10** and said, “O full of all deceit and all fraud, you son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease perverting the straight ways of the Lord? **11** And now, indeed, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a time.” And immediately a dark mist fell on him, and he went around seeking someone to lead him by the hand. **12** Then the proconsul believed, when he saw what had been done, being astonished at the teaching of the Lord.

Second Reading

Luke 9:51-56

Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem, **52** and sent messengers before His face. And as they went, they entered a village of the Samaritans, to prepare for Him. **53** But they did not receive Him, because His face was set for the journey to Jerusalem. **54** And when His disciples James and John saw this, they said, “Lord, do You want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them, just as Elijah did?” **55** But He turned and rebuked them, and said, “You do not know what manner of spirit you are of. **56** For the Son of Man did not come to destroy men’s lives but to save them.” And they went to another village.

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

Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven
and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of
God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of
God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten,
not made, being of one substance with the Father, by
Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for
our salvation came down from heaven and was
incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was
made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius
Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day
He rose again according to the Scriptures and
ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the
Father. And He will come again with glory to judge
both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have
no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with
the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in
one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I
acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
And I look for the resurrection of the dead And the life
of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day

TLH 286 "How Shall the Young Secure"

Sermon

Psalm 19:1-14

The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows
His handiwork. 2 Day unto day utters speech, And night unto

night reveals knowledge. **3** There is no speech nor language Where their voice is not heard. **4** Their line has gone out through all the earth, And their words to the end of the world. In them He has set a tabernacle for the sun, **5** Which is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, And rejoices like a strong man to run its race. **6** Its rising is from one end of heaven, And its circuit to the other end; And there is nothing hidden from its heat.

7 The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul;
The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;
8 The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;
The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;
9 The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever;
The judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, Yea, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. **11** Moreover by them Your servant is warned, And in keeping them there is great reward. **12** Who can understand his errors? Cleanse me from secret faults. **13** Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; Let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, And I shall be innocent of great transgression.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer.

The Glory of God is Revealed

The Created World Reveals the Glory of God

The Word Reveals the Glory of the LORD

Preaching today: Pastor Nathanael Mayhew

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.
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

Offering Hymn

TLH 443 v.6,8

C: ♪ For souls redeemed, for sins forgiven,
For Means of Grace and hopes of Heaven,
What can to You, O LORD, be given, Who gives us all?
Dear LORD, from You we all derive
Our life, our gifts, our pow'r to give.
Oh, may we ever with You live, Who gives us all!

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

COMMUNION SERVICE

P: The LORD be with you.

C: *(spoken)* And also with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: *(spoken)* We lift them up unto the LORD.

P: Let us give thanks to the LORD, our God.

C: *(spoken)* It is good and right to do this.

Psalm 136

P: It is truly fitting, right, and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up to heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine nature. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we exalt and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus † Holy

♪ **Holy, holy, holy LORD, God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim
shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the LORD;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the LORD!**

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

The 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."

Matthew 26:26-28; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always! *John 20:19*

Agnus Dei † Lamb of God

♪ **O Lamb of God, O Christ our Lord,
whose blood, once shed, true life restored,
impart Your joy, our faith increase.
Sustain with Your mercy and grant us Your peace.**

John 1:29

Distribution Hymns

TLH 323 “With Broken Heart and Contrite Sigh”

TLH 308 “Invited, Lord, by Boundless Grace”

TLH 304 “An Awe-full Mystery Is Here”

Nunc Dimittis † *Now Let Depart*

♪ O Lord, now let Your servant depart in heav’nly peace,
For I have seen the glory of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.

♪ All glory to the Father, all glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit, forever Three-in-One;
For as in the beginning, is now, shall ever be,
God’s triune name resounding
Through all eternity.

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord with gladness

Thanksgiving

♪ My heart has now become Your dwelling,
O blessed, holy Trinity.
With angels I, Your praises telling,
shall live in joy eternally.
Lord, may Your body and Your blood
be for my soul the highest good!

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

WS 798 “God, We Praise You”

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Our Practice of Close Communion	Communing
<p>A Holy Sacrament - Holy Communion is correctly called a ‘Sacrament’ because it is a “Sacred act;” not in what WE do for Christ, but in what CHRIST does for us.</p> <p>Spiritual Unity - God’s Word also presents the reception of this Sacrament as a most intimate expression of spiritual and confessional unity (1 Cor. 1:10; 10:16-17; Rom. 15:5,6).</p> <p>Close Communion - We ask only those who have publicly professed such oneness of faith and belief with us by membership here or another CLC church to come forward for Communion at this time. This is not a judgment of anyone’s faith, but rather an expression of ours (Rom. 16:17-18).</p> <p>Visitors - If there are visitors present who wish to commune with us in the future, you are invited to speak with the pastor about this at your convenience. We’d love to have you!</p>	<p>Kneeling rail - Members who have difficulty at the kneeling rail may sit in the front pews. The pastor will bring communion to you there.</p> <p>Balcony - Any communicants sitting in the balcony should please come down to the narthex for direction to the table.</p> <p>Direction - Communicants are ushered to the communion table. If you desire the bread in your hand, simply extend your hand to the pastor as he approaches you with the bread. Those desiring an individual cup, please take a cup when the tray is offered. The common cup will follow.</p> <p>Gluten Free Bread / Non-alcoholic Wine - Communicants can find these items on the way up to the Lord’s Table.</p> <p>Cup disposal - Please dispose of your individual cup in the baskets located on each side or in the center aisle.</p>



LAST WEEK

<u>IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH</u>	<u>CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION</u>
<u>(MAY 24-25 REPORTED)</u>	<u>\$345</u> CLC General Budget (CBP)
<i>Budgetary</i>	<i>\$100</i> CLC Kinship
<u>\$6,366.13</u> Current Expenses	<u>\$50</u> ILC Student Aid
<i>Non-Budgetary</i>	<i>Memorials</i>
<u>\$530</u> ILS Student Aid	In Loving Memory of John Gryna
<u>\$245</u> Land Purchase	<u>\$50</u> Kinship
<u>\$30</u> Benevolent	In Loving Memory of Mary Schierenbeck
<u>\$15</u> ILS Kindergarten	<u>\$50</u> Kinship
<u>\$100</u> Athletic Fund	



Saturday Worship 5/24: **58**

Sunday Worship 5/25: **134**

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Type	# Souls
Latitude	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	17
Laurel's Edge/Street	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	5
Ladies Auxiliary	Yes	2:00 PM	4 th Wednesday	Study	13
Summer Evening Ambassadors	Yes	7:00 PM	Biweekly Wednesdays	Study	7
Walnut Tower	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	9
Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	15
Old Main	Yes	1:30 PM	Every Thursday	Study	5
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	
Mankato Lodge	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Friday	Study	5
Autumn Grace	Yes	10:45 AM	2 nd , 4 th Friday	Study/Worship	9
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					
Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!					

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mission Festival- June 7-8th

Evening Ambassadors- June 11th

CLC Pastoral Conference- June 17-19th

Christian Family Weekend- June 21-22nd

VBS Week- July 28-Aug 1st

THIS WEEK

Sat May 31	6:00p	Divine Worship Service with Communion
	7:00p	Congregational meeting
Sun June 1	9:00a	Divine Worship Service with Communion
		Live Stream – CLICK HERE
	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	Congregational meeting
	2:00p	Craft Du Jour
Mon June 2		Blessings on your week!
Tues June 3	6:00p	Board of Elders Meeting
	7:00p	Outreach Meeting
Thur June 5	6:00p	Bible Study on Colossians
Fri June 6	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
	7:00p	Ladies Bible Study- Church Basement
Sat June 7	10:00a	Minnesota Delegate Conference at Immanuel
	6:00p	Mission Festival Worship Service
	7:00p	Mission Festival presentation by Missionary Naumann
Sun June 8	9:00a	Mission Festival Worship Service
	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	Mission Festival presentation by Missionary Naumann

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY Beginning this **Thursday, June 5** we will be starting a summer Bible Study on Colossians. Paul's letter to the Colossians is short, but packed full of important teachings for our Christian faith and life. This study will not only take us through this letter but also be a practical review of how to study our Bibles. Put this on your calendar and plan to join us this summer on Thursday nights at 6pm in the church basement. We hope you will be able to join us! **Child care will be provided for children 3 years old through 6th grade!**

PARENTING WORKSHOP Join us for a Parenting Weekend and Parenting Workshop focusing on Christian parenting and building a strong, Christ-centered home. This will kick off with a **Christian Family Weekend (June 21-22)** which will include a Bible study and worship service focused on what God's Word says about the importance and nature of the Christian family. This will be followed with a Parenting Workshop (**Sunday, July 20 from 4-7pm**) which will include discussion on God's Word, practical guidance for parents, and age-specific breakouts. This will be valuable for anyone whom the LORD has given the responsibility of raising and caring for children. Contact Pastor Mayhew if you are interested, or if you would like more information.

MISSION FESTIVAL Mark your calendar! On Saturday (**June 7**) and Sunday (**June 8**) CLC Missionary Bruce Naumann will be our guest preacher for Mission

Festival. In addition to, he will also give a presentation for Bible Class on the work that is going on in Tanzania. This presentation will follow both our Saturday and Sunday services that weekend. Please plan to join us!

VBS REGISTRATION Our VBS Registration is open now! Register online at our website. VBS is open to students 3 years old up to 6th grade! Registration closes July 14th

CRAFT DU JOUR Join us **Sunday from 2-3:30pm** for a very easy Craft Du Jour- Watercolor flower painting of bookmarks or cards. It's going to be a beautiful day, so we'll meet at Sibley Park by the bandshell/bathrooms. There is no cost. Questions, ask Jen 507-340-1640.

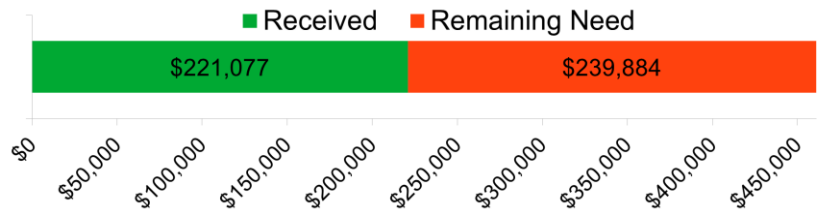
SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

SYNOD CALLS Lori Ruthenbeck has **received** a one-year call to teach part-time at St. John's Lutheran School, Okabena, MN. Lori is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church. <> Professor Joel Gullerud of Immanuel Lutheran High School, Eau Claire, WI, has **received** the call to serve as principal of Immanuel Lutheran K-12 School, Mankato, MN. <> Pastor Mark Tiefel of Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church, Middleton, WI, **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 Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.

CLC MISSIONS Togo (West Africa) – Missionary Evensen reports that three students are in their final year at Mount Horeb Lutheran Seminary, with graduation tentatively scheduled for November. One of the students has started a preaching station in his home and is actively inviting people to attend. Pastor Kossi Blewu has been conducting a Gospel outreach radio program in a town located about 30 minutes away from the seminary. If the Lord blesses this effort to establish a preaching station, one of the graduates from the seminary will be called to serve there. Please pray for these students as they complete their studies and ask the Lord to bless their efforts in establishing preaching stations and congregations so that the truth of His saving word may be proclaimed for the salvation of Togolese souls.

FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Plate Offerings To Date for Period Jan 1, 2025 June 30, 2025



THE MEANING OF CHRIST'S ASCENSION This past Thursday we celebrated the ascension of Jesus. The ascension of Jesus commemorates the day when Jesus returned to the right hand of the Father after completing the work of mankind's salvation. While the ascension of Jesus is seldom celebrated in our modern world today, Immanuel has the wonderful tradition of celebrating the ascension of Jesus in a special midweek worship service. This special service helps us remember the supreme importance of Christ's ascension in the lives of Christians. So much, that it was included by the ancient Church in both the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds. We confess *"He ascended into heaven"* in the Apostles' Creed, and that *He "ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father"* in the Nicene Creed. The Apostle Paul speaks about the meaning of Jesus' ascension when he writes: ***"[God] raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church"*** (Ephesians 1:20-22).

When Christ ascended into heaven He left His church with a going away present. These gifts were not given just to the apostles, or the disciples of Jesus' day. Paul writes, ***"But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore He says: 'When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave gifts to men'"*** (Ephesians 4:7-8). With these words Paul was writing to the believers in the city of Ephesus close to 30 years after Jesus ascended into heaven. Thirty years later it was still true. We are now two thousand years removed, but it is still true today. Each one of us has been given unique gifts from Christ Himself. We should remember that we do not all have the same gifts and abilities. The gifts we have are ours because the Lord has chosen to give them to us. In addition, we should not become discouraged that we do not have the gifts that others have been given. Instead, we should realize that Christ has given each of us certain gifts, and He can and will use us in the work of His kingdom. As saints, every one of us has a part to play in the work of ministry. We are equipped for this work every time we go to church, attend Bible Class and read our Bible at home. This equipment has been given to us through the words of the apostles, prophets and evangelists by the working of the Holy Spirit as a going away present from our Savior. He has given us all that we need. Thanks to our risen and ascended Savior!



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We Thank Those Serving Us Today

(1st Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Nathanael Mayhew

ORGANIST Bonnie Cornish

HEAD USHER

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

COMMUNION SET UP Williams, Hoffman & Thenemans

COMMUNION DISTIRUTION Tom Lentz, Daniel Pfeiffer, John Heinze, Kevin Schrader, Michael Wheaton, Paul Bade

DEACON Brent Schreyer

SCREEN Furst, Schmitt

ASST USHER Karl Friedrichs

Serving Us Next Weekend

(2nd Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Bruce Naumann

ORGANIST Debra Mayhew

HEAD USHER Paul Bade

USHERS Jeremy Hanel, Scott Kruse, Kaden Kruse, Todd Kruse, Alex Matzke, Justin Mueller

DEACON Joel Enter

SCREEN Wyatt Lien

ASST USHER Mike Schweim