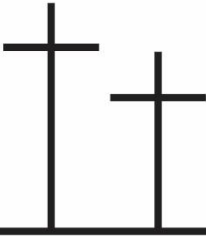




"YOU WILL RECEIVE

POWER WHEN THE
HOLY
SPIRIT

HAS COME UPON YOU,
AND YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES ...
TO THE END OF THE EARTH."
ACTS 1:8, 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!

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



The Festival of Pentecost

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Worship Supplement Setting Two

The Invocation

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

Congregation (C): ♪ Amen.

Opening Hymn

TLH 16 "Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word"

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: ♪ 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 God, You have enlightened the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them Your Holy Spirit. Grant us by that same Spirit to grow in faith and knowledge of our Lord Jesus, and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♫ Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 36:22-28

“Therefore say to the house of Israel, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD: “I do not do this for your sake, O house of Israel, but for My holy name’s sake, which you have profaned among the nations wherever you went. **23** And I will sanctify My great name, which has been profaned among the nations,

which you have profaned in their midst; and the nations shall know that I am the LORD,” says the Lord GOD, “when I am hallowed in you before their eyes. **24** For I will take you from among the nations, gather you out of all countries, and bring you into your own land. **25** Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. **26** I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. **27** I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them. **28** Then you shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; you shall be My people, and I will be your God.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 51:6-12

P: Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts,

C: And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom.

P: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;

C: Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

P: Make me hear joy and gladness,

C: That the bones You have broken may rejoice.

P: Create in me a clean heart, O God,

C: And renew a steadfast spirit within me.

P: Do not cast me away from Your presence,

C: And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.

P: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,

C: And uphold me by Your generous Spirit.

Gospel Reading

John 14:15-21

“If you love Me, keep My commandments. **16** And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— **17** the Spirit of truth,

whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. **18** I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. **19** A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also. **20** At that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you. **21** He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.”

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

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.**

Children's Sermon

The Helper

Hymn of the Day

TLH 234 "Holy Ghost, with Light Divine"

Sermon

Ephesians 2:11-22

Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands— **12** that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. **13** But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. **14** For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, **15** having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, **16** and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. **17** And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. **18** For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. **19** Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, **20** having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, **21** in whom the whole building, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, **22** in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

God's Incredible Church Building Project

1. Damaged Materials

2. Marvelous Results

Preaching today: Pastor Nathanael Mayhew

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

Sermon Hymn

WS 740 "Holy Spirit, End Our Sadness"

Offering of Thankful Hearts

Offering Hymn

WS 788

**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 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

WS 800 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

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LAST WEEK

<u>IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH</u> <u>(MAY 14-17 REPORTED)</u>	<u>CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION</u>
Budgetary \$10,959 Current Expenses	\$648 CLC General Budget (CBP) \$30 CLC MDF (Missions) \$34 CLC Kinship
Non-Budgetary	
\$3 Major Improvement	Scan this QR code to contribute via CashApp 
\$1 ILS Student Aid	
\$260 Land Purchase	
\$ ILS Foundation	
\$40 Benevolent	
\$15 ILS Foundation	
\$7,500 Undesignated Reserve	

Ascension Service 5/14: **100**
 Saturday Worship 5/16: **54**
 Saturday Bible Class: **2**

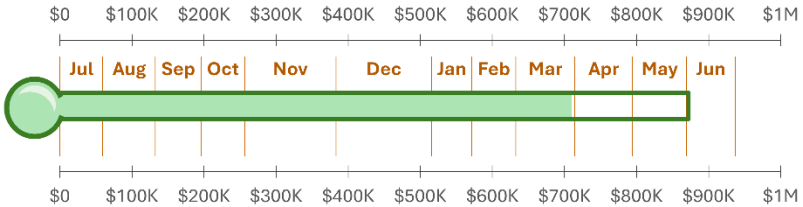
Sunday Worship 5/17: **189**
 Sunday School: **32**
 Sunday Bible Class: **51**

Plate Offerings

As Of 5/17/2026

Total Need: \$936,655
 Received To Date: \$709,997

Remaining Need (May): \$159,160
 Remaining Need (Fiscal Year): \$226,658



* Monthly grid based on past contribution patterns, to give us a convenient pace to follow.

Location	Yes/No	Time	Frequency	Activity	Count
Cottagewood Senior Community	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Sunday	Worship	8
Laurel's Peak	Yes	10:00 AM	1st & 3rd Monday	Worship	11
New Perspective	Yes	9:00 AM	1st, 3rd Tuesday	Study	6
Oak Terrace	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	6
Latitude Bible Study	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	16
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	7
Oak Terrace	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	9
Cottagewood Senior Community	Yes	10:45 AM	1 st , 3 rd Thursday	Study/Worship	13

Walnut Towers	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	9
Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	11
Old Main	Yes	1:30 PM	Every Thursday	Study	7
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	33
Mankato Lodge	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Friday	Study	5
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					141
Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!					

THIS WEEK

Sat May 23	6:00p	Divine Worship Service
Sun May 24	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	9:00a	Divine Worship Service
		Live Stream – CLICK HERE
	10:15a	Hymnal Committee Meeting
	6:00p	Sunday Night Basketball
Mon May 25	10:00a	Memorial Day Service at Pilgrim's Rest Cemetery
Tues May 26	7:00p	Board of Education Meeting
Wed May 27	2:00p	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
	5:00p	6-8 th Grade Doctrine Class
Thur May 28	3-5p	MPF Reserved
	6:15p	Church Choir Practice
Fri May 29	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
	7:00p	Ladies Bible Study- Finding Christ in the Old Testament
Sat May 30	6:00p	Divine Worship Service
Sun May 31	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	9:00a	Divine Worship Service
		Food Shelf Sunday
	6:00p	Sunday Night Basketball

UPCOMING EVENTS

Memorial Day Service at Pilgrims Rest- May 25th 10am
 Youth Group- June 3rd 7pm
 Adopt-a-Highway Clean Up- June 13th 9am
 Youth Group- June 20th 7pm
 Donuts with Dad- June 21st 10am

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE Join us on Monday, May 25th at 10:00am for our Memorial Day Service at Pilgrims Rest Cemetery. If weather interferes, we will hold the service at the church instead.

SUMMER SCHEDULE The Immanuel Board of Deacons have decided to adjust our Sunday morning service start time to 9:00 a.m. this summer. Starting Memorial Day weekend (May 24-25), worship will begin at 9:00 a.m. This summer schedule will run through Labor Day weekend (August 30-31). The Deacons welcome any feedback or comments to Board-of-Deacons@ImmanuelMankato.org. Thank you!

TWIN STEEPLES PODCAST Our Pastors produce a podcast with several episode every week. You will find the weekend sermon posted on Monday, a devotion and weekly update on Wednesday and a hymn study on Friday. [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!

RESPIRE CARE Brian and Michelle Stearns took in 5 foster kids (siblings 8 months-7 years old). They could use help with respite care to give themselves a break sometimes. Please contact Brian (507-520-0132) or Michelle Stearns (507-520-1444) if you can help, even if it's only taking a couple of the children for a few hours.

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

GRADUATION OPEN HOUSES

Rebecca Heinze

Saturday, May 23rd

5-8:00pm

60352 230th St

Madison Lake, MN

Gaius Hensley

Saturday, June 27th

3-9:00pm

201 N Riverfront Dr

Mankato, MN

Jeremy Hanel

Saturday, May 30th

4-8:00pm

520 Lyd Blvd

Mankato, MN

Mason Hanel

Saturday, May 23rd

4-7:00pm

22955 602nd Lane

Madison Lake, MN

CHURCH KITCHEN NEEDS The church kitchen needs ice cream buckets or any large container that has covers. It seems they have been used and have not returned for the next event. Also, the lace tablecloth and the 60-cup coffee pot have not found their way back to the kitchen. Please return these items so they can be used for other events. Thank you!

YOUTH GROUP 9-12th graders are welcomed and encouraged to join Youth Group this summer! We will be holding a study and fellowship event **every two weeks** until school resumes. Please stay tuned for information as they come out. At Youth Group, these young people study a variety of topics and do character studies and then enjoy a fellowship activity sometime on and sometimes off Immanuel campus. If you have questions, please contact Hilary Lien for more details. Our next event will be a character study on Mary Magdalene on **June 3rd** at the Lien Residence. See a bulletin board, the church calendar, or the Immanuel Memo for more details!

SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

SYNOD NEWS CALL NEWS St. John's Lutheran Church, Okabena, MN, has **extended** two part-time, one-year teaching calls to Lori Ruthenbeck and Lydia Buck. <> Pastor David Pfeiffer of Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, West Columbia, SC, has **returned** the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI. <> Teacher Stephen Krause of Grace Lutheran School, Valentine, NE, has **returned** the call to Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI. <> Pastor Chad Seybt of Morning Star Lutheran Church, Fairchild, WI, Peace with God Lutheran Church, Onalaska, WI, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Melrose, WI, and Trinity Lutheran Church, Millston, WI, has **received** the call to Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI. <> Pastor Chad Seybt of the Western Wisconsin Quad Parish has also **received** the call to St. Luke's Ev. Lutheran Church, Lemmon, SD. <> ILC Education Program Graduate Ms. Riley Naumann has **accepted** the call

to teach 3-4 grades at Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI. <> Pastor Ben Libby of Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Church, Cheyenne, WY, has **received** the call to Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Madison Heights, MI.

CLC CONVENTION PREPARATION - The Prospectus for our upcoming CLC Convention has been published and is available for our delegates and those who are interested in knowing what is going on in our church body. If you are interested in a copy, please speak to one of our pastors for a copy. MN Delegate Conference will be at Berea, Inver Grove Heights, MN on Saturday, June 6th and our CLC Delegate Convention will be held on the campus of Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire, WI on June 25-28. Lord, bless Your work among us!

THE BRANCHES It's time to renew or sign up for a July-June subscription. Sign up anytime before June 15, 2026. Subscriptions are \$16.00 per year for 4 issues. Pay by PayPal, Venmo, or check. (email Sandy for Paypal option). Make checks payable to : The Branches. Note: Current subscribers will receive an email or postcard at the time of their renewal. Contact: sandy Hulk, Subscription Manager at 29985 Norway Ave, Lindstorm, MN 55045. thebranchsmagazine@gmail.com

CLC MISSION PRAYERS Myanmar (South Asia) – Pastor Kham is asking for urgent prayers for one of the orphan girls he and his wife care for with the help of Kinship sponsors. Last week she was taken to the hospital for severe abdominal pain. Emergency surgery in Kalaymyo was performed to remove a large ovaria cyst. A week later pathology reports found advanced cancer. Because of the on-going civil war, all advanced hospitals in the rural areas of Myanmar are either non-functioning or not accepting patients. The only place for treatment is in Yangon on the other side of the country. Again, because of the war, cross-country travel by bus is impossible. Fortunately, the medical team in Kalay was able to help them secure an emergency flight on May 23. ... Please pray for Khawlvung and for those who are and will be caring for her. ... Pray that the Lord will bless the treatments she receives and rid her body of the cancer that infects her so that she may live many more years in His grace and mercy serving Him and others! ... There is also some good news to report from our brothers and sisters of the CLC-Myanmar (CLCM). Pastor Kham decided to make an emergency visit to Chin State to testify on behalf of a CLCM evangelist who was arrested and falsely accused of spying for a rebel militia when in fact he was simply visiting members in area villages to bring them God's word. Praise and thank the Lord that Pastor Kham's testimony was heard and the evangelist was released! Pastor Kham decided to spend a couple of

weeks in this dangerous war zone visiting several CLCM village congregations. During the visit he conducted several baptisms and held worship services. Thank the Lord for His blessings and protection for Pastor Kham and his team as they traveled through some of the worst war-torn areas of Myanmar to bring the Good News of Jesus to those who are suffering, and for the gift of Baptism through which many received the “washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Spirit.” ... And ask our Savior to gift comfort, strength, courage, hope and fervent faith during the difficult and desperate times they are facing.

CLC Financial Report - April 2026

Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2025	YTD Revenue	YTD Disbursed	Budget 10 Months	Balance 4/30/2026
General Fund	0	950,302	1,006,744	1,054,250	(56,442)
ILC Operations (incl. CLC subsidy)	0	1,615,416	1,418,957	1,479,200	196,459
Auxiliary Funds					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF)	99,143	31,808	91,982		38,969
ILC Building Projects	2,066,713	466,324	340		2,532,697
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	148,402	288,207	218,570		218,039
Kinship	169,472	203,291	179,935		192,828
Church Extension Fund (CEF)	2,503,796	674,692	1,043,931		2,134,557
Student Aid Fund (SAF)	101,689	148,553	212,854		37,388
EduK8 Fund	70,311	65,976	30,000		106,287
Reserve Fund	103,629	3,162	0		106,791
Auxiliary Funds Totals	\$5,263,155	\$1,882,013	\$1,777,612		\$5,367,556

General Fund – We fell a little farther behind in the General Fund in April. The deficit balance of about \$56,000 is a little more than it was at this time a year ago when it had a deficit of about \$42,000. With just a short time left in our fiscal year ending in June, let each of us prayerfully consider what we can do to reduce or eliminate this deficit.

ILC Operations – The balance is ahead of last year at this time by about \$75,000.

Church Extension Fund – There was activity in this fund again in April with a \$400,000 loan issued to a member congregation.

Other Auxiliary Funds – The activity in the other funds in the table above is similar to the activity in the same period a year ago.

Stephen R. Lentz, CLC Treasurer
Thomas J. Lentz, Chairman, CLC Board of Trustees



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Pastor Nathanael Mayhew	404-729-4602
Secretary Hilary Lien	507-345-3027 Ext 104
Principal Rick Mariner	507-317-0805
Secretary Amanda Harris	507-345-3027 Ext 103

We Thank Those Serving Us Today

(4th Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Nathanael Mayhew

ORGANIST Grace Schreyer

HEAD USHER Andrew Clobes

USHERS Peter Busse, Jason Dick, Mark Geiger, Bernt Olmanson, Charles Olmanson, Andrew Olmanson, Ben Stratton, Tim Williams, Damian Busse

DEACON Brent Schreyer

SCREEN Carstensen

ASST USHER Michael Wheaton

Serving Us Next Weekend

(5th Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Joe Naumann

ORGANIST Friedrichs/ Cornish

HEAD USHER Councilmen

USHERS Boards & Council

DEACON Austin Lien

SCREEN

ASST USHER Councilmen

Sermon Notes

Text _____

Theme _____

Notes _____

Specific Law (How does this text point out my sin?)

Specific Gospel (How does this text point to Jesus?)

Specific Application (How does this text teach me to live?)
