





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



Seventeenth Weekend after

Trinity

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 Prayer

Opening Hymn

TLH 465 "Christ Is Our Cornerstone"

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 Lord, we ask You to grant Your people strength to withstand the temptations of our enemy, the Devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

Baptism of Jasper Michael Nicholson

Sunday

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 4:9-13

There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. **10** For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His. **11** Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the

same example of disobedience. **12** For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. **13** And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 50:7-15

P: "Hear, O My people, and I will speak, O Israel, and I will testify against you;

C: I am God, your God!

P: I will not rebuke you for your sacrifices Or your burnt offerings, Which are continually before Me.

C: I will not take a bull from your house, Nor goats out of your folds.

P: For every beast of the forest is Mine, And the cattle on a thousand hills.

C: I know all the birds of the mountains, And the wild beasts of the field are Mine.

P: If I were hungry, I would not tell you; For the world is Mine, and all its fullness.

C: Will I eat the flesh of bulls, Or drink the blood of goats?

P: Offer to God thanksgiving, And pay your vows to the Most High.

C: Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me."

Gospel Reading

Matthew 12:1-8

At that time Jesus went through the grainfields on the Sabbath. And His disciples were hungry, and began to pluck heads of grain and to eat. **2** And when the Pharisees saw it, they said to Him, "Look, Your disciples are doing what is not lawful to do on the Sabbath!" **3** But He said to them, "Have you not read what David did when he was

hungry, he and those who were with him: **4** how he entered the house of God and ate the showbread which was not lawful for him to eat, nor for those who were with him, but only for the priests? **5** Or have you not read in the law that on the Sabbath the priests in the temple profane the Sabbath, and are blameless? **6** Yet I say to you that in this place there is One greater than the temple. **7** But if you had known what this means, ‘I desire mercy and not sacrifice,’ you would not have condemned the guiltless. **8** For the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath.”

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

ILHS Choir

Christ Is Mine Forevermore

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

TLH 377 v.6,7,9,10 “Salvation unto Us has Come”

Sermon

Ecclesiastes 5:1-7

Walk prudently when you go to the house of God; and draw near to hear rather than to give the sacrifice of fools, for they do not know that they do evil. **2** Do not be rash with your mouth, And let not your heart utter anything hastily before God. For God is in heaven, and you on earth; Therefore let your words be few. **3** For a dream comes through much activity, And a fool's voice is known by his many words. **4** When you make a vow to God, do not delay to pay it; For He has no pleasure in fools. Pay what you have vowed— **5** Better not to vow than to vow and not pay. **6** Do not let your mouth cause your flesh to sin, nor say before the messenger of God that it was an error. Why should God be angry at your excuse and destroy the work of your hands? **7** For in the multitude of dreams and many words there is also vanity. But fear God.

Stand in Awe of God!

1. It Prompts Proper Prayer

2. It Sustains Valuable Promises

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.**

Psalms 51:10-12

Sermon Hymn

WS 742 “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

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

TLH 14 “All People that on Earth do Dwell”

Hymns and liturgical settings under copyright are used by permission through Concordia Publishing House License #000013595, OneLicense.net #A-710933, or CCLI License #21483102. All Rights reserved. Used by permission. Unless otherwise indicated, Scriptures quoted are from the New King James Version® of the Holy Bible, ©1982 by Thomas Nelson, Inc. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

LAST WEEK

<u>IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH</u>	<u>CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION</u>
<u>(SEPT 19-20 REPORTED)</u>	<u>\$835</u> CLC General Budget (CBP)
<i>Budgetary</i>	<u>\$ 150</u> CLC MDF (Missions)
<u>\$6,775.73</u> Current Expenses	<u>\$4</u> CLC Kinship
<i>Non-Budgetary</i>	
<u>\$300</u> Debt Fund	
<u>\$15</u> ILS Foundation	
<u>\$29</u> Benevolent	
	Scan this QR code to contribute via CashApp
	

Saturday Worship 9/19: **73**

Sunday Worship 9/20: **178**

Saturday Bible Class: **17**

Sunday Bible Class: **86**

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Type	# Souls
Laurel's Peak	Yes	10:00 AM	1st & 3rd Monday	Worship	6
Latitude Bible Study	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	17
Oak Terrace	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	3
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	7
Oak Terrace	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	8
Walnut Towers	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	8
Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	9
Old Main	Yes	1:30 PM	Every Thursday	Study	7
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	36
Ladies Bible Study	Yes	7:00 PM	Every Friday	Study	3
Pathstone	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Friday	Worship	17
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					121
Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!					

UPCOMING EVENTS

Birthright 'Baby Shower'- September 1-30th

Freshmen Carnival- September 27th @ 11am

Preparing Phoebe's & Teaching Timothy's Bible Study- Oct. 3rd @ 10am

Coffee Fellowship Hour- October 4th @ 11am

Women's Book Club- October 6th 11am & 7pm

Immanuel Women Who Hike- October 10th @ 10am

THIS WEEK

Sat Sept 26	3:00p	Sanctuary Reserved- Wedding
	6:00p	Divine Worship Service
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class
Sun Sept 27	9:00a	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School
	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	Divine Worship Service
		Live Stream – CLICK HERE
		Food Shelf Sunday
	11:00a	Freshmen Carnival
Mon Sept 28	6:00p	Sunday Night Basketball
		Blessings on your week!
Tues Sept 29	5:15p	Board of Elders Meeting
Wed Sept 30	5:00p	6-8 th Grade Doctrine Class
Thur Oct 1	6:15p	Church Choir Practice
Fri Oct 2	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
	7:00p	Ladies Bible Study-Finding Christ in the Old Testament
Sat Oct 3	10:00a	Teaching Timothy's & Preparing Phoebe's Bible Studies
	6:00p	Divine Worship Service with Communion
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class
Sun Oct 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	Coffee & Fellowship Hour Meet & Greet
	6:00p	Sunday Night Basketball

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE The Immanuel High School Senior Class is hosting a blood drive at Immanuel **on Friday, October 30, 2026 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!

BIRTHDAY PARTY Magaret Frazee is turning 80 this year! Her daughters are throwing her a party and wanted to invite the congregation. On **September 27th from 2-5pm** please feel free to come down to the North Mankato American Legion to celebrate with Margaret! No RSVP necessary!

KWIK TRIP SCRIP CARDS Support ILS Athletics by purchasing Kwik Trip scrip cards. Cards are worth face value and the school gets 10% of sales. Pre-order by **September 27th** in the school office. Denominations Available: \$5, \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50, \$100, \$200, or \$500. These cards can be used for gas or merchandise inside the store.

BIRTHRIGHT NEEDS This month we are hosting our annual 'Baby Shower' for the pregnancy crisis center Birthright. There are many needs, but the most urgent are: diapers sized 1,3,4 & 5, baby wipes, baby body wash, and winter clothing for 3 -18 months. If you feel moved to donate to the shower, please place donations in the narthex on the Baby Shower Table. Thank you for all the support so far!

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB We are back! The book selection this time is Screwtape Letters by CS Lewis. Our first meeting will be **Tuesday, October 6th**. We will hold meetings at two different times that day, so you can pick the one that works best for you! 11am meeting in the church office & 7pm meeting at Vickie Schreyer's home. Contact Katie Dick with questions.

SCHOOL SECRETARY RETIREMENT After many years of faithful service to Immanuel Lutheran School, Amanda Harris will be retiring from her position as school secretary at the conclusion of this school year. Amanda's connection to Immanuel has been extensive. She spent 10½ years as an Immanuel student, 11 years serving as a PE teacher, 4 years as Grade School Athletic Director, and the past 8 years as our school secretary. Through all of these roles, she has shared her time, talents, and care with generations of Immanuel students and families. As school secretary, Amanda has been a familiar and welcoming face in our school office and has faithfully handled countless responsibilities behind the scenes. Her service has blessed our students, families, faculty, and congregation in many ways. We give thanks to God for the many years He has given Amanda to serve at Immanuel, and we pray that He will richly bless her as she enters this next chapter. Thank you, Amanda, for your years of faithful service to Immanuel Lutheran School!

SCHOOL SECRETARY POSITION AVAILABLE Immanuel Lutheran School is seeking a school secretary to serve as the primary administrative support for the school. The secretary works under the direction of the principal and supports the principal, school administrator, athletic director, and school finance committee. The secretary manages the school office and serves as an important point of contact for students, families, the school district, and the community.

We are looking for someone who:

- Is organized and able to manage many clerical responsibilities
- Communicates clearly and professionally
- Is compassionate and friendly when working with children and families
- Is comfortable communicating both in person and through technology
- Can work independently while supporting the needs of the school administration

Primary responsibilities include:

- Managing daily school-office operations, attendance, records, mail, and lunch programs
- Assisting the principal with administrative and clerical needs
- Responding to student health concerns and communicating with parents and the school district
- Answering phones, emails, and school communications
- Maintaining the school calendar and weekly communications
- Completing required school-district reporting
- Assisting with purchasing textbooks and school equipment
- Receiving, depositing, and recording school payments
- Managing student funds and school event money boxes

The secretary is expected to be present while school is in session, with additional hours as approved by the principal. The position also includes preparation time before the school year and follow-up responsibilities after the school year.

Interested in serving Immanuel Lutheran School in this important role? For more information about the position, please contact Mr. Rick Mariner at (507)317-0805 or rick.mariner@immanuelmankato.org.

HANDBELL RINGERS NEEDED The church choir will be singing an anthem for Thanksgiving that has a handbell accompaniment. If you will be at the Thursday morning service (November 26) and would like to play handbells, please speak with Grace Schreyer (or email grace.schreyer@immanuelmankato.org; or call and leave a message at [507-387-7758](tel:507-387-7758)). If we have enough interest and availability, we will schedule a couple practices to familiarize or reacquaint you with this beautiful instrument and learn the music.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOUR Bring a treat for the meet and greet next **Sunday, October 4th** after service. Bring a treat to share and enjoy some fellowship!

SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

SYNOD NEWS CALL NEWS Pastor Timothy Daub of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Hecla, SD, Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD, and Redeemer Lutheran Church, Bowdle, SD, has received the call from the CLC Board of Missions to serve as Part-Time Missionary to Mexico. <> Pastor Rob Sauers of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL, has received the call from the CLC Board of Missions to serve as Part-Time Missionary to India. <> Pastor Frank Gantt of Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, Loganville, GA, and Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO, has received the call to St. Luke's Ev. Lutheran Church, Lemmon, SD. <> Pastor Paul Krause of Trinity Lutheran Church, Watertown, SD, and Zion Lutheran Church, Hidewood Township, SD, has received the call to Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Madison Heights, MI. <> Pastor Matthew Hanel of St. Matthew Ev. Lutheran Church, Dallas, TX, has returned the call to Gift of God Lutheran Church, Mapleton, ND, and to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ponsford, MN. <> Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rapid City, SD, has returned the call to St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Austin, MN. <> Pastor Zachary Sippert of Grace Ev. Lutheran Church, Sleepy Eye, MN, has received the call to Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ. <> Pastor Glenn Oster of Gift of God Lutheran Church, Fairfax, VA, has returned the call to Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA. ANNIVERSARIES Ascension Lutheran Church, Batavia, IL, will be celebrating its 60th anniversary on October 11, 2026. Pastor Emeritus David Schierenbeck will be the guest speaker.

CLC MISSION PRAYERS Tanzania (East Africa) — Pray for the theological education of the twelve students attending Wittenberg Seminary. ... Ask our Savior to prepare them for service in His kingdom, so that they will be ready to preach and teach Christ crucified in their ministries. ... Ask for God's blessings on efforts complete the process of government certification of both the church body and the seminary, so that the students from Kenya will not be hindered from attending because of visa complications.

2026 MINNESOTA CONFERENCE REFORMATION SERVICE This year, Faith Lutheran Church in New Ulm, MN, will be hosting the Minnesota Conference Reformation Service on Sunday, November 1, at 4:00 p.m. All are invited and encouraged to attend! Following the service, all are welcomed to gather for a fellowship meal. Please bring a dessert or salad to share. If you plan to attend, please let pastor know so that we can have a rough estimate of how many will be present.

KINSHIP OPPORTUNITIES There are currently twelve seminary students without a Kinship sponsor. These twelve students attend seminaries in India, Nepal, Congo, and Tanzania. The cost of support ranges from \$35/month to \$60/month. As the mission field overseas continues to grow, so does our opportunity to support it, so please give sponsorship prayerful consideration. To become a sponsor or for more information, please contact Dan Roehl at danroehl@hotmail.com or [507-381-2042](tel:507-381-2042).

CLC Financial Report - August 2026

Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2026	YTD Revenue	YTD Disbursed	Budget 2 Months	Balance 8/31/2026
General Fund	0	204,588	225,252	232,320	(20,664)
ILC Operations (incl. CLC subsidy)	0	360,474	258,051	301,166	102,423
Auxiliary Funds					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF)	44,576	4,602	0		49,178
ILC Building Projects	2,605,801	405,515	25,853		2,985,463
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	214,363	39,817	32,938		221,242
Kinship	167,226	24,270	35,559		155,937
Church Extension Fund (CEF)	2,493,069	101,075	8,512		2,585,632
Student Aid Fund (SAF)	113,134	25,055	40,226		97,963
EduK8 Fund	111,312	5,068	55,565		60,815
Reserve Fund	143,591	690	0		144,281
Auxiliary Funds Totals	\$5,893,072	\$606,092	\$198,653		\$6,300,511

General Fund – After two months the balance in the fund is about \$20,000 in the hole. This is very similar to where we were at on August 31 each of the last two years.

ILC Operations – The balance is positive but about \$10,000 behind the balance one year ago.

ILC Building Projects – A little more than \$25,000 was paid to the architect for additional work on building plans for the new gymnasium.

EduK8 Fund – A total of just over \$55,000 was sent in the last two months to assist two different existing schools who have been blessed by the Lord with growth in their classrooms.

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

**If you have an announcement or event for next weekend's bulletin,
 please send it to Church@ImmanuelMankato.org or contact Hilary
 Lien by Friday at 10 am. Thank you!**



Pastor Joe Naumann	920-266-5386
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

DEACON Paul Bade

ORGANIST Fischer, V Schreyer

SCREEN

HEAD USHER Charles Olmanson

ASST USHER Michael Wheaton

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

Serving Us Next Weekend

(1st Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Joe Naumann

DEACON Brent Schreyer

ORGANIST Laura Heinze

SCREEN

HEAD USHER William Lien

ASST USHER Karl Friedrichs

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

COMMUNION SET UP Williams, Hoffman, Miller

COMMUNION DISTIRUTION Stratton, Heller

Weekly Memory Verse:

*Man looks at the outward appearance,
but the LORD looks at the heart.*

1 Samuel 16:7

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?)
