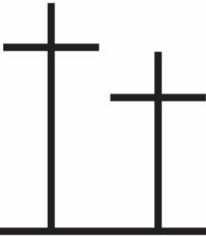


Christ
DIED
and lived again,
so that he
might be
LORD
of both
the dead
and the
living.

Romans 14:9, NRSV



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



20th Weekend after

Trinity

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Worship Supplement Setting One

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 38 "The LORD, My God, be Praised"

Confession and Absolution of Sins

P: Beloved of God: Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

C: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.

P: God, our Heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

John 20:19-23

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 in the highest,
and peace to all people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:
We worship You, we give You thanks,
we praise You for Your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer.
For You alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord.
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

Merciful God, please grant to Your people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve You without fear; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and rules with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 2:1-8

My son, if you receive my words, And treasure my commands within you, **2** So that you incline your ear to

wisdom, And apply your heart to understanding; **3** Yes, if you cry out for discernment, And lift up your voice for understanding, **4** If you seek her as silver, And search for her as for hidden treasures; **5** Then you will understand the fear of the LORD, And find the knowledge of God. **6** For the LORD gives wisdom; From His mouth come knowledge and understanding; **7** He stores up sound wisdom for the upright; He is a shield to those who walk uprightly; **8** He guards the paths of justice, And preserves the way of His saints.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 34 (selected verses)

P: Who is the man who desires life, and loves many days,
that he may see good?

C: Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit.

P: Depart from evil and do good;

C: Seek peace and pursue it.

P: The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous,

C: And His ears are open to their cry.

P: The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears,

C: And delivers them out of all their troubles.

P: The LORD is near to those who have a broken heart,

C: And saves such as have a contrite spirit.

P: Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

C: But the LORD delivers him out of them all.

P: Glory be to God!

Gospel Reading

John 15:1-8

“I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. **2**

Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away;
and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may
bear more fruit. **3** You are already clean because of the

word which I have spoken to you. **4** Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. **5** I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. **6** If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned. **7** If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. **8** By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.”

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.

Hymn of the Day

TLH 284 “Father of Mercies, in Thy Word”

Sermon

Romans 14:1-9

Receive one who is weak in the faith, but not to disputes over doubtful things. **2** For one believes he may eat all things, but he who is weak eats only vegetables. **3** Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat, and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats; for God has received him. **4** Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand. **5** One person esteems one day above another; another esteems every day alike. Let each be fully convinced in his own mind. **6** He who observes the day, observes it to the Lord; and he who does not observe the day, to the Lord he does not observe it. He who eats, eats to the Lord, for he gives God thanks; and he who does not eat, to the Lord he does not eat, and gives God thanks. **7** For none of us lives to himself, and no one dies to himself. **8** For if we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. Therefore, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. **9** For to this end Christ died and rose and lived again, that He might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

We Are the Lord's

1. Have Confidence in Him

2. Live in Faith to Him

Preaching today: Pastor Nathanael Mayhew

Offertory

C: ♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God.

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 me with Your free Spirit.

Psalm 51:10-12

Sermon Hymn

TLH 453 "We Are the Lord's"

Offering of Thankful Hearts

TLH 442:2

C: ♪ Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You
Gladly, freely of Your own.
With the sunshine of Your goodness
Melt our thankless hearts of stone
Till our cold and selfish natures,
Warmed by You, at length believe
That more happy and more blessed
‘Tis to give than to receive.

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 50 “Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”

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LAST WEEK

<u>IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH</u>	<u>CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION</u>
<u>(OCT 10-11 REPORTED)</u>	<u>\$580</u> CLC General Budget (CBP)
<u>Budgetary</u>	<u>\$350</u> CLC MDF (Missions)
<u>\$9,180.64</u> Current Expenses	<u>\$225</u> CLC Kinship
<u>Non-Budgetary</u> <u>\$280</u> Debt Fund <u>\$410</u> Benevolent <u>\$15</u> ILS Foundation <u>\$50</u> Student Aid Scan this QR code to contribute via CashApp 	

Saturday Worship 10/10: **39**

Saturday Bible Class: **7**

Sunday Worship 10/11: **166**

Sunday Bible Class: **59**

Sunday School: **24**

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Type	# Souls
Cotagewood Senior Community	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Sunday	Worship	6
Laurel's Peak	Yes	10:00 AM	1st & 3rd Monday	Worship	8
Old Main/AZ Pioneer Home	Yes	10:00 AM	2 nd , 4 th Monday	Worship	12
Latitude Bible Study	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	17
Mankato Riverstone	Yes	10:15 AM	1 st , 3 rd , 5 th Tuesday	Worship	7
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	4
Oak Terrace	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	11
Cottagewood	Yes	10:45 AM	1 st , 3 rd , Thursday	Worship	16
New Perspective	Yes	10:00 AM	2 nd Thursday	Worship	8
Walnut Towers	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	7
Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	11
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	29
Autumn Grace	Yes	11:15 AM	2nd, 4th Friday	Worship	8
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					144
Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!					

THIS WEEK

Sat Oct 17	3-5pm	MPF Reserved-Private Event
	6:00p	Divine Worship Service/ 3 rd Sunday Communion
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class
Sun Oct 18	9:00a	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School

	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	Divine Worship Service/ 3 rd Sunday Communion Live Stream – CLICK HERE
	6:00p	Sunday Night Basketball
Mon Oct 19	7:00p	Quarterly Voters Meeting
Tues Oct 20	2:00p	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
	5:15p	Board of Elders Meeting
Wed Oct 21	5:00p	6-8 th Grade Doctrine Class
Thur Oct 22	6:15p	Church Choir Practice
Fri Oct 23	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
	7:00p	Ladies Bible Study- Finding Christ in the Old Testament
Sat Oct 24	6:00p	Divine Worship Service
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class
Sun Oct 25	9:00a	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School
	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	Divine Worship Service
	11:00a	Sunday School Teachers Meeting
	2-4p	Trunk or Treat
	6:00p	Sunday Night Basketball

UPCOMING EVENTS

Quarterly Voters Meeting- October 19th @ 7pm

Trunk or Treat- October 25th @ 2pm

College Bible Study- October 26th 5:30pm

Red Cross Blood Drive- October 30th

Joint Reformation Service- November 1st @ 4pm

MCCL Presentation- November 9th @ 7pm

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TWIN STEEPLES PODCAST Our pastors produce a podcast with multiple episodes each week. Listen to the Sunday sermon on Monday morning, a devotional study on Romans with congregational updates and announcements on Wednesday morning, and a preview of a hymn which will be used the coming weekend on Friday morning. Listen on Spotify, Amazon or wherever you listened to podcasts by searching for *TwinSteeple*s. Subscribe to get every episode, and like it so that others can find it as well.

THANK YOU FROM YOUR PASTORS Dear members of Immanuel, brothers and sisters in our Savior, Jesus. Thank you for all the thoughtful gifts, words of encouragement, and Christian support you have shared with us, not only on Pastor Appreciation Day, but throughout the year. Your kindness, love, and support are sincerely appreciated! We are just fragile “jars of clay” and we

rejoice in the fellowship that we share and the support you reciprocate to us in so many thoughtful ways. We thank God for all of you, and for all that the Lord does through each of you! “Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love!” In Christ, Pastor Mayhew and Pastor Naumann (And their wives!)

QUARTERLY VOTERS’ MEETING The voters of Immanuel will meet on Monday night at 7:00pm for their Quarterly Meeting. At this meeting, voters will hear and can discuss reports for our Church Boards. The voters will also take up the important work of electing men to important roles in our church, including Church Officers and Church Boards. If anyone would like to know what will be coming before the voters on Monday night, a packet with Board reports and other information can be picked up in the narthex. Voters, this work is important work. Please prayerfully prepare for our meeting on Monday.

Let’s all keep the work of Lord here at Immanuel in our prayers and do what we can to serve the Lord in all that we do! ***“And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.”*** (Colossians 3:17)

SOPHOMORE EXPEDITION Hidden treasure has been discovered at Seven Mile Creek Park, and the 2026 Sophomore class needs *your* help to find all the hidden gold coins! Join us at **Seven Mile Creek Park** on **Sunday, Nov. 1 from 2:00-4:00 PM**. Hike the trails to find gold coins and answer trivia questions to earn more. Whoever collects the most gold coins wins a treasure! There are two prices: **\$20** per person includes a T-shirt; **\$10** per person does not include a T-shirt. You decide! *All T-shirt registrations must be turned in by Sunday, Oct. 18. After Oct. 18, T-shirts will no longer be available.* Bonus: *Students second grade and younger are free!* More details available at: <https://sophomore5k.weebly.com/>. Pre-register online or with a sophomore.

BIBLE CLASS This year in Bible Class we are studying various passages or sections of Scripture that are often *Misused, Misquoted or Misunderstood*. This weekend we are taking up a study of Jeremiah 29:11, to see if this is a promise to us, as well as Deuteronomy 14:22 which contains God’s command to tithe. Next week we will study 2 Samuel 12:8 and the issue of polygamy in the Old Testament, and whether polygamy was condoned by God, as well as 2 Samuel 24 and 1 Chronicles 21 which describe the purchase of land for the temple and seem to be contradictory. Please join us Saturday night after church or Sunday morning at 9:00am.

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!

CRAFT SUPPLIES AND FABRIC NEEDED An Immanuel member is collecting craft supplies through October 31 for a project in Waterville. If you have craft supplies you would like to donate, they may be brought to church office, and arrangements will be made for them to be picked up. They are also seeking all types and sizes of cloth or fabric—large pieces, small pieces, scraps, or partial pieces. All donations are appreciated. Thank you!

COLLEGE-AGE BIBLE STUDY Immanuel's new college-aged Bible study is kicking off on **Monday, October 26th** at 5:30pm. Young adults aged 18-24 are invited to join us. We will meet in the high school science classroom for this first session. Pizza will be provided. Bring your Bible and be ready to dig into the book of Ecclesiastes. Reach out to Kevin Schrader if you have any questions.

TRUNK OR TREAT Sunday, October 25 from 2-4pm. Games! Costumes! Live Music! FUN! Trunk or Treating is open to kids up to 8th grade but we encourage everyone to come out and enjoy a fun fall afternoon filled with laughter and friends. We need more volunteers! Sign up your family to decorate a trunk. Get everyone involved in coming up with a theme, picking out costumes, decorating your trunk, and planning games or activities for the kids. Make it a fun family day and help us create a memorable Trunk or Treat for everyone! Contact Rachel Naumann with questions or to sign up. (naumann.rach@gmail.com | [952.303.1784](tel:952.303.1784)) *More info and sign up here: <https://forms.gle/qVRVGo9i1LRB6Xmm9>*

SCHOOL COOK POSITION Our school is again looking for a School Cook (for this school year if possible). The position is part time (between 20-30 hours per week during the school year) and has an important role in the lives of young people. Not only does the cook provide quality food for students and staff but also involves interacting with the students from Kindergarten through High School, as well as the school staff. This is an opportunity to impact the lives of these young people in a positive and important way, and a way of serving them, their parents, and the staff of the school daily. In addition to the joy of serving your Savior and being in the daily lives of these Christian young people, the position pays an hourly rate and offer a reduced tuition rate for any children attending ILS. If you, or someone you know, are interested in more information about the Cook position, please reach out to Principal Rick Mariner (rick.mariner@immanuelmankato.org or 507-317-0805).

BASKETBALL COACH The school is looking for a High School Boys Varsity Basketball coach. Anyone interested can contact Gwen Busse or Mr. Mariner.

MCCL "Take it back" We will be hosting the annual fall tour presentation by Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life on **Monday, November 9 at 7 PM**, in the church basement. MCCL will provide information on current progress in protecting people from abortion, euthanasia, and gender destruction, and offer

us means to promote a culture of life and persuade others to reconsider pro-death opinions. Please come, even if you are not enthusiastic about politics. Your neighbor's unborn baby may be a life you can save.

COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY 10/8/2026

The Board of Property reported that minor repairs have been completed. They are working on getting quotes for snow removal and for the mini-split AC units for the grade school.

The Board of Deacons reported that the new sanctuary projector has been installed.

The Board of Elders reported that Jason, Jennie and daughter Kate Cashin have requested a release from membership at Immanuel. Angelica Johnson, Pat Howley, and Ryver Breedlove have completed classes and will be recommended for membership at the voters meeting. Brandan Heinze has been called as the ⅔ Sunday School teacher. A college-age Bible study will be starting October 26. Membership metrics (gains/losses) have been reviewed and will be brought to voters. The Elders are also working on a fatherhood training and leadership series/seminar.

The Board of Education reported that Mrs. Harris has announced her resignation from the school secretary position at the conclusion of this school year. The school secretary's job description is being reviewed, and the position has been announced. They are still looking for a HS boys basketball coach. The Principal reported that the Lunch Program has been certified by the state.

The Financial Secretary reported that the envelopes have been ordered.

The Treasurer reported plate offerings of \$121,517 through September, which is below our budgeted needs and our giving for this period over the last few years.

The Council will be recommending to voters to continue leasing the Immanuel North property for farming in 2027.

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 accepted the call from the CLC Board of Missions to serve as Part-Time Missionary to Mexico with the approval of his congregation. <> Pastor Neal Radichel of Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI, has received the call to Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ. <> Missionary Todd Ohlmann has returned the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI. <> Pastor Michael Wilke of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Saginaw, MI, has received the call to Gift of God Lutheran Church, Mapleton,

ND, and to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ponsford, MN. <> 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.

CLC MISSION PRAYERS Uganda (East Africa) – Pray for the Lord's blessings and provision for the pastors of the CCRU, as they face challenges in their ministry due to tighter restrictions on religious institutions by the Ugandan government. ... Ask God to bless their studies through the Online Theological Studies (OTS) with Missionary Naumann, so that they can be better equipped to serve their congregations and fulfill government requirements to qualify as "genuine" pastors.

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.

CLC MIDWEST WOMEN'S RETREAT Registration is now open for the 2027 CLC Midwest Women's Retreat. Theme: "Planted in the House of the Lord" (Psalm 92:12-14). Dates: April 23-25, 2027. Location: Banquets of Minnesota, Fridley, MN. Host Congregation: Grace Lutheran Church (Fridley). Cost: \$100 before February 15. Register at: <https://womensretreat.clclutheran.net/midwest-womens-retreat/>. Questions? Contact Annette Kuehne at: womensretreat.midwest@gmail.com.

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!



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We Thank Those Serving Us Today

(3rd Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Nathanael Mayhew	DEACON Mac Friedrichs
ORGANIST K Friedrichs, D Mayhew	SCREEN Wiliam Lien
HEAD USHER Kevin Rykhus	ASST USHER John Heinze
USHERS Aaron Busse, Austin Hanel, Hunter Hanel, Jay Hanel, Mason Hanel, Ty Hanel, Brett Kruse, Wyatt Lien, Fred Friedrichs	

Serving Us Next Weekend

(4th Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Nathanael Mayhew	DEACON Austin Lien
ORGANIST Debra Mayhew	SCREEN Gabby Harris
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	

Weekly Memory Verse:

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going.

Hebrews 11:8

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?)
