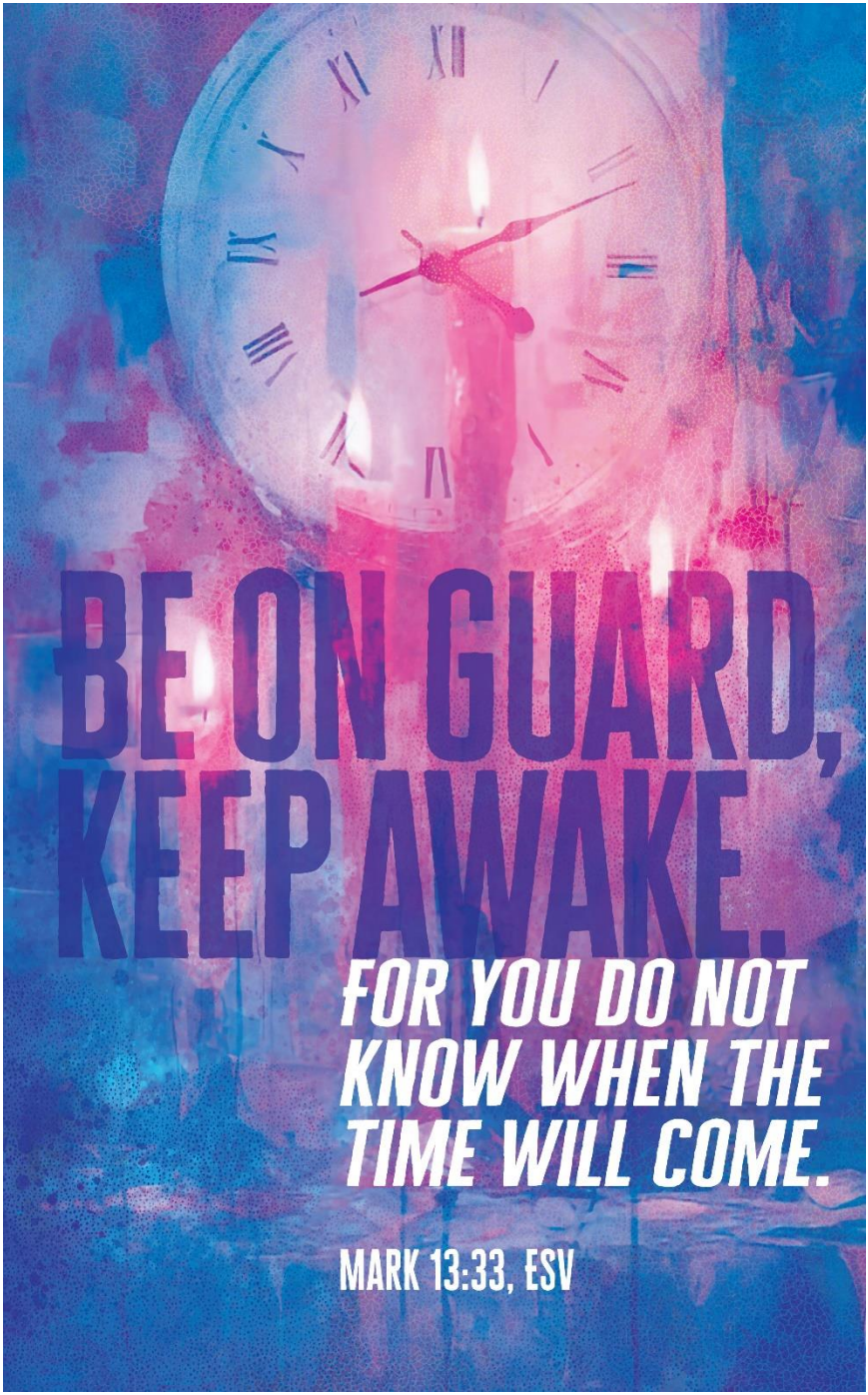


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welcome to

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

Last Weekend in the Season of

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 *WS 703 "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"*

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, let Your Holy Spirit direct and govern our lives so that we remain aware of the final purpose of all things and also of Your day of judgment. Inspire us to live holy lives and help us to fix our eyes on our eternal home with You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and rules with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

Epistle Reading *Revelation 7:9-17*

9 After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, **10** and crying out with a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" **11** All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, **12** saying: "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, Thanksgiving and honor and power and might, Be to our God forever and ever. Amen." **13** Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?" **14** And I said to him, "Sir, you know." So he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. **15** Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple. And He who sits on the throne will dwell among them. **16** They shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any heat; **17** for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Psalm of the Day *Psalm 95:1-6*

P: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD!
C: Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.

P: Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving;
C: Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms.

P: For the LORD is the great God,
C: And the great King above all gods.

P: In His hand are the deep places of the earth;
C: The heights of the hills are His also.

P: The sea is His, for He made it;
C: And His hands formed the dry land.

P: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
C: Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.

Gospel Reading *Luke 12:35-43*

35 "Let your waist be girded and your lamps burning; **36** and you yourselves be like men who wait for their master, when he will return from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may open to him immediately. **37** Blessed are those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching. Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down to eat, and will come and serve them. **38** And if he should come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. **39** But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. **40** Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." **41** Then Peter said to Him, "Lord, do You speak this parable only to us, or to all people?" **42** And the Lord said, "Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his master will make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season? **43** Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes."

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 End… or the Beginning?*

Hymn of the Day *TLH 606 "O'er the Distant Mountains Breaking"*

Sermon *Isaiah 35:3-10*

3 Strengthen the weak hands, And make firm the feeble knees. **4** Say to those who are fearful-hearted, "Be strong, do not fear! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, With the recompense of God; He will come and save you." **5** Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, And the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. **6** Then the lame shall leap like a deer, And the tongue of the dumb sing. For waters shall burst forth in the wilderness, And streams in the desert. **7** The parched ground shall become a pool, And the thirsty land springs of water; In the habitation of jackals, where each lay, There shall be grass with reeds and rushes. **8** A highway shall be there, and a road, And it shall be called the Highway of Holiness. The unclean shall not pass over it, But it shall be for others. Whoever walks the road, although a fool, Shall not go astray. **9** No lion shall be there, Nor shall any ravenous beast go up on it; It shall not be found there. But the redeemed shall walk there, **10** And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, And come to Zion with singing, With everlasting joy on their heads. They shall obtain joy and gladness, And sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

God's Power to Do the Impossible Brings Christians Comfort and Confidence

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 *TLH 87 "Joy to the World"*

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

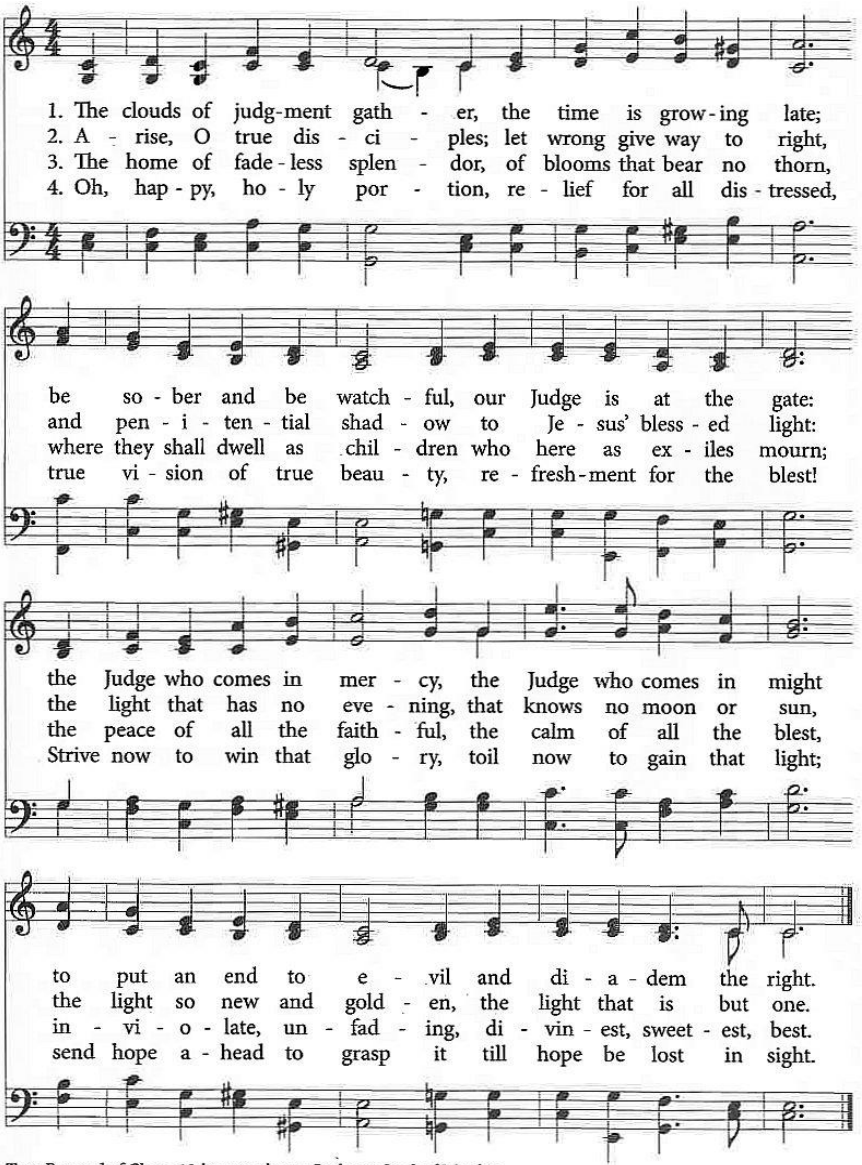
Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the 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 *OSoC 581 "The Clouds of Judgment Gather"*



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LAST WEEK

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
(NOV 14-15 REPORTED)
Budgetary
$12,054.10 Current Expenses

Non-Budgetary
$**1,270** Debt Fund
$_ ILS Student Aid
$**15** ILS Foundation
$**40** Benevolent

CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION
$490 CLC General Budget (CBP)
$90 CLC Kinship

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Saturday Worship 11/14: **56**
Saturday Bible Class: **16**

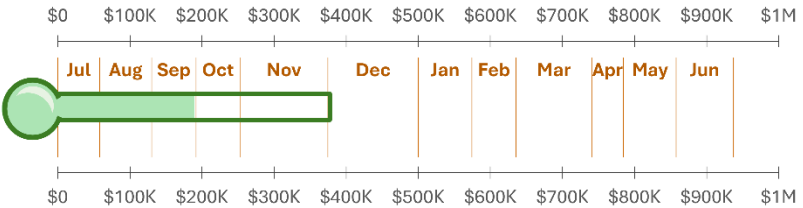
Sunday Worship 11/15: **234**
Sunday Bible Class: **81**
Sunday School: **31**

Plate Offerings

As Of 11/15/2026

Total Need: $936,655
Received To Date: $189,260

Remaining Need (November): $185,289
Remaining Need (Fiscal Year): $747,395



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

Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Type	# Souls
Cottagewood Senior Community	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Sunday	Worship	7
Laurel's Peak	Yes	10:00 AM	1st & 3rd Monday	Worship	10
College Age Bible Study	Yes	5:30 PM	Every Monday	Study	4
Story Point	Yes	10:15 AM	1st, 3rd & 5th Tuesday	Study	4
Mankato Riverstone	Yes	10:15 AM	1st, 3rd Tuesday	Worship	9
Latitude Bible Study	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	18
Women's Study Guild	Yes	6:30 PM	3rd Tuesday	Study	14
Laurel's Edge	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	5
Cottagewood Senior Community	Yes	10:45 AM	1st, 3rd Thursday	Worship	11
Old Main	Yes	1:30 PM	Every Thursday	Study	8

Walnut Towers	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	8
Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	11
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	31
Pathstone	Yes	10:00 AM	1st, 3rd Friday	Worship	17
Autumn Grace	Yes	11:15 AM	2nd, 4th Friday	Worship	7
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					164
Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!					

THIS WEEK

Sat Nov 21	6:00p	Divine Worship Service
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class
	7:30p	ILHS Fall Drama- 'Shakespeare Unbound'
Sun Nov 22	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
	11:30a	ILHS Fall Drama- 'Shakespeare Unbound'
Mon Nov 23	5:30p	College Age Bible Study
Tues Nov 24	7:00p	Board of Education Meeting
Wed Nov 25	6:00p	Thanksgiving Worship Service
	7:00p	Pie Palooza
Thur Nov 26	10:00a	Thanksgiving Worship Service
Fri Nov 27	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
Sat Nov 28	10:00a	Church Decorating Day & Lunch Potluck
	6:00p	Divine Worship Service
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class
Sun Nov 29	9:00a	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School
	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	Divine Worship Service
		Food Shelf
	6:00p	Sunday Night Basketball

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pie Palooza- November 25th @ 7pm
Church Christmas Decorating- November 28th @ 10am
Advent Chili Night- December 2nd @ 5pm
Youth Group Christmas Party- December 9th @ 7:30pm
Preparing Phoebes & Teaching Timothys- December 19th @ 2-4pm

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICE SCHEDULE There is a change to our Midweek Advent service schedule this year. In recent years we have held services on Wednesday at 2pm and 6pm. This schedule cut into the educational hours of our school day for ILS students and made church attendance challenging for parents who wanted to attend church with their children. For these reasons, the Deacons have decided to move our early service from 2pm to 3:15pm. This gives educational hours back to our teachers and enables parents to attend church with their children, either right after school or in the evening. The early time should also enable older members to get to church during daylight hours. In addition, this will make it easier for our guest pastors, having less down time between services. Please plan to join us for these special services in December!

NEW CHURCH YEAR AND ADVENT SERVICES Today marks the last Sunday of the church year. On Thursday we will close out the church year with a service of Thanksgiving, thanking God for all the blessings of the past church year. Next Sunday we will start that cycle over once again with the season of Advent. The word "advent" means "coming" or "arrival." During the four Sundays in Advent we will focus on the coming of our Savior Jesus and prepare for His birth on Christmas. Starting on December 2nd, we will have mid-week Advent services, as we study God's Word and His promised redemption. The theme for our Advent service this year is "Hark the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes!" and will review the responses of Zacharias, Mary and Joseph to the news of a coming Savior. This is our schedule:

Theme: Hark the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes…

12/2 - with proof to him who doubts (Rodebaugh)
12/9 - with comfort to him who waits (Sippert)
12/16 - with enlightenment to him who does not understand (Mayhew)

It seems that every year there are more distractions to the true celebration of the birth of our Savior. This year we encourage you to take time out to join us for our special Midweek Advent services as we consider coming of Jesus. The Lord bless your worship!

BOARD OF PROPERTY MEMBER NEEDED We currently have an opening on our Board of Property. The Board of Property serves a very important role for our congregation, facilitating the upkeep of our building and property. The Council is authorized to appoint a replacement and would like to know if anyone would be willing to serve in this important role. If you are willing to fill this one-year vacancy or know of someone who would serve well in this capacity, please speak to President Zachary Lien (507-341-4892) or one of our pastors.

CHURCH CHRISTMAS DECORATING & FELLOWSHIP Join us on **Saturday, November 28 at 10am** as we decorate and prepare our sanctuary for the Christmas season! Many hands make light work, and it is a wonderful time of fellowship for all ages. Once the decorating is complete, we will gather in the basement for light snacks. Please bring a snack to share. We hope to see you there!

PIE PALOOZA On Wednesday November 25th after church, we will be holding our 8th Annual Pie Palooza! Come on down, bring a pie or two to share and enjoy some time together with your church family and friends. ISO Group 2 is up for serving and set up.

ILHS DRAMA PRODUCTION Our High School's Drama Club is performing this weekend! This is a family-friendly show, and we would encourage all of you to check it out this weekend! Saturday or Sunday! We perform **at 7:30pm on Saturday- tickets are $5**. Our performance on Sunday is after church for free will donations!

PREPARING PHOEBES & TEACHING TIMOTHYS Mark your calendars for another 5-8th grade girls and boys Bible Study! We will have our Annual Christmas Time Study and Party! **Saturday December 19th from 2-4pm.** Plan on bringing some Christmas Treats to share & your Bibles! Contact Rebecca Heinze or Wyatt Lien with questions.

SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLC MISSION PRAYERS Mexico -- Pastor Juan Olvera continues holding regular services in Juarez and caring for long distance members scattered in Mexico. Pastor Daub is in the initial stages of planning a Mission Helper Trip to Juarez for a week of children's VBS and adult English classes this spring or summer. … Pray for the Lord's blessings on the preaching and teachings of God's saving word and for efforts to further establish a Confessional Lutheran ministry in Mexico.

CLC CALL NEWS Pastor Bruce Naumann, who serves as the CLC's full-time missionary to East Africa, has received the call to Gift of God Lutheran Church, Mapleton, ND, and to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ponsford, MN. <> Pastor Stefan Sonnenfeld of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sister Lakes, MI, has returned the call to St. Luke's Ev. Lutheran Church, Lemmon, SD. <> 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 accepted the call to Trinity Lutheran Church, Watertown, SD, and Zion Lutheran Church, Hidewood Township, SD <> Pastor Wayne Eichstadt of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA, has received the call to Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ.

CLC Financial Report - October 2026

Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2026	YTD Revenue	YTD Disbursed	Budget 4 Months	Balance 10/31/2026
General Fund	0	387,234	442,774	464,640	(55,540)
ILC Operations (incl. CLC subsidy)	0	655,779	561,211	602,332	94,568
Auxiliary Funds					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF)	44,576	5,460	12,035		38,001
ILC Building Projects	2,605,801	609,109	131,365		3,083,545
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	214,363	85,280	67,762		231,881
Kinship	167,226	96,058	85,642		177,642
Church Extension Fund (CEF)	2,493,069	247,280	44,721		2,695,628
Student Aid Fund (SAF)	113,134	45,816	68,141		90,809
EduK8 Fund	111,312	13,739	60,000		65,051
General Fund Endowment	358,005	42,049	0		400,054
Reserve Fund	143,591	1,490	0		145,081
Auxiliary Funds Totals	**$6,251,077**	**$1,146,281**	**$469,666**		**$6,927,692**

General Fund – The fund shows a deficit of just over $55,000 which is about $14,000 greater than it was a year ago.

ILC Operations – The balance is positive but about $7,000 behind the balance one year ago.

ILC Building Projects – Contributions over the first four months of our fiscal year have been about $540,000, with an additional revenue of almost $70,000 from investment gains and earnings on the investment fund. A little more than $100,000 was paid to the architect this month for additional work on building plans for the new gymnasium.

Other Auxiliary Funds – The activity in the other funds in the table above is like 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!

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We Thank Those Serving Us Today

(4th Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Nathanael Mayhew
DEACON Mac Friedrichs
ORGANIST Debra Mayhew
SCREEN Russ Schmitt
LIVESTREAM Paul Hanel
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

(5th Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Paul Nolting
DEACON Paul Bade
ORGANIST Debra Mayhew
SCREEN Furst, G Harris
LIVESTREAM Craig Stelter
HEAD USHER Church Council
ASST USHER Church Council
USHERS Board & Councilmen

Weekly Memory Verse:

But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed.

James 1:14

Sermon Notes

Text _____

Theme _____

Notes _____

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

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

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

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