



## 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



#### 13<sup>th</sup> Weekend in the Season of

# Trinity

#### The Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation (C): ♪ Amen.

#### **Opening Prayer**

**Opening Hymn** 

WS 789 "Consider How the Birds Above"

#### 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.
- 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.

C: Amen!

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

#### The 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.

#### Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray...

C: ♪ Amen.

#### **Epistle Reading**

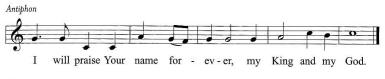
James 1:2-12

My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, 3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. 4 But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing. 5 If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. 6 But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. 7 For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; 8 he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways. 9 Let the lowly brother glory in his exaltation, 10 but the rich in his humiliation, because as a

flower of the field he will pass away. 11 For no sooner has the sun risen with a burning heat than it withers the grass; its flower falls, and its beautiful appearance perishes. So the rich man also will fade away in his pursuits. 12 Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him.

#### Psalm of the Day

Psalm 146:2-4, 5-7





While I live I will praise the LORD;\*

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Do not put your trust in princes, nor in a son of man,\*
In whom there is no help.

His spirit departs, he returns to his earth;\*
In that very day his plans perish.

Antiphon

Happy is he who has the God of Jacob for his help,\*
Whose hope is in the LORD his God,

Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them;\*
Who keeps truth forever,

Who executes justice for the oppressed,\*

Who gives food to the hungry,

The LORD gives freedom to the prisoners.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son\* and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Antiphon

Now some of them from Jerusalem said, "Is this not He whom they seek to kill? 26 "But look! He speaks boldly, and they say nothing to Him. Do the rulers know indeed that this is truly the Christ? 27 "However, we know where this Man is from; but when the Christ comes, no one knows where He is from." 28 Then Jesus cried out, as He taught in the temple, saying, "You both know Me, and you know where I am from; and I have not come of Myself, but He who sent Me is true, whom you do not know. 29 "But I know Him, for I am from Him, and He sent Me." 30 Therefore they sought to take Him; but no one laid a hand on Him, because His hour had not yet come. 31 And many of the people believed in Him, and said, "When the Christ comes, will He do more signs than these which this Man has done?"

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!

#### **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

Don't Be Afraid

Hymn

TLH 452 "The Son of God Goes Forth to War"

**Sermon** *Psalm 33:12-22* 

Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, The people He has chosen as His own inheritance. 13 The LORD looks from heaven; He sees all the sons of men. 14 From the place of His dwelling He looks On all the inhabitants of the earth; 15 He fashions their hearts individually; He considers all their works. 16 No king is saved by the multitude of an army; A mighty man is not delivered by great strength. 17 A horse is a vain hope for safety; Neither shall it deliver any by its great strength. 18 Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear Him, On those who hope in His mercy, 19 To deliver their soul from death, And to keep them alive in famine. 20 Our soul waits for the LORD; He is our help and our shield. 21 For our heart shall rejoice in Him, Because we have trusted in His holy name. 22 Let Your mercy, O LORD, be upon us, Just as we hope in You.

#### The LORD Rules Over All Things – In Love

- 1. The LORD is All Powerful and Rules the Nations
- 2. The LORD is All Knowing and Cares About You
  - 3. The LORD is Merciful and Worthy of our Trust

Preaching today: Pastor Nathanael Mayhew

**Offertory** WS p.16

**Sermon Hymn** TLH 437 "Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode"

#### Offering of Thankful Hearts

#### **The General Prayer**

#### The Lord's Prayer

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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.

#### **Benediction** Numbers 6:24-26

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.

C: Amen! Amen! Amen!

#### Closing Hymn TLH 15 "From All that Dwell below the Skies"

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#### **LAST WEEK**

Saturday Worship 8/17: **92** Sunday Worship 8/18: **208** 

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Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Туре	# Souls
Latitude	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	18
New Perspective	Yes	10:15 AM	1, 3, 5 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	Study	4
Laurel's Edge/Street	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	4
Ladies Auxiliary	Yes	2:00 PM	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays	Study	4
Pond's View	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	
Oak Terrace	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	7
New Perspective	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	
Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	10
Old Main	Yes	1:30 PM	Every Thursday	Study	8
Summer Evening Ambassadors	Yes	7:00 PM	Every Friday	Study	13
Autumn Grace	Yes	11:00 AM	2 <sup>nd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Worship	6
Mankato Lodge	Yes	9: 00 AM	Every Friday	Study	5
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					
Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!					

#### **THIS WEEK**

Sat Aug 24 Sun Aug 25	6:00p 9:00a 10:00a	Divine Worship Service Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM Divine Worship Service Live Stream – <u>CLICK HERE</u>
Mon Aug 26		Food Shelf Sunday Blessings on your week!
	4:00p	JH VB Home Game
	4:00p	V Soccer Home Game
	5:00p	JV VB Home Game
	6:30p	V VB Home Game
Tues Aug 27	5:15p	Board of Elders Meeting
	7:00p	Board of Education Meeting
Wed Aug 28	2:00p	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
Thur Aug 29	3-5p	Pastor Office Hours
Fri Aug 30	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
	5:00p	V Soccer Home Game
	5:00p	JH VB Home Game
	6:00p	GJV VB Home Game
	7:00p	V VB Home Game
Sat Aug 31	6:00p	Divine Worship Service with Communion

Sun Sept 1 9:00a Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM

10:00a Divine Worship Service with Communion

1:00p Immanuel Women Who Hike Event- Fort Ridgely Park

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Immanuel Women Who Hike at Fort Ridgely State Park- September 1st

#### IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PUZZLES** A local community home is looking for free puzzles for their residents to do in their spare time. If you have any that you would like to donate, you can share them with Sue Heise at one of our Saturday night services or drop them off with a pastor. Thank you!

**LADIES AUXILIARY** will meet on Wednesday August 28th at 2:00 PM in the church basement. We are studying WOMEN IN THE BIBLE. All women of Immanuel are welcome to join us. Please use the south entrance. After our bible study we have a short meeting and enjoy refreshments and fellowship.

**CALL ACCEPTED** Mrs. Grace Schreyer has accepted the call to teach music part-time for the 2024-2025 school year at Immanuel. We thank and praise the Lord for providing workers for His Kingdom!

**THE BENEVOLENT FUND** has recently disbursed a large gift at the direction of the Immanuel voters and needs replenishment so that we can continue to help those in need. Please consider giving to this important fund and keep this important ministry in your prayers. Thank you!

**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 Deacons:
 Board-of-Deacons@ImmanuelMankato.org

 Board of Property:
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 Board of Finance:
 Board-of-Finance@ImmanuelMankato.org

 Church Council:
 Church-Council@ImmanuelMankato.org

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** This past week three children were blessed to receive God's blessing through the Sacrament of Baptism. Blakely Jayne Klabunde (daughter of Robert and Carly Klabunde) was baptized after church last Saturday night. Theodore Jacob Busse (son of Ben and Amy Busse) was baptized during our Sunday morning service last weekend, and Kolter Lee Fraley (son of Keith and Samantha Fraley) was baptized last Sunday afternoon.

Each of these children, just like every one of us, was born into this world dead in trespasses and sins and in need of redemption. But through Baptism, which is a miracle of God's grace, their sin – past, present and future – was washed away, and they became part of God's family.

We call Baptism a "Means of Grace." By this we mean that Baptism is a way in which we receive the grace of our God. The water of Baptism itself has no power, but there is power in the Word of God which is used with Baptism. The Holy Spirit works through the Word of God in Baptism to create or strengthen faith in the heart of the baptized person. Peter says, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38). We also know that Baptism plays a role in our salvation as Jesus Himself said, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned" (Mark 16:16).

Not only does Baptism offer the child of God the forgiveness of sins in Baptism, but Baptism is also a beautiful picture of what God has done with our sins. By nature we were the enemies of God, but we have been washed with the blood of Jesus and cleansed of all our sins as John writes in Revelation, "To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood" Revelation 1:5). These Baptisms remind us that we too have been washed clean of all our sin through the precious blood of the Lamb of God. Thanks be to God for the blessing He has bestowed upon these three children and on us, through the cleansing waters of Baptism!

God's own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ!
He, because I could not pay it, Gave my full redemption price.

Do I need earth's treasures many?

I have one worth more than any

That brought me salvation free lasting to eternity!

(WS 751:1)

**FALL EDUCATION SCHEDULE** We will be kicking off our fall education schedule September 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> with the start of both Sunday School and Bible Class. Sunday School and Bible Class will be held on Saturday night after church at 7pm, and before church on Sunday morning at 9am.

**In Bible Class** this year we will be taking up a series of "How to respond" studies on various topics. We plan to address what the Bible has to say about issues like abortion, homosexuality, transgenderism, the ordination of women, close communion, living together outside of marriage, millennialism, evolution, the Bible, and much more. We will discuss each topic and plan to prepare a tract rack pamphlet on each topic which will serve as a quick reference on the subject for members and non-members alike. It is our prayer that this series of studies will help confirm our knowledge of what Scripture teaches on these topics and equip us to respond to those who may hold views that are opposed to what Scripture teaches. The study of God's Word is never dry and worthless, but is always incredibly valuable and with many great examples of practical application to our daily lives. If you have not joined us for Bible Class in the past, make an effort to come and join us for this special opportunity to better understand God's Word and its application for you. You won't regret it!

Our Sunday School program is intended to assist parents in giving their children a foundation in the History of God's plan of salvation. Through these historical accounts, children learn to see the problem of sin, and the solution for our sin in the cross of Christ. These lessons are not fairy tales or myths. They are accurate historical accounts of real people and real places that teach us that God hates sin, but that He loves all sinners and desires their salvation. These lessons show how God has worked through the lives of people throughout history to accomplish salvation for sinners through the perfect life and the innocent death of Jesus. In Sunday School this year our children will be reviewing God's plan of salvation as described in Old and New Testament Bible History. The lessons our children learn through their study of the Bible in Sunday School will not only lay an important foundation for their study of Christian Doctrine in the Catechism but will also be of great value to them for the rest of their life. We can provide no greater blessing to our children then a solid foundation in God's Word through Sunday School, Sunday Worship, and our devotions and prayer time at home!

Please join us as we begin a new year in the study of God's holy Word!

**CHURCH LIBRARY** Did you know we have a church library? Our church library is located in the church entryway on the wall between the front doors of the church and the Mother's Room in the Northwest corner of our church. The books and videos in our church library are there for you to check out and benefit from. You will find books on all kinds of topics and for people of all ages and interests. For example, you can find several good devotion books for personal study or for the family.

- One devotion book is "By His Grace" by John Braun. The devotions in this book are short (less than two pages long), and cover a variety of Christian topics like, The Bible, Creation, the Person of Jesus, The Christian Life, the Sacraments, the Church, the End of the World and more. These devotions are simple, but rich in content, reviewing in a devotional way the teachings we learn in the Catechism. This would be especially good for young adults High School age and up. Check it out!
- Are you interested in being better equipped to answer questions about the Christian faith? Check out one of the four volumes of "The New Answers Book" by Master Books and edited by Ken Ham. These volumes contain articles written by Christian scientists on many questions related to the Christian faith. In Volume 1 you will find articles addressing questions dealing with the existence of God, a six-day creation, the worldwide flood, radiometric dating, what happened to the dinosaurs?, the ice age, aliens and UFO's, and much more. These articles are intended for adults and can get into more technical aspects of the questions discussed. But they help a person understand the arguments and be better prepared to respond to these questions. Pick out one of the volumes and get started today.
- Our library has videos as well. If you are looking for a family movie, consider checking out "Facing the Giants" which is a heartwarming story of faith and a lost cause football team. It is rated PG but is very family friendly and offers opportunity for good discussions with kids.
- Parents, you might consider checking out the Media Talk 101 DVD documentary "Captivated" which discusses the role of technology in our lives and that of our children. It offers insightful thoughts and answers regarding media consumption, both with regard to time and content. Most importantly this video comes at the topic from a Scriptural perspective and with advice and encouragement for parents of children.

These are just a few of the resources you will find in our church library. Take a look and find something that interests you!

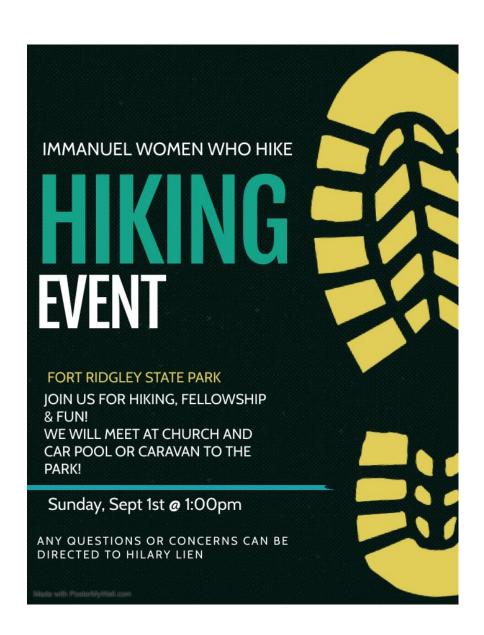
#### SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SYNOD CALLS** Pastor Samuel Rodebaugh of Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO has **received** the call to St. John's Lutheran Church, Okabena, MN following Pastor James Albrecht's retirement at the end of the year. <> Pastor Zachary Sippert of Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Church, Bowdle, SD and Zion Ev. Lutheran Church Ipswich, SD has **received** the call to Grace Ev. Lutheran Church, Sleepy Eye, MN.

**CLC MISSION PRAYERS Pakistan** – Pastor Tim Daub and Missionary Ohlmann will be traveling to Faisalabad, Pakistan in October. This will be their first face-to-face meeting with the group of believers that Pastor Daub has been instructing through online classes for the past few years. Please pray for the Lord's continued blessings on all the preparations that need to take place over the next couple of months to make this visit possible. Also, ask the Lord to continue to bless the teaching and learning of His word and give thanks to our Savior for granting us this opportunity and the technology to spread the truth of His word in such a manner.

**MANUP! WEEKEND** Registration is open for the 2024 ManUp! Weekend, which will be held on September 26-29, 2024, at beautiful Wyalusing State Park near Prairie du Chien, WI. The weekend will offer strength and encouragement for men 18 and older for their personal faith, family, and fellowship at church. The weekend will include Bible study, fellowship, leadership training, team building, relationship building, worship, and many outdoor bonding activities. Register and send in your payment before August 31 for the discounted rate of \$75. Registration increases to \$150 on and after September 1st. The registration includes lodging and meals. You can register by going to the ManUp! website here: <a href="http://www.manup.clclutheranorg">http://www.manup.clclutheranorg</a> and clicking on the Registration Form. Sign up today, and spread the word

'RISE & SHINE RETREAT REVIVAL An interest has been expressed to revive the 'Rise & Shine Retreat.' This retreat is geared toward young adults of the CLC, particularly those in their 20s and 30s. While we hope to put out an announcement soon regarding dates and registrations, what we are currently seeking are individuals who would like to help coordinate and plan such a retreat. One doesn't have to be in any specific age group to qualify for this position. He/she only needs to possess an interest in encouraging and assisting the young adults of our church body in their walk with the Lord by faith. We need people with an aptitude for organization and forward thinking who desire to put those gifts to work in God's kingdom in this endeavor. If you would like to assist with this work, please contact either Bethanie Gantt (715-577-8807) or Pastor Frank Gantt (470-214-3401). Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this request.



If you have an announcement or event for next weekend's bulletin, please send it to <a href="mailto:Bulletin@ImmanuelMankato.org">Bulletin@ImmanuelMankato.org</a> 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 Brent Schreyer

ORGANIST Vickie Schreyer FLOWERS
GREETERS Sue Jensen & Jen Schmitt LIVESTREAM

SCREEN (Sat) Joe Furst (Sun) Wyatt Lien SOUND

HEAD USHER Ben Busse ASST USHER Michael Wheaton

**USHERS** Peter Busse, Jason Dick, Mark Geiger, Gaius Hensley, Mark Mayhew,
Bernt Olmanson, Charles Olmanson, Andrew Olmanson, Ben Stratton,
Jack Stratton, Tim Williams, Troy Williams

**COUNTERS** Paul Bade & Sue Jensen

#### Serving Us Next Weekend

(1st Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Joe Naumann DEACON Mark Matzke

ORGANIST Bonnie Cornish

GREETERS Jay & Kelly Hanel

SCREEN

SCHEEN

SCHEEN

SCREEN SOUND

HEAD USHER Kyle Hulke ASST USHER Karl Friedrichs

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

COMMUNION SET UP Dicks, Hoffman, Thenemans

**COMMUNION DISTIRUTION** Daniel Pfeiffer, Mark Matzke, Bob Heller