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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



15th 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 TLH 443 "O Lord of Heaven and Earth and Sea"

Confession and Absolution of Sins

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: \(\) Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD.

C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, who has given Your onlybegotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His name He gives the privilege of being children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C: Amen!

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 84 (selected verses)

- P: How lovely is Your tabernacle, O LORD of hosts! My soul longs, yes, even faints For the courts of the LORD;
- C: My heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.
- P: Blessed are those who dwell in Your house;
- C: They will still be praising You.
- P: Blessed is the man whose strength is in You,
- C: Whose heart is set on pilgrimage.
- P: For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand.
- C: I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God Than dwell in the tents of wickedness.
- P: For the LORD God is a sun and shield; The LORD will give grace and glory;
- C: No good thing will He withhold From those who walk uprightly.
- P: O LORD of hosts, Blessed is the man who trusts in You!
- C: Glory be to God!

The Gloria Patri

Glory to the Father

♣ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, forevermore. Amen.

The Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy

Tune: LSB 820

 Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Gloria

All glory, praise, and blessing
 to God the holy Trinity,
 For planting and sustaining
 our faith in Him who sets us free,
 On whom our trust is founded,
 our house built on a rock,
 Our life by grace surrounded,
 our Shepherd's precious flock,
 Dear children to Him clinging,
 who welcomed once again,
 Join saints and angels singing,
 'Amen, Amen, Amen!'

The Salutation

P: The LORD be with you C: ♪ And with your spirit.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray...

C: ♪ Amen.

Old Testament Reading

2 Kings 18:21-40

21 And Elijah came to all the people, and said, "How long will you falter between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him." But the people answered him not a word. 22 Then Elijah said to the people, "I alone am left a prophet of the LORD; but Baal's prophets are four hundred and fifty men. 23 Therefore let them give us two bulls; and let them choose one bull for themselves, cut it in pieces, and lay it on the wood, but put no fire under it; and I will prepare the other bull, and lay it

on the wood, but put no fire under it. 24 Then you call on the name of your gods, and I will call on the name of the LORD; and the God who answers by fire, He is God." So all the people answered and said, "It is well spoken." 25 Now Elijah said to the prophets of Baal, "Choose one bull for yourselves and prepare it first, for you are many; and call on the name of your god, but put no fire under it." 26 So they took the bull which was given them, and they prepared it, and called on the name of Baal from morning even till noon, saying, "O Baal, hear us!" But there was no voice; no one answered. Then they leaped about the altar which they had made. 27 And so it was, at noon, that Elijah mocked them and said, "Cry aloud, for he is a god; either he is meditating, or he is busy, or he is on a journey, or perhaps he is sleeping and must be awakened." 28 So they cried aloud, and cut themselves, as was their custom, with knives and lances, until the blood gushed out on them. 29 And when midday was past, they prophesied until the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice. But there was no voice; no one answered, no one paid attention. 30 Then Elijah said to all the people, "Come near to me." So all the people came near to him. And he repaired the altar of the LORD that was broken down. 31 And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, to whom the word of the LORD had come, saying, "Israel shall be your name." 32 Then with the stones he built an altar in the name of the LORD; and he made a trench around the altar large enough to hold two seahs of seed. 33 And he put the wood in order, cut the bull in pieces, and laid it on the wood, and said, "Fill four waterpots with water, and pour it on the burnt sacrifice and on the wood." 34 Then he said, "Do it a second time," and they did it a second time; and he said, "Do it a third time," and they did it a third time. 35 So the water ran all around the altar; and he also filled the trench with water. 36 And it came to pass, at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah

the prophet came near and said, "LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that You are God in Israel and I am Your servant, and that I have done all these things at Your word. 37 Hear me, O LORD, hear me, that this people may know that You are the LORD God, and that You have turned their hearts back to You again." 38 Then the fire of the LORD fell and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood and the stones and the dust, and it licked up the water that was in the trench. 39 Now when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces; and they said, "The LORD, He is God! The LORD, He is God!" 40 And Elijah said to them, "Seize the prophets of Baal! Do not let one of them escape!" So they seized them; and Elijah brought them down to the Brook Kishon and executed them there.

C: | Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

New Testament Reading

2 Corinthians 9:6-11

C: ♪ Glory be to You, O LORD!

sparingly, and he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. 9 As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever." 10 Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, 11 while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God.

C: ♪ Praise be to You, O Christ!

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 19 "All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"

Sermon John 14:1-6

1 "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. 4 And where I go you know, and the way you know." 5 Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?" 6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

Jesus Is the Answer to Our Anxiety

- 1. What Happens When I Die?
- 2. How Can I Be Certain of Salvation?

Preaching today: Pastor Nathanael Mayhew

Offertory TLH p12

♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation and uphold me with Your free spirit. Amen.

Sermon Hymn

WS 785 "Children of the Heavenly Father"

Offering of Thankful Hearts

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.

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

LSB 763 "When Peace, Like a River"

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When Peace, like a River

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LAST WEEK

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION (AUG 31-SEPT 1 REPORTED) \$1,003 CLC General Budget (CBP) \$4 CLC Kinship

Budgetary

\$9,952 Current Expenses

Non-Budgetary

\$45 Major Improvement

\$860 ILS Student Aid

\$205 Land Purchase

\$15 ILS Foundation

\$30 Benevolent

\$50 Freshmen Class Fund

\$1,600 Undesignated Reserve



Saturday Worship 8/31: 71 Sunday Worship 9/1: 202

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Location	Active	Time	Day of the week	Туре	# Souls
Laurel's Peak	Yes	10:00 AM	1 st , 3 rd Monday	Worship	8
Latitude	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Tuesday	Study	16
Laurel's Edge/Street	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Wednesday	Study	5
Oak Terrace	Yes	9:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	7
Pond's View	Yes	10:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	8
Water's Edge	Yes	11:00 AM	Every Thursday	Study	17
Old Main	Yes	1:30 PM	Every Thursday	Study	4
Men's Breakfast	Yes	6:30 AM	Every Friday	Study	29
Pathstone	Yes	10:30 AM	3 rd , 5 th Friday	Worship	10
Number of souls finding comfort in God's Word this week:					104
Thank you to our volunteer laymen who we've called to continue to help lead these services!					

THIS WEEK

Sat Sept 7	6:00p	Divine Worship Service
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School
Sun Sept 8	9:00a	Adult Bible Class/ Sunday School/ Ambassadors
	9:00a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	Divine Worship Service
		Live Stream – CLICK HERE
Mon Sept 9	6:00p	ERC Meeting

Tues Sept 10	6:30p	Board of Deacons
	7:00p	Board of Education Meeting
	7:00p	Board of Property Meeting
	7:30p	Board of Finance Meeting
	8:00p	Council Meeting
Wed Sept 11	5:00p	Confirmation Class
Thur Sept 12	3-5p	Pastors Office Hours (let them know if you need a visit)
	5:45p	Televised Worship Service, Chart #181; Cons Comm #7
	6:15p	Church Choir Practice
Fri Sept 13	6:30a	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
Sat Sept 14	6:00p	Divine Worship Service / 3rd Sunday Communion
	7:00p	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School
Sun Sept 15	9:00a	Adult Bible Class / Sunday School / Ambassadors
	9:15a	Radio Sermon: KTOE 1420AM or 102.7FM
	10:00a	Divine Worship Service / 3 rd Sunday Communion

UPCOMING EVENTS

Outdoor Adventure Day- October 12th
Red Cross Blood Drive- October 17th

IMMANUEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TWIN STEEPLES PODCAST Our Pastors produce a weekly podcast containing a devotion, weekly updates, and more. <u>Listen here.</u>

EMAIL LIST We send out weekly emails, reminders, and memos via our email list. To be added, contact our church secretary at church@immanuelmankato.org.

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP? New classes are beginning all the time! Please contact our pastors at your convenience. We look forward to welcoming you into our family!

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:
 Board-of-Property@ImmanuelMankato.org

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

Church Council: Church-Council@ImmanuelMankato.org

WOMEN'S STUDY GUILD Resumes monthly meetings on Tuesday, September 17, at 6:30 pm. Ladies, please join us for Bible Study, a short meeting to discuss our ministry at Immanuel and refreshments.

COLLEGE AGE BIBLE STUDY We are beginning a Bible study for college age young people beginning on **Monday, September 23rd**. The studies will take up "Questions Christians hope no one will ask" and will cover important questions about the Christian faith that young adults hear from their peers or even wrestle with themselves. Join us as we address these questions and see that God has good answers to these questions. Our Bible study will meet on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7pm, and will be offered online (meet.google.com/eeo-ojhv-zje) and in person here at church. Please share this information with your College-age family members! If you have questions, please reach out to Pastor Mayhew (404-729-4602).

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Our Immanuel High School Seniors are hosting a blood drive at Immanuel on **Thursday, October 17 from 11:00am - 4:00pm**. Visit <u>redcrossblood.org</u> 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.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS Our fall education schedule begins this weekend with the start of both Sunday School and Bible Class. In Bible Class this year we will be taking up a series of studies under the theme: "What Does the Bible Say About...?" We begin our study this week with the question, "What Does the Bible Say About the Authority of the Bible?" We will consider the doctrine of Verbal Inspiration and the evidence that points to the Bible as a book from God and not from man. Next week we will review what the Bible says about "Identity" - both God's identity and mankind's identity. We hope that you will join us as we study what God has to say about these important questions!

SUNDAY SCHOOL This week our students learned about how our powerful God made the beautiful world in which we live in six 24-hour days. Wow! Talk about creativity and organization! The most amazing thing is that everything was perfect. Next week we will learn about the fall into sin and God's first promise of a Savior. Hope you can join us!

BABY SHOWER For the month of September there will be a 'Baby Shower' display in the narthex with a list of items that are needed for the Pregnancy

Center Birthright, here in Mankato. If you can donate to this shower, please drop off your items in the baskets on the display. Thank you!

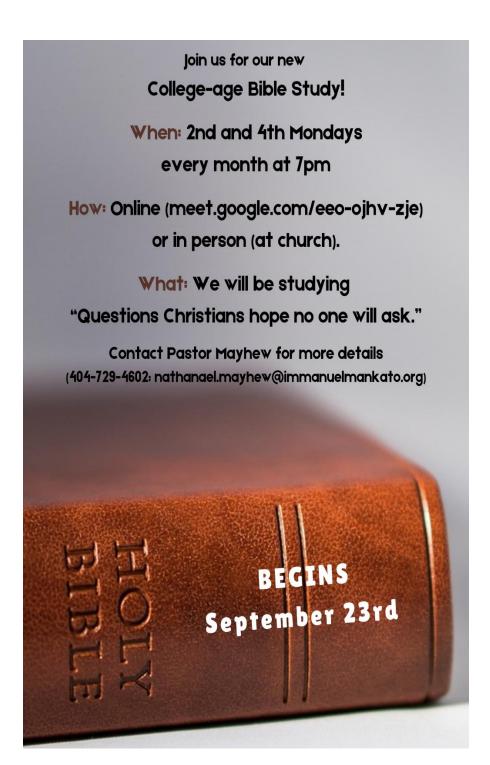
BAPTISMS This weekend two baptisms will be taking place. Riverlyn Mae Storm, the daughter of Travis Storm, Jr. and Taryn Raye Korthals, will be baptized at the home of Ralph and Susan Storm in Stratford, IA. Noelle Madhu Roettger, the adopted daughter of Will and Steph Roettger, will be baptized in a private family service. This washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit is a miracle of God that creates saving faith in the hearts of His children. May God continue to bless these two children throughout their earthly journeys.

SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENTS

SYNOD CALLS Pastor Samuel Rodebaugh of Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO has accepted 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 accepted the call to Grace Ev. Lutheran Church, Sleepy Eye, MN. <> Pastor Drew Naumann of Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA has received the call to St. Stephen West, Mountain View, CA and St. Stephen East, Hayward, CA. <> Pastor Timothy Wheaton of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Loveland, CO has announced his retirement from the ministry on September 29, 2024.

CLC MISSION PRAYERS Bangladesh (South Asia) – Pastor Monotosh, his family, and our brothers and sisters in Christ have been sheltering in their homes as Bangladesh has been embroiled in violent protests over economic policies and other issues. Nearly 100 people have been killed. The prime minister recently resigned and left the country. Pastor Monotosh reports that Muslim jihadists have taken advantage of the unrest to persecute minority Christians and Hindus through beatings and destruction of church buildings and temples. The government has shut down internet access to disrupt communication among the protestors. Pastor Monotosh has found a way for limited email access through a VPN. Missionary Ohlmann will continue to correspond with Pastor Monotosh for online theological classes and to discuss and assess the situation to make plans for a visit when advisable. Ask for the Lord's protection of His children and give them confidence and boldness in the love of our Savior. Pray that our Savior will bring peace and justice to Bangladesh.

If you have an announcement or event for next weekend's bul





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We Thank Those Serving Us Today

(2nd Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Nathanael Mayhew DEACON Joel Enter

ORGANIST Grace Schreyer FLOWERS
GREETERS Joel & Elijah Enter& Rebecca Breedlove & Annie Survis

SCREEN (Sat) Joe Furst (Sun) Jen Theneman LIVESTREAM

SOUND COUNTERS Leif & Karla Olmanson
HEAD USHER Paul Bade ASST USHER Justin Mueller

USHERS Jeremy Hanel, Scott Kruse, Kaden Kruse, Todd Kruse, Alex Matzke,
Bennett Olmanson, Jacob Olmanson, Coltin Olmanson Mike Schweim

Serving Us Next Weekend

(3rd Weekend of the Month)

PASTOR Nathanel Mayhew DEACON Brent Schreyer

ORGANIST Laura Heinze, Lane Fischer GREETERS Joel & Deidre Macias

SCREEN FLOWERS
COUNTERS Alan Olmanson & Annie Survis LIVESTREAM

HEAD USHER Fred Friedrichs **ASST USHER** John Heinze

USHERS Aaron Busse, Austin Hanel, Hunter Hanel, Jay Hanel, Ty Hanel, Brett Kruse, William Lien, Wyatt Lien, Kevin Rykhus

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