



Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church
Immanuel Lutheran School &
Children of Grace Preschool
 20882 Walden Ave. Hutchinson, MN 55350



First Sunday in End Time / Reformation
November 3, 2019

Gathering

BAPTISM HYMN — 300 *See This Wonder in the Making*



This morning we celebrate the baptism of **Lennon Mae**, daughter of Courtney and Tyler Schmeling. *Godparents: Kyla Oleson and Niki Lueck.* And **Rosalie Marilyn** and **Emma Mae** daughters of Kyla and Neal Oleson. *Godparents: Courtney Schmeling, Jessica Bialke, Andrea Mitchell, Niki Lueck, Megan Siewert*

May the Lord bless Lennon, Rosalie, and Emma as they begins their life of faith!

RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

M: The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded Baptism when he said: “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” All of us are born into this world with a deep need for Baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. At our baptisms he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what Baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:

C: **Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.**

The Rite of Baptism continues at the font.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

M: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought these children to be baptized. Jesus told us: “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” It is in Baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God’s Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

M: Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart † to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

The minister applies water to each of those present for Baptisms:

I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven.

May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

STAND

EXHORTATION

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ, our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized.

Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that **Lennon, Rosalie, and Emma** may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

C: **Yes, as God gives me strength.**

M: Let us pray.

Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of Baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptisms as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our lives. Look with special favor on **Lennon, Rosalie, and Emma** and grant *them* a rich measure of your Spirit that *they* may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

*After a brief musical introduction, the congregation sings the following.
Please note that with subsequent verses there will be NO musical introduction.*

ALL (sung): All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem And crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the royal diadem And crown him Lord of all. Hail him, ye heirs of David's line, Whom David Lord did call, The God incarnate, Man divine, And crown him Lord of all. The God incarnate, Man divine, And crown him Lord of all.

M: Blessing and honor and glory and power be unto the One who sits on the throne,

C: And to the Lamb, forever and ever.

M: His blood sets us free to be the people of God.

ALL (sung): Sinners whose love can ne'er forget The wormwood and the gall, Go, spread your trophies at his feet And crown him Lord of all. Go, spread your trophies at his feet And crown him Lord of all.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a troubled and repentant sinner, confess that I have sinned against you in my thoughts, my words, and my actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I am distressed by the sins that trouble me and am deeply sorry for them.

M: Jesus' death paid for the guilt of your sins and the sins of the whole world. He said to his people, "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven." Because of the promise of our Savior Jesus, I forgive you all your sins. Be assured that you are a dear child of God and an heir of eternal life!

ALL (sung): Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe On this terrestrial ball To him all majesty ascribe And crown him Lord of all. To him all majesty ascribe And crown him Lord of all.

M: Fight the good fight of faith!

C: For the Lord, the righteous Judge, has laid up for us a crown of life.

M: For us, and for all who await his appearing.

ALL (sung): Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song And crown him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting song And crown him Lord of all.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength,
pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people.
Keep them steadfast in your Word,
protect and comfort them in all temptations,
defend them against all their enemies,
and bestow on the Church your saving peace;
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God now and forever.

C: Amen.

✠ The Word ✠

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Through Jeremiah, the Lord describes the new covenant established by the promised Messiah. He will forgive sins and write the promise of grace on the hearts of his people, setting them free.

³¹ "The days are coming," declares the LORD,
"when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah.

³² It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors
when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt,

because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,"
declares the LORD.

³³ "This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,"
declares the LORD.

"I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts.

I will be their God, and they will be my people.

³⁴ No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, 'Know the LORD,'

because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,"
declares the LORD.

"For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 46

Cantor(s): *Refrain*

The Lord of hosts is with us; the
God of Ja - cob is our strong - hold.

ALL: *Refrain*

Cantor(s): God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea.

ALL: *Refrain*

Cantor(s): There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown.
God shall help her at the break of day.

ALL: *Refrain*

Cantor(s): The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken;
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.
Come now and look upon the works of the Lord,
What awesome things he has done on earth.

ALL: *Refrain*

Cantor(s): It is he who makes war to cease in all the world;
He breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields
with fire. "Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be
exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

ALL: *Refrain*

SECOND LESSON

Romans 3:19-28

We are justified by God's grace, set free from sin's curse and condemnation

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God. ²⁰ Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's

sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin.

²¹ But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. ²² This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. ²⁵ God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished— ²⁶ he did it to demonstrate his righteousness at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

²⁷ Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. Because of what law? The law that requires works? No, because of the law that requires faith. ²⁸ For we maintain that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law.

Immanuel Lutheran School Children Sing

VERSE OF THE DAY

John 8:31,32

M: Alleluia. If you continue in my Word, then you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. Alleluia.

After a musical introduction, the congregation sings...

1. Stand fast, O Christ - ian, in God's Word a - lone.
2. Stand fast, O Christ - ian; hope se - cure - ly place

By speech and deed its glo - rious light be shown
In him who has re - vealed his sa - ving face,

That through the world the sa - ving faith be known. Al -
By whom we now are just - i - fied by grace. Al -

- le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
- le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL

John 8:31-36

Within true discipleship comes the understanding and knowledge of the true mystery of Christ. With this knowledge comes freedom.

³¹ To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. ³² Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

³³ They answered him, “We are Abraham’s descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?”

³⁴ Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. ³⁵ Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY — 200 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

SERMON TEXT: Romans 3:19-28

You Are Free to Be Yourself

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.

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THANK OFFERING

Members of this congregation have joined together in love and faith to do the Lord’s work in this community and around the world. Visitors need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

✠ Prayers ✠

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Based on Luther’s prayer at the Diet of Worms (1521) as he faced the papal and imperial authorities

M: Almighty, eternal God, out of the depths we call to you. The world opens its mouth to swallow your church, and our faith in you is too small to confront its lures and attractions!

C: We confess the weakness of our sinful flesh. Satan deceives us daily. If we are to depend upon any strength from ourselves, all is lost. Help us, we beg, to withstand the ungodly way of life that the world has to offer.

M: The work is not ours, O God, but yours. O Sovereign Lord and Creator, we have no way to satisfy your righteousness, nothing to contest the Deceiver’s earthly power, nothing to mute its false attractions, nothing to uproot the rule of our sinful flesh.

C: We would gladly pass our days in happiness and peace in an age awash with iniquity. Hear us, heavenly Father, for the cause is yours. Yes, Creator of all that is, your cause is righteous and everlasting. Vindicate your name among the nations!

M: O all-seeing Lord, have mercy on your church. You understand our plight. We thank you for sending a messenger of peace to correct the times between life and death. This One is your Son, Jesus the Christ, the incarnate Savior, who saves us from calamities that plague your church.

C: You have chosen us to do your work. Therefore, O God, accomplish it by your will. Stand by your church each day in the name of Jesus, who is our shelter and shield, our mighty fortress. Through the strength of the Holy Spirit, such faith works joy and peace and willingness to serve a world in need.

M: We are even ready to lay down our life for this cause, as were your servants Martin Luther and his fellow Reformers and Confessors, who forcefully stormed the kingdom of heaven to restore the gospel of your righteousness to its central place in Christian life.

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C: For the cause is holy. Though this world is filled with devils and though our bodies perish in persecution, your Word and your Spirit still remain. The church always needs reform as its message encounters the false and frivolous. But the Word of God stands firm forever.

M: In the confidence of this faith, gracious Lord, bless our efforts to spread the gospel of the glory and grace of God throughout the world to the joy and edifying of all who hear and believe and for your glory and our good.

C: Amen.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer

LORD’S PRAYER

M: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C: 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.

BLESSING

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace.
Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give ☩ you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN — 203 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Your Word

Serving today:

Organist: Jane Vacek

Altar Guild: Betty Rusch & Karen Plath **Elder:** Kori Leske

Video: Mike Heine **Video:** Carl/Mark

Ushers: Justin Black, Katlin Davis, Danielle Olson, Tyler Olson, Mya Gosse, Lucas Plamann, Tom Schlueter, John Schlueter, Chuck Nisse, Patrick Schlueter

Living in God’s Grace this Week

Today, Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service <i>ILS sings in church</i>
Monday:	6:00	p.m.	Bible Study at ILC
	7:00	p.m.	Choir
Tuesday:	2:00	p.m.	Bible Study at Grace
	7:00	p.m.	Bible Study at Grace
Wednesday:	4:15	p.m.	Confirmation
	7:00	p.m.	Ladies Aid
Thursday:	10:00	a.m.	Bible Study at Immanuel
Friday:	7:00	p.m.	Dartball at Grace
Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	9:45	a.m.	Hymn Sing
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service w/Communion
	11:00	a.m.	Elder’s Meeting
	11:00	a.m.	Birthday Celebrations in the church basement – Cake and Coffee
	2:00	p.m.	Fellowship Committee
	6:30	p.m.	GILL at Grace Lutheran

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2020 Offering Envelopes are available. Please pick your box up on the table in the entry way. Also, don't forget to check your mailbox. *Thank you.*



Poinsettias

If you would like to help beautify our church with poinsettias in celebration of Jesus' birth, please sign up on the sheet in the entry way **by December 1st**. Colors are red, pink and white at a cost of \$10.50 each. If you have any questions, please contact Betty Henke.



A Door Offering – Will be held on Sundays, December 1st and December 8th for the children's candy bags that will be handed out on Christmas Eve.



Immanuel will have a hymn sing before worship next Sunday starting about 15 minutes before the service begins, the elder for that Sunday will ask for people to suggest hymns for the congregation to sing.



The Events Committee would like to celebrate
**October, November and December Birthdays
of the congregation.**

Sunday, November 10th after church we will be serving cake and coffee in the basement. *Please join us for fellowship.*



Church Decorating

On Saturday, **November 30 at 9:00 a.m.** we will be decorating the church for Christmas. If you have an hour or so to assist, it would be greatly appreciated.

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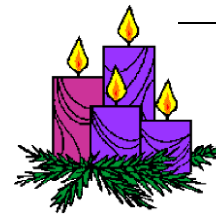
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Belle Plaine Lutheran Home Christmas Party

Once again we will be collecting Christmas gifts for the residents at Belle Plaine Hope Center. These gifts assure that every resident will receive a Christmas gift. You can get ideas for gifts from the "Needs Gift List" available in the entry. A collection box will be available throughout November with a deadline of **December 1st**. Contact Sharon Smith, Belle Plaine Coordinator, with any questions. *See the "Needs Gift List" Thank you.*

- Craft paints, water-soluble
- Construction paper -- Sketch pads
- Easy craft kits -- Snap-on care models
- Markers -- Scissors
- Puzzles, 300 piece -- Word search puzzles
- Leather making kits -- Manicure sets
- Hand lotion - Hand-held game videos
- CD players, CD's easy-listening music
- Small snack items for bingo prizes
- Large print books -- Necklaces
- Washable slippers – Men's aftershave
- Scarves - Baseball caps
- Open-front sweatshirts or cardigans
- Bottled "ice" water any flavor
- Puddings
- Word search books
- Small Hershey bars
- Body and Bath Lotion
- Dollar Store Adult Coloring Books



**Advent Pot-Luck
Sunday, December 8th after church
In the church basement**

Everyone Welcome, please bring a dish to pass.

(Plates, silverware, beverages and dessert will be provided)

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Thanksgiving Services – Thursday, November 28

8:45 a.m. at Zion Lutheran
and
10 a.m. at Immanuel

At the August 21 Council meeting it was discussed and approved to purchase the propane gas for the heating season at a contract price of \$1.249/gallon for 3,500 gallons. However, this option needs to be paid for upfront at the cost of \$4,371. It was approved to use the line of credit to pay for this. However, the Council is asking for your help to pay off this purchase on the line of credit relatively quickly. Please consider giving an additional gift in your offering towards this expense. Thank you.

To date: \$2,495 has been given to assist with the cost. Thank you.



Sunday, November 10 and November 17 at 6:30 GILL at Grace Lutheran Church



The scale model of our church building that was built by Joe Vostinar has been in storage for multiple years in multiple places. The model has been used in parades over the years. If anyone is interested in this, please contact Harold Plath by January 1, 2020. It was decided

at the October Voter's meeting, that if there was no interest in the scale model it will be dismantled and disposed accordingly.



Kindergarten through 8th
Grade
Children of Grace Pre-School



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The school is looking for Latchkey **sub** caregivers for before and after school. We do have caregivers that stepped forward to help full time. If anyone can help out as a sub, they can contact Barbara DeVries home 320-587-6138 or email

School Calendar of Events:

Sunday, November 3 – ILS sings at Immanuel

Tuesday, November 5 – Photo Club

Wednesday, November 6 – Parent Drive Day – 10 am start

Friday, November 8 – No School

The school has a variety of fundraising options to help the school with various activities....won't you help?



SCRIP A current list of the gift cards available thru the school is posted on the bulletin board. You pay the face value of the card and the school receives the % listed. We also carry Cash wise/Coborns (\$25, \$50, \$100) which does not show on this list. The money earned provides your children with their field trips throughout the year. Remember the cards are available all year long. Thank you for your support of our School and Pre School.
Karen Kohls



- **General Mills - BoxTops** - Thru October 2019
- **NEW: cocacola.com/give** – for Coke products, enter the code
- **Country Hearth - Loaves4Learning**
- **Ink Cartridges** – There is a collection box in the entryway.
- **School Mall Fundraiser** - www.SchoolMall.com
- **Amazon Fundraiser** - www.smile.amazon.com
- **Cash Wise Points**– enroll at www.cashwise.com



A complete listing with details is on the table in the entry way by the school display. Thank you for your help.



**Immanuel Lutheran School and Children of
Grace Preschool**
Financial Development Plan

Rationale

The school has been the focus of Immanuel's ministry for 100 years. It's not the only thing we do. But it has been the main focus of our time, talents, and treasure. We have received significant blessings from this effort. Our children have received a strong foundation in Christian teaching. Many have gone on to excel in high school and college. Many have become spiritual leaders in our congregation. New families joining our congregation in the past few years have mentioned the school as their main reason for joining Immanuel.

In order for the school to continue its ministry, it needs a functional facility. The current building has served us well but falls short in several areas: having enough space for current and future class sizes, restroom facilities, storage space, recreation and physical education space, office space, and access control. In addition, though the current building is maintained, it has the appearance of age. This puts off families who are comparing us to the public school system.

Challenges

The tuition model makes it difficult for some families to choose Christian education.

Continued growth in class size may require adding staff, which puts additional stress on the budget.

New facilities require significant capital expenditure. A significantly larger building would cost more to operate, offsetting potential maintenance savings.

Advantages

Our sister church Grace joined us supporting the school directly. We have potential partners in St. Paul, Litchfield and St. John's, Glencoe. Several families from St. Paul are already sending students.

Both Immanuel and Grace own our property and buildings outright. We have no significant debt.

We have time to plan and set goals and milestones. Beginning now will make a new building possible down the road.

We have a significant number of non-WELS students. We are the only Lutheran elementary school in the area.

Cost
\$2,000,000

Actions

- Immanuel and Grace incorporate stewardship emphasis into their yearly worship plans. Look at the blessings God has given through this ministry.
- School hosts a planning giving seminar to talk about designated gifts. Invite Immanuel, Grace, Zion, St. Peter, St. Paul. This seminar helps people understand the options for planned giving through their estate. Attendance does not obligate anyone to support the school. But that option is available.
- Engage Jeff Davis from Cornerstone Consulting Ministry for a free initial consultation.
- Submit Antioch grant application. (Deadlines in July and October.)
- Establish an Endowment Fund to support the ongoing needs of the school.

Goals

- 1) Support community needs - (preschool, daycare, gym space)
- 2) Increase community awareness with a new building and available gym space - (sports camps, tournaments, open gyms)
- 3) Become a better-fitted outreach arm of Immanuel and Grace (look attractive, look like a school)
- 4) Update and have a modernized building to better support students learning and have adequate workspace.
- 5) Have enough room to grow and support growth
- 6) Eliminate renting sports facilities

The big question is how can we do all this? How can we take on such a big project when we're already struggling? In 1 Samuel 14, God's people faced a similar situation. Their enemies were camped all around them. And every night their army got smaller as soldiers deserted and ran away. In other words, they were stuck. They didn't dare attack. And they couldn't just walk away. One day, Jonathan decided to try something. He and his armor bearer decided to go over to the enemy outpost. And Jonathan said, "Perhaps the Lord will act on our behalf. Nothing can hinder the Lord from saving, whether by many or by few." He didn't have a command from God or a promise of success. But his faith moved him to try something a little risky and see what God would provide.

Our school ministry feels stuck. We feel afraid to take on such a big project as building a new school. But we can't just walk away. Yet God is still able to do great things, whether by many or by few. Let's step forward in faith and see if the Lord will act on our behalf. He has richly blessed our efforts up to now. Those who have attended our school in the past continue to reap a harvest of righteousness and peace, the blessings that come from faith. Our school gives us the chance to share God's Word every day. It lets us equip our children for a bright future in this life and the life to come. Previous generations had less than we do. But they stepped forward in faith so that our church steeple could be seen for miles around. Perhaps God will let us be the generation that does the same thing for the school. Lift up your eyes to the hills; where does our help come from? Our help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.



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