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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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☞ In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

☞ Amen.

☞ Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

☞ Amen.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

☞ Most merciful God,

☞ **We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

☞ Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

☞ Amen.

*HYMN, “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

LBW Hymn 229

1. A mighty fortress is our God,
A sword and shield victorious;
He breaks the cruel oppressor’s rod
And wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe
Has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might
He arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.

2. No strength of ours can match his might!
We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight,
Whom God himself elected.
You ask who this may be?
The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,
God’s only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.

3. Though hordes of devils fill the land
All threaten’ing to devour us,
We tremble not, unmoved we stand;
They cannot overpower us.
Let this world’s tyrant rage;
In battle we’ll engage!
His might is doomed to fail;
God’s judgement must prevail!
One little word subdues him.

4. God’s Word forever shall abide,
No thanks to foes, who fear it;
For God himself fights by our side
With weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house,
Goods, honor, child, or spouse,
Though life be wrenched away,
They cannot win the day.
The Kingdom’s ours forever!

*GREETING

☞ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

☞ **And also with you.**

*HYMN, “*Salvation Unto Us Has Come*”

LBW Hymn 297

1. Salvation unto us has come
By God’s free grace and favor;
Good works cannot avert our doom,
They help and save us never.
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone,
Who did for all the world atone;
He is our mediator.

2. Theirs was a false, misleading dream
Who thought God’s law was given
That sinners might themselves redeem
And by their works gain heaven.
The Law is but a mirror bright
To bring the inbred sin to light
That lurks within our nature.

3. And yet the Law fulfilled must be,
Or we were lost forever;
Therefore God sent his Son that he
Might us from death deliver.
He all the Law for us fulfilled,
And thus his Father's anger stilled
Which over us impended.

4. Faith clings to Jesus’ cross alone
And rests in him unceasing;
And by its fruits true faith is known,
With love and hope increasing.
For faith alone can justify;
Works serve our neighbor and supply
The proof that faith is living.

5. All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise
To Father, Son, and Spirit,
The God who saved us by his grace,
All glory to his merit.
O triune God in heav'n above,
You have revealed your saving love;
Your blessed name we hallow.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

☞ The Lord be with you.

☞ **And also with you.**

☞ Let us pray together . . .

☞ **Almighty God, gracious Lord,
pour out your Holy Spirit upon 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. Amen.**

CHOIR, “*God Is With Us*”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

CHILDREN’S SONG, “*Zacchaeus*”

Zacchaeus was a wee little man,
a wee little man was he.
He climbed up in a sycamore tree,
for the Lord he wanted to see.
And as the Savior passed that way,
he looked up in the tree,
Spoken: And he said, “Zacchaeus, you come down,
for I’m going to your house today,
for I’m going to your house today.”

FIRST READING, Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more. *(NRSV)*

℣ The Word of the Lord.

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 46

℣ 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;**

℣ Though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.

☩ **The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.**

℣ 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.**

℣ The nations make much ado,
and the kingdoms are shaken;
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.

☩ **The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.**

℣ Come now and look upon the works of the LORD;
what awesome things he has done on earth.

☩ **It is he who makes wars 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.”

☩ **The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.**

(BCP)

SECOND READING, Romans 3:19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law. *(NRSV)*

℣ The Word of the Lord.

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

***HYMN, “One There Is, Above All Others” (v. 1) Hymn 298**

One there is, above all others,
Well deserves the name of friend;
His is love beyond a brother’s,
Costly, free, and knows no end:
They who once his kindness prove
Find it everlasting love.

***GOSPEL, Luke 19:1-10**

📖 The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 19th chapter.

🎙️ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

📖 Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.” So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, “He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.” Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, “Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.” Then Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.” *(NRSV)*

📖 The Gospel of the Lord.

🎙️ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HYMN, “One There Is, Above All Others” (vv. 2-3) Hymn 298

2. Which of all our friends, to save us,
Could or would have shed his blood?
But this Savior died to have us
Reconciled in him to God:
This was boundless love indeed;
Jesus is the friend we need.

3. When he lived on earth, they scorned him;
“Friend of sinners” was his name.
Though the angels have adored him,
Still he answers to that claim;
Still he calls them dearest friends
And to all their needs attends.

SERMON

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***HYMN, “Chief of Sinners though I Be”**

LBW Hymn 306

1. Chief of sinners though I be,
Jesus shed his blood for me,
Died that I might live on high,
Lived that I might never die.
As the branch is to the vine,
I am his and he is mine.

2. Oh, the height of Jesus’ love!
Higher than the heav’ns above,
Deeper than the depths of sea,
Lasting as eternity.
Love that found me — wondrous thought —
Found me when I sought him not.

3. Only Jesus can impart
Balm to heal the wounded heart,
Peace that flows from sin forgiv’n,
Joy that lifts the soul to heav’n,
Faith and hope to walk with God
In the way that Enoch trod.

4. Chief of sinners though I be,
Christ is All-in-All to me;
All my wants to him are known,
All my sorrows are his own.
He sustains the hidden life
Safe with him from earthly strife.

5. O my Savior, help afford
By Your Spirit and your Word!
When my wayward heart would stray,
Keep me in the narrow way;
Grace in time of need supply
While I live and when I die.

***NICENE CREED**

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**☩ We believe in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made;
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*HYMN, “*God’s Word Is Our Great Heritage*” LBW Hymn 239

God’s Word is our great heritage
And shall be ours forever;
To spread its light from age to age
Shall be our chief endeavor.
Through life it guides our way;
In death it is our stay.
Lord, grant while time shall last
Your Church may hold it fast
Throughout all generations.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

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- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** We lift them to the Lord.
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE



God’s Word Is Our Great Heritage: Nikolai Grundtvig (1783-1872), was Denmark’s most influential educator, hymn writer, and theologian. He wrote this hymn as a final stanza to be sung after his translation of Martin Luther’s “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” into Danish. Grundtvig wrote 1,500 hymns and is considered the father of Danish hymnody and of the public school in Scandinavia.

*SANCTUS

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C Holy, holy, holy Lord,
Lord God of pow’r and might:
Heav’n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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*LORD’S PRAYER

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LAMB OF GOD

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C Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Lord’s Supper with us. White grape juice is available in the center of each tray for those who are unable to receive wine for health reasons. During the distribution of Communion, the congregation sings:

- LBW Page 92, “Lamb of God”
- LBW Hymn 296, “Just As I Am, Without One Plea”
- LBW Hymn 448, “Amazing Grace”
- LBW Hymn 294, “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

HYMN, “Just As I Am, Without One Plea”

LBW Hymn 296

1. Just as I am, without one plea,
But that thy blood was shed for me,
And that thou bidd’st me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

2. Just as I am, and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,
To thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

3. Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

4. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5. Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6. Just as I am; thy love unknown
Has broken ev’ry barrier down;
Now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

HYMN, “Amazing Grace”

LBW Hymn 448

1. Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see.

2. ’Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

3. Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
’Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

4. The Lord has promised good to me;
His Word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

One There Is Above All Others & Amazing Grace

John Newton (1725-1807) was a slave trader who had a dramatic conversion and became a priest for the Church of England. He later was involved in the movement to abolish slavery. He is the author of many hymns including “Amazing Grace,” “How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds” and “One There Is Above All Others.” His hymns often reflect a sense of sin and appreciation for the grace of Jesus.

HYMN, “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” LBW Hymn 294

1. My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;
No merit of my own I claim,
But wholly lean on Jesus’ name.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

2. When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
In ev’ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

3. His oath, his covenant, his blood
Sustain me in the raging flood;
When all supports are washed away,
He then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

4. When he shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in him be found,
Clothed in his righteousness alone,
Redeemed to stand before the throne!
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.



***COMMUNION BLESSING LBW Page 92**

☐ The body of our Lord Jesus Christ and his holy and precious blood strengthen and keep you in true faith unto life everlasting.
☑ Amen.

***CANTICLE, “Thankful hearts and voices . . .” LBW Page 92**

☑ **Thank the Lord and sing his praise;
Tell everyone what he has done.
Let everyone who seeks the Lord rejoice
and proudly bear his name.
He recalls his promises
and leads his people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER LBW Page 94**

☐ We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
☑ Amen.

— SENDING —

***BLESSING LBW Page 95**

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

***DISMISSAL LBW Page 95**

☐ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
☑ Thanks be to God.

***HYMN, “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” Hymn 230**

1. Lord, keep us steadfast in your Word;
Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would wrest the kingdom from your Son
And bring to nought all he has done.

2. Lord Jesus Christ, your pow’r make known,
For you are Lord of lords alone;
Defend your holy Church, that we
May sing your praise triumphantly.

3. O Comforter of priceless worth,
Send peace and unity on earth;
Support us in our final strife
And lead us out of death to life.

***Lord Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word:** Martin Luther wrote this hymn in 1541 when it appeared as if the Turkish army would overrun Germany. His prince had requested pastors to offer prayers for Germany’s protection. Luther prepared a special service in which this hymn was sung. The first verse originally asked for protection from the Turks. Later Lutherans edited it to include all enemies of God’s Word.*

***Salvation Unto Us Has Come:** This hymn by Paul Speratus (1484-1551) is one of the first Lutheran hymns. It appeared in the first Lutheran hymnal which he prepared with Martin Luther in 1524. The hymnal contained only eight hymns —four by Luther, three by Speratus and one by Justas Jonas. Our hymnal includes only five of the 14 verses of the original hymn. Some American hymnals include 10 verses.*

***A Mighty Fortress Is Our God:** Martin Luther (1483-1546) wrote this hymn in the late 1520s to interpret and apply Psalm 46 to the Church of his time and its struggles. It is the best known of Luther’s hymns and is sometimes called “The Battle Hymn of the Reformation.” Luther wrote both the text and the tune.*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK:

Gary Andersen	Renae Besler
Loren Christensen	Don Dubbe
Lenae Ebel	Tracey Griebler
Rob Hrabe	Bev Karlson
Felicity Kramer	Rosie Ridley
Claire Ripley	Kathy Rost
Violet Rost	Ann Sogge
Treonna Solbie	Guyula Sturgeon
Steve Vasknetz	Carol Vercoe
Barb & Jack Wanstedt	Del Zambon
Lisa Arnio Porisch (niece of Bill & Chris Burleson)	
Christina Badalis (friend of Jon & Shelley Iverson)	
Lori Buck (cousin of Shelley Iverson)	
Ron Burns (friend of Bill & Chris Burleson)	
Julia Davis (cousin of Shelley Iverson)	
Marla Ebel (sister of Rita Shewmake)	
Kris Eide (sister of Ardith Petersen & Lois Rath)	
Melanie Erickson (sister of Brenda Rath)	
Ellen Fiechtner (mother of Ardith Petersen & Lois Rath)	
Dallas Fox (friend of Jordan Smith)	
Pastor Phillip Gagnon (friend of Pastor David Baer)	
Nancy Island (sister of Bev Karlson)	
Ike & Lanette Iverson (father and step-mother of Jon Iverson)	
Ky J. Karlson (son of Bev Karlson)	
Karen Miller (sister of Maxine Ripley)	
Mitch Palmer (friend of Paul Swisher)	
Nancy Porter (friend of Bill and Chris Burleson)	
Tom Porter (cousin in-law of Joanne Baer, Tony & Toby Rath)	
Tim Ripley (friend of Paul Swisher)	
Melani Roewe (daughter of Renae Bessler)	
Nathan Sanders (friend of Bill & Chris Burleson)	
Jeremy Sundby (nephew of Claire & Maxine Ripley)	
Jess Teigen (friend of Amelia Knutson)	
Tori Tetrault (young daughter of Tyler and Breynn Tetrault)	
Xayne Vroman (great grandson of Cindy and Harold Davis)	
Robert Zuhr (brother in-law of Chris Burleson)	
2022 election	

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL:

Today	9:00 a.m. — Worship
	10:00 a.m. — Coffee Fellowship
	10:25 a.m. — Adult Sunday School
Wednesday	4:30 p.m. — Kids Club
Thursday	5:30 p.m. — Choir
Next Sunday	9:00 a.m. — Worship
	10:00 a.m. — Coffee Fellowship
	10:25 a.m. — Adult Sunday School

A PANCAKE BREAKFAST will be held 7 a.m. to 12 noon today at the Whitewood Fire Hall (across the parking lot from the church). This is a fund-raiser for the Whitewood Volunteer Fire Department. Please support the local firefighters and enjoy some pancakes.

A BAKE SALE with a pie and coffee social will be 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at First Presbyterian Church in Whitewood.

PASTOR DAVID will be in Dallas, Texas, Tuesday through Thursday for an NALC deans meeting. You may reach him on his cell phone at 605-641-2399.

SERVICE TEAM #1 is looking for volunteers to serve on Sundays during November. Members are encouraged to volunteer for these ways of serving. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board.

CONGRATULATIONS to Whitewood Elementary School on being named a 2022 National ESEA (Elementary and Secondary Education Act) Distinguished School. Whitewood Elementary was recognized for exceptional student performance. Members of Immanuel Brit Porterfield is the principal and Julie Mollman, Jennifer Porterfield and Ginger Smith are teachers at Whitewood Elementary. The school will be honored at the National ESEA Conference in February. Only two schools in South Dakota were honored.

WELCOME TO ALL who are worshiping with us today. We especially welcome our visitors. If you are unfamiliar with our worship, one of our members will gladly assist you. Visitors, please be sure to sign the guest register in the narthex. We hope that you will worship with us again soon.

ALL ARE INVITED to stay for a time of fellowship following worship. Donuts, coffee, and juice are available. A free-will offering is received to cover expenses.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL meets at about 10:25 a.m. on Sundays in the library social room. We are using a video study called “The New Testament in Its World.” featuring New Testament scholars N. T. Wright and Michael F. Bird. Everyone is encouraged to come for this opportunity to grow in faith.

WHITEWOOD KIDS CLUB — our Wednesday night children’s ministry — meets from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. each week. Kids Club is designed for children Age 3 through Grade 5. For more information about Kids Club or to volunteer to help with Kids Club, talk to Brit Porterfield or Pastor David.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 8. “What’s So Amazing About Grace” featuring Philip Yancey is this year’s study. All women are welcome to be a part of this monthly study. A short meeting will follow.

CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATES for 2022 are available on the table in the library social room. These updates include new addresses and phone numbers submitted since our last update. Our directory is loose leaf so that we can update it regularly. Add these pages to your directory at home and remove any that are outdated. New complete directories are also available.

DON’T FORGET TO VOTE! Election day is Tuesday, Nov. 8, but you may vote early at your county court house. Election information is available on a table in the library social room. There are sample ballots for Lawrence and Meade Counties. There is also a pamphlet with pro and con positions on the ballot proposals.