

Welcome to

IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday, March 13, 2022

Worship Services: 10:00 am & 5:00 pm

Hymn Sing 4:50 pm

Rev. Roberto Rossi, Pastor

Rev. Ken Anema, Associate Pastor

Rev. Nathan Brummel, Associate Pastor

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer - concluded by minister

*Votum

Pastor: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Congregation: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

*Salutation

*Song of Praise: 92B.....It Is Good to Sing Your Praises

GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

*Hymn of Confession & Assurance: 116A:1-4, 8.....I Love the LORD, for He Has Heard My Voice

Congregational Prayer

Giving our Tithes and Offerings:.....General Fund and Classical Church Assistance Fund

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 446:1, 2, 4, 5.....Be Thou My Vision

Reading of the Word.....Mark 12:28-40 (p. 1009)

Sermon: THE GREAT COMMANDMENTS

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Song of Response: 265.....In Christ Alone

GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

*Benediction

*Doxology (unannounced): 473:1, 3.....By the Sea of Crystal

*Silent Prayer - concluded by the Postlude

*Postlude

*Please stand if able.

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer - concluded by minister

*Votum

Pastor: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Congregation: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

*Salutation

GOD'S PEOPLE OFFER PRAISE

*Confession of Faith.....Apostles' Creed

*Hymn of Praise: 418.....Arise, O God

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 1 (p. 528)

Singing of the Psalm: 1B.....How Blest the Man

Congregational Prayer

Giving our Tithes and Offerings.....General Fund and Classical Church Assistance Fund

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 119M.....O How I Love Your Holy Law

Reading of the Word.....Galatians 5:16-26 (p. 1157)

Sermon: THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT—LOVE

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Song of Dedication: 410.....Christian Hearts in Love United

GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

*Benediction

*Doxology (unannounced): 570.....Doxology

*Silent Prayer - concluded by the Postlude

*Postlude

*Please stand if able.

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL:

Sunday School and Catechism meet at 9:00 am.

Nursery AM: Marie Eenigenburg and Hudson Bakker

PM: Lydia Rossi and Sophie Bakker

Sound System: Mason Vander Molen

Greeters AM: Jon Post (South), Howie & Brenda Ridder (North), Nathan Bakker (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Val & Christy Post (South), Josh Hubers Family (North), Kevin Post (Elevator)

Song Service Leader: Howie Ridder; Songs: **478, 252, 230**

Monday: Memorial service at 11:00 am. Deacons meet at 7:00 pm.

Tuesday: Council meets at 6:30 pm.

Wednesday: Ladies' Bible Study meets at 9:00 am. *Loving and Caring for Babies*, p. 17. **Snack:** Lindsay

Cadets' Pinewood Derby at Immanuel at 7:00 pm. Youth meet at the parsonage. **Snack:** Tessa

Saturday: Men's Bible Study meets at 7:00 am.

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY, MARCH 20:

No Sunday School and Catechism—Spring break

Nursery AM: Christy Post and Tanyon Bakker

PM: Carrie Rossi and Abrielle Brummel

Sound System: Peter Brummel

Greeters AM: Elias Martin (South), Howie & Brenda (North), Noah Hoek (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Cole Propst (South), Ray Vander Molen Family (North), Curtis Propst (Elevator)

Song Service: Jon Hoek

UPCOMING DATES:

March 22: Building & Grounds Committee meets at 7:00 pm.

March 23: Spring break—No Ladies' Bible Study and Story Hour.

April 3: Fellowship meal after the morning worship service. Post-high group meets at John & Mary DeBoer's home after evening worship.

April 5: Consistory meets at 6:00 pm.

April 6: Prayer meeting. GEMS' Mother/Daughter Night. Cadets and Youth meet. **Snack:** Zeilenga

Congregational Care

- William Green
- Tony Vissers
- Kelly Holland
- Expectant mother, Shelby Kingma.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

United in Prayer-Missionary Prayer Requests

Rev. Nathan Brummel is a professor in Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary.

- Pray that the Lord would bless the many new students who are joining our program.
 - Pray that the Lord would end the medical quarantine at Danville Correctional Center so that we could start our spring 2022 semester.
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Deacon Report

Offering Schedule:

Today: General Fund and Classical Church Assistance Fund

March 20: General Fund and Illiana Right to Life

March 27: General Fund and DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc.

April 3: General Fund and I.T.E.M. (International Theological Education Ministries)

With gratitude to God, the deacons would like to report the following offerings of March 6:

General Fund
Sanctuary Remodel Fund
DeMotte Food Pantry
Immanuel Cadets

Consistory Announcements

With joy and thanksgiving to God, we welcome Cody Stegenga into the membership of Immanuel today. There is a short bio about Cody in your mailboxes. Also, we look forward to welcoming Rebecca Walstra into Immanuel's membership on April 3.

Larsen E. will be baptized on March 27.

General Announcements

This Friday, March 18th, Matteo Rossi will be graduating from Navy boot camp. He will remain at the Great Lakes base for the first stage of training to prepare him for service in the Navy. Matteo truly appreciates the prayers and many cards that he received from the congregation.

The Immanuel Cadets invite the congregation to the Pinewood Derby Races here at Immanuel on Wednesday, March 16, at 7:00 pm. Registration is from 6:30-7:00 pm. Race and refreshments to follow. Anyone who would like to enter a car in the "Vintage Division" is welcome to bring a car, too.

The congregation is cordially invited to witness the marriage ceremony of Megan Buiters and Jack Hillemonds here at Immanuel at 4:00 pm on Saturday, March 19.

Adult Sunday School: Living as a Christian in today's transgender and 'woke' culture is becoming increasingly difficult. The current class "How to Love Your Neighbor in a Transgender Culture" will equip you to understand the current cultural climate and how we got there, strengthen your ability to answer some tough questions, and with love challenge those who are wandering away from God's design for male and female. Resources and handouts can be found on our website at <https://www.immanuelurcdemotte.org/adult-sunday-school>

Help in parenting is not far away. The mini-book theme for March is 'Parenting'. In the front foyer, you will find 14 new mini-books. Each mini-book is small enough for the average reader to finish in less than thirty minutes and is filled with practical Gospel-centered counsel. They are free - take one for yourself or a friend.

Explaining LGBTQ+ Identity to Your Child: Biblical Guidance and Wisdom
When Your Kid's in Trouble: How to Intervene Constructively
Angry Children: Understanding and Helping Your Child Regain Control
Children and Trauma: Equipping Parents and Caregivers
Dealing with Your Rebellious Teenager: Help for Worried Parents
Grief and Your Child: Sharing God's Comfort in Loss
Help for Stepfamilies: Avoiding the Pitfalls and Learning to Love
Helping Children with Body Image: Teaching Them to See What God Sees
Helping Children with Shame: Resting in God's Approval
Helping Your Anxious Child: What to Do When Worries Get Big
My Baby Has a Disability: Life-Giving Questions and Answers
Single Parents: Daily Grace for the Hardest Job
Teens and Suicide: Recognizing the Signs and Sharing Hope
When to Get My Kid a Phone: Navigating the Tensions

The Bible Celebration is a Bible recitation event for all ages. It will be held in our church building on June 8, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. Registration opens today. To register, simply sign up for one of the available passages from John chapters 1-6. Select your passage early so that you can start memorizing. See the display on the lower level for more information. Contact Pastor Ken or Renee Anema if you have any questions.

The 33rd Annual Women's Center of Northwest Indiana's "Celebrating Life" Event on Friday, May 13, at the Avalon Manor in Merrillville, Indiana. The keynote speaker will be actor and filmmaker, Kirk Cameron. A luncheon and a dinner option are available. Please see Carrie Rossi if you would like more information.

Calling All Men! Do you like to sing? Would you like the chance to sing with Men of A-Chord for a short time? **Men of A-Chord** invites you to join them to sing with them as part of an Easter Cantata called **"Written in Red"**. We invite you to join us for 8 rehearsals starting on Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at 7:30 pm at Oak Glen United Reformed Church in Lansing, IL at 7:30 pm. For more information, please see our website at www.menofachord.org.

School Announcements

DMCS Bylaw Changes 2021-2022 – If you would like a copy of the DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc. bylaw changes, please stop by the main office at either campus. Hard copies will be available for pick-up.

Restored Resale Inc., a DMCS partner, is in desperate need of volunteers and monetary donations to get the store up and running. They have a great many needs to meet, so please consider how you may be able to help them. Contact them at RestoredResaleInc@gmail.com to find out more. Thank you!

PIE Pork Chop Dinner—will be held on Thursday, March 17 from 5:00-7:00 pm at CCHS. You have the option to dine in or pick up in a drive-thru format. Cost is \$10 for a 2 chop meal and \$8 for a 1 chop meal. Pork chops have been graciously donated by Belstra Milling. Sides include red skin mashed potatoes, green beans, and applesauce. Come out and support our school and have a great meal!

DMCS Important Dates:

March 17: PIE Spring Pork Chop Dinner at CCHS 5-7 (Dine in and Drive Thru)

March 21-25: Spring Break

April 8: Grandparents' Day

April 8-9: CCHS Spring Musical: ANNIE, 7:00 pm both nights

April 12: Society Meeting at CCHS @ 7:00 pm

April 21-22: DMC Junior High Musical

Our Council:

ELDERS:

President: Jon Hoek (24) Parish 2
Vice President: Dan Kingma (22) Parish 1
Clerk: Russ Vander Molen (24)
John Hamstra (22) Parish 4
Steve Ryken (23) Parish 3

DEACONS:

President: Nathan Bakker (22) Parish 2
Secretary: Justin Colanese (23) Parish 4
Treasurer: Joshua Hubers (24)
Vicar: Dale Eenigenburg (22) Parish 3
Asst. Treasurer: Ray Vander Molen (24) Parish 1

Parishes:

1: Anema – Drenth

2: Dyke – Howard

3: Hubers – Ridder

4: Rossi – Zeilenga

Committees and Contact Person:

Administrative Assistant: Donna Hamstra
Adult Sunday School: Pastor Ken Anema
Bookkeeper: Elaine Dyke
Building & Grounds: Rob Buiters
Bulletin: please contact Administrative Assistant
Cadets: Dave DeGraff
Custodians: Dave and Dawn DeGraff
Education: Dan Kingma
Evangelism & Outreach: Pastor Roberto Rossi
Fellowship: Tina Dyke
Funerals: Beth Kingma and Sue DeBoer
GEMS Club: Carrie Rossi
Handiwork Fellowship: Jessica Hubers

Helping Hands: Naomi Hamstra
Librarian: Maggie Bakker
Men's Bible Study: Rudy Tolkamp
Nursery: Jessica Colanese
Sound & Video System: Rudy Tolkamp
Special Events Coordinator: Mary Vander Molen
Special Music: John Hamstra
Story Hour: Stacey Tolkamp
Sunday School: Carolyn Hager
Web Manager: Dana Perkins
Women's Bible Study: Donna Hamstra
Youth Group: Nathan & Carrie Bakker, Jim & Bonnie Zeilenga and Pastor Roberto Rossi

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