

WELCOME



CHRIST IS RISEN

MARCH 31, 2024

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

Rev. Roberto Rossi, Pastor

Rev. Ken Anema, Associate Pastor

Rev. Nathan Brummel, Associate Pastor

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# MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

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Prelude

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer-concluded by minister

\*Votum

**Pastor:** Proclaim the name of the Lord and ascribe greatness to our God.

**Congregation:** I will tell of Your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation, I will praise You.

\*Salutation

\*Song of Praise: 360:1-4, 6.....Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

## GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Confession & Assurance: 130A.....Lord, from the Depths to You I Cry

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts: .....General Fund and The Women's Center of Northwest Indiana

## GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

\*Song of Preparation: 367.....Up from the Grave He Arose

Reading of the Word: .....Luke 24:1-12 (p. 1051)

**Sermon: HE IS NOT HERE! HE WAS RAISED!**

Prayer of Application

\*Song of Application: 265.....In Christ Alone

## GOD'S BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: 106B:1, 14.....O Praise the Lord, for He Is Good

\*Silent Prayer-concluded by the Postlude

\*Postlude

\*Please stand if able.

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# EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

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Prelude

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer - concluded by minister

\*Votum

**Pastor:** Proclaim the name of the Lord and ascribe greatness to our God.

**Congregation:** I will tell of Your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation, I will praise You.

\*Salutation

## GOD'S PEOPLE OFFER PRAISE

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

\*Hymn of Praise: 363.....Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 16 (p. 535)

Singing of the Psalm: 16A.....Preserve Me, O My God

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts: .....General Fund and The Women's Center of Northwest Indiana

## GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

\*Hymn of Preparation: 369.....Worship Christ, the Risen King!

Reading of the Word: .....Luke 24:13-49 (p. 1051)

## Sermon: ON THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

## GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

\*Hymn of Application: 370.....A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

## GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: 563.....May the Grace of Christ Our Savior

\*Silent Prayer—concluded by the Postlude

\*Postlude

\*Please stand if able.

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## THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

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No Sunday School/Catechism due to spring break. No Coffee Fellowship after morning worship.

**Nursery AM:** Wendy Buiters and Liv Cox

**PM:** Elizabeth DeJong and Naomi Dyke

**On-call Nursery Attendant:** Dana Vander Molen

**Sound System:** Amos Terpstra

**Greeters AM:** Elias Martin (South), Dave Bosgraaf (North), Sam Terpstra (Elevator)

**Greeters PM:** Calvin Eenigenburg Family (South), Bill & Grace Vander Molen (North), Max VM (Elevator)

**Song Service:** Dana Perkins; **Songs:** SF 28, 65, 72

**Tuesday:** Consistory meets at 7:00 pm.

**Wednesday:** Ladies' Bible Study and Story Hour meet at 9:00 am. **Snack:** Lindsay Poortenga

**GEMS and Cadets** meet at 6:30 pm. **Devotions/snack:** Rylee Lassiter. Youth Group meets at the Bakkers at 6:30 pm. **Devotions:** Gabe Rottier; **Snack:** Abrielle Brummel

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

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## NEXT WEEK SUNDAY: APRIL 7

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Sunday School & Catechism resume. Fellowship meal after morning worship.

**Nursery AM:** Abby and Emmelene Dyke

**PM:** Alicia Dyke and Bev Hubers

**On-call Attendant:** Jessica Colanese

**Sound System:** Reagan Ryken

**Greeters AM:** Loren & Catie Cavanaugh (South), Lauren Vermeer (North), Jerry Hager (Elevator)

**Greeters PM:** Tim Dyke Family (South), Ed & Pat Kingma (North), Elias Martin (Elevator)

**Song Service:** Jon Hoek

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## UPCOMING DATES:

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**April 10:** Prayer Meeting at 7:00 pm.

**April 13:** First Responders' Pancake Breakfast from 7:00-10:00 am.

**April 15:** Hoosier Scholars 4H meets at 10:30 am.

**April 16:** Council meets at 7:00 pm.

**April 23:** Building & Grounds Committee meets at 7:00 pm.

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## *Congregational Care*

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- Jim Kuiper
- Expectant mothers: Nicole Hoek, Amanda Staley, Elizabeth DeJong, Jessica Colanese & Abbie Martin.
- Teen Mother Choices (TMC)

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## *Apostles' Creed*

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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

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## *United in Prayer-Missionary Prayer Requests*

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Rev. Adam Kaloostian is a church-planter in Ventura, California.

- Pray for our group as it continues to heal as we grieve the sudden death of one of our members; thank the Lord for his mercy and comfort as we see God's hand sanctifying us and bringing us together in love during this time.
  - Pray for our perseverance and renewal in the usual but urgent things: focused service to and prayer for the non-churchgoers the Lord brings into our lives.
  - Thank the Lord with us for our completed purchase of the neighborhood church building which we were leasing; thank the Lord for the generous patron lender who made it happen, and pray for our stewardship.
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## *Deacon Report*

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Our offerings next Sunday will be for the General Fund and the Sanctuary Remodel Fund.

All cash donations not placed in an envelope and designated will go to the second offering cause.

Our weekly amount to meet budget 2024 is \$8,160.

## General Announcements

Bookmarks for the **April 2024 Bible Reading Schedule** are on the tables near the bulletins.

Two more meals are needed for TMC on April 18 and May 9, and there are two openings for babysitters on April 4 and May 16. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the fellowship hall.

**Sunday School and Catechism classes** will resume next Sunday, April 7.

**Adult Sunday School** will consider Psalm 35 next Sunday with the theme *Life is Hard*. Everyone is welcome.

Our **Fellowship Meal** will take place next Sunday, April 7. **Clean-up:** Parishes 3 & 4 (Ipema-Zeilenga). **Families of 1 & 2:** please bring a main dish. **Families of 3+:** Please bring a main dish plus a side OR dessert. All visitors are welcome to join us.

**Ladies Bible Study and Story Hour** will resume this Wednesday, April 3, studying God's attribute of Holiness. Study questions are on the table in the narthex. **Snack:** Lindsay Poortenga

**GEMS and Cadets** meet this Wednesday at 6:30 pm. **Devotions/snack:** Rylee Lassiter

**Youth Group** will meet at the Bakkers' home on Wednesday at 6:30 pm. **Devotions:** Gabe Rottier; **Snack:** Abrielle Brummel

Plan now to enjoy breakfast and express gratitude to our local first responders at the **2nd Annual First Responders' Appreciation Pancake Breakfast** here at Immanuel on Saturday, April 13, from 7:00-10:00 am. Invitation cards are available on the tables near the bulletins for you to use to invite your neighbors and friends. Thank you to everyone who has signed up to volunteer!

**New in the Library:** JUV FICTION: Six books in the Mandie Mysteries series. TEEN: [10 Questions Every Teen Should Ask \(and Answer\) About Christianity](#) by Rebecca McLaughlin. ADULT NON-FICTION: [The Glorious Journey: Insight, Encouragement, and Guidance for Your Walk of Faith](#) by Charles Stanley. (This book is divided into short essays on various topics.) Also, [The Roots of the Calvinistic Day School Movement](#) by Donald Oppewal.

**Book News:** Immanuel's library has a number of great apologetics resources. Two just added are [10 Questions Every Kid Should Ask \(and Answer\) about Christianity](#) by Rebecca McLaughlin and Gregory Koukl's book [Street Smarts: Using Questions to Answer Christianity's Toughest Challenges](#). Here is what author William Lane Craig has to say about Street Smarts. "Koukl answers the critic's toughest challenges--and maybe even the believer's own doubts--but then adds the specific tactical questions necessary to help them navigate difficult conversations safely, graciously, and effectively. Of great value for practical apologetics and evangelism!" I (Dana) would highly recommend these new books!

**Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary** is hosting a spring conference to be held at **Rockville Correctional Facility** on May 3-5. Lydia Brownback, author and conference speaker, will be sharing her insights on the

book of Psalms. You are invited to join us for one or all the sessions. For more information or to sign up, please contact John Hamstra (219) 296-9389 or [johnmhamstra@gmail.com](mailto:johnmhamstra@gmail.com) before **April 15**.

In just over a month (May 4) **Reformed Missions Services** is hosting a Bowling Fundraiser! If you are interested in sponsoring or attending this event, please visit [rms.org/bowling](http://rms.org/bowling) or talk to Wendy Buiters.

**The Women's Center of NWI's 35th Annual Celebrating Life Event** will take place on Friday, May 10, with Seth Dillon of The Babylon Bee as keynote speaker. You can reserve a place for the luncheon at 11:15 am or the dinner at 5:45 pm. Please contact Donna Hamstra to make a reservation.

Please join us at First CRC from 5-6:30pm for a **Navajo Taco Dinner** served jointly with our guests from New Mexico's Rehoboth Christian School on Wednesday, April 10 from 5:00-6:30 pm. Stay after dinner for a concert at 7:00 pm given by their high school band.

## *School Announcements*

**Moms in Prayer: A Community-wide Prayer Group:** DeMotte Christian Schools is excited to partner with the local community and offer this wonderful opportunity! Moms in Prayer is for anyone and everyone who wishes to come pray for our local schools, students, teachers, and staff. We have organized monthly prayer topics and prayer requests. We hope you'll join us the first Thursday of each month at Cup of Joy Cafe in DeMotte from 8:15-9:15 am. Feel free to reach out to [Amber Donnowitz](mailto:AmberDonnowitz@dmcsemail.org) at [communications@dmcsemail.org](mailto:communications@dmcsemail.org) for more information! **Meeting dates:** April 4 and May 2.

**Community-wide Communications:** DeMotte Christian Schools loves to keep in touch with our school community. If you would like to be included in these email communications, please contact [Amber Donnowitz](mailto:AmberDonnowitz@dmcsemail.org) at [communications@dmcsemail.org](mailto:communications@dmcsemail.org) with your name and email to be added to the list! Thank you!

### **Important Dates at DMCS:**

April 9: Annual Society Meeting at 7 pm DMCS Upper Campus

April 12-13: DMCHS Presents 'Cinderella' at 7:30 pm

April 19: SCHOOL IN SESSION

April 22-26: DMCHS Service Week

April 29: PK-12 e-learning

May 3: Walk-a-thon

May 4: DMCS Carnival (current families invited to attend)

May 11: Christian Prom 6 pm at Halls of St. George

May 18: DMCHS Worship Night at 7 pm DMCS Church Campus

May 23: K-12 last day

May 24: Teacher in service/Makeup Day

May 24: DMCHS Graduation at 7 pm

## *Our Council:*

### **ELDERS:**

President: Mark Van Der Molen (25) Parish 1  
Vice President: Russ Vander Molen (24) Parish 4  
Clerk: John DeBoer (25)  
Derek Terpstra (26) Parish 3  
Jon Hoek (24) Parish 2

### **DEACONS:**

President: Ray Vander Molen (24) Parish 1  
Vice President: Jim Zeilenga (25) Parish 2  
Secretary: Nathan DeJong (25) Parish 3  
Treasurer: Ross Hoek (26)  
Assistant Treasurer: Josh Hubers (24) Parish 4

## *Parishes:*

1: Anema – Drenth

2: Dyke – Hubers

3: Ipema – Ryken

4: Staley – Zeilenga

## *Committees and Contact Person:*

Administrative Assistant: Donna Hamstra  
Adult Sunday School: Pastor Ken Anema  
Bookkeeper: Elaine Dyke  
Building & Grounds: Jim Zeilenga  
Bulletin: please contact Administrative Assistant  
Cadets: Jerry Hager  
Custodians: Dave and Dawn DeGraff  
Education: Russ Vander Molen  
Evangelism & Outreach: Pastor Roberto Rossi  
Fellowship: Wendy Buiters  
Funerals: Beth Kingma  
GEMS Club: Carrie Rossi  
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: Derek Terpstra  
Story Hour: Stacey Tolkamp  
Sunday School: Carolyn Hager  
Teen Mother Choices: Stacey Tolkamp  
Web Manager: Dana Perkins  
Women's Bible Study: Donna Hamstra  
Youth Group: Nathan & Carrie Bakker and  
Derek and Jennie Terpstra

## *Church Contact Information:*

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