

Welcome to

IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday, March 16, 2025

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

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer-concluded by minister

*Votum

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord of hosts, for the Lord is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

Congregation: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you.

*Salutation

*Song of Praise: 248.....All Creatures of Our God and King

GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn of Confession & Assurance: 276.....Jesus Paid It All

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and Rev. Paul Murphy

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 172.....Speak, O Lord

Reading of the Word:Genesis 14 (p. 11)

Sermon: THE TRIUMPH OF GOD'S GRACE

Prayer of Application

*Song of Application: 291:1-5.....O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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.

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer - concluded by minister

*Votum

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord of hosts, for the Lord is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

Congregation: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you.

*Salutation

GOD'S PEOPLE OFFER PRAISE

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

*Hymn of Praise: 92A.....It's Good to Thank the LORD

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 4 (p. 528)

Singing of the Psalm: 4.....Give Ear, God of My Righteousness

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and Rev. Paul Murphy

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 273.....Break Thou the Bread of Life

Reading of the Word:Acts 2:42-47 (p. 1082)

Catechism Reading: Lord's Day 21; Question 55.....Forms and Prayers (p. 222)

Sermon: THE BLESSED COMMUNION OF THE SAINTS

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application: 410.....Christain Hearts in Love United

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.

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

Coffee Fellowship after morning worship.

Nursery AM: Josie Vander Molen and Nora Kuiper **PM:** Claire Vander Molen and Hope Terpstra

On-call Nursery Attendant: Laurel Stegenga

Sound System: Peter Brummel

Cookies: Derek Ipema, Stephanie Kingma, Beth Kingma, Cathy Kuiper

Greeters AM: Tim Verduin Family (South), Ross Hoek Family (North), Jacob Dyke (Elevator)

Greeters PM: John & Donna Hamstra (South), Brian Kingma Family (North), Derek Ipema (Elevator)

Song Service: Peter Brummel; **Songs:** 230, 435, 460

Tuesday: Council meets at 7:00 pm.

Wednesday: Ladies' Bible Study & Story Hour meet at 9:00 am. GEMS, Cadets and Youth meet at 6:30 pm.

Thursday: Teen Mother Choices meets at 6:00 pm.

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

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY: MARCH 23

No Coffee Fellowship due to spring break.

Nursery AM: Dana Vander Molen and Evelyn Kuiper **PM:** Margo Vand Der Molen and Simeon Terpstra

On-call Attendant: Claire Bakker

Sound System: Amos Terpstra

Greeters AM: Steve & Patti Ryken (South); Jerry Hager Family (North), James Blom (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Brent & Val Dykhuizen (South), Nathan Bakker Family (North); Jacob Dyke (Elevator)

Song Service: Justin Colanese

UPCOMING DATES:

April 18: Good Friday Service at 7:00 pm.

May 1: National Day of Prayer Service at 7:00 pm.

May 3: Third Annual First Responders Appreciation Breakfast.

Congregational Care

- Catie Cavanaugh
- Jessica Eenigenburg
- Wendy Hager
- The Green Family
- Expectant mother, Leanna Bakker

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. Mitchell Ramkissoon is a pastor in Redemption Prison Ministry.

- Pray for committed Christian chaplains in our institutions hindered by politics from freely proclaiming the gospel.
- Pray for conversions and spiritual growth among our students.
- Pray for continued open doors for us in the prisons.
- Pray from the many incarcerated struggling with mental health issues and addiction.
- Pray for my wife, Doris, who has ongoing health issues.

Deacon Report

Our offering next Sunday will be for General Fund and Mid-America Reformed Seminary.
All cash donations not placed in an envelope and designated will go to the second offering cause.

General Announcements

Immanuel is leading the **Chapel Service at Aperion Care Center** at 2:00 pm this afternoon. Please come a few minutes early to sign in and visit with the residents. The address is 10352 N. 600 E. Demotte.

Service Opportunity: Since 2004 Bill Vander Molen has been coordinating the chapel services that Immanuel conducts four times per year at Oak Grove Retirement Home and Aperion Care Center. He would like to pass this on to another man of the congregation. Please speak with Bill if you would like to serve in this way.

No **Sunday School and Catechism** classes next Sunday, March 23, due to spring break.

New in the Library: ADULT FICTION: [Ambush](#) by Colleen Coble, [Born of Gilded Mountains](#) by Amanda Dykes, book 1 in Serial Burn- book 3 in Lake City Heroes series by Lynette Eason, [A Constant Love](#), book 1 in The Hope of Cheyenne Series by Tracie Peterson (large print), [Midnight on the Scottish Shore](#) by Sarah Sundin, [Guilty Until Innocent](#) by Robert Whitlow, and [A Month Of Summer](#)- Book 1 in The Blue Sky Hill Series by Lisa Wingate. ADULT NON-FICTION: [The Case for Easter - A Journalist Investigates Evidence for the Resurrection](#) by Lee Strobel and [Living God's Story with Joy - A Step-by-Step Guide to Read, Interpret, and Apply the Bible](#) by Ken Anema.

Young Adults Group meets tonight and March 30th following the evening worship service.

From the Webmaster: To better engage with the sermons, a new resource page on our website now makes available Discussion and Leadership Guides for the previous Sunday Sermons. They are good for personal and family devotions. The link is on the main menu under [Resources/Sermon Resources](#).

Ladies' Bible Study and Story Hour will meet this Wednesday, March 19, at 9:00 am. Group 3 has snack and clean up. Copies of Lesson 25, *Treasure in Heaven*, are on the table near the mailboxes.

GEMS and **Cadets** will meet this Wednesday evening, March 19, at 6:30 pm. **Devotions:** Bev Hubers; **Snack:** Bev and Genny Hubers. **Snack for Cadets:** Nolan.

Youth Group will meet at the Bakkers' home this Wednesday, March 19, at 6:30 pm. **Devotions:** Simeon; **Snack:** Rosenthal.

Only **one more meal** is needed on Thursday, April 3, for our moms and mentors in the **Teen Mother Choices** program. The moms are always appreciative of enjoying a dinner with their mentors before their scheduled activities. You don't have to make an entire meal by yourself! Please speak with Dawn DeGraff to see what is needed. Only 11 time slots need to be filled to help with **TMC Childcare** for the rest of the year. Please look at the dates at the sign-up table in the fellowship hall to see where you can serve. Please speak with Mary Vander Molen if you want more information.

Save the Date: Evangelism and Outreach Committee has set **Saturday, May 3**, as our **3rd Annual First Responders Appreciation Pancake Breakfast**. Sign-up sheets will be available soon. Church members and regular attenders are welcome to serve at the breakfast.

Answering a Call: A Journey to Serve as a Navy Chaplain is an article about Mid-America Reformed alumni Lt. Roberto Rossi which can be found in the March 2025 edition of *The Messenger*. Copies are on the welcome table in the narthex.

Reformed Mission Services is heading to Western North Carolina from March 24–29 to assist communities devastated by hurricane damage. We urgently need volunteers to help with cleanup, chainsaw work, and early reconstruction efforts. If you are able to serve, please visit rms.org/hurricane for more details and to sign up.

Ascension Reformed Church in Cincinnati is excited to worship in their building on March 30! Before then, they need volunteers during the last two weeks of March for cleanup and final preparations. Even if you can help for just a day or two, your assistance would be greatly appreciated. To volunteer or support this project, visit rms.org/arc or contact Rob at rob@rms.org.

School Announcements

DMCS JOB OPENINGS

Full job descriptions and applications may be found at www.demottechristianschools.org under the *About* section on the Employment Opportunities page.

DMCS Important Dates:

- March 3-17: Suds for a Cause Fundraiser
- March 18: Winter Athletic Awards 7-8 pm Church Campus
- March 24-28: Spring Break
- April 3: Suds soap pick-up 3-5 pm UC Covenant Room
- April 8: DMCS Society Meeting 7-8 pm
- April 11-12: DMCHS Spring Musical
- April 18: No school, Good Friday/Make-up Day
- April 20: Happy & Blessed Easter
- April 21: No school, Easter Monday/Make-up Day

Council:

ELDERS:

President: Mark Van Der Molen (25) Parish 1
Vice President: Derek Terpstra (26) Parish 3
Clerk: Rudy Tolkamp (27)
John DeBoer (25) Parish 2
John Hamstra (27) Parish 4

DEACONS:

President: Nathan Bakker (27) Parish 4
Vice President: Jim Zeilenga (25) Parish 2
Secretary: Nathan DeJong (25) Parish 3
Treasurer: Ross Hoek (26)
Assistant Treasurer: Reagan Ryken (27) Parish 1

Associate Pastors:

Rev. Ken Anema, Instructor, Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary
Rev. Nathan Brummel, Instructor, Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary
Rev. Roberto Rossi, Missionary Chaplain, United States Navy

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 Nathan Brummel
Bookkeeper: Kirsten Zandstra
Building & Grounds: Jim Zeilenga
Bulletin: please contact Administrative Assistant
Cadets: Jerry Hager
Custodians: Dave and Dawn DeGraff
Education: Derek Terpstra
Evangelism & Outreach: Derek Terpstra
Fellowship: Wendy Buiters
Funerals: Mary DeBoer and Dana Vander Molen
GEMS Club: Angie Rosenthal
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

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