

Welcome to

IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday, April 7, 2024

Worship Services: 10:00 am & 5:00 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: *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: 105C:1-3, 5.....O Praise the LORD, His Deeds Make Known

GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Confession & Assurance: 476.....It Is Well with My Soul

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and Sanctuary Remodel Fund

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 271.....Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Reading of the Word:Galatians 3:7-14 (p. 1155)

Sermon: THE SONS OF ABRAHAM

Prayer of Application

*Song of Application: 414.....In Christ There Is No East or West

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: *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: 216.....Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 104 (p. 595)

Singing of the Psalm: 104A:1, 9-11.....Bless the LORD, My Soul!

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and Sanctuary Remodel Fund

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Hymn of Preparation: 484.....On the Good and Faithful

Reading of the Word:Proverbs 30:7-9 (p. 653)

Catechism Reading: Lord's Day 50.....*Forms and Prayers* (p. 256)

Sermon: OUR DAILY BREAD

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application: 181.....Now Thank We All Our God

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

Fellowship meal after morning worship. Chapel service at Oak Grove Retirement Center at 2:30 pm.

Nursery AM: Abby and Emmelene Dyke

PM: Alicia Dyke and Bev Hubers

On-call Nursery 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; **Songs:** 27B, 119P, 159

Wednesday: Prayer Meeting at 7:00 pm.

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

Saturday: First Responders' Pancake Breakfast from 7:00-10:00 am.

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY: APRIL 14

Nursery AM: Tina Dyke and Wendy Hager

PM: Jessica Eenigenburg and Levi Hubers

On-call Attendant: Mary DeBoer

Sound System: Peter Brummel

Greeters AM: Tim Verduin Family (South), Brent & Val Dykhuizen (North), Jacob Dyke (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Pastor Anema Family (South), William Green Family (North), Calvin Eenigenburg (Elevator)

Song Service: Cade Walstra

Cookies: Jessica Hubers, Debbie Hubers, Derek Ipema, Stephanie Kingma

UPCOMING DATES:

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

April 16: Council meets at 7:00 pm.

April 17: GEMS, Cadets and Youth Group meet at 6:30 pm. Youth Group will meet at the Terpstra home.

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

May 1: GEMS and Cadets Family Night at 6:00 pm.

May 9: Ascension Day and Prayer Day Service at 7:00 pm.

Congregational Care

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

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

Pastors Daniel Ventura and Taylor Kern work in Spanish and English ministry in Ontario, California.

- Pray for Rev. Ventura as he continues to learn Spanish and travels to raise support for our Spanish ministry.
 - Pray for Rev. Kern and he preaches and teaches in Spanish.
 - Pray our new visitors, especially those going through our membership class. Many of them are new to the United States, and so pray for their adjustment and for wisdom for us as we support them.
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Deacon Report

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

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

Our chapel service at Oak Grove Christian Retirement Center will take place at 2:30 pm today. Everyone is welcome.

Evangelism & Outreach Committee will meet in the fellowship hall for a brief meeting after evening worship service tonight.

GEMS & Cadets: Families of GEMS & Cadets are invited to join us for Family Night on Wednesday, May 1st at 6:00pm! We'll provide a delicious meal and dessert, hand out awards/badges and honor our graduates! **Please RSVP by April 22nd** by texting Carrie Rossi (708) 224-1978 or Jerry Hager (219) 863-7498 with the number in your family attending. Thank you! We look forward to celebrating what God has done through these programs!

Sunday School and Catechism will conclude on April 28. That Sunday is a make-up day for January 14.

Men's Bible Study will not meet on Saturday due to the Pancake Breakfast.

Ladies Bible Study and Story Hour will meet on Wednesday at 9:00 am. **Snack:** Marcia Drenth. Copies of the lesson are on the table near the mailboxes.

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 this 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!

Adult Sunday School will consider Psalm 69 next week with the theme, "Injustice is Overwhelming". Class begins at 9:00 am in the Adult Sunday School room.

Youth Group will meet from 6:30-8:00 pm for their end of year party at the Terpstras' home. Come for games, food and fellowship. **Prayer/devotions:** Senior boys.

The **Reformed Youth Services Board** is inviting our church to participate directly in the ministry and mission of Reformed Youth Services by submitting a qualified nominee from our congregation to serve on the RYS Board. They are seeking a nominee who has demonstrated maturity and a servant's heart. The RYS bylaws dictate that a nominee must not have been a member of any RYS committee or board in the last two years. They are requesting that we review our membership for a viable candidate from our congregation who has demonstrated an interest in our covenant youth and has a desire to serve on the RYS Board. There is an application form that needs to be completed and returned by the candidate. Applications need to be returned no later than June 4. Please see our clerk, John DeBoer, if you are interested.

Book News: **Book News:** Mike Cospers' book "[The Stories We Tell: How TV and Movies Long for and Echo the Truth](#)" provides great talking points for conversations with your neighbors. Author James Smith says "Like Paul at the Areopagus, Mike Cospers walks through the cultural artifacts of our entertainment industry and effectively says, 'I can tell by your sitcoms and dramas and even your romantic comedies that

you are a storytelling people who long for more. Let me introduce you to the Storyteller you don't even realize you long to know.' The result is a book that will change how you watch TV and movies. But more importantly, this might change the conversations you have with your neighbors." This book is definitely worth checking out from our library, and even for conversations with your own family.

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

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 before **April 15**.

Mother's Day Billboards—Illiana Right to Life Committee will again this year be running pro-life ads on digital billboards along heavily traveled US highways in Lake County IN and Cook County IL for one week (May 6 thru May 12). Copies of the ads will be circulated on Illiana Right to Life social media sites. Our Pro-Life declaration and names of supporters will not appear on the ads, but will be posted on our Illiana Right to Life Facebook page. Please contact Rebecca Walstra (219.779.5128) if you would like your name included. We ask for a minimum donation of \$5 per name to help defray the cost (additional donations are very much appreciated). All names and donations must be received by Sunday, April 21.

Bowl with your family and friends while learning more about **Reformed Mission Services!** This event will take place Saturday, May 4 from 7-9 pm at Stardust Bowl in Dyer, Indiana. Sign up today to reserve a spot! Visit rms.org/bowling for more information or contact Wendy Buiter.

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.

Save the Date—Word & Deed Coast-to-Coast Bike-a-Thon: It's that time of year again! We're gearing up for this year's Coast-to-Coast Bike-a-thon to be held on Saturday, June 1. Gather your friends and family, choose a route to bike, and raise funds for Word & Deed's projects in South Africa. For more details and to register your team, go to wordanddeed.org/bikeathon. We're looking forward to having many of you participate in this year's event!

School Announcements

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

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

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