

Welcome to

IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday, September 10, 2023

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: Our soul waits for the LORD; He is our help and our shield.

Congregation: For our heart is glad in Him, because we trust in His holy name.

*Salutation

*Hymn of Praise: 33:1, 3, 5.....With Joy Let Us Sing to the LORD

GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Confession & Assurance: 116A:1-4, 8.....I Love the LORD

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and Mobility Ministries

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 524.....Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Reading of the Word: Exodus 13:17-14:14 (p. 65)

Sermon: THE LORD LEADS HIS PEOPLE TO THE RED SEA

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

Song of Application: 526.....He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought!

GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

*Benediction

*Doxology: 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: Our soul waits for the Lord; He is our help and our shield.

Congregation: For our heart is glad in Him, because we trust in His holy name.

*Salutation

GOD'S PEOPLE OFFER PRAISE

*Confession of Faith.....Lord's Day 1

*Hymn of Praise: 148B.....Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 106 (p. 597)

Singing of the Psalm: 106B:1-4, 8, 14.....O Praise the Lord, for He Is Good

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and Mobility Ministries

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Hymn of Preparation: 532.....Be Still, My Soul

Reading of the Word:Exodus 14:15-31 (p. 66)

Sermon: THE LORD FIGHTS FOR HIS PEOPLE AT THE RED SEA

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Song of Application: 545.....The Battle Is the Lord's

GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

*Benediction

*Doxology: 570.....Doxology

*Silent Prayer—concluded by the Postlude

*Postlude

*Please stand if able.

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL:

Coffee Fellowship after morning worship.

Nursery AM: Jessica and Bev Hubers

PM: Laureen Hoek and Lucy Rottier

On-call Nursery Attendant: Leanna Bakker

Sound System: Peter Brummel

Greeters AM: Jon & Laureen Hoek (South), Rudy & Stacey Tolkamp (North), Jacob Dyke (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Elias Martin (South), Howie & Brenda Ridder (North), Derek Ipema (Elevator)

Song Service: Pastor Ken Anema; **Songs:** 15B, 23B, 375

Monday: Deacons meet at 7:00 pm.

Wednesday: Ladies' Bible Study and Story Hour at 9:00 am. Prayer Meeting at 7:00 pm

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

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

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY: SEPTEMBER 17

Sunday School and Catechism classes at 9:00 am. Coffee Fellowship after morning worship.

Nursery AM: Val Post and Ella Rottier

PM: Brenda Long and Hope Terpstra

On-call Attendant: Kate Buiters

Sound System: Thomas Bousema

Greeters AM: William Green Family (South), Dana & Joan Perkins (North), Nick Post (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Noah & Nicole Hoek (South), Dave & Brenda Long (North), Max Vander Molen (Elevator)

Song Service: Carson Bakker

UPCOMING DATES:

September 19: Council meets at 7:00 pm.

September 24: Communion Service

September 26: Building & Grounds Committee meets at 7:00 pm.

October 1: Fellowship Meal after morning worship.

November 19: Chapel Service at Oak Grove Retirement Center.

November 23: Thanksgiving Day Service

January 28: Cadet Sunday

Congregational Care

- Barb Meppelink
- Jim Kuiper
- Amber Green
- Expectant mothers: Cami Stegenga, Leanna Bakker and Sydnie Walstra
- Teen Mother Choices (TMC)

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 1

Q 1. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has delivered me from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

United in Prayer-Missionary Prayer Requests

Rev. James Folkerts has completed his service in Uganda.

- Give thanks for a safe return to Canada and for the de-briefing at the Missionary Training Institute in Colorado Springs, Colorado.
 - Please pray this time of transition for our family and for the upcoming sabbatical this fall/winter.
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Deacon Report

Offering Schedule:

Today: General Fund and Mobility Ministries

September 17: General Fund and DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc.

September 24: General Fund and Quito Ecuador Mission

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

All checks with no designation on the memo line will go to the second offering cause.

Consistory Announcements

If any member has a suggestion for a man to be nominated to the office of elder or deacon, please submit the name in writing with your signature to any member of the Council by the end of next Sunday, September 17.

Pastor Rossi and Elder Mark Van Der Molen will be attending the Classis Central meeting in northwest Iowa tomorrow and Tuesday. Please pray for the delegates as they travel to Orange City, Iowa and deliberate on church matters. Also, please pray for Mr. Kirk Gibbons. Kirk will be taking his candidacy exam to be available for a call.

Pastor Rossi will be on vacation September 18-25. Please contact your parish elder for prayer or pastoral care.

General Announcements

GEMS: Our first meeting is Wednesday, Sept. 20 from 6:30-8:00pm! Please bring your Bible and badge book. Corianna Green will be leading devotions and bringing snacks. Questions? Contact Carrie Rossi, Amber Green or Amanda Staley.

Ladies' Bible Study: Our first lesson will be this Wednesday, September 12, studying Chapter 9, "The Existence of God" pages 169-173. If you didn't receive your book, please contact Paula Brummel.

Teen Mother Choices of DeMotte began this past Thursday and will meet here at church the first three Thursdays of each month. If you can help in the nursery from 5:45 to 8:15 pm on one or several of those weeks, please sign-up at the sign-up table in the fellowship hall. Also, the **Supply Closet Drive** will continue through the end of September. Thank you to all who have donated items so far! Please the list of requested items on the sign-up board in the fellowship hall.

The **35th Annual Walk for Life** sponsored by The Women's Center of Northwest Indiana will take place this Saturday, September 16, at 9:00 am at Spencer Park in DeMotte. Please visit www.friendsofthewc.org for more information.

Apple Pies—Once again our local division of the **Bible League** will be making their apple pies. An order form is in your mailbox. Please return them to Pat Kingma by Sunday, September 24.

Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary Annual Shooting Sports Fundraiser at the Deer Creek Hunt Club in Three Oaks, Michigan will be held **October 7**. Registration begins at 8:30 am (**Eastern time**) and stations open at 9:30 am (**Eastern time**). **Cost:** \$125 per person which includes breakfast, coffee and pastries, 14 stations and shells. Registration takes place at the event and covers the cost of hosting the event.

Plan now to attend the 44th annual **Illiana Right to Life Banquet** on Thursday, October 12, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. The banquet will be held at Avalon Manor in Merrillville, IN. Avalon Manor will have social practices in place. This year our speaker will be Seth Drayer. He is the vice president of Created Equal, a pro-life education and outreach organization based in Columbus Ohio. See Rebecca Walstra or call/text her at (219) 779-5128 for tickets.

Our next conference at the **Rockville Correctional Facility** will be held September 29-October 1 with the theme: **Walk Thru the Old Testament**. If you are 18 years or older, you are invited to attend the Rockville Fall Conference for one or all of the sessions. For more information contact John Hamstra (219) 296-9389 or johnmhamstra@gmail.com.

MESSIAH - Illiana Oratorio Society will be starting rehearsals for its annual presentation of Handel's Messiah. Rehearsals will be held each Monday evening starting on October 9, 2023 at 7:30 pm until 9:00 pm. The concert will be on Sunday December 3, 2023 at 2:00 pm. Please join us at First Orthodox Presbyterian Church of South Holland, Illinois, located at 16248 South Park Ave., South Holland, IL. Please consider joining us for singing this great work of music to God's praise!

School Announcements

DMCS Important Dates:

Sept 22: DMCGS Picture Day
Sept 22: DMCM/HS Retakes @ DMCGS
Oct 6: No School, Teacher in-service/make-up day
Oct 16: K-12 Parent-Teacher Conferences
Oct 17: K-8 Parent-Teacher Conferences
Oct 20-23: Fall Break No School
Oct 24: Students return
Oct 27: 60th Annual Harvest sale @ DMCGS
Oct 30: DMCHS Financial Aid Night for Juniors and Seniors
Oct 30-Nov 3: I55 Book Fair @ DMCGS
Nov 3: Grandparents' Day
Nov 3-4: DMCHS Fall Play
Nov 8: DMCGS Picture Retakes
Nov 22-24: Thanksgiving Break No School
Nov 27: Students return
Dec 12: DMCM/HS Winter Band & Choir Concert
Dec 19: DMCGS K-5 Christmas Program
Dec 22 - Jan 5: Christmas Break No school
Jan 8: Students return

Our Council:

ELDERS:

President: Jon Hoek (24) Parish 2
Vice President: Russ Vander Molen (24) Parish 4
Clerk: John DeBoer (25)
Steve Ryken (23) Parish 3
Mark Van Der Molen (25) Parish 1

DEACONS:

President: Jim Zeilenga (25) Parish 2
Vice President: Nathan De Jong (25) Parish 3
Secretary: Justin Colanese (23) Parish 4
Treasurer: Joshua Hubers (24)
Asst. Treasurer: Ray Vander Molen (24) Parish 1

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: Rob Buiters
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 and Sue DeBoer
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: Mark Van Der Molen
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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