

Welcome to

IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday, December 5, 2021

Worship Services: 10:00 am & 6:00 pm

Hymn Sing 5:50 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: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

Congregation: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

*Salutation

Hymn of Praise: 291:1-4, 6, 7.....O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Confession & Assurance: 32B:1-3, 5.....How Blest Is He Whose Trespass

Congregational Prayer

Giving our Tithes and Offerings:.....General Fund and Mid-America Reformed Seminary

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 319.....O Come, All Ye Faithful

Reading of the Word.....Luke 1:26-38 (p. 1016)

Sermon: THE BIRTH OF JESUS FORETOLD

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Response: 297:1, 4-6.....Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!

GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

*Benediction

*Doxology (unannounced): 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: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

Congregation: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

*Salutation

GOD'S PEOPLE OFFER PRAISE

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

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

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 72 (p. 573)

Singing of the Psalm: 72B: 1, 4-6.....Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Congregational Prayer

Giving our Tithes and Offerings.....Mid-America Reformed Seminary

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Hymn of Preparation: 542.....Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

Reading of the Word.....1 Peter 2:11-25 (p. 1204)

Belgic Confession, Article 36.....Forms and Prayers, p. 196

Sermon: CHRISTIAN CONDUCT TOWARDS ALL PEOPLE

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Song of Dedication: 538.....Take My Life, and Let It Be

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 at 9:00 am. Fellowship meal after the morning service. Young Adults meet after the evening service.

Nursery AM: Kate Buitter and Simeon Terpstra

PM: Amanda Staley and Hudson Bakker

Sound System: Thomas Bousema

Greeters AM: Sydnie Bakker, C & L Bakker, Nathan Bakker

PM: Jon, Christy and Kevin Post

Song Service Leader: Russ Vander Molen

Monday: New Baby Welcome at 6:30 pm. Consistory meets at 7:00 pm.

Wednesday: Ladies' Bible Study meets at 9:00 am. Lesson 10; Judges 13 & 14. Snack: Marcia. Handiwork Fellowship (including church decorating) meets at 6:30 pm. First Principles Class meets at 7:00 pm.

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

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12:

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

Nursery AM: Val Post and Claire Bakker

PM: Stacey Tolkamp and Tanyon Bakker

Sound System: Matteo Rossi

Fellowship Helper: Patti Ryken

Greeters AM: Elias Martin, Miriam Hamstra, Noah Hoek

PM: Megan Buitter, Ray Vander Molen Family

Song Service Leader: Kevin Kingma

UPCOMING DATES:

December 13: Deacons meet at 7:00 pm.

December 21: Council meets at 7:00 pm.

December 25: Christmas Day Worship Service at 10:00 am.

January 9: Young Adults meet after the evening service.

Congregational Care

- The expectant mothers of our congregation: Jessica Colanese, Stephanie Kingma and 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

Pastor Bill Green is a missionary in San Jose, Costa Rica.

- Please continue to pray for the teachers in our primary and secondary schools.
 - Pray for the Costa Rica Presbyterian churches and missions and their pastors.
 - Give thanks for the publications of Reformed materials printed in the CLIR publishing house that are being sent throughout the Latin world.
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Deacon Report

Offering Schedule:

Today: Mid-America Reformed Seminary

December 12: DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc.

December 19: Mobility Ministries (PET)

December 25: Illiana Right to Life

December 26: Benevolence

With gratitude to God, the deacons report the following offering amounts:

Sunday, November 28:

General Fund

Benevolence

M.I.N.T.S.

Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary

Thanksgiving Day:

General Fund	DeMotte Christian Schools Inc.
Benevolence	DeMotte Food Pantry
Sanctuary Remodel Fund	Mobility Ministries Inc. (P.E.T.)
Mid America Reformed Seminary	GEMS (Our Church Group)
Cadets (Our Church Group)	Word and Deed
CLIR (Rev. Bill Green)	Reformed Youth Services
M.I.N.T.S \$100.00	Youth Group (Our Church Group)
Classical Church Assistance Fund	Illiana Right to Life Committee
Quito Ecuador Mission	Women's Center of NW Indiana
Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary	

General Announcements

Visitors: Welcome to Immanuel! We are so glad that you are here worshiping with us! Our prayer is that God and His Word will help you to know Him and His Son, Jesus Christ, as you grow in your faith. If you are interested in becoming a member of Immanuel or would like to learn more about our ministry and beliefs, please contact Pastor Rossi (219) 987-6247 or an elder at church. Please join us for our fellowship meal after the morning worship service today.

Adult Sunday School will be starting a six-week evangelism seminar today. It is called *Neighboring* because it will focus on how we can better obey Jesus' command to love our neighbors. Instead of seeing them as a project, expect to develop an authentic love for them and their eternal souls. Our goal is to magnify the love of Jesus Christ in our neighborhoods.

Young Adults will meet at John and Donna Hamstra's home tonight after the evening service.

Looking for an Advent Devotional? There are a number of excellent advent devotionals for all ages on a table downstairs next to the Lost & Found. If you would like to purchase one, there is an envelope in each book with payment instructions and a discounted price.

New Baby Welcome: Tomorrow, Monday, Dec. 6, all ladies of Immanuel, high school and older, are invited to join us for a New Baby Welcome for baby Betty Verduin and baby girl Colanese. Punchbowl will begin at 6:30 pm.

Come celebrate the beginning of the Christmas season with song! The **Men of A-Chord** cordially invites you to join them in their **Christmas Candlelight Musicale** on Saturday, December 11th at 7 p.m. at Oak Glen United Reformed Church located at 2244 Indiana Ave. in Lansing, Illinois. Come join the singing with the Carols and Songs of the Season celebrating Christ's birth!

The LOGOS Winter Retreat, intended for singles age 18-30, and also for married couples age 30 or younger, will be held January 6-8, 2022 at Cedar Lake Ministries in Cedar Lake, Indiana. Rev. Andrew Knott of New Haven URC in New Haven, Vermont will speak to us on the theme of "Searching for Wisdom." Cost is \$240.00 per person. Cost is \$430.00 for married couples under 30. The retreat begins Thursday

evening with dinner and concludes with Saturday lunch. The regular registration deadline is midnight December 16th. Register online today at reformedyouthservices.org

School Announcements

2022 God's Creation Calendars—There are a few popular 2022 God's Creation Calendars available for \$12 in the DMC office. These make great gifts! Call DMC at 219-987-3721 for availability.

Alumni Knight and Uniform Sale—December 21st at 7:00 pm all DMCS alumni are invited to our Alumni Knight at CCHS! We will be having a uniform sale this night too, so be sure to check out the photos on our Facebook event (link below) of all our "vintage" uniforms!

We will also be recognizing the three 1000 point basketball club members with plaques that will be displayed at school in the trophy case! This along with a recognition of all the alumni in the stands will take place at half-time of the varsity game. Alumni will be asked to sign in and complete an updated alumni contact sheet to gain free entry into the event. Old uniforms will be available to take home the night of the event for free will donation to the athletics department! Visit our Facebook event at <https://fb.me/e/1ulwdOfIL> for more information.

DMCS is looking to create a list of **substitute custodians** if any of our current custodians need additional help or are absent. If you are interested, please contact Superintendent Hucks at lhucks@dmcsemail.org.

Covenant Christian HS is looking for someone with **construction experience** that is interested in teaching our construction class for the second semester. The class would be from 7:50-8:37am each day, leaving the rest of the day to work. This could easily be a hybrid course where part of the class is at the school and part is at a job site where students can gain practical experience in the field. Anyone interested should contact Rick DeFries at Covenant Christian HS at 219-987-7651 or by email at rdefries@dmcsemail.org.

Covenant Christian HS is looking for a part-time **Spanish instructor** for 3-4 periods per day, for the second semester of this school year. This could also be a part-time to full time position for the 2022-2023 school year. Anyone interested should contact Rick DeFries at Covenant Christian HS at 219-987-7651 or by email at rdefries@dmcsemail.org.

DMCS Important Dates:

December 7:	DMCS Board Meeting
December 14:	Winter Concert at the High School (6:30 pm)
December 16:	Christmas Program (Grades 2-5, at 6:30pm at DMC)
December 22:	End Quarter 2

Our Council:

ELDERS:

President: Rudy Tolkamp (21) Parish 2
Vice President: Dan Kingma (22) Parish 1
Clerk: Howard Ridder (21)
John Hamstra (22) Parish 4
Steve Ryken (23) Parish 3

DEACONS:

President: Nathan Bakker (22) Parish 2
Secretary: Ross Hoek (21) Parish 1
Treasurer: Dale Eenigenburg (22)
Vicar: Dave DeGraff (21) Parish 3
Asst. Treasurer: Justin Colanese (23) Parish 4

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 Ken Anema
Fellowship: Dawn DeGraff
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

Church Contact Information:

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