

Welcome to

IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday, August 28, 2022

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

Hymn Sing 4:50 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: 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

*Song 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

Hymn of Confession & Assurance: 496.....My Jesus, I Love Thee

Congregational Prayer

Giving our Tithes and Offerings.....General Fund and Mobility Ministries

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 42C.....As Thirst the Hart for Water Brooks

Reading of the Word.....James 1:1-4 (p. 1199)

Sermon: COUNT IT ALL JOY, CHRISTIANS

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application: 509.....Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?

GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

*Benediction

*Doxology (unannounced): 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.....Apostles' Creed

*Song of Praise: 100B.....All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 96 (p. 591)

Singing of the Psalm: 96:1-4.....Sing to the Lord, Sing His Praise

Congregational Prayer

Giving our Tithes and Offerings.....General Fund and Mobility Ministries

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Hymn of Preparation: 119N.....Your Word Sheds Light upon My Path

Reading of the Word:Leviticus 3:1-17 (p. 97)

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 6.....Forms and Prayers, p. 206

Sermon: THE PEACE OFFERING: A SACRIFICE OF THANKSGIVING

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application: 435.....Not What My Hands Have Done

GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

*Benediction

*Doxology (unannounced): 570.....Doxology

*Silent Prayer - concluded by the Postlude

*Postlude

*Please stand if able.

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL:

Coffee Fellowship after the morning worship service.

Nursery AM: Mary DeBoer & Kate Buitter

PM: Kirsten DeBoer & Abrielle Brummel

On-call Nursery Attendant: Val Post

Sound System: Thomas Bousema

Cookies: Grace Vander Molen

Greeters AM: Elaine Dyke & Abby Dyke (South), Clarence & Patty Oudman (North), Elias Martin (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Nate & Elizabeth DeJong (South), Nathan Bakker Family (North), Amos Terpstra (Elevator)

Song Service: Howie Ridder; **Songs:** SF 74, 66, 57

Monday: Bridal shower at 6:30 pm.

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY: SEPTEMBER 4

No Coffee Fellowship after the morning worship service.

Nursery AM: Sue DeBoer and Emmelene Dyke

PM: Alicia Dyke and Naomi Dyke

On-call Nursery Attendant: Carrie Rossi

Sound System: Amos Terpstra

Greeters AM: Steve Rottier Family (South), Kevin Post Family (North), Nick Post (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Becky Walstra (South), Jay Staley Family (North), Sam Terpstra (Elevator)

Song Service: Russ Vander Molen

UPCOMING DATES:

September 6: Consistory meets at 6:00 pm.

September 7: GEMS and Cadets kick-off at Zao Island. Prayer meeting at 7:00 pm.

September 10: Landscaping work day at church.

September 11: First day of Sunday School & Catechism.

September 12: Deacons meet at 7:00 pm.

September 14: Ladies' Bible Study and Story Hour resume.

September 18: Chapel service at Oak Grove Retirement Center at 2:30 pm.

September 20: Council meets at 6:30 pm.

September 24: Men's Bible Study resumes.

September 27: Building & Grounds Committee meets

November 2: Senior Night with GEMS, Cadets and Youth Group.

November 16: Lakeside Artists Guild concert at Immanuel.

Congregational Care

- Renae Buitter
- Amber Green
- Jerry Hager
- Cathy Kuiper

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 Austin Reifel is a church-planter in Indianapolis, Indiana.

- Rejoice with us in finding a meeting location that fits our needs, and please pray that the transition goes smoothly and that the Lord sustains unity in the congregation.
 - Pray for our financial needs presented by the new location and that we would have clarity in moving forward with fundraising.
 - Pray for our new elder and deacon as they begin to serve.
 - Rejoice with us as we receive new families, and pray that we would be equipped to care for them, especially those who have recently relocated.
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Deacon Report

Offering Schedule:

Today: General Fund and Mobility Ministries

September 4: General Fund and DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc.

September 11: General Fund and Quito Ecuador Mission

September 18: General Fund and Illiana Right to Life

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

With gratitude to God, the deacons report the offerings of August 21:

General Fund
Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary
Benevolence

General Announcements

Today after the morning service, Dave Vander Meer from **Word & Deed Ministries** will give an update of the ministry. Word & Deed is a Reformed Christian Ministry that works in the developing world with indigenous churches, local Christian partners, and missionaries to address the needs of both the body and soul. The presentation will be in the sanctuary.

Catechism Books—Parents of Catechism students (Grades 5-8) and high school students, please sign out your catechism books. They are on the table by the GEMS & Cadets bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

GEMS & Cadets Kickoff—On Wednesday, September 7th, our GEMS and Cadets kickoff will be at Zao Island in Valparaiso for pizza and mini-golf! We will leave promptly at 5:30 pm (so arrive a few minutes before), and we will return to church by 8:30 pm. **GEMS:** please RSVP to Carrie Rossi 708-224-1978 by September 1st. **CADETS:** Please RSVP to Dave DeGraff 219-789-4348 by September 1st. We hope you can join us!

GEMS—All girls in grades 3-8 are welcome to join us at GEMS this year! Our theme is “Act. Love. Walk—Micah 6:8” If your daughter has not attended GEMS before but would like to, please text Carrie Rossi 708-224-1978 with your daughter's name and grade. Also, if your daughter has a friend who plans to attend with her, please text Carrie that information as well. This will help us plan for the year.

Cadets—Please sign-up for our Zao Island outing if you haven't already done so. All boys in grades 2-8 are invited. The sign-up sheet is by the Cadet bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Fathers of the Junior Cadets (grades 2 & 3) are welcome to join us. Also, if you need a new shirt, please give us your size. If you know of someone who is interested in joining our club this year, please sign them up at this time.

Landscaping Work Day—The Buildings & Grounds Committee invites all those who would like to help with landscaping work around the church on Saturday, September 10. Lunch will be served. Please sign up today at the table by the GEMS/Cadets bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

Adult Sunday School starts Sept 11. This is an exciting, hands-on practical class to become better ***Instruments in The Redeemer's Hands***. Come to the Adult Sunday School to study and discuss this book. See how relationships are key to bringing about biblical change in your life and the life of others.

This will be a very helpful class for those considering being a mentor if the church participates in the ANEW program. We meet 9:00-9:45 am before the morning worship service.

Save the Date—The Senior Saints of Immanuel are invited to the annual Senior Night with the Youth Group, GEMS and Cadets on Wednesday, November 2nd. You won't want to miss it! More details to come.

Save the Date—The Lakeside Artists Guild will be presenting a concert here at Immanuel on Wednesday, November 16. More information coming soon.

Nearer to God Devotional booklets for September/October are available on the tables in the back of the sanctuary.

The Council of Faith URC would like to inform that Rev. Ruben Sernas has formally accepted a call from Heritage Presbyterian Church (PCA) located in New Castle, Delaware. The Council then released him from his call to the church plant of *El Pacto De Gracia*. It is with sadness and a heavy heart that the Council has decided to cease the church planting ministry of *El Pacto de Gracia* in Chicago Heights, Illinois. The shrinking mission field of Spanish-only speakers has been changing to the younger, bi-lingual demographic, which was a major factor in this decision. We want to express our thanks for the many years of support given to this work. The last service for *El Pacto de Gracia* will be at Faith URC Beecher on Sunday, September 4th at 5:00pm.

Upcoming Rockville Women's Conference--Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary plans to hold a women's conference on October 28-30 at the Rockville Correctional Facility in Rockville, Indiana. The theme of the conference is "Finding Hope after the Hurts of Sexual Abuse". We are in need of volunteers to help facilitate small group discussions, present book reviews and/or visit with conference participants. Please consider how you may serve. Your attendance would be greatly appreciated! Please contact Pastor Ken Anema (616) 886-6884 or John Hamstra (219) 296-9389 for more information.

Walk for Life--Get out your walking shoes to join us on Saturday, September 17, for the Women's Center of Northwest Indiana's Annual Walk for Life. This is a great time for young and old alike to participate and save lives in our community. For more information, go to www.friendsofthewwc.org and click on the events tab to register. We look forward to seeing you there!

School Announcements

JOG-A-THON--DeMotte Christian High School Service Committee is hosting the annual Jog-a-thon!

When: Wednesday, September 8, 12:40-2:40pm

Where: Field of Dreams

Why: To fund Service Week 2023 for our students.

How can you help? By giving a donation to students when they call or using the Donate tab found on the home page DMCS Website <https://www.demottechristianschools.org/> Thank you for your past support and your continued support! We look forward to another good day!

DMCS Important Dates:

- 9/5: Labor Day--No School
- 9/7: HS Jog-a-thon @ Field of Dreams
- 9/9: DMCGS/DMCMS Picture Day
- 10/15: Harvest Sale @ DMCGS

Our Council:

ELDERS:

President: Jon Hoek (24) Parish 2
Vice President: Dan Kingma (22) Parish 1
Clerk: Russ Vander Molen (24)
John Hamstra (22) Parish 4
Steve Ryken (23) Parish 3

DEACONS:

President: Nathan Bakker (22) Parish 2
Secretary: Justin Colanese (23) Parish 4
Treasurer: Joshua Hubers (24)
Vicar: Dale Eenigenburg (22) Parish 3
Asst. Treasurer: Ray Vander Molen (24) Parish 1

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 Roberto Rossi
Fellowship: Tina Dyke
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

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