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# IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

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Sunday, July 27, 2025

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

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# MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

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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: 166.....You Who His Temple Throng

## GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn of Confession & Assurance: 87B.....Zion, Founded on the Mountains

Preparatory Exhortation to the Lord's Supper..... *Forms and Prayers* (p. 44)

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts: .....General Fund and DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc.

## GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

\*Song of Preparation: 445.....How Shall They Hear the Word of God

Reading of the Word: .....Romans 11:1-36 (p. 1125)

## Sermon: MERCY FOR UNLIKELY CANDIDATES— A HARD GOSPEL LESSON TO LEARN

Prayer of Application

\*Hymn of Application: 427.....I Sought the Lord, and Afterward I Knew

## GOD'S BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: 108:1, 2.....My Heart Is Steadfast, God!

\*Silent Prayer-concluded by the Postlude

\*Postlude

\*Please stand if able.

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# EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

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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: 213.....Glory Be to God the Father

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 93 (p. 589)

Singing of the Psalm: 93.....The LORD Reigns Over All

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts: .....General Fund and DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc.

## GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

\*Hymn of Preparation: 273.....Break Thou the Bread of Life

Reading of the Word: .....Mark 12:13-17 (p. 1008)

Catechism Reading: Lord’s Day 39.....Forms and Prayers (p. 246)

## Sermon: THANKSGIVING THROUGH THE FIFTH COMMANDMENT

## GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

\*Hymn of Application: 534.....Fill Thou My Life, O Lord My God

## GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: 566.....Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

\*Silent Prayer—concluded by the Postlude

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\*Please stand if able.

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## THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

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Coffee Fellowship after morning worship.

**Nursery AM:** Carrie Bakker and Evelyn Kuiper

**PM:** Kate Buiter and Remmie Bakker

**On-call Nursery Attendant:** Dana Vander Molen

**Sound System:** Tanyon Bakker

**Greeters AM:** William Green Family (South), Jim & Bonnie Zeilenga (North), Cody Stegenga (Elevator)

**Greeters PM:** Tim Dyke Family (South), Thomas & Kimmy Bousema (North), Luke Terpstra (Elevator)

**Cookies:** Sue DeBoer, DeGraff, DeJong, DeVries

**Song Service:** Amos Terpstra; **Songs:** 356, 397, 420

**Saturday:** Parsonage Remodel clean-up at 8:30 am.

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## NEXT WEEK SUNDAY: AUGUST 3

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Communion Service. Coffee Fellowship after morning worship.

**Nursery AM:** Mary DeBoer and Lucy Rottier

**PM:** Jessica Colanese and Abrielle Brummel

**On-call Attendant:** Tina Dyke

**Sound System:** Carson Bakker

**Greeters AM:** Tim & Laurel Stegenga (South), Elias Martin (North), Jerry Hager (Elevator)

**Greeters PM:** John & Donna Hamstra (South), Dave Bosgraaf (North), Sam Terpstra (Elevator)

**Cookies:** Tina Dyke, Alicia Dyke, Val Dykhuizen

**Song Service:** Elias Martin

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## UPCOMING DATES:

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**August 4:** Parsonage Remodel clean-up.

**August 8:** Set-up at Spencer Park for our Touch of Dutch booth.

**August 9:** Touch of Dutch Festival.

**August 13:** Prayer Meeting at 7:00 pm.

**August 16:** Church Picnic at 5:00 pm.

**August 22:** Installation of Rev. Joel Worries.

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## *Congregational Care*

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- Ed Kingma
- Marcia Drenth
- Engaged couples
- Selah Outreach Romania volunteers fly home tomorrow, July 28.
- Rev. Joel and Kayla Worries and daughters as they prepare to move to Indiana
- Expectant mothers: Sydnie Walstra and Ebelise Romero

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## *Apostles' Creed*

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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

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## *United in Prayer-Missionary Prayer Requests*

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Prayer items for Hispanic Christian Ministry (Rev. José Ramírez and Rev. Eric Pennings):

- We thank the Lord for our growing student body. This past month Rev. Pennings registered 59 new students from Albania, Italy, Uganda and Zimbabwe. During 2025 he has processed 206 diplomas from 17 countries around the world.
  - Thank the Lord for the growth in the Iglesia Vida Nueva, the Hispanic Ministry in Toronto led by Rev. José Ramírez. He is preparing 6 adults for profession of faith and 4 for baptism, and one couple will be received as members.
  - Pray for Rev. Ramírez's next ministry trip on July 21-31 to Nicaragua where he will be meeting with church leaders and teaching courses in two communities in the Miskitia region on the east coast.
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## *Deacon Report*

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Our offering next Sunday will be for the General Fund and Lifewise Academy.  
All cash donations not placed in an envelope and designated will go to the second offering cause.

## General Announcements

We are grateful to have Dr. Mark Beach and Rev. John Vermer lead us in worship today.

**Post Parsonage Remodel Clean-up** will take place 8:30 am-1:00 pm this Saturday, August 2, and also on Monday, August 4. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up in the fellowship hall or by using the link in the Connect email if you are planning to help. Please speak with Dawn DeGraff if you have any questions.

**LifeWise Prayer Meeting** is Monday, August 5, at 6:30-7:30 pm located at American Reformed Church in DeMotte. Please enter through door #7. All ages welcome. Spread the Word and bring a friend.

**Correction**-Our booth set-up for the Touch of Dutch Festival will take place on **Friday** afternoon, August 8. Please use the yellow cards in your box to sign up to volunteer or you may sign up in the fellowship hall. Many more volunteers are needed for the day of the event, August 9. Please speak with E & O Chairman, Derek Terpstra, if you have questions about this outreach.

Our next **Prayer Meeting** will take place on Wednesday, August 13, at 7:00 pm. Come and pray over the requests we receive from our neighbors who visit our booth at the Touch of Dutch Festival.

Our **Annual Church Picnic** will take place on Saturday, August 16, at 5:00 pm. Please RSVP before August 9. You can RSVP at the bulletin board in the fellowship hall or by using the link in Wednesday's email.

**Refreshments**-If you would like to provide refreshments for the fellowship time after the installation service on Friday, August 22, please sign up at the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Kitchen helpers will be needed, too.

**New in the Library:** ADULT FICTION: Designed with Love, book 2 in The Hope of Cheyenne Series by Tracie Peterson Heart's Choice, book 1, With Each Tomorrow, book 2, and An Unexpected Grace, book 3 in the Jewels of Kalispell Series. Pursuit by Elena Bradford, Second Chance at Sunshine Inn by Amy Clipston Wager with the Matchmaker (a Shanahan Match) by Jody Hedlund Where Secrets Lie (a Tupelo Grove Novel) by Colleen Coble. JUV NON-FICTION: Heaven for Kids by Randy Alcorn. ADULT NON-FICTION: But Now I See: Eye-Opening Light from the Gospel of John by Gerald Bilkes, Lord of Psalm 23 -Jesus our Shepherd, Companion, and Host by David Gibson (Sinclair Ferguson, writer of the foreword) Union with Christ: the Blessings of Being in Him by Sinclair Ferguson Union with Christ: The Way to Know and Enjoy God by Rankin Wilbourne; Waiting Isn't a Waste: The Surprising Comfort of Trusting God in the Uncertainties of Life by Mark Vroegop

**The Institute for Reformed Biblical Counseling Training:** Providing wise and applicable counsel to those who are suffering can be a daunting task. The IRBC Basic Training Course in Reformed Biblical Counseling seeks to equip Christians to effectively minister to one another in the light of God's truth from a Reformed perspective. Registration ends **August 11**. Please prayerfully consider taking the course to be held at our church. Visit IRBC.net for more information/registration.

**Lifewise Academy:** With thanks and praise to God for His direction and provision, we are pleased to report that LifeWise KV is moving forward full steam ahead. We have a board, teachers, a location with

room expansion and remodeling taking place over the next two weeks, students beginning to enroll, a social media platform on Facebook, financial support gaining momentum, several community churches raising awareness and support, and local involvement planned for the *Touch of Dutch* and the *Back-to-School* fairs, among other events. Our new ASK is for volunteers. Our class schedule will run from 12:00-1:30 pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Volunteers would need to arrive a little early to help prep and pray over the day. We have 16 volunteer slots open EACH week. Could you volunteer one day a week? Could you volunteer four days a month? Would you consider being a backup helper, in case someone can't come in? God has opened so many doors for the school year, but we need 'boots on the ground' to fill the volunteer spaces and spread the Gospel to the students of KV! Click "join the team" on our webpage and fill out your information. Thank you so much! Carolyn Hager, Director

**Reformed Mission Services:** Our **TASC event at Trinity URC** in Lethbridge, Alberta, is happening this week! This Saturday, August 2, our final TASC of 2025 begins in Pompton Plains, NJ. Please keep all those involved in hosting and participating in these last two TASC events in your prayers! If your church is interested in hosting a future TASC, email Steve at [steve@rms.org](mailto:steve@rms.org). You can view photos from the whole season at [rms.org/tasc](https://rms.org/tasc).

Reformed Mission Services is hosting a SEED event in New York City from September 6–13, 2025. This week-long experience is designed to equip and encourage participants for evangelism through solid teaching, hands-on ministry, and meaningful fellowship. Pastor Paul Murphy will serve as the instructor for the week. SEED challenges individuals to live missionally in their everyday lives. The registration deadline is August 4, 2025. For more information, visit [rms.org/seed](https://rms.org/seed) or contact Rob Brinks at [rob@rms.org](mailto:rob@rms.org).

**Covenant Reformed Church (URCNA) in Carbondale, Pennsylvania** acquired the house next to the church, which is being transformed into Covenant House—a ministry center designed to serve both the congregation and the community. Planned uses include a nursery and Sunday school classrooms, clothes closet and food pantry, rooms for Bible studies, etc. and additional parking for church activities. If you're interested in supporting or volunteering, please contact Rob at [rob@rms.org](mailto:rob@rms.org).

## **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  
Moms Made ANEW: Stacey Tolkamp  
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: Mandy Verduin  
Web Manager: Dana Perkins  
Women's Bible Study: Donna Hamstra  
Youth Group: Nathan & Carrie Bakker and  
Derek and Jennie Terpstra

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