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# IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

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Sunday, September 3, 2023

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

Rev. Roberto Rossi, Pastor  
Rev. Ken Anema, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Nathan Brummel, Associate Pastor

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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: 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: 135:1-3, 5.....O Praise the LORD! His Praise Proclaim!

## **GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE**

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Confession & Assurance: 277.....Before the Throne of God Above

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts: .....General Fund and Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary

## **GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE**

\*Song of Preparation: 453:1-5.....Just as I Am, without One Plea

Reading of the Word: .....Exodus 11:1-12:32 (p. 62)

## **Sermon: THE LORD STRIKES THE FIRSTBORN OF EGYPT**

## **GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND**

Prayer of Application

Song of Application: 353 (alt. tune: 69B) .....Lamb, Precious Lamb

## **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.

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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: 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

\*Hymn of Praise: 66B.....Come, All Ye People, Bless Our God

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 141 (p. 619)

Singing of the Psalm: 141:1-5, 8.....O LORD, to You I Call

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts: .....General Fund and Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary

## GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

\*Hymn of Preparation: 429.....Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Reading of the Word: .....Matthew 16:13-20 (p. 976)

Catechism Reading: Lord's Day 31.....Forms and Prayers (p. 235)

## Sermon: PETER, THE ROCK

## GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

\*Song of Application: 284.....Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

## GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: 570.....Doxology

\*Silent Prayer—concluded by the Postlude

\*Postlude

\*Please stand if able.

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## THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL:

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No Coffee Fellowship.

**Nursery AM:** Donna Hamstra and Kenny Hager

**PM:** Kyra Hoek and Levi Hubers

**On-call Nursery Attendant:** Jessica Colanese

**Sound System:** Carson Bakker

**Greeters AM:** Steve Ryken Family (South), Ross Hoek Family (North), Cody Stegenga (Elevator)

**Greeters PM:** Joe Cox Family (South), Brian Kingma Family (North), Derek Terpstra (Elevator)

**Song Service:** Jay Staley; **Songs:** 220, 286, 504

**Tuesday:** Consistory meets at 7:00 pm.

**Wednesday:** Ladies' Bible Study at 10:30 am at Spencer Park. GEMS meet at 5:45 pm & Cadets at 6:30 pm.

Youth Group meets at Restored Resale at 6:00 pm.

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

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

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## NEXT WEEK SUNDAY: SEPTEMBER 10

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

**Nursery AM:** Jessica and Bev Hubers

**PM:** Laureen Hoek and Lucy Rottier

**On-call 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:** Noah Anema

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## UPCOMING DATES:

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**September 11:** Deacons meet at 7:00 pm.

**September 19:** Council meets at 7:00 pm.

**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.

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## *Congregational Care*

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

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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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Santa Clarita, California Church Plant

- Give thanks that Rev. Irons has accepted a call to serve as church-planting pastor.
  - Give thanks for the families that are meeting together on Sundays and for the new worship facility that has been rented.
  - Pray that many would be brought to faith as God's Word is faithfully preached from week to week.
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## *Deacon Report*

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### **Offering Schedule:**

**Today:** General Fund and Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary

**September 10:** General Fund and Mobility Ministries

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.

## General Announcements

Bookmarks for the **September 2023 Bible Reading Schedule** are on the tables near the bulletins.

**Youth Group's first Serve September** will be this Wednesday, September 6, helping Restored Resale Store in Roselawn from 6:00-8:00 pm. Afterwards we will be ending the night at the Terpstras for dessert! If your teen needs a ride to Restored, please reach out to the Bakkers, and we will meet you at church. Otherwise, we will plan to meet at Restored at 6:00 pm.

**GEMS Kickoff:** The GEMS will be heading to Zao Island to mini-golf and then out for ice cream afterwards! Please have your daughter eat dinner before arriving at church at 5:45 pm this Wednesday, September 6th. We plan to be back at church by 8:30 pm.

**Cadets Kickoff** will take place this Wednesday, September 6, here at church from 6:30-8:00 pm. Cadet parents, please check your email for information from Jerry Hager.

**Ladies' Bible Study Kickoff** will be a time of fellowship and a salad lunch at 10:30 am on Wednesday, **September 6** at Spencer Park. Plates, drinks, rolls and dessert will be provided. Feel free to bring a sack lunch for your toddlers. Study books will be distributed after the lunch, and childcare will be provided. Contact Paula Brummel or Donna Hamstra if you have questions. Any ladies interested in a Tuesday evening study, please speak with Donna Hamstra this week.

**Men's Bible Study** will meet this Saturday, September 9. Please join us at 7:00 am Saturday mornings for a time of learning, fellowship & prayer. We meet in "The Well" and will be studying Micah to start the year. It's great way to understand God's plan throughout history and to get to know other brothers in Christ. Please speak with Rudy Tolkamp or Russ VanderMolen if you would like more information.

**Sunday School and Catechism** classes will begin next Sunday, September 10. Pre-K-4 will meet in the Story Hour room before going to their classes. For grades 5-12, there is a schedule in your church mailboxes.

**Teen Mother Choices of DeMotte** begins this week 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 Thursdays, 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!

**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.

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](mailto:johnmhamstra@gmail.com).

# School Announcements

## **DMCS SOCIETY MEETING**

A Special Society Meeting is set for Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the High School Lunchroom. We have arranged to have the Christian Church of DeMotte opened up for those interested to walk through the facilities. The walk-through is scheduled for August 31, 2023, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. If you are a society member (anyone who has donated \$50 or more to DMCS this year), please join us on the 5th as we share more information on this opportunity and vote to purchase the property. The purchase price has been set at \$675,000.00. Please pray for wisdom and if we vote to move forward, prayerfully consider making a contribution toward the purchase of the property. To be added to our society email list, please send your name and email address to [communications@dmcsemail.org](mailto:communications@dmcsemail.org).

## **DMCS Important Dates:**

- Sept 5: Society Meeting
- Sept 6: DMCHS Jog-a-thon
- 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: 155 Book Fair @ DMCGS

## *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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