

Welcome to

IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday, March 5, 2023

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: 418.....Arise, O God

GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Confession & Assurance: 130A.....LORD, from the Depths to You I Cry!

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes and Gifts.....General Fund and DeMotte Food Pantry

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 195.....Shine Thou upon Us, Lord

Reading of the Word:Exodus 4:1-17 (p. 55)

Sermon: THE LORD VISITS HIS SERVANT

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Song of Application: 546.....God of the Prophets!

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:Apostles' Creed

*Hymn of Praise: 22C.....Amid the Thronging Worshipers

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 22 (p. 539)

Singing of the Psalm: 22A:1-3, 6, 8.....My God, My God, O Why Have You Forsaken Me?

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes and Gifts.....General Fund and DeMotte Food Pantry

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Hymn of Preparation: 466.....My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Reading of the Word:John 3:1-21 (p. 1055)

Catechism Reading:Lord's Day 15 (*Forms and Prayers*, p. 216)

Sermon: THE SON OF MAN MUST BE LIFTED UP

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Song of Application: 498.....I Will Sing of My Redeemer

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 the morning worship service.

Nursery AM: Dana Vander Molen and Abrielle Brummel **PM:** Margo Van Der Molen and Emmelene Dyke

On-call Nursery Attendant: Clair Vander Molen

Sound System: Amos Terpstra

Greeters AM: Elaine Dyke (South), North Entrance Closed, Calvin Eenigenburg (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Elias Martin (South), North Entrance Closed, Sam Terpstra (Elevator)

Song Service: Jon Hoek; **Songs:** SF 3 & 64, TPH 429

Monday: Bridal shower for Carly James at 6:30 pm.

Tuesday: Consistory meets at 6:00 pm.

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

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

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY: MARCH 12

Coffee Fellowship after the morning worship service.

Nursery AM: Stacey Tolkamp and Naomi Dyke

PM: Claire Vander Molen and Wendy Hager

On-call Nursery Attendant: Leanna Bakker

Sound System: Carson Bakker

Cookies: Renee Anema, Leanna Bakker, Maggie Bakker, Carrie Bakker

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

Greeters PM: John & Donna Hamstra (South), Brian Kingma Family (South), Derek Terpstra (Elevator)

Song Service: Cade Walstra

UPCOMING DATES:

March 13: Deacons meet at 7:00 pm.

March 15: GEMS, Cadets and Youth meet at 6:30 pm.

March 21: Council meets at 6:30 pm.

March 28: Building & Grounds Committee meets at 7:00 pm.

April 2: Sunday School children sing before morning worship. Fellowship meal. **Clean-up:** Parishes 3 & 4

April 7: Good Friday Service at 7:00 pm. Communion Service.

April 8: First Responders Appreciation Breakfast, 6:30-10:30 am.

April 19: All Church Skate at 6:00 pm.

Congregational Care

- Amber Green
- Jerry Hager
- Expectant mothers, Mandy Verduin and Jessica Eenigenburg

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 Fritz Harms is a church-planter in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

- God's direction for each member as Covenant URC ceases to exist as a URC church plant this May.
 - Faithful ministry and service through this difficult time.
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Deacon Report

Offering Schedule:

Today: General Fund and DeMotte Food Pantry

March 12: General Fund and Classical Church Assistance Fund

March 19: General Fund and Illiana Right to Life

March 26: General Fund and DeMotte Christians Schools, Inc.

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

Prayer requests and updates on all the ministries we support can be found on our website.

With gratitude to God, the deacons report the offerings of February 26:

General Fund

Benevolence

DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc.

DeMotte Food Pantry

Mid-America Reformed Seminary

Immanuel Cadets (Spaghetti Dinner)

Classical Church Assistance Fund

Illiana Right to Life Committee

General Announcements

Reminder—The Pancake Breakfast for First Responders and the Community will take place on Saturday, April 8, from 6:30-10:30 am. Please visit the large bulletin board in the fellowship hall for more information and to sign up. There are one hour time slots available throughout the morning.

Today Pastor Rossi begins a series in **Adult Sunday School**, *Understanding and Engaging Woke Culture from a Biblical Perspective*.

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

GEMS Bake Sale: The GEMS would like to thank EVERYONE who came out to support the bake sale. We received \$626.71 in donations for Teen Mother Choices of DeMotte! We give all the glory to God for His provision! A special thank you to all the GEMS and the friends of GEMS who brought baked goods, helped package up all the goodies, etc. It was awesome to see the body of Christ (of all ages) coming alongside each other to serve the Lord!

Pinewood Derby Races—The Cadets would like to thank the congregation for their support at the Pinewood Derby races last week. Please see the official standings for “Race” and “Show” by the Cadet bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

GEMS and Cadets meet Wednesday, March 15, at 6:30 pm. **Snack:** Spronk Family; **Devotions & snack:** Naomi Dyke.

Youth Group meets March 15 at 6:30 pm at Nathan & Carrie Bakker’s home. **Snack:** Tessa Vander Molen.

Young Adults will meet Sunday, March 19, after evening worship at John & Mary DeBoer’s home. Please bring a side, drink or dessert to share.

Save the Date—**All Church Roller Skating** will be on Wednesday, April 19, from 6-8 pm at Bazz Roller Rink in Rensselaer. Pizza will be provided, and the concession stand will be open. Please RSVP with the link in the weekly emails or on the sign-up sheet on the table by the GEMS & Cadets bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. No cost to attend. Please note: Roller blades are not allowed.

Christian Renewal Magazine—Please fill out the form in the weekly email or speak with Donna Hamstra if you would like to receive a subscription.

Word & Deed - Turkey Earthquake Relief Update—Word & Deed continues to work through partner churches in Turkey. One group of churches has well over 150 volunteers in 6 impacted cities who are providing tents, blankets, and food to victims of the earthquake. So far \$50,000 USD / \$67,000 CAD has been sent. Beneficiaries are noting how joyfully the Christians are helping them. Word & Deed is taking part in multiple calls with partners to share lessons learned from over 35 disaster relief efforts that we have participated in over the last 20 years. Please pray for the ongoing efforts to bring help for both body and soul for the precious people of Turkey.

The **Men of A-Chord** is excited to announce a concert in celebration of their 70th Anniversary. The concert will be on Saturday March 25, 2023. The concert will begin at 7:00 pm at the First Church (OPC) of South Holland located at 16248 South Park Ave., South Holland, Illinois. As part of this Celebration Concert former members of the Men of A-Chord are joining us for a mass chorus. There will be piano/organ duets as well, along with plenty of audience participation in singing the great hymns of the faith! Make your plans now for a great evening of song and praise in celebration of God's faithfulness for 70 years with Men of A-Chord. A free will offering will be taken. For information, please see our website at www.menofachord.org or contact any member of the Men of A-Chord.

Save the Date! Friday, April 28, from 7-9 pm please join **Reformed Mission Services** for our bowling fundraiser at Stardust Bowl in Dyer, Indiana. Come for a fun evening of FREE bowling, fellowship, and dessert all while learning more about RMS and supporting their mission. Free will donations will be accepted at the door. Find out more and sign up online at rms.org/bowling. We hope you'll join us! If you have questions, please contact Jim Iwema at jim@rms.org.

School Announcements

DMCS Important Dates:

- 3/6: RaiseRight (SCRIP) Due
- 3/6-20: SUDS FOR A CAUSE Fundraiser
- 3/10: DMCHS Service Dinner 6:30-8:30 PM @ DMCHS
- 3/18: DMCHS STUCO Banquet
- 3/20: RaiseRight (SCRIP) Due
- 3/27-31: Spring Break
- 4/3: RaiseRight (SCRIP) Due
- 4/6: Suds pick-up at DMCGS front hall
- 4/7: Good Friday, No School/Make up day
- 4/10: Easter Monday, No School/Make up day

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: Dave DeGraff
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, Jim & Bonnie Zeilenga and Pastor Roberto Rossi

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