

Welcome to

IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday, August 20, 2023

Worship Services: 10:00 am & 5:00 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

*Hymn of Praise: 138B.....With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring

GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Confession & Assurance: 435.....Not What My Hands Have Done

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and Mid-America Reformed Seminary

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 446:1, 2, 4, 5.....Be Thou My Vision

Reading of the Word:Exodus 10:21-29 (p. 62)

Sermon: THREE DAYS OF DARKNESS

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

Song of Application: 156.....Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

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: 92B.....It Is Good to Sing Your Praises

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 34 (p. 547)

Singing of the Psalm: 34A:1-5I Will at All Times Bless the Lord

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and Mid-America Reformed Seminary

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Hymn of Preparation: 172.....Speak, O Lord

Reading of the Word: Matthew 26:17-29 (p. 989)

1 Corinthians 11:17-34 (p. 1139)

Catechism Reading: Lord's Days 28, 29, 30.....Forms and Prayers (p. 230)

Sermon: THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Song of Application: 196.....At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

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: Sue DeBoer and Emmelene Dyke

PM: Mary Vander Molen and Naomi Dyke

On-call Nursery Attendant: Janell Rottier

Sound System: Thomas Bousema

Greeters AM: Dale & Marie Eenigenburg (South), Rob Buiten Family (North), Jacob Dyke (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Justin Colanese Family (South), Dan & Beth Kingma (North), Amos Terpstra (Elevator)

Song Service: Peter Brummel; Songs: 107A, 164, 217

Tuesday: Building & Grounds Committee meets at 7:00 pm

Saturday: Rockville Correctional Volunteer Training at 8:30 am in the Catechism Room downstairs.

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY: AUGUST 27

Baptism Service. Coffee Fellowship after the morning worship service. Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary presentation after morning worship.

Nursery AM: Amber & Corianna Green

PM: Tina Dyke and Wendy Hager

On-call Attendant: Carrie Rossi

Sound System: Amos Terpstra

Greeters AM: Tim Verduin Family (South), Jim & Cathy Kuiper (North), Calvin Eenigenburg (Elevator)

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

Cookies: Cake will be served.

Song Service: Elias Martin

UPCOMING DATES:

September 6: GEMS Kick-off

September 10: Sunday School and catechism begin.

October 1: Fellowship Meal after morning worship.

Congregational Care

- Jay Staley
- Barb Meppelink
- Jim Kuiper
- Amber Green
- Expectant mothers: Cami Stegenga, Leanna Bakker and Sydnie Walstra
- Teen Mother Choices (TMC)

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

Rev. Chris Coleman is a church-planter in Vancouver, Washington.

- Give thanks to God for blessing us with a newly ordained elder to shepherd the saints of Peace URC.
 - While we are thankful for our current worship space, please pray that the Lord would provide a more permanent place for worship and discipleship.
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Deacon Report

Offering Schedule:

Today: General Fund and Mid-America Reformed Seminary

August 27: General Fund and DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc.

September 3: 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.

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

General Fund

Benevolence

Reformed Youth Services

Consistory Announcement

Gerrit Eenigenburg, son of Calvin and Jessica, will be baptized next Sunday morning.

General Announcements

Pastors Anema and Brummel will give an update on the ministry of **Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary** after the morning worship service next Sunday.

Thank you to all who donated items or volunteered at Immanuel's Touch of Dutch booth last week. Your help was greatly appreciated!

Mini-books at Touch of Dutch: *Is God Listening? What if He Doesn't Answer?* were the most popular mini-book this year followed by *Anxiety and Panic Attacks*, and *Your Special Needs Child*. Seventeen titles in all were taken. Pray that they would lead people to trust Jesus, who offers us his unwavering presence and the promise that one day, those who trust him will be delivered completely.

Sunday School and Catechism classes will begin September 10.

Immanuel Youth Group is planning a **Serve September** and they are looking for ways to bless the church and surrounding community. If you have needs or know of a ministry that has ways we can serve, please reach out to Carrie Bakker.

GEMS: Mark your calendars! The GEMS kickoff will take place on Wednesday, September 6th! More details about this fun night coming soon! Our first official GEMS meeting will be on Wednesday, September 20th from 6:30-8:00pm. Please contact Carrie Rossi, Amanda Staley or Amber Green with any questions. Thanks!

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. Payment can be made by check or credit card (Visa or Mastercard). Registration takes place at the event and covers the cost of hosting the event. Additional donations for the ministry are appreciated and can be made during registration or by sending to Divine Hope. Since 2012, Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary has offered Bible-based programs of study to inmates in five prisons in Indiana and Illinois. Divine Hope provides these programs at NO COST to our students. The seminary depends on your support through fundraisers and regular giving for our \$494,000 annual budget.

The Board of **Reformed Youth Services** is pleased to announce the appointment of our next Director, Paul Van Dyke. Paul will be working with our current director, Ed DeGraaf, for six months, to ensure a smooth transition. The Board requests your prayers for Paul and the ministry of RYS as we praise God for His provision!

Word & Deed is a reformed ministry that works with indigenous Christians to address the physical & spiritual needs of people in the developing world. A *Stewardship Group* is a group of Christians in a local area coming together to make a significant impact on the lives of disadvantaged people in the developing world by supporting specific Word & Deed projects sharing God-given blessings to see the Gospel advanced. Come to this meeting to learn how the group operates and to see how local Christians partner together to affect people's lives. There is no obligation to become a member of the group; all are welcome to attend. Lord Willing, the meeting will be held at Redeemer URC (10681 Park Pl. St. John) at 7:00 PM tomorrow, August 21. If you have any questions, please contact Dave Vander Meer at dvandermeer@wordanddeed.org or our local Word & Deed board member, Paul Beezhold at pbeezhold@gmail.com.

"I was in prison and you came to me." Matthew 25:36b. Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary hosts two conferences per year at the Rockville Women's Facility in Rockville, Indiana. Our next conference will be held September 29 - October 1 with the theme: **Walk Thru the Old Testament, a Presentation of the Bible as a Single Story of God's Plan of Salvation from Creation to Christ**. 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.

Interested in Singing? Miss choral singing? Men of A-Chord is a Christian Male Chorus is starting their season! We would like for you to join us to sing, come check us out! We would love to have you come alongside us and enjoy singing for the Lord. The Men of A-Chord season will start, Wednesday August 23, 2023 @ 7:30 pm at First Orthodox Presbyterian Church of South Holland. The church is located at 16248 South Park Ave., South Holland, IL. In addition to our regular performances, we have several other things planned for our season! For more information contact our director Justin Rich @ 219-588-5471, or our business manager, Mike Oldenburger @ 630-209-2326. www.menofachord.org

School Announcements

DMCHS JOG-A-THON

Our first Service Week fundraiser is almost here, and sponsors will be able to submit donations online through our website (www.demottechristianschools.org). Follow the steps below to make your donation.

1. Click "Support our school" on the homepage
2. Scroll down and click "High School Service Week"
3. Click the "Click here to donate" link

Sponsors need to indicate which student(s) they're supporting in the "Additional Comments" box of the donation form, so everyone receives proper credit. The cut-off date for collecting donations (by cash/check AND online) is **Wednesday, September 13**, just one week after the event. Thank you for your support!

DMCS Important Dates:

August 21: Preschool 4/5 First Day

August 22: Preschool 3/4 First Day

Sept 4: Labor Day No School

Sept 6: DMCHS Jog-a-thon

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
Pastor Roberto Rossi

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