

Welcome to

IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday, April 27, 2025

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

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

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: 99A.....The LORD God Reigns on High

GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn of Confession & Assurance: 441.....Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and Reformed Mission Services

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 78:1, 2, 3, 4, 13.....O My People, Hear My Teaching

Reading of the Word:Matthew 13:1-23 (p. 972)

Sermon: THE SEED WORTH SOWING

Prayer of Application

*Song of Application: 173.....Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast

GOD'S BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

*Benediction

*Doxology: 106B, 1, 14.....O Praise the Lord, for He Is Good

*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: 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: 95C.....Now with Joyful Exultation

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 51 (p. 560)

Singing of the Psalm: 51C:1, 3, 5, 7.....God, Be Merciful to Me

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and Reformed Mission Services

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 192.....O God, Great Father, Lord and King

Reading of the Word:Romans 6:1-14 (p. 1120)

Catechism Reading: Lord's Day 26.....Forms and Prayers (p. 228)

Sermon: BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST'S DEATH AND LIFE

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application: 524.....Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

*Benediction

*Doxology: 563.....May the Grace of Christ Our Savior

*Silent Prayer—concluded by the Postlude

*Postlude

*Please stand if able.

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

Coffee Fellowship after morning worship. Young adults meet after evening worship.

Nursery AM: Kate Buitter and Wendy Hager

PM: Mary DeBoer and Bev Hubers

On-call Nursery Attendant: Sue DeBoer

Sound System: Amos Terpstra

Greeters AM: William Green Family (South), Bruce Van Duyn (North), Max Vander Molen (Elevator)

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

Cookies: Lindsay Poortenga, Jean Post, Darlene Propst, Brenda Ridder

Song Service: Russ Vander Molen; **Songs:** SF 52, 57, 72

Wednesday: Story Hour and Ladies' Bible Study meet at 9:00 am.

Thursday: National Day of Prayer Service at 7:00 pm. Set up for Pancake Breakfast at 8:00 pm.

Saturday: Pancake Breakfast begins at 7:00 am.

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY: MAY 4

Coffee Fellowship after morning worship.

Nursery AM: Abby Dyke and Genny Hubers

PM: Sue DeBoer and Levi Hubers

On-call Attendant: Jessica Hubers

Sound System: Carson Bakker

Greeters AM: Jim & Bonnie Zeilenga (South), Rob Buitter Family (North), Sam Terpstra

Greeters PM: Jay Staley Family (South), Joe Cox Family (North), Ian Cox (Elevator)

Cookies: Rosenthal, Rottier, Patti Ryken, Staley

Song Service: Elias Martin

Congregational Care

- Ed Kingma
- Wendy Hager
- Laureen Hoek
- Expectant mother, Leanna Bakker

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. Eric Kayayan is a missionary in France.

- For the continuation of Reformed Faith & Life broadcasts in Bukavu (east of the Democratic Republic of the Congo) despite the takeover of the region by armed rebel groups and foreign troops.
- For the efficient distribution of our Christian literature in French among refugees or migrant workers from Burundi and Congo living in South Africa.
- For the smooth preparation of our forthcoming camp for young adults in the south of France (May 28-31) on the necessity of creating and developing Christian schools despite strong constraints by the state.

Deacon Report

Our offering next Sunday will be for General Fund and Classis Home Mission Fund.

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

General Announcements

We are grateful to have Mr. Daniel Hofland lead us in worship this morning. Mr. Hofland is a third-year student at Mid-America Reformed Seminary in Dyer, Indiana. Dr. Mark Beach will lead us in worship this evening. Rev. Mark Vander Hart and Rev. John Vermeer will be preaching next Sunday, May 4.

Young Adults meet tonight after evening worship.

Our **Prayer Day Service** will be this Thursday, May 1, at 7:00 pm.

Youth Group leaders are needed for the 2025/2026 school year. Please speak with Derek Terpstra or Nathan Bakker if you can serve.

Attention men of the congregation: Due to the growth of our Cadet program, we are in need of more counselors for next year's cadet season. For more information, please contact Jerry Hager 219-863-7498.

TMC Childcare: Several more nursery workers are needed for May 1, May 8, May 15 and May 22. Please sign-up at the bulletin board in the fellowship hall or speak with Mary Vander Molen.

Our **3rd Annual First Responders Appreciation Pancake Breakfast will take place this Saturday, May 3, from 7:00-10:00 am.** This is a free event for the entire community, not just for first responders. Please invite your friends and family to come for breakfast. Volunteer assignments will be emailed on Tuesday. If you can help with set-up for the breakfast after our Prayer Service on Thursday, please speak with Dawn DeGraff.

Volunteers needed for Illiana Cadet Council: Illiana Cadet Council supports and provides many events for the local clubs, including international camporee prep. The council is in dire need of men to serve on the board. Starting in the 2025-2026 season there will be several positions that need to be filled. These positions are integral to the local clubs, both in support and events. We ask that you would prayerfully consider serving. For more information, please contact Jerry Haveman 815-587-2284 jjhaveman@yahoo.com or illianacadetcouncil.org

Reformed Mission Services News:

Please keep the RMS team in your prayers as they return home this week from Costa Rica. We are thankful for the time they were able to spend working alongside Rev. Bill Green at CLIR, the school, and local churches. View photos from the trip at rms.org/costa-rica!

Bowl with your family and friends while learning more about the work of Reformed Mission Services! All are welcome to join us for this special fundraiser on Saturday, May 17, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at Stardust Bowl in Dyer, IN. Even if you don't plan to bowl, we invite you to come enjoy some cake and fellowship while supporting RMS. Sign up today to reserve your spot at rms.org/bowling or contact Wendy Buiters for more information.

School Announcements

- April 28-May 2: DMCHS Service Week
- May 2: DMCGS & DMCMS Walk-a-thon
- May 5: 9-12 E-Learning / PK-8 in session
- May 10: Knights 5K run starting 8 am at UC
- May 12: 4th & 5th Band/Choir Concert 6:15-7 pm DMCGS Gym
- May 12: DMCHS Band & Choir Concert 7:30-8:30 pm UC Aux Gym
- May 15: 8th Grade Celebration 6:30-8:30 pm UC Cafeteria
- May 16: Kindergarten Program 6:30-7:30 pm DMCGS Gym
- May 19: DMCMS Choir & Band Concert 7-8 pm UC Aux Gym
- May 29: K-12 Last Day
- May 30: DMCHS Graduation

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
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: 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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