

Welcome to

IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday, March 24, 2024

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: *Proclaim the name of the Lord and ascribe greatness to our God.*

Congregation: *I will tell of Your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation, I will praise You.*

*Salutation

*Song of Praise: 103C:1-4.....Come, My Soul, and Bless the LORD

GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Confession & Assurance: 69B.....Thy Lovingkindness, Lord, Is Good and Free

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

Congregational Prayer

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

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 325.....All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Reading of the Word:Psalm 22 (p. 539); Matthew 27:45-56 (p. 992)

Sermon: THE FOURTH WORD OF THE CROSS

Prayer of Application

*Song of Application: 342.....Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

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: *Proclaim the name of the Lord and ascribe greatness to our God.*

Congregation: *I will tell of Your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation, I will praise You.*

*Salutation

GOD'S PEOPLE OFFER PRAISE

*Confession of Faith.....Apostles' Creed

*Hymn of Praise: 107A:1-3, 13.....O Thank the LORD, for He Is Good

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 54 (p. 562)

Singing of the Psalm: 54.....By Your Name, O God, Now Save Me

Congregational Prayer

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

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Hymn of Preparation: 527.....Loving Shepherd of Your Sheep

Reading of the Word:Matthew 25:14-30 (p. 987)

Catechism Reading: Lord's Day 24.....*Forms and Prayers* (p. 225)

Sermon: OUR GOOD WORKS

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application: 529.....Lead Me, Lord, Lead Me in Thy Righteousness

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

No Sunday School/Catechism due to spring break. No Coffee Fellowship after morning worship.

Nursery AM: Mary DeBoer and Sophie Bakker

PM: Kirsten DeBoer and Abrielle Brummel

On-call Nursery Attendant: Josie Vander Molen

Sound System: Thomas Bousema

Greeters AM: Cade Walstra Family (South), Howie & Brenda Ridder (North), Jerry Hager (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Jon & Laureen Hoek (South), Thomas Bousema (North), Jacob Dyke (Elevator)

Song Service: Reagan Ryken; **Songs:** 331, 343, 366

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

Friday: Good Friday worship service at 7:00 pm.

Greeters: John Dyke Jr. Family (South), John & Donna Hamstra (North), Reagan Ryken (Elevator)

Nursery: Abby Dyke and Emmelene Dyke

On-call Nursery: Tessa Vander Molen

Sound System: Peter Brummel

Saturday: Bridal shower for Molly Bootsma & Mason Vander Molen. Punch at 9:30 am/brunch at 10:00 am.

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY: MARCH 31

No Sunday School/Catechism due to spring break. No Coffee Fellowship meal after morning worship.

Nursery AM: Wendy Buiters and Liv Cox

PM: Elizabeth DeJong and Naomi Dyke

On-call Attendant: Dana Vander Molen

Sound System: Amos Terpstra

Greeters AM: Elias Martin (South), Dave Bosgraaf (North), Sam Terpstra (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Calvin Eenigenburg Family (South), Bill & Grace Vander Molen (North), Max VM (Elevator)

Song Service: Dana Perkins

UPCOMING DATES:

March 30: No Men's Bible Study.

April 2: Consistory meets at 7:00 pm.

April 3: Ladies' Bible Study and Story Hour resume. **GEMS and Cadets** meet at 6:30 pm.

Devotions/snack: Rylee Lassiter.

April 7: Sunday School & Catechism resume. Fellowship meal after morning worship.

April 10: Prayer Meeting at 7:00 pm.

April 13: First Responders' Pancake Breakfast from 7:00-10:00 am.

April 15: Hoosier Scholars 4H meets at 10:30 am.

April 16: Council meets at 7:00 pm.

Congregational Care

- Jim Kuiper
- Expectant mothers: Nicole Hoek, Amanda Staley, Elizabeth DeJong, Jessica Colanese & Abbie Martin.
- 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. Nathan Brummel is a professor in Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary.

- Thank the Lord for the many students at our campuses who love the Lord and delight to walk in His commandments.
 - Pray that the Lord would continue to bless our students who bring a word of edification on Sunday morning at chapel services.
 - Ask that the Lord would cause our students to understand the great importance of the doctrine of justification by faith alone as we study the epistle to the Galatians and the great Protestant Reformation of the 16th century.
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Deacon Report

Our offerings next Sunday will be for the General Fund and The Women's Center of Northwest Indiana. All cash donations not placed in an envelope and designated will go to the second offering cause. Our weekly amount to meet budget 2024 is \$8,160.

Consistory Announcements

We are grateful to have Rev. Steve Swets lead us in worship today. Rev. Swets is pastor of Redeemer United Reformed Church in St. John, Indiana.

Pastor Rossi is preaching today at Lynwood United Reformed Church in Lynwood, Illinois.

Our Good Friday service will begin at 7:00 pm this Friday, March 29.

General Announcements

Bookmarks for the **April 2024 Bible Reading Schedule** are on the tables near the bulletins.

Our bridal shower for Molly Bootsma and Mason Vander Molen is this Saturday at 9:30 am. Please check your email for a message from Mary Vander Molen about upcoming celebrations.

Two more meals are needed for TMC on April 18 and May 9, and there are two openings for babysitters on April 4 and May 16. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the fellowship hall.

Sunday School and Catechism classes will resume April 7.

Our next **Fellowship Meal** will take place on Sunday, April 7. Clean-up: Parishes 3 & 4 (Ipema-Zeilenga). **Families of 1 & 2:** please bring a main dish. **Families of 3+:** Please bring a main dish plus a side OR dessert. All visitors are welcome to join us.

Ladies Bible Study and Story Hour will resume on Wednesday, April 3, studying God's attribute of Holiness. Study questions are on the table in the narthex. **Snack:** Lindsay Poortenga

Our **2nd Annual Pancake Breakfast** to honor our first responders is Saturday, April 13. The sign-up form was in Wednesday's Immanuel Connect email. Thank you to everyone who has signed up already!

It is renewal time for **Christian Renewal** magazine. If you would like to be a new subscriber for 2024, or if you already receive it and would like to cancel, please let Donna Hamstra know by today.

Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary is hosting a spring conference to be held at **Rockville Correctional Facility** on May 3-5. Lydia Brownback, author and conference speaker, will be sharing her insights on the book of Psalms. You are invited to join us for one or all the sessions. For more information or to sign up, please contact John Hamstra (219) 296-9389 or johnmhamstra@gmail.com before **April 15**.

Reformed Mission Services: Are you interested in sponsoring the upcoming RMS Bowling Fundraiser? Visit rms.org/bowling for more information. If you have any questions please talk to Wendy Buitter.

The Women's Center of NWI's 35th Annual Celebrating Life Event will take place on Friday, May 10, with Seth Dillon of The Babylon Bee as keynote speaker. You can reserve a place for the luncheon at 11:15 am or the dinner at 5:45 pm. Please contact Donna Hamstra to make a reservation.

School Announcements

Moms in Prayer: A Community-wide Prayer Group: DeMotte Christian Schools is excited to partner with the local community and offer this wonderful opportunity! Moms in Prayer is for anyone and everyone who wishes to come pray for our local schools, students, teachers, and staff. We have organized monthly prayer topics and prayer requests. We hope you'll join us the first Thursday of each month at Cup of Joy Cafe in DeMotte from 8:15-9:15 am. Feel free to reach out to [Amber Donnowitz](mailto:Amber.Donnowitz@dmcsemail.org) at communications@dmcsemail.org for more information! **Meeting dates:** April 4 and May 2.

Community-wide Communications: DeMotte Christian Schools loves to keep in touch with our school community. If you would like to be included in these email communications, please contact [Amber Donnowitz](mailto:Amber.Donnowitz@dmcsemail.org) at communications@dmcsemail.org with your name and email to be added to the list! Thank you!

Important Dates at DMCS:

April 9: Annual Society Meeting at 7 pm DMCS Upper Campus

April 12-13: DMCHS Presents 'Cinderella' at 7:30 pm

April 19: SCHOOL IN SESSION

April 22-26: DMCHS Service Week

April 29: PK-12 e-learning

May 3: Walk-a-thon

May 4: DMCS Carnival (current families invited to attend)

May 11: Christian Prom 6 pm at Halls of St. George

May 18: DMCHS Worship Night at 7 pm DMCS Church Campus

May 23: K-12 last day

May 24: Teacher in service/Makeup Day

May 24: DMCHS Graduation at 7 pm

Our Council:

ELDERS:

President: Mark Van Der Molen (25) Parish 1
Vice President: Russ Vander Molen (24) Parish 4
Clerk: John DeBoer (25)
Derek Terpstra (26) Parish 3
Jon Hoek (24) Parish 2

DEACONS:

President: Ray Vander Molen (24) Parish 1
Vice President: Jim Zeilenga (25) Parish 2
Secretary: Nathan DeJong (25) Parish 3
Treasurer: Ross Hoek (26)
Assistant Treasurer: Josh Hubers (24) Parish 4

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: Jim Zeilenga
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
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: 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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