

Welcome to

IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday, August 11, 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: 222:1-4, 7.....O God, Our Help in Ages Past

GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Confession & Assurance: 51B:1-5.....God, Be Merciful to Me

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and DeMotte Food Pantry

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 509.....Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?

Reading of the Word:1 Peter 1:1-12 (p. 1203)

Sermon: FAITH REFINED BY FIRE

*Prayer of Application

*Song of Application: 513.....Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

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: 291.....O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 8 (p. 531)

Singing of the Psalm: 8B.....LORD, Our Lord, in All the Earth

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and DeMotte Food Pantry

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 19B:1, 5-9.....The Heavens Above Declare

Reading of the Word:Romans 5:12-21 (p. 1120)

Catechism Reading: Lord's Day 3.....*Forms and Prayers*, (p. 203)

Sermon: WHERE DID OUR SIN AND MISERY COME FROM?

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application: 439Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

*Benediction

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

*Silent Prayer—concluded by the Postlude

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*Please stand if able.

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

Coffee Fellowship after the morning worship service.

Nursery AM: Jessica and Genny Hubers

PM: Brenda Long and Emmelene Dyke

On-call Nursery Attendant: Josie Vander Molen

Sound System: Peter Brummel

Greeters AM: Jim and Bonnie Zeilenga (South), Dave and Brenda Long (North), Sam Terpstra (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Reagan Ryken (South), Joe Cox Family (North), John Hamstra (Elevator)

Song Service: Derek Terpstra; **Songs:** SF 14, 28, 64

Tuesday: Deacons meet at 7:00 pm.

Wednesday: Profession of Faith class meets at 6:30 pm. Prayer Meeting at 7:00 pm.

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY: AUGUST 18

Coffee Fellowship after the morning worship service. Chapel Service at Oak Grove at 2:30 pm.

Nursery AM: Abbie Martin and Corianna Green

PM: Lydia Rossi and Bev Hubers

On-call Attendant: Tessa Vander Molen

Sound System: Amos Terpstra

Greeters AM: Rob Buijter Family (South), Dave Bosgraaf (North), Thomas Bousema (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Sue DeBoer (South), Carson Bakker Family (North), Cade Walstra (Elevator)

Song Service: Reagan Ryken

Cookies: Pat DeVries, Marcia Drenth, Elaine Dyke, Tina Dyke

UPCOMING DATES:

August 23: GEMS Kick-off at Brightstone Lake from 5:00-8:00 pm.

August 28: Ladies' Bible Study Kick-off meal at 5 pm. Details coming soon.

September 4: GEMS & Cadets begin.

September 8: Sunday School and Catechism Classes begin.

September 11: Prayer meeting at 7:00 pm.

September 29: Baptisms of Reuben DeJong, Miles Staley and Cohen Colanese during morning worship.

September 30: Bridal Shower for Kimberly Voortman.

Congregational Care

- Our teachers & students as they begin a new school year this week.
- Joan Perkins
- The Green Family
- Expectant mothers: Abbie Martin & Stephanie Kingma
- Engaged couples
- Teen Mother Choices (TMC) begins again on September 5.

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. Mitch Ramkissoon is a pastor with Redemption Prison Ministry in Canada.

- Please pray for the weekly Chapel service at the Red Deer Remand Center.
 - Pray for the weekly Bible study at the Bowden Institution with the 16-18 men who attend.
 - Please continue to pray for the health of my wife, Doris.
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Deacon Report

Our offerings next Sunday will be for the General Fund and Reformed Youth Services.

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.

General Announcements

Thank you: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised! We are very thankful for our church family, friends and family during this time. Jim's numbers regarding his cancer continue to improve. We are very grateful to God for this! We ask for your prayers and support as we go forward. Thank you so much!
In Christ, Jim and Cathy Kuiper

Our monthly **Prayer Meeting** is this Wednesday at 7:00 pm. We meet in the Adult Sunday School room.

Sunday School and Catechism classes will begin on Sunday, September 8, at 9:00 am.

GEMS Kick-off: The GEMS are invited for a bonfire with hotdogs and s'mores to start off our year! Please join us on Friday, August 23, from 5:00-8:00 pm under the pavilion at Brightstone Lake (2494 N 620 W Rensselaer, Indiana). Please bring a life jacket and change of clothes (if you'd like to use the boats). Feel free to invite a friend! Parents are welcome to drop off their girls or stay for the bonfire! Please RSVP to Amber Green or Carrie Rossi. Hope to see you there!

GEMS: Our first meeting is right around the corner! All 3rd-8th grade girls are invited to join us on Wednesday, September 4th from 6:30-8:00pm! This year's theme is *Transformed! Changed by God's Word from the Inside Out!* and is based on Romans 12:2. We're looking forward to a fun year of Bible lessons, crafts, games, badges & more! Don't forget to bring your Bible and Badge book along! Questions? Please see Amber Green, Carrie Rossi or Sydnie Walstra.

Youth Group Kick-off will take place Saturday, September 7. We will be leaving in the morning for Crooked Creek Trails for horseback riding, fishing and breakfast. It is going to be a fun morning riding the trails on the 300-acre property! Please RSVP to Carrie Bakker as soon as possible if you plan to attend. Also, please save the date, September 18, for our annual **Serve September** project. More details coming soon.

More **Cadet** counselors are needed for the 2024-2025 year. Please contact Jerry Hager if you would like to serve in this way.

Teen Mother Choices begins meeting again on Thursday, September 5. Please sign-up in the fellowship hall for providing meals and/or serving in the nursery from 5:45-8:15 pm on a Thursday evening.

Costa Rica Comes to US! Every year, graduating students of Centro Educativo Cristiano Reformado (CECRE) in Costa Rica take a class trip to a Reformed community in the US. The purpose of this trip is to give students an educational, cross-cultural experience in a Reformed community. Rev. Bill and Aletha Green desire to expose their students to Reformed homes, churches, schools, and institutions in the US. This year the Greens reached out to Immanuel URC congregation to host this trip and the consistory agreed. Fourteen students and 3 chaperones will be joining us from **September 26-October 6!**

How you can help: We need several households who would be willing to host two or three students. During the day, the students will be doing various service projects, shadowing at DMCHS, presenting at Oak Grove, etc. Ideally, host families would be able to drop them off at church or DMCHS in the morning and pick them up in the afternoon/evening. Hosts will share meals, chats, and everyday life with these young brothers and sisters in Christ. They do speak English. If you are interested, please contact William Green (831-998-1220) or Amber Green (219-384-7094). Thank you!

Christian women and men are invited to participate in the **Divine Hope Ladies' Bible Study** at the Rockville Correctional Facility. We are currently studying Colossians, and we meet on Friday evenings from 6:30-8:00 pm (Eastern time). Most of our volunteers sign up to lead the study at least once per month. If you are interested, please sign-up to attend the mandatory training to be held on August 24 at 9:00 am at Immanuel. For more information or to sign up for the training, please contact John Hamstra, (219) 296-9389 or johnhamstra@gmail.com.

Word & Deed: Would you like to directly impact people's lives in the developing world with the gospel of Jesus Christ? Learn how a group of local Christians partner with Word & Deed for that purpose. You are invited to the Illiana area W&D Stewardship Group meeting. This group currently sponsors projects in India & Costa Rica. Lord Willing, the meeting will take place Monday, Aug. 19, at Faith URC in Beecher, at 7:00 pm. Please contact Dave Vander Meer (269) 760-0771 dvandermeer@wordanddeed.org or Paul Beezhold (630) 514-2695 if you have any questions.

Please join us for **Family Fun Night** this Friday, August 16 at 6:30 pm. Free Bounce houses, ice cream, popcorn and corn-hole games. Please bring your lawn chairs. All are welcome! With warm regards, Oak Lawn United Reformed Church, 9350 South 54th Avenue, Oak Lawn, Illinois.

Bible League Conference: There is still time to sign up for the fall conference which will take place on Saturday, September 7, in Lansing, Illinois. This conference is open to men and women and will include a light brunch. Craig and Molly Sanborn will be the keynote speakers. Please contact Deanna Van Swol to register dvanswol@bibleleague.org (708) 367-8541.

The Women's Center of Northwest Indiana is once again holding its annual *Walk for Life* on Saturday, September 21. The walk is only two miles, and you may choose to walk in one of two locations. For more information, please visit www.friendsofthewwc.org.

Cornerstone URC Women's Conference in Hudsonville, Michigan invites you to save the date for the upcoming 28th Women's Conference, scheduled for March 14 & 15, 2025 at Cornerstone URC. Featured guest is well-known speaker, Carol Kent, author of When I Lay My Isaac Down– Unshakeable Faith in Unthinkable Circumstances. More details and registration information to come! Questions? Call the church office (616) 669-2190 or email curcwc@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 28, 2024 @ 7:30 pm at First Church of South Holland (OPC). 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 or www.menofachord.org

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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