

Welcome to

IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



Sunday, January 7, 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

*Hymn of Praise: 163.....Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE

Reading of God's Law

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Confession & Assurance: 103E.....O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord

Congregational Prayer

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc.

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 484.....On the Good and Faithful

Reading of the Word:Psalm 73 (p. 574)

Sermon: WHOM HAVE I IN HEAVEN BUT YOU?

Prayer of Dedication

*Song of Preparation: 73C.....In Sweet Communion, Lord, with Thee

GOD 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.....Heidelberg Catechism, Lord' Day 1

*Song of Praise: 164.....God Himself Is with Us

Psalm Reading.....Psalm 121 (p. 612)

Singing of the Psalm 121A.....I Lift My Eyes Up to the Hills

Offering of Tithes & Gifts:General Fund and Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 79B.....Remember Not, O God

Reading of the Word:Jeremiah 17:5-13 (p. 767)

Sermon: WHO CAN UNDERSTAND THE HUMAN HEART?

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

Prayer of Application

*Song of Application: 139B:1-3, 11.....LORD, You Have Searched Me

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:

Sunday School and Catechism classes resume. Coffee fellowship after morning worship.

Nursery AM: Jessica Hubers and Simeon Terpstra

PM: Lydia Rossi and Hudson Bakker

On-call Nursery Attendant: Alicia Dyke

Sound System: Amos Terpstra

Greeters AM: Loren & Catie Cavanaugh (South), Nathan Bakker Family (North), Jerry Hager (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Tim Dyke Family (North), William Green Family (South), Elias Martin (Elevator)

Song Service: Reagan Ryken; **Songs:** 22C, 248, 281

Tuesday: Consistory meets at 7:00 pm.

Wednesday: Ladies' Bible Study and Story Hour resume. GEMS girls meet. **Devotions/snack:** Norah Kuiper
Prayer Meeting at 7:00 pm.

Thursday: Evangelism & Outreach Committee meets at 7:00 pm.

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

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY: JANUARY 14

Installation of office bearers. Coffee Fellowship after morning worship.

Nursery AM: Jessica Colanese and Claire Bakker

PM: Carrie Rossi & Rennie Bakker

On-call Attendant: Tina Dyke

Sound System: Peter Brummel

Greeters AM: Tim Verduin Family (South), Brent & Val Dykhuizen (North), Jacob Dyke (Elevator)

Greeters PM: Pastor Anema Family (South), Lauren Vermeer (North), Calvin Eenigenburg (Elevator)

Song Service: Tim Stegenga

UPCOMING DATES:

January 17: Cadets meet at church at 6:30 pm.

January 22: Hoosier Scholars 4H Club meets at 10:30 am.

January 28: Cadet Sunday

February 7: Cadet Spaghetti Dinner at Immanuel URC.

February 11: Communion Service. Fellowship meal after morning worship.

Congregational Care

- Dawn DeGraft
- Jim Kuiper
- Expectant mothers: Cami Stegenga, Leanna Bakker, Nicole Hoek, Amanda Staley, Elizabeth DeJong & Jessica Colanese
- Teen Mother Choices (TMC)

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 1
Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has delivered me from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

United in Prayer-Missionary Prayer Requests

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

- Pray that the Lord would provide a permanent worship space.
 - Pray that the Lord would continue to raise up qualified and ready men to serve as elders and deacons.
 - Pray that the Lord would be pleased to bring unbelievers to our doors.
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Deacon Report

Our offerings next Sunday will be for the General Fund and DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc. With gratitude to God, we would like to report our 2023 giving exceeded our budgeted collections by \$4,700. Thank you again for your faithful giving. If you have any questions please reach out to the deacons.

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

General Announcements

We are grateful to have Rev. Paul Ipema lead us in worship today. Rev. Ipema is Assistant Professor of Ministerial Studies and Dean of Students at Mid-America Reformed Seminary in Dyer, Indiana.

GEMS will meet this Wednesday, January 10, at church. **Devotions/snack:** Norah Kuiper.

Cadets will meet next Wednesday, January 17, at 6:30 pm.

Our monthly **Prayer Meeting** will take place this Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm in the Adult Sunday School room.

Our Immanuel **Cadets** will be holding their Annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser on Wednesday, February 7, from 5:00-7:00 pm here at church. Donations of pasta sauce and desserts will be welcome. Please sign up to attend in the Fellowship Hall by the poster.

Save the date for the **Annual Cadet Pinewood Derby** on March 6 at DeMotte Christian Grade School. Anyone who wants to enter a car for the open class, please sign-up at the Cadet Bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Jerry Hager.

Our next **Fellowship Meal** will be February 11. **Clean-up:** Parishes 1 & 2 (Anema-Hubers).

This Tuesday, January 9, the **Dordt University Chamber Orchestra** will perform at 1st CRC DeMotte at 7:30 pm. This free concert is part of a winter tour across Michigan, Indiana, Illinois and Ohio. A freewill offering will be taken to defray tour expenses. Join us for an evening of music for the Glory of God!

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 at communications@dmcsemail.org for more information! Next meeting: January 11.

Important Dates:

Jan 9: Dordt Orchestra at 1st CRC DeMotte 7:00 pm.

Feb 16: No school- Teacher in service/Makeup Day

Feb 19: No school- President's Day/Makeup Day

Feb 24: DMCHS Winter Formal

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
Derek and Jennie Terpstra

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