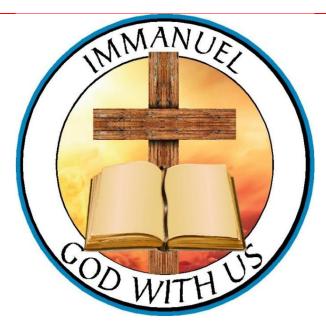
Welcome to

# IMMANUEL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH



# Sunday, March 20, 2022

Worship Services: 10:00 am & 5:00 pm Hymn Sing 4:50 pm

> Rev. Roberto Rossi, Pastor Rev. Ken Anema, Associate Pastor Rev. Nathan Brummel, Associate Pastor

# MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

#### Prelude

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#### GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE

Call to Worship
Silent Prayer - concluded by minister
*Votum
Pastor: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Congregation: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.
*Salutation
*Song of Praise: 170God in the Gospel of His Son

#### **GOD PARDONS HIS PEOPLE**

Reading of God's Law	
Assurance of Pardon	
*Hymn of Confession & Assurance: 264	None Other Lamb

Congregational Prayer	
Giving our Tithes and Offerings:	General Fund and Illiana Right to Life

#### GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Song of Preparation: 278	Nothing but the Blood
Reading of the Word	

#### Sermon: DRAWING NEAR TO GOD WITH CONFIDENCE

#### **GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND**

Prayer of Application	
*Song of Response: 431:1-3, 5	And Can It Be That I Should Gain

#### GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

*Benediction	
*Doxology (unannounced): 473:1, 3	By the Sea of Crystal
*Silent Prayer - concluded by the Postlude	
*Postlude	

# EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

#### Prelude

#### GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE

Call to Worship Silent Prayer - concluded by minister \*Votum

Pastor: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Congregation: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness. \*Salutation

## **GOD'S PEOPLE OFFER PRAISE**

*Confession of Faith	Apostles' Creed
*Hymn of Praise: 223	•
Psalm Reading	•
Singing of the Psalm: 92B	
Congregational Prayer	6
Giving our Tithes and Offerings	General Fund and Illiana Right to Life

#### GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

*Hymn of Preparation: 165	To Your Temple I Repair
Reading of the Word	Hebrews 10:19-39 (p. 1194)

#### Sermon: HOLDING FAST TO WHAT WE HAVE RECEIVED

#### **GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND**

Prayer of Application	
*Song of Dedication: 153	O Day of Rest and Gladness

#### GOD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE

*Benediction	
*Doxology (unannounced): 570	Doxology
*Silent Prayer - concluded by the Postlude	
*Postlude	

#### THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL:

No Sunday School and Catechism-spring break. Nursery AM: Christy Post and Tanyon Bakker Sound System: Peter Brummel Greeters AM: Elias Martin (South), Howie & Brenda (North), Noah Hoek (Elevator) Greeters PM: Cole Propst (South), Ray Vander Molen Family (North), Curtis Propst (Elevator) Song Service Leader: Jon Hoek; Songs: SF 3, SF 6, SF 36 Tuesday: Building & Grounds Committee meets at 7:00 pm. Wednesday: Spring break– No church activities. Saturday: No Men's Bible Study.

#### NEXT WEEK SUNDAY, MARCH 27:

Sunday School and Catechism meet at 9:00 am.Nursery AM: Val Post & Emmelene DykePM: Amanda Staley & Naomi DykeSound System: Nick PostGreeters AM: Josie Vander Molen (South), Hamstra Family (North), Calvin Eenigenburg (Elevator)Greeters PM: Claire & Sophie Bakker (South) Dave & Brenda Long (North), Amos Terpstra (Elevator)Song Service: Russ Vander Molen

# UPCOMING DATES:

**April 3:** Fellowship meal after the morning worship service. Clean-up: Parishes 1 & 2 (Anema-Howard) Post-high group meets at John & Mary DeBoer's home after the evening worship service. **April 5:** Consistory meets at 6:00 pm.

April 6: Prayer meeting. GEMS' Mother/Daughter Night. Cadets and Youth meet. Snack: Zeilenga

### **Congregational Care**

- William Green
- Tony Vissers
- Expectant mother, Shelby Kingma.

# 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

Pastor Mihai Corcea is a church-planter in Bucharest, Romania.

- Pray for peace in Eastern Europe and for people to turn to Christ during this uncertainty which has been brought on by the nearby war.
- Pray for the outreach and evangelism efforts in Bucharest, especially our June 11 conference on Christian Ethics.
- Pray for growth in faith and maturity of the members and regular visitors of the church plant in Bucharest.

#### Deacon Report

Offering Schedule: Today: General Fund and Illiana Right to Life March 27: General Fund and DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc. April 3: General Fund and I.T.E.M. (International Theological Education Ministries) April 10: General Fund and Mobility Ministries

With gratitude to God, the deacons would like to report the following offerings of March 6:

General Fund Sanctuary Remodel Fund DeMotte Food Pantry Classical Church Assistance Fund DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc. Illiana Right to Life Committee

#### **Consistory Announcements**

Today we are grateful to have Dr. Cornelis Venema lead us in worship. Dr. Venema is president of Mid-America Reformed Seminary in Dyer, Indiana.

Larsen E. will be baptized next Sunday, March 27.

Rebecca W. will be welcomed into Immanuel's membership on April 3.

#### **General Announcements**

**The Cadets** would like to thank the congregation for their support and participation that made the Pinewood Derby a huge success. Thank you!

A reminder from the deacons: You do not need to use the offering envelopes if you write the offering cause on the memo line of your check. If you want to give cash towards the General Fund, please use an envelope and mark it accordingly. Thank you.

**Thank you!** The Women's Center of Northwest Indiana thanks the Immanuel congregation for its donation of \$1,268.73 from the Baby Bottle Boomerang Fundraiser. Your donation was greatly appreciated!

Adult Sunday School continues with "How to Love Your Neighbor in a Transgender Culture." Next week we will discuss a valuable insight for understanding our transgender neighbors and family members in order to love them more wisely. Resources and handouts can be found on our website: https://www.immanuelurcdemotte.org/adult-sunday-school

**Parenting Mini-book: Angry Children- Understanding and Helping Your Child Regain Control**. If you have an angry child, you are most likely worn out, confused, and looking for answers to questions like these: How can I restore sanity to this chaos? How can I prevent these anger storms in my child? Why does this rage seem to explode out of nowhere?

In this mini-book available free in the foyer, Dr. Michael R. Emlet offers you needed help by explaining both the deeper heart issues and possible physical weaknesses that can fuel a child's angry explosions. Then, using his experience as a doctor, counselor, and parent, he applies the truths of the Bible to your child's struggles with anger and outlines practical strategies for helping your child learn self-control.

**Do you want to fight sin more effectively?** Fix your mind on Jesus through Bible memory (Psalm 119:11). It's not too late to sign up for the Bible Celebration on Wednesday, June 8. See the display on the lower level to register.

Rev. John Vermeer is the writer for the month of April in the **Nearer to God Daily Devotional** booklet. He is pastor of Doon URC in Doon, Iowa, which is in Classis Central. You can pick up copies of the devotional on the tables in the back of the sanctuary.

**The 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Women's Center of Northwest Indiana's "Celebrating Life" Event** on Friday, May 13, at the Avalon Manor in Merrillville, Indiana. The keynote speaker will be actor and filmmaker, Kirk Cameron. A luncheon and a dinner option are available. Please see Carrie Rossi if you would like more information.

## School Announcements

**DMCS Foundation Bylaw Changes 2021-2022**– Society members will vote on proposed Foundation Bylaws. Hard copies of these changes are available at either campus (DeMotte Christian Grade School or Covenant Christian High School).

**DMCS Society Meeting** –DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc. (Covenant and DeMotte Christian) strongly encourage you to attend the Annual Society Meeting on Tuesday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m. at Covenant Christian High School. Society members will vote on the proposed advisory budget, new Board members, and proposed Foundation Bylaws. The bylaws require that a member "be 18 years of age or older and have individually contributed a minimum of \$50 to the school corporation in the 13 months prior to the publication of the agenda." If submitting an absentee ballot for board members, a member must complete the election ballot <u>and</u> the member affirmation statement, place in a sealed envelope, sign the outside, and turn in to the school offices. Hard copies of the Society booklets and Annual Financial Report are available at either campus (DeMotte Christian Grade School or Covenant Christian High School). The Annual Financial Report will not be opened for discussion; it is simply provided to give insight and transparency into the financials of DMCS.

**Restored Resale Inc.**, a DMCS partner, is in desperate need of volunteers and monetary donations to get the store up and running. They have a great many needs to meet, so please consider how you may be able to help them. Contact them at <u>RestoredResaleInc@gmail.com</u> to find out more. Thank you!

#### **DMCS Important Dates:**

March 21-25:	Spring Break
March 28:	Kal-Bro Gift Card Fundraiser Begins (ends April 11)
April 7:	Suds for A Cause Pick Up at DMC from 2:45-4:00 pm
April 8:	Grandparent's Day (details to come!)
April 8-9:	CCHS Spring Musical: ANNIE, 7pm both nights
April 11:	Kal-Bro Gift Card Fundraiser Ends
April 12:	Society Meeting at CCHS @ 7:00 pm
April 15 and 18:	School in Session
April 21-22:	DMC Junior High Musical, Disney's "The Jungle Book" @ 7pm
April 25-29:	CCHS Service Week

#### Our Council:

**DEACONS:** 

ELDERS: President: Jon Hoek (24) Parish 2 Vice President: Dan Kingma (22) Parish 1 Clerk: Russ Vander Molen (24) John Hamstra (22) Parish 4 Steve Ryken (23) Parish 3

President: Nathan Bakker (22) Parish 2 Secretary: Justin Colanese (23) Parish 4 Treasurer: Joshua Hubers (24) Vicar: Dale Eenigenburg (22) Parish 3 Asst. Treasurer: Ray Vander Molen (24) Parish 1

#### Parishes:

1: Anema – Drenth 2: Dyke – Howard 3: Hubers – Ridder 4: Rossi – Zeilenga

#### Committees and Contact Person:

Administrative Assistant: Donna Hamstra	Helping Hands: Naomi Hamstra
Adult Sunday School: Pastor Ken Anema	Librarian: Maggie Bakker
Bookkeeper: Elaine Dyke	Men's Bible Study: Rudy Tolkamp
Building & Grounds: Rob Buiter	Nursery: Jessica Colanese
Bulletin: please contact Administrative Assistant	Sound & Video System: Rudy Tolkamp
Cadets: Dave DeGraff	Special Events Coordinator: Mary Vander Molen
Custodians: Dave and Dawn DeGraff	Special Music: John Hamstra
Education: Dan Kingma	Story Hour: Stacey Tolkamp
Evangelism & Outreach: Pastor Roberto Rossi	Sunday School: Carolyn Hager
Fellowship: Tina Dyke	Web Manager: Dana Perkins
Funerals: Beth Kingma and Sue DeBoer	Women's Bible Study: Donna Hamstra
GEMS Club: Carrie Rossi	Youth Group: Nathan & Carrie Bakker, Jim &
Handiwork Fellowship: Jessica Hubers	Bonnie Zeilenga and Pastor Roberto Rossi

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