

Offering Schedule:

Today: AM: Sheldon Area Unity Meal
PM: Rise Fest
June 18: AM: Resonate Global Mission and Benevolence
PM: Christian Education

Safety Team:

Today: AM: Todd W, Don B
PM: Todd W, Don B
June 18: AM: Dane B, Brody D
PM: Autumn D, Brody D

Nursery:

(The library is available during the service as a private space for nursing moms)

Today: Roz G, Macy W, Kendra H
June 18: Marla W, Ella W, Alyssa S

Morning Praise Team:

Today: Jeff Schemper, Aidyn Schemper, Dave Vande Brake,
Dylan Hanenburg
Pianist: Jill Schemper
June 18: Tyler Schemper family
Pianist: Shonna Wassenaar

Audio:

Today: Jarace
June 18: Zack

Video:

Today: Charlie
June 18: Kolby

PowerPoint:

Today: Landan/Lorna
June 18: Cody

Coffee Servers:

Today: Erv & Kathy Wieringa, Roger Boer
June 18: Lee & Judy Schemper, Justin & Rachel Rosenboom

This Week at Immanuel: June 11 - 17

SUN: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship
WED: 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting with Ministry Partners
followed by Deacons/Elders Meeting
THU: 6:00-8:00 p.m. Love INC Classes

Welcome to Worship at Immanuel

Pastor Kevin Muyskens
June 11, 2023

Morning Worship: "You cannot serve both God and money" (Matthew 6:24). Today we talk about the call God places on our lives when we profess our faith or when we are ordained to church office. Often, we limit the call of God to churchy things, but his expectation of our service applies to our entire lives. In Matthew 6 Jesus lays out a challenge that is relevant for us all – who or what will we serve? Will we serve God above all? Or will we above all serve our own wants and desires as they are represented by paychecks and money in the bank?

The worship service will be presented at 9:30 a.m. Sunday at our host site: <http://immanuelsheldon.online.church>. It will be posted for later viewing on the Immanuel Church of Sheldon Iowa YouTube page and on our church website, <http://immanuelsheldon.com/>.

Evening Worship: This evening we will conclude our study of the book of Esther. This somewhat confounding book continues to challenge us as readers to the very end. The events present the grounds for the celebration of Purim and why it is celebrated on different days in cities and in rural areas. However, while we celebrate God's deliverance of the Jewish people and the ancestors of Jesus, we also cringe at the loss of life and the continuation of the killing into a second day in Susa.

Announcements

Profession of Faith: In morning worship today we will have the privilege to witness the professions of faith of Addison Jacobsma and Alyssa Schmidt. We warmly welcome them to the privileges of full communion and ask that the LORD use this milestone moment as encouragement to continue to grow in their love for and service to their Savior, Jesus Christ.

Ordination and Installation: This morning we will ordain and install elder Ray Hernandez, deacons Brian Wieringa and Cobi Jones, and ministry partner Deb Peters for three-year terms of service. We pray God's blessing on those who will be serving and ask that the LORD empower them with his Holy Spirit for the tasks of ministry. We also offer our thanks and blessings for those who will be completing terms of office: Jeff Schemper, Joel Gesink, Dan Jacobsma, and Teresa Hoekstra.

Next Sunday we will celebrate the Lord's Supper. This gift of God is received by faith so all who participate are expected to have a faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. In his instructions regarding communion the Apostle Paul also admonishes us to examine ourselves before we come to the table. This examination is all about reconciliation with Christ and with our fellow Christian. Please examine those relationships and seek reconciliation as far as you are able before coming and proclaiming your oneness with Christ and his body.

Immanuel's Youth Group will be having a car wash & bake sale on Saturday, June 17 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. to raise money for their upcoming service trip to Rapid City in July. Run your vehicle through the car wash in Immanuel's parking lot and stop by the Covenant House driveway for some baked goods! Hint: this is a great opportunity to get dad's vehicle clean and grab a treat for him to enjoy on Father's Day!

Save the Date: Immanuel is in charge of serving at the Sheldon Area Unity Meal on Monday, June 19 at Living Water Church. Sign up on the Connections table.

The Chosen: Pastor Kevin is hosting a men's group to watch and discuss the series, "The Chosen," which is a video retelling of Jesus mission on earth with a focus on his chosen followers. The first meeting will be at 7:00 on Thursday, June 22 at the Muyskens' home. This series should spark some great discussion whether you are new to the stories of Jesus or are being introduced to them in a new way.

The Safety Team is hosting a CPR and AED training and certification event on Monday, June 26 at 7:00 p.m. Training will be provided by the Sheldon Community Ambulance Team. Cost is \$10 per person. If you are interested, please sign up on the Connections table by June 20.

The library is available for use all summer! If your kids are looking for something to read this summer, check out the church library! We have lots of kids' story books, mystery chapter books, modern retellings of parables, The Chronicles of Narnia, and so much more for your kids on the South Wall of the library! There are new books for teens and adults about Christian Living, Real People's Faith Stories, and Summer Bible Study Ideas on the West Wall.

Considering Our Mission: The Leadership Team has been reading the book, "Small Town Mission" by Aaron Morrow. Each chapter of the book suggests several ideas for how we can be on mission for Christ even as we go about our daily life in our small towns. Many of the ideas are about building long-term relationships in such a way that we can be missionaries for Jesus where we live, work, and play. Please consider the ideas that appear here and how they can help you reach others for Christ. *Consider hosting a party to watch your favorite sporting event. This is an easy idea for the sake of mission since you're probably going to be watching the game anyway. Invite both your Christian and non-Christian friends and neighbors so that your friendship networks can start overlapping in a purposeful way. (Morrow 29)*

Prayer Praises & Concerns

We offer our congratulations to Carter and Arianna (Frerk) Wibben who were united in marriage yesterday. May God pour out his blessing on them as they begin their lives together. May the LORD be the center of their home as they establish patterns for the years to come.

Pray for Lynn and Cindy Vande Brake as they relocate to Sioux Falls. Their new address is 1821 N. Oberg Circle; Sioux Falls, SD 57103. They write: *Dear Immanuel – thank you so very much for the way you've blessed us through the years of good stuff and hard stuff. It has been so very good to have you walk beside us. God bless you as He does so freely above and beyond. He is so very, very good. We love you and we will be back to visit because we won't be able to stay away! Love to you from us, Lynn & Cindy Vande Brake.*

Summer camps at Inspiration Hills are in full swing! Here are some ways to pray over us:

- Pray that God would speak through our camp counselors to reach campers with the Gospel this summer.
- Pray that the Lord would bless Inspiration Hills with more resources to advance His mission.
- Pray that God's gracious hand would be on all our staff as they serve in this ministry.

God and Money

Matthew 6:19-24

What do you _____?

Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. -Matthew 6:21

_____ on your life is like a _____.

The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy, your whole body will be full of light. -Matthew 6:22

_____ on your life is _____.

But if your eyes are unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness. -Matthew 6:23

For if “time is money” and people take time, then the “opportunity costs” of relationships (the gain that we would earn by doing something else) will be prohibitive and intimate friendships will be few. “Spending” time with friends is costly; we could “invest” it better elsewhere. -Oz Guinness, The Call, 141)

Who is your _____?

You cannot serve both God and money. -Matthew 6:24

The seed that fell among thorns stands for those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by life’s worries, riches and pleasures, and they do not mature. -Luke 8:14

Rich ____ Master ____ Darkness ____ Light ____ Treasure ____