

IMMANUEL MINISTRIES

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OUT

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Love INC Personal Supplies Closet:
Teresa Hoekstra

UP

Staff: Shonna Wassenaar
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Communion: Tom Wibben
Sound: Klint Tatsumi
Welcome Team: Vacant
Children & Worship:
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Decorations: Jaiden Tebben
Nursery: Jessica Gesink
Choir: Jack Schreurs
Prayer Ministry:
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OTHER

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COUNCIL MEMBERS

Elders

Bart Peters (A)
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Brad Kraayenbrink (C)
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Ray Hernandez, Young Adult Elder
Tom Wibben, Clerk

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Wade Heemskerk (B)
Julie Jacobsma, Sec (C)
Tyler Woudstra, Pres (D)
Cobi Jones,
Leadership Secretary

Household of Faith Ministry Partners

Group A: Deb (Bart) Peters
Group B: Kim Heemskerk
Group C: Chris Dykstra
Group D: Sandy Muyskens

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT IMMANUEL

PASTOR KEVIN MUYSKENS

December 7, 2025

Morning Worship: As followers of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, Christians are called not only to receive peace, but to make peace. Jesus says, "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called children of God." In a physical altercation, it is not unusual for the one seeking to make peace to be attacked from both sides. In this season of looking forward to the coming of one who will bring a complete peace, how do we as followers of Jesus Christ work toward peacemaking in this broken world?

Evening Worship: In Romans 9 the Apostle Paul makes the astounding statement, "I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my people, ... the people of Israel." How are we to deal with such a passionate statement? Theologically we know that such a sacrifice by one sinful human cannot redeem another. Emotionally, if we look at it from the perspective of a parent or grandparent watching their loved ones live far away from Jesus, we can understand and identify. Children and grandchildren of believers have great advantages, but what if they walk away?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Preschool – 5th Graders: Please meet in the sanctuary right after worship this morning to practice songs for Lessons & Carols.

Congregational Meeting: The congregational meeting to consider the budget has been set for Wednesday, December 10 @ 6:30 p.m. The proposed 2026 budget is in your mailbox. Please plan to come to be informed of this important part of our ministry plan and to participate in the approval process.

YOUTH GROUP will meet this Wednesday, December 10 at the Lighthouse. We will be frosting Christmas cookies and putting together Christmas meal boxes and serving them to Love INC families. Please arrive at 6:30 p.m. if you are able or whenever your schedule allows. Any questions, ask Kurt or a leader. See you then!

The Giving Tree gifts for Love INC are due back tomorrow, December 8. Please return gifts UNWRAPPED to the Connections table. Let Kurt or Shonna know ASAP if you are not able to have your gift brought back on time.

Support Michelle's Orphans: Recently, Michelle Maly sent an update which included some ways to support her ministry with orphans. Immanuel has decided to take donations for Michelle and her team to purchase gifts in Ukraine vs. trying to ship gifts from the U.S. Envelopes with designated dollar amounts will be available on the easel by the Connections table. Use them to give a check or cash and drop your gift in the offering plate between now and Christmas. The amounts will provide these gifts: \$10 blanket, \$20 shoes, \$20 coat, \$20 gift for Pishana child, \$15 set of bed sheets, \$25 Bible for foster child.

Lessons & Carols: Next Sunday morning we focus on rejoicing as we light the joy candle and tell the big story of the Bible through scripture lessons and singing carols. This is a great Sunday to invite a friend or neighbor along to worship. For our fellowship time we are asking you to bring a dozen or two of your favorite Christmas treats to share after the service.

Praise & Worship – Christmas Style: Next Sunday evening we will gather for our monthly praise and worship service. We will focus on “Immanuel – God with Us.” We will sing popular contemporary Christmas music and share examples of the presence of God in our lives. If you'd like to prepare by listening to the music ahead of time, here's a link to the Spotify playlist: <https://open.spotify.com/playlist/4MeVYLPGnGWTeSeDmV8En?si=30049e44c77341c0>. After worship, all are invited for snacks and fellowship at the Lighthouse. Please bring an appetizer to share.

Plan to join us for Christmas Eve Worship on Wednesday, December 24 at 7:00 p.m. There will be no church services on Christmas Day.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for Shelly Miedema and her family as her father, Russel, passed away on Tuesday, December 2. Visitation and funeral were held Friday at First CRC in Hull. Ask for the LORD to comfort the family and especially Shelly's mother, Bonnie, as she faces the days and years ahead without her husband and partner in life.

Pray for Judy Schemper and the broader family as Lee was laid to rest Tuesday. Ask that the LORD would grant comfort in the mourning and good memories of Lee's place in their lives.

Offering Schedule:

(The offering baskets will not be passed during the evening service. You may place your offering in one of the baskets in the fellowship hall as you enter or exit.)

Today: AM: Christian Education Society
PM: Klompiens in Katmandu
Dec 14: AM: World Renew
PM: Klompiens in Katmandu

Welcome Team:

Today: Main Door – Brian Wieringa
Fellowship Hall Door – Roger Boer
Welcome Table – Katie Wieringa
Dec 14: Main Door – Adam Tebben
Fellowship Hall Door – Jarace Schemper
Welcome Table – Tom & Marla Wibben

Nursery:

(The library is located in Classroom 1 past the restrooms and is available during the service as a private space for nursing moms)

Today: Teresa H, Addison J, Simon W
Dec 14: Krista H, Caitlyn F, Leddy H

Morning Worship Team:

Today: Tyler Schemper family; Box Drum: Alyssa Schmidt
Piano: Kathy Wieringa
Dec 14: No Praise Team for Lessons & Carols service

Audio:

Today: Zack
Dec 14: Klint

Video:

Today: Kolby
Dec 14: David

PowerPoint:

Today: Matthew
Dec 14: Lorna

Children & Worship:

Today: Sandy M, Samantha W, Tyler C
Dec 14: Sandy M, Rebecca S, Karlee D

Coffee Servers:

Today: Chad & Beth Hamill
Dec 14: Tom & Dianne Schemper

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL: December 7 – 13

SUN:	9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship
	10:45 a.m.	Sunday School, Catechism, Choir
	11:00 a.m.	YAC @ the Lighthouse
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship
WED:	6:30 p.m.	Congregational Meeting (Council Meeting to follow with Ministry Partners)
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group @ the Lighthouse
SAT:	4-10:00 p.m.	Wieringa family @ the Lighthouse