

Welcome to Worship at Immanuel

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Morning Worship: The most basic Christian profession is, "Jesus is Lord." For Jesus to be Lord, that means we submit to him; submitting to him means submitting to the teaching of the Bible. When it comes to understanding the Bible's teaching we look to the history of that understanding we find in our historic community. To apply that teaching today, we look to our church leaders. Those leaders are placed in authority over individual church members as representatives of Christ's authority, which is a gift from God.

Communion: This morning we have the opportunity to share the Lord's Supper together. This supper is a declaration of our faith as well as a connection with Christ and our fellow believers. Those who believe in Jesus Christ as their savior and have declared their faith publicly through Profession of Faith, Believer's Baptism, or Confirmation and invited to participate.

Evening Worship: There is no evening service at Immanuel this week. We are hosting KidsFest. There are still places for you to get involved. Volunteers are still needed to help serve meals each day and to work during the block party on Wednesday evening. Follow the QR code in the bulletin or the link sent to you via email to sign up.

Announcements

KidsFest 2026 starts today!

- **Meals:** If you can help serve/clean up the meals nightly at KidsFest sign up with the QR code here or use the link sent to you via email!
- **Block Party:** Help is needed in various positions to make the block party a fun night for everyone. Sign up with the QR code here or use the link sent to you via email.
- **If you signed up to bring cookies or bars**, please bring them to church this morning. Make sure to label the container with your name and mark it for KidsFest.
- **Fresh fruit and veggies donations** – please bring to the kitchen this morning.



Crunch for a Cause: Not involved in KidsFest or have time to grab a taco before? Help support the local fight against Alzheimer's at Taco Johns in Sheldon on Monday, August 10 from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. Your meal can make a real difference in funding research, reducing risks, and providing care. Make your dinner a meaningful donation. Help accelerate global research and drive early detection for a brighter future. Together, we can find a cure! Contact Sandy Kamphoff for more information (324-4703).

Sheldon Christian School Back to School worship service will be held at First CRC on Sunday, August 23 at 5:00 p.m. We will come together in a combined service with the Sheldon Christian community to kick off a new year of school around themes from the Beatitudes.

Together 2026 – The annual Community Service of Christian Unity will be held on Sunday, September 6 at 10:00 a.m. This year we will worship outdoors in the green space around the Crossroads Pavilion Event Center. Bring a lawn chair and your sunglasses. Parking will be available at the event center and golf carts will be available to transport people to the worship area. Please contact the church office if you have a golf cart you'd be willing to share.

Prayer Praises & Concerns

Linda Hibma will be having bypass surgery on Wednesday to replace four arteries to her heart. Pray that surgery will go well with no complications. Pray also that she will recover in a timely manner and that this surgery will provide healing and the return to health for which she is hoping.

Pray for Harlan and Diane Vander Griend and the broader Vander Griend family as Harlan's mother, Marie, passed away suddenly Wednesday while visiting family in Wichita, KS. Marie and her late husband, Sid, were instrumental in the founding of Immanuel CRC. Visitation will be Thursday, August 13 from 5-7 p.m. at First CRC in Sheldon; the funeral will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday.

Pray for our KidsFest ministry this week. Pray that children will be welcomed warmly and make good connections, that they would enjoy worshipping the Lord together, that the Gospel would be clearly presented, and that the Lord would work in hearts to bring children to know and love and worship him.