

Offering Schedule: (The evening offering baskets will be placed on the tables as you enter/exit the sanctuary)

Today: AM: Missions Faith Promise
PM: Bethesda Christian Counseling
Mar 20: AM: Tuition Help Fund
PM: Christian Education Society

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

Today: Marla W, Kolby H, Addison J
Mar 20: Alyssa P, Jarace S, Ella W

Praise Team:

Today: Jeff Schemper, Dave Vande Brake, Dylan Hanenburg
Pianist: Jill Schemper
March 20: Tyler Schemper family
Pianist: Shannon Schreurs

Audio:

Today: Cobi
Mar 20: Kyler

Video:

Today: Brody
Mar 20: Stephen

PowerPoint:

Today: Autumn
Mar 20: Dylan

Children and Worship: (Set up is 9:15 a.m. downstairs)

Today: Katie W, Tracy W, Joey W
Mar 20: Shonna W, Tracy W, Joey W

Coffee Servers:

Today: Scott Schmidt, Alyssa Schmidt, Mike Coulander family
Mar 20: Jena Schouten and NCC students

This Week at Immanuel: March 13 – 19

SUN:	9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship
	10:45 a.m.	Sunday School & Catechism
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship
WED:	7:00 p.m.	GEMS / Cadets
	7:15 p.m.	Youth Group

Welcome to Worship at Immanuel

Pastor Kevin Muyskens

March 13, 2022

Morning Worship: Today in our series of Easter people we will meet a nameless man who was born blind. We will see his faith grow from one who receives a gift from Jesus to one who believes in Jesus for eternal life. We'll observe the progression of his faith which seems to flourish in the face of challenges. May our faith do the same, becoming stronger when we face the tests and trials of life in this world.

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 Pastor Kevin's YouTube page and on our church website, <http://immanuelsheldon.com/>.

Evening Worship: Pastor Kevin will continue his series on preparing the next generation. James 5:13-20 is a challenge to prayer and more. A significant part of raising up a generation to know and love Jesus and to work at giving life the shape of things in the Kingdom of God is prayer – to pray for them and to pray with them.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Memorization: For the Lenten season we will memorize together the text of 2 Corinthians 3:15-18. For next Sunday we will memorize verse 16.

¹⁵Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts. ¹⁶But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

Small groups material: The material published for small groups today will cover the message last week and today. Copies are available on the back of the outline. Leaders' copies are available in the church mailbox at the bottom of the "A" column.

No Sunday School or Catechism next Sunday, March 20. However, beginners - 5th graders will be having a Palm Sunday practice immediately following morning worship next Sunday.

From the Council:

- **Vida en Abundancia:** The council approved a new two-year agreement with VAM to sponsor two teachers in the tutoring and education program. This is continuing our support of “Hands that Embrace” and reflects the deacons’ decision to sponsor both the lead teacher and the assistant.
- **Transportation to Church:** We have a few members and friends of Immanuel who are in need of transportation to worship on Sunday mornings. Some of this has been happening on an ad hoc basis, and we sincerely thank those who have stepped up and offered rides. We plan to put together a more organized schedule including our elders. If you are willing to offer rides on Sunday morning please sign up at the Connections table.
- **Membership matters:** At their last meeting the council processed the transfer of Emma De Jong and of Darin and Lori De Jong to First CRC of Sheldon. May God bless them in their new church home and may they find places to grow in their faith and to serve in kingdom work there.
- **Nominations:** The work of nominations has begun. Please pray for those who over the next few weeks will be asked to serve in the positions of elder, deacon, and ministry partner.

Prayer Service: Our church order recommends an annual prayer service in the month of March. After two years away from this practice in reaction to the pandemic, we are going to have a prayer service (often called prayer for crops and industry) on Sunday evening, March 27 at 6:00 p.m. Please consider writing a prayer of your own for crops, industry, the nation, schools, etc. that you could share at the service either verbally or having someone else share it during the service.

The CES Action Auction and supper will be Wednesday, March 30! Your action items are needed for bidding! Submit your “actions” to the church office or email secretary@immanuelcrc.net. Also, a sign-up sheet for sides and desserts is on the Connections Table.

Palm Sunday: The Sunday School children (beginners – 5th grade) will be practicing songs and readings in the upcoming weeks in preparation for helping lead worship on Palm Sunday, April 10. Assigned readings are in the mailboxes of children in 1st-5th grade. Parents are encouraged to practice at home with their child(ren) as there are only a few Sundays left to practice at church.

Mark your Calendars! KIDS FEST 2022 will be July 31 – August 3. Interest sheets are inserted in the bulletin and extras are on the Connections table. Please fill out and return to the Kids Fest basket on the Connections table by April 10.

I'd like to thank everyone who prayed who prayed, brought meals, and for all the support given before and after my surgery. It's really a joy to be a part of the family of God. My recovery has been exceptional! Thanks be to God as the outlook is good and the test results after surgery have all been negative.

- Roger Boer

Thank you so much, Immanuel, for the care shown to us in these past weeks after my surgery! The meals, calls, visits and checking in was so wonderful and appreciated. Thank you to our Households group for helping bear the burden so that I could rest and recuperate as much as possible. It truly made a world of difference for us to have your support. We have been blessed over and over! Thank you all for being the hands and feet of Jesus!!

- Butch and Gail Anderson

We would like to thank you for all the food, cards, kind words, and prayers we received following the passing of Steve's mom. It truly is a blessing to belong to such a caring church family.

- Steve & Sharon Holz

Thank you for all the prayers for me concerning my heart, but I believe in miracles and I definitely received one! The doctors told me the Friday before surgery all the things that were wrong with my heart, to find out after going into surgery the following Monday that they could not find anything wrong and that my heart looked better than 10 years ago. WOW! God is good!

- Sharon Holz

PRAYER PRAISES & CONCERNS

Shea Driesen was involved in a car accident Tuesday. She suffered a broken nose, broken arm, and lots of bruising. She is currently in Sioux Falls and was awaiting surgery on Friday. Pray for her healing and for the pain to subside.

Dale Boer had his second knee replaced this week. He has returned home. Pray for his recovery as the first round of pain control wears off and as he begins the work of rehabilitation.

Sign-Up Sheets on the Connections Table

- Volunteers are needed to provide snacks and beverages for the youth group for their weekly meetings. There are many openings in March and April to be filled. More information can be found on the sign-up sheet.
- Consider having your family, bible study group, or your group of friends sign up to help serve coffee and juice on a Sunday morning. 3-4 people are needed to help things run smoothly. Please contact the church office for instructions if you have never served.