Offering Schedule: (The evening offering baskets will be placed on the

tables as you enter/exit the sanctuary)

Today: AM: Christian Education Society

PM: Areopagus (ISU Campus Ministry)

Apr 10: AM: World Renew - Ukrainian Response

**Nursery:** (The library is available during the service as a private space for

nursing moms)

Today: Shelby I, Macy W, Chris F Apr 10: April W, Sammie H, Avery D

**Praise Team:** 

Today: Shonna Wassenaar, Kristina Wolf

Pianist: Jill Schemper

Apr 10: Bart & Deb Peters, Samantha Jones

Pianist: Shonna Wassenaar

Audio: Video: PowerPoint:
Today: Klint Today: Charlie Today: Lorna
Apr 10: Zack Apr 10: Brody Apr 10: Autumn

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

Today: Tami S, Samantha J, Cody/Mollie S

Apr 10: No Children & Worship

**Coffee Servers:** 

Today: Mike & Jill Coulander Apr 10: Mike & Jill Coulander

This Week at Immanuel: April 3 – 9

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 and Cadets

7:15 p.m. Youth Group

# Welcome to Worship at Immanuel

### Pastor Kevin Muyskens April 3, 2022

Morning Worship: Our morning series, Easter People, began with Pope John Paul II reflecting on the angel Gabriel's announcement to Mary that she would give birth to the Messiah. This morning we will begin with that scripture and walk with Mary to the foot of the cross. Her journey is filled with wonder, awe, and confusion, yet her faith and commitment to Jesus remain to and through the most baffling and heart-breaking day. In our wonder, confusion, and heart-break Jesus remains faithful even when we can't see God's purpose or plan.

The worship service will be presented at 9:30 a.m. Sunday at our host site: <a href="http://immanuelsheldon.online.church">http://immanuelsheldon.online.church</a>. It will be posted for later viewing on Pastor Kevin's YouTube page and on our church website, <a href="http://immanuelsheldon.com/">http://immanuelsheldon.com/</a>.

**Evening Worship:** This evening Pastor Kevin will delve into a touchy subject: How could a loving God send people to Hell? Jesus' parables regularly speak about opportunities missed, doors being shut, and people being put out into outer darkness where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth. Revelation presents a lake of fire prepared for the devil and his agents. Yet, 1st John tells us God is love; and Jesus says greater love has no one than this – that they lay down their life for their friends; and then he lays down his life for us. How do God's love and wrath coexist? It's a question Christians must be able to answer.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Children & Worship** will dismiss this morning. The lesson will be "Jesus and Zacchaeus". All children ages 3 through kindergarten are welcome to come downstairs as noted in the order of worship.

**Lenten Memorization:** For the Lenten season we will memorize together the text of 2 Corinthians 3:15-18.

<sup>15</sup>Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts. <sup>16</sup> But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. <sup>17</sup> Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup> And 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 messages from 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.

**CES Action Auction was a huge success!** Around \$20,000 was raised to support families who choose Christian education. The final sale bill will be printed and put in mailboxes this week. Thank you to all who donated and bid on actions!

Immanuel will be hosting an Easter Box Event (much like the Thanksgiving event that has been done in the past) on Monday, April 4 at 6:00 p.m. Love INC has assigned six families to Immanuel to provide a box of food for an Easter meal and to demonstrate how to prepare the meals provided. Volunteers are still needed, so head to the Community Connections table to sign up to help prepare or serve the meal, bring a dessert, or help with childcare. Please sign up today!

**Palm Sunday:** The Sunday School children (beginners – 5<sup>th</sup> grade) will be practicing songs and readings today and next week in preparation for leading worship on Palm Sunday, April 10. Assigned readings were put in the mailboxes of children in 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade. Parents are encouraged to practice at home with their child(ren) as there are only two 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.

#### Other 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 only a few spots left 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.

**The Next Food Bank** will be <u>Monday</u>, <u>April 4</u> at Living Water Church in Sheldon from 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. Note the change of location going forward. Food items will be INSIDE with carts and some boxes will be available.

**Thank you to our Immanuel family** for the expressions of sympathy, love, and prayers in the passing of Larry's mom, Ethel Meyers. Your kindness has supported us during this difficult time.

- Larry & Sue Meyers

#### PRAYER PRAISES & CONCERNS

Lorna Kraayenbrink, Dianne Schemper and Jackie Mulder will be attending At The Well and Beyond at the women's prison in Pierre, SD this coming weekend, April 7-10. Please be in prayer as they travel and that God will use them and their talents to bring the Good News about Jesus and what He has done for us. Pray for the women at the prison to be receptive to the message given and that they become the Easter people and for Alleluia to be their song.

**Denny Kamphoff** passed away on Thursday evening. Pray for Sandy, Keri and Kacy as they walk through these difficult days. Visitation with the family will be today at Immanuel from 2:00-4:00 p.m. The funeral service will be Monday at 11:00 a.m.