

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT IMMANUEL

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**Morning Worship:** Psalm 6 presents us with a speaker who is languishing in both physical and spiritual pain. The speaker presents his complaint with great anguish. How long? Do you find yourself asking, "How long, O LORD?" Then these are the words for you. Psalm 6 gives us words for the worst circumstances.

**Evening Worship:** While Jacob is in exile – separated from his family and the land the LORD promised him – the LORD continues to provide for him. While his father-in-law, Laban, seeks to take advantage of him, and Jacob seeks to scheme his own way to wealth, the LORD has his own plans to prosper Jacob. Humans may make our plans, but the LORD directs our paths.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **KidsFest 2025 is getting closer!**

- **Registration closes tomorrow, July 21!** Kids entering PK through 6<sup>th</sup> grade can go to KidsFest for FREE. Get your kids in by going to [www.immanuelsheldon.com/kidsfest](http://www.immanuelsheldon.com/kidsfest) for activity lists and to register!
- **Help is needed** serving meals nightly and also a variety of help is needed for the block party. Sign-up sheets are on the Connections table.
- **Donations Needed:** Grab a tag (or two) from the basket on the Connections table. Return items by July 29.
- **KidsFest Suppers:** We will once again be offering a meal to families and volunteers before KidsFest each evening. Along with the main course, we could use donations of fresh veggies or fruits as well as cookies. Maybe you have a garden that is overproducing! Fruit and veggies can be brought to Immanuel kitchen on Sunday, August 10. Or maybe you like to bake! Sign up to bring 3 dozen cookies on the Connections table. Label container with your name and mark it for KidsFest. Cookies may be dropped off and put in Immanuel's freezer after Monday, August 4.
- **Leader Training:** KidsFest activity leaders, Bible leaders, and helpers – make plans to attend leader training @ Immanuel either Sunday, August 3 at 11:00 a.m. or Tuesday, August 5 at 7:00 p.m.

**Summer Study:** Join in a walk through the LORD's prayer. Our first meeting will be **Thursday, July 24 @ 7:00 p.m.** We'll study the prayer together using the classic wisdom of the Heidelberg Catechism and the contemporary insight of teachers such as Max Lucado.

**Mission Trip:** Praise God for the good work our mission team was able to do at the Iowa Speedway in Newton. The experience of putting themselves in a position to be used by Jesus was both challenging and enriching. To hear more highlights, talk to these participants today (Mark & Chris Dykstra, Alyssa Schmidt, Shawn, Shonna, Samantha, and Luke Wassenaar, Jake & Lauren Thorson, Kurt, Jen and Blaze Van Noord). Consider participating in all or part of the NASCAR weekend July 31-August 3. Let God use you to meet people where they are and shine the light of Jesus. Talk to Kurt TODAY!

**NEEDED: GEMS Counselors!** The Sheldon GEMS have a few counselor openings that need to be filled. Help girls (4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade) grow in their faith and learn valuable life skills. Talk to Melissa Wiersma for more info (712-348-5567).

**Summer Teen Bible Study & Hangout:** The area youth directors are inviting teens to a Bible study and hangout time on Wednesdays from 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. at the Breu Haus. If you are entering the 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade, and are available to come, show up for a short Bible study and games to follow!

## PRAYER PRAISES & CONCERNS

**Deb Peters (Mart)** remains at Avera Hospital in Sioux Falls. She has been making good progress but still has a long way to go. Pray for her strength to continue to improve.

**Don Beltman** had an angiogram on Wednesday. One artery was significantly blocked, and a stint was placed. Don was able to return home on Wednesday evening. Pray that this will increase his energy and will also address his fainting.

**Helen Van Den Berg** developed an infection in the hip that was replaced. She had surgery Tuesday to clean out the infection and replace some of the hardware. She is recovering well but will need to be on an extended course of antibiotics. Pray that the infection will not return and that her recovery goes quickly.