

Welcome to Worship at Immanuel

Pastor Kevin Muyskens

July 18, 2021

Offering Schedule: (baskets will be passed during the morning service)

Today: AM: Tuition Help Fund

PM: Christian Education Society

July 25: AM: Bless You, Inc. (please refer to the flyer distributed in your mailbox or the July deacon page for more information on this ministry)

Ushers: Mark Dykstra, Greg Geels, Mart Peters

Praise Team:

Today: Bart & Deb Peters, Sarah Vander Pol, Pastor Kevin

Pianist: Shonna Wassenaar

July 25: To be determined

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

Today: Jena D, Landan H, Caitlyn F

July 25: Teresa H, Karyss M, Jarace S

Audio:

Today: Jarace

July 25: Jarace

Video:

Today: David W

July 25: Sammie

PowerPoint:

Today: Dylan H

July 25: Jackie H

Coffee Servers:

Today: Ryan & Jackie Freese, Lee & Arlene Scholten

July 25: Gene & Krista Van Bruggen

This Week at Immanuel: July 11 – 17

SUN: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

MON: 7:00 p.m. Kids Fest Leader's Meeting

Morning Worship: The Bible is full of intentional signs and actions of remembrance. When Jacob, the father of the nation of Israel, has a close encounter with the LORD he sets up a stone to remember. All the people of Israel are instructed to live in booths for a week each year to remember the LORD's care for them in the wilderness. Jesus himself instituted the Lord's Supper as a constant reminder of his death as the doorway to eternal life. Today we'll discuss Israel setting up a marker of twelve stones to remember God's powerful act of stopping the Jordan river. Intentional remembrance of God's good actions in our lives strengthens our faith and gives us confidence to continue the faith journey.

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 first on Pastor Kevin's Youtube page, and by Tuesday on our church website, <http://immanuelsheldon.com/>; click on the top Media menu, then "Browse Sermons".

Evening Worship: The Ten Commandments are much more than a list of things not to do. This evening we will look together at the 8th Commandment, "You shall not steal." In this command God calls us to the very opposite of stealing – working hard so that we have something to share with those in need. This call to action delves into our motives as stealing serves the self at others expense while sharing serves others at one's own expense.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This morning the Youth Group will recap their recent service trip to Kansas City with pictures, testimonies, and stories during the service.

Building and Grounds: The head of our building and grounds committee is stepping down after many years of faithful service. We are currently looking for a couple members for this committee, one of whom could serve as the leader and primary communicator of the group. Please express your interest or direct your questions to Pastor Kevin or Duane Haack.

Sheldon GEMS is in search of a GEMS Counselor for this coming year. Please contact Melissa Wiersma (712-348-5567) if you are interested or would like more information.

Kids Fest is one week away (July 25-28)!

- Kids Fest Leader meeting is tomorrow (Monday) at 7:00 p.m. at Immanuel.
- Kids Fest is asking for donations of **packaged water bottles, juice boxes, and cases of name brand pop. Clean ice cream buckets** are also needed to use for a themed Bible activity. Bring in items to the Kids Fest table by Tuesday, July 20.
- Activity Needs: Looking to borrow a couple more sewing machines and some kids golf clubs. We are excited to have around 100 children already registered so these needs have grown. Please call Kristina if you are willing to loan these items (712-451-8100).
- Volunteers are needed to serve meals or help at the block party. Sign-up sheets are on the Connections table.
- Just a heads up, the week of the event we will be collecting fresh fruit and vegetables to serve with the meal each evening.

Shop-With-A-Cop:

- Immanuel is partnering with Love INC and the Sheldon Police Department once again for Shop-With-A-Cop. This ministry provides back-to-school supplies, clothing, and backpacks to ensure children in grades kindergarten through 8th grade start the school year with the items needed for a successful year! A key piece of this ministry is connecting each participating child with a Christian volunteer to shop with for an evening! The Sheldon event will be held the evening of Monday, August 2 starting at 5:30 p.m. Call Love INC to volunteer or for more information- (712-324-9707).
- This year Immanuel will have a collection tote in the fellowship hall for items to be purchased and dropped off by Tuesday, July 20. We are collecting 1inch three-ring binders with pockets, Crayola classic **washable** markers, Black Expo markers (regular and thin) and plastic pocket folders.

Save the Date: Dale & Karen Boer will be celebrating 60 years of wedded bliss in August. They want to invite everyone to their anniversary open house at Immanuel on Saturday, August 7 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. The celebration will continue with cake and cookies served after church on Sunday morning, August 8.

Michelle's Orphans Birthdays: September birthday cards are due Sunday, August 1. September birthdays include girls Olya turning 19 and Karina turning 15; and boys Sergey B turning 14 and Dennis turning 11. Return cards to the birthday bag on the Connections table.

Service Opportunities:

- Coffee Servers: On the Connections table there is a sign-up sheet for Sunday morning coffee servers for July and August. Please consider this as a simple way to serve the church with your immediate family, group of friends, couples, or small group.
- Cookie Bakers: If you are willing to be on a call list to make a batch of cookies for serving for church fellowship, please contact the church office (324-4523).

Covenant House Reminder: The Covenant house is being used as a residence for our newly hired ministry coordinator, Autumn Dauer, and her husband, Brody. They are enjoying getting to know everyone and are feeling welcome at our church. However, please do not enter the Covenant house or garage without prior notification. Autumn and Brody are more than willing to accommodate visitors, but please let them know when you are planning to stop by (i.e. time of day and day of the week). If you need to check on something that you believe to be stored in the Covenant house or garage, please notify one of the following (in this order) to let you in or check for what you need:

1. Autumn Dauer: 507-383-0744
2. Dane Buren: 712-348-0515
3. Shonna Wassenaar: 712-324-4523

Connection Information: Autumn Dauer, Ministry/Missional Coordinator, can be contacted by phone (507-383-0744), email (ministrycoordinator@immanuelcrc.net), or standard mail (612 Union Ave, Sheldon IA 51201). Autumn and her husband Brody also have a church mailbox.

PRAYER PRAISES & CONCERNS

Pray for Kids Fest which begins next Sunday. Pray for good relationships between congregation and community and between group leaders and students. May the name of Jesus Christ be lifted up and may children and their families be encouraged to grow in their faith.