

**Offering Schedule:**

Today: AM: Justice For All and Benevolence  
 PM: Christian Education Society  
 May 26: AM: Mission Faith Promise and Camp Autumn  
 PM: Rehoboth Christian School

**Safety Team:**

Today: AM: Dan W, Todd W  
 PM: TBD  
 May 26: AM: Mike C, Todd W  
 PM: Mike C, TBD

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

Today: Rebecca S, Karlee D, Kolby H  
 May 26: Rachel R, Chris F, Nina R

**Morning Praise Team:**

Today: Jeff Schemper, Dave Vande Brake,  
 Dylan Hanenburg, Aidyn Schemper.  
 Guitars: Dan Robinson, Ray Hernandez  
 Drums: Janet Pan  
 Pianist: Trey Schemper  
 May 26: Kim Heemskerk, Kolby Heemskerk, Nate Muyskens  
 Pianist: Jill Schemper

**Audio:**

Today: Cobi  
 May 26: Jarace

**Video:**

Today: Brody (Dan W)  
 May 26: Landan

**PowerPoint:**

Today: Autumn  
 May 26: Dylan

**Coffee Servers:**

Today: Dan Wiersma family  
 May 26: Steve & Roz Geels, Carter & Arianna Wibben

**THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL: May 19 – 25**

SUN: 8:45 a.m. Prayer Team in Northeast Classroom  
 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship  
 WED: 7:00 p.m. Youth Service Trip Meeting

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT IMMANUEL**

Pastor Kevin Muyskens  
 May 19, 2024

**Morning Worship:** The LORD as the Good Shepherd appears next in the book of the Prophet Zechariah which is set 70 years or so after Ezekiel and Jeremiah, in the time when some of the Jews returned from exile to Jerusalem and rebuilt the temple. Zechariah adds two key pieces to the Good Shepherd material: first, that the Good Shepherd will transform the humble sheep into a warhorse that brings glory to the LORD, and second, that the LORD will not only gather from those taken to Babylon, but from his people scattered all over the earth. This looks ahead to Revelation's picture of God's church including people of every tongue, tribe, and nation.

**Evening Worship:** Tonight, we will look at the first section of Genesis 18 where Abraham plays host to the LORD and receives the promise that within the year 90-year-old Sarah will have a son. In response to this prediction Sarah laughs and then denies having done so. What does it mean that God's promise is received with both hospitality and laughter?

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Communion:** This morning we have the privilege to share the LORD's supper together. In this supper we declare our faith in Jesus' death and resurrection for the forgiveness of our sins and reception of eternal life. We also proclaim our unity with those who gather at the table with us. All who have a faith in Christ as Lord and Savior and who have proclaimed this through membership in a Christian church are invited to participate. All elements are gluten free.

**Moment for Missions:** Nick Leloux from Justice For All will join us in worship. He will share about JFA's ministries, focusing on their service trip opportunities. Nick will be available for questions after the service. Our morning offering will be taken for JFA.

**Sunday School End of Year Celebration** in the basement today after the morning service for PreK-5<sup>th</sup> grade! We will have some special snacks and a game to celebrate the end of the year and the beginning of summer!

**Youth Service Trip Meeting** on Wednesday, May 22 at 7:00 p.m. for the students and leaders going on the service trip and their parents (both parents must be at the meeting if their student is under 18). This meeting will go over travel details, a packing list, expectations, etc. Contact Autumn Dauer ASAP if you have any questions or concerns.

**Update from CES:** We need just over \$3,000 to meet our year-end goal! Please consider giving generously to help clear up our commitment to our schools and students for this year! Donations can be placed in the offering and marked “CES” or can be given to Krista Hanenburg.

**Grad Party Invitation:** As we have walked on a road of recovery and have witnessed God’s amazing healing, we would love for you to celebrate with us the graduation of Macy from SHS on Saturday, May 25. This will be an open house at Immanuel from 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. We are so blessed to be able to reach this milestone in her life and can’t wait to see what else God has in store for her!

- Shawn & Shonna Wassenaar & family

**Wedding Invitation:** Jena Schouten and Jacob Westra invite you to attend their wedding on Saturday, May 25 at 3:00 p.m. at Hull First CRC.

**Next Sunday morning** we have the privilege of welcoming Jake and Lauren Thorson into membership at Immanuel through their reaffirmation of faith. We also receive the baptized membership of their son, Henry, and will baptize their son, Darren. We look forward to officially receiving this family into Immanuel Church.

**May Mental Health Awareness Month Kids Carnival:** Immanuel will host this event put on by Season’s Center for Behavioral Health on Tuesday, May 28 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Activities will include inflatables, face painting, crafts, and yard games.

**Youth Group Pizza Ranch Night!** Join us at Pizza Ranch for supper on Wednesday, May 29 to support our youth group. A percentage of all sales that evening and tips will go towards supporting the youth group and our youth service trip to Accompong, Jamaica.

**Installation of new elders, deacon, and ministry partner** has been scheduled for Sunday, June 9.

**Summer Coffee Schedule:** Please sign up on the Connections table if you are willing to serve coffee/juice after morning worship during the summer months. A minimum of 3 people is needed per Sunday. Examples would be one family, two couples, or a group of friends.

**Ministry Coordinator Search:** With Autumn stepping down in July, Immanuel is looking for a new ministry coordinator. The job currently includes oversight of outreach ministries, oversight of discipleship and fellowship ministries, and leading the youth group. These can be combined as a full-time position or divided into two or three pieces. If you have questions or would consider all or part of this position, please reach out to Pastor Kevin for further information and a job description.

**Funeral Team:** As work groups have been used for less and less every year—now only being used for funerals at our church—we would like to transition fully away from work groups and create a team of about 15 people who are willing to help serve food and clean up at funerals. If you are interested in being a part of this team, please contact Autumn Dauer (507-383-0744).

**Introducing the Bible:** Tuesdays, beginning June 12, Pastor Kevin will be offering a class introducing the Bible. If you are new to the Bible and want an introduction to this sometimes mystifying gathering of God-inspired writings, or if you have read it your whole life and would like more insight on how the different books work together, join us Tuesday evenings this summer. More details and a sign up will come in the next couple weeks.

**Considering Our Mission:** *Consider praying on a regular basis for the next round of hiring at your workplace. In addition to praying for new employees who do their job well, pray also that God will use this process to bring Christians who are eager to be on the mission with you at work, as well as non-Christians with whom you can easily connect and who are spiritually open to the gospel (Morrow 58).*

### **PRAYER PRAISES & CONCERNS**

**Please be in prayer for Janelle Martin and her family** as her mother Lois Heeren, 92 of Akron, Iowa passed away on Thursday, May 9 with the funeral yesterday.

**Mark & JinHee Klompfen** request prayer for Reformed Presbyterian Seminary in Catmandu, Nepal. They write: *The Board had our bi-yearly meeting yesterday. As the seminary approaches its 25th year (2024-25), the challenges of still not having our own land or buildings is abundantly clear. We do have what is most important—a vital community of students and alumni bringing The Word to homes which often begin hosting churches that so often multiply into networks. The LORD is good!*

**Pray for those who are graduating in the next few weeks.** For all it is a time of transition to new things. Pray for those seeking employment that the LORD will open doors for work that provides and is fulfilling. For those moving on to a new school or a new stage of education pray that the LORD will prepare them for what is next and allow them to find a place to belong. We pray that they may celebrate the milestone of graduation and be encouraged by this accomplishment.