

## IMMANUEL MINISTRIES

### Contact Persons

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#### IN

Staff: Autumn Dauer  
Leadership Team: Chris Dykstra  
Sunday School: Sandy Muyskens  
Small Groups: Pastor Kevin Muyskens  
Work Groups: Deanna Wood  
Beverage Coordinator:  
    Marcia Vaandrager  
Cookie Coordinator:  
    April Woudstra  
Library: Krista Van Bruggen

#### UP

Staff: Pastor Kevin Muyskens  
Leadership Team: Mark Vander Pol  
Worship: Pastor Kevin Muyskens  
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Sound: Klint Tatsumi  
Head Usher: Steve Geels  
Children & Worship:  
    Rachel Rosenboom  
Decorations: Vacant  
Nursery: Jessica Gesink  
Prayer Ministry:  
    Cindy Vande Brake

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### COUNCIL MEMBERS

#### Elders

Mark Vander Pol, Clerk  
Brad Kraayenbrink (A)  
Dane Buren (B)  
Wade Wassenaar (C)  
Lynn Vande Brake (D)  
Jeff Schemper, VP and Youth Elder

#### Household of Faith Ministry Partners

Group A: Teresa Hoekstra  
Group B: Sharla Vander Pol  
Group C: Sue Meyers  
Group D: Jill Coulander

#### OUT

Staff: Autumn Dauer  
Leadership Team: Krista Hanenburg  
GEMS: Melissa Wiersma  
Cadets: Jevon Klyn, Tyler Schemper  
Youth Group: Dane Buren  
    Autumn & Brody Dauer  
    Seth & Shelby Irmiter  
    Klint & Raeanne Tatsumi  
Love INC Personal Supplies Closet:  
    Teresa Hoekstra

#### OTHER

Leadership Team Secretary:  
    Tyler Schemper  
Treasurer: Gene Van Bruggen  
Building & Grounds: Mike Coulander  
Safety Team: Todd Wood  
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    Tracy Wieringa, President  
    Jena Dykstra, Vice Pres.  
    Krista Hanenburg, Treasurer  
    Tyler Woudstra, Secretary

#### Deacons

Micah Schreurs, Pres (C)  
Zack Wolf (A)  
Dan Jacobsma (B)  
Joel Gesink (D)  
Tyler Schemper, Secretary

*Welcome to Worship at Immanuel*

**Pastor Kevin Muyskens**

**November 28, 2021**

**Morning Worship – First Sunday of Advent:** Advent is a time of looking forward to the coming of Christ both in a Bethlehem manger and in the fullness of his kingdom when he returns to make all things new. We too are in the process of being made new in the attitudes of our minds and we are to put on the new self. From the prophet Ezekiel we will see God at work renewing creation and be called to submit ourselves to that renewal process. God offers renewal as a shepherd gathers, guides, heals, and protects his sheep. Will we as sheep follow Jesus, the Good Shepherd?

*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:** God's people are often pictured as a vine or a vineyard. The purpose of a grapevine is to produce fruit. If it doesn't produce fruit, the vine is not allowed to continue growing because it is not a useful product, and instead is destined for the brush pile to be burned. Ezekiel 15 predicts the destruction of vine of the people of Jerusalem. In John 15, Jesus applies this same image to his followers as a call to produce the fruit that can only grow when we are connected firmly to him.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Profession of Faith:** Next Sunday we will have the privilege of witnessing the professions of faith of Mollie Schemper and Aidyn Schemper. We praise God for his work in the lives of these two young people and ask that he continue to walk with them as they grow in faith and understanding.

**Morning Prayer Gathering** will be held in the council room following worship this morning. Anyone is welcome to come pray. Our purpose in meeting is to just sit and pray together over anything and everything that is brought up. Come and go as you're able. So go grab your cup of coffee and join us.

**Children & Worship, Sunday School or Catechism** classes will NOT meet today. Choir rehearsal will start by 11:00 a.m.!

**Congregational Meeting:** Copies of proposed budget for 2022 have been distributed through the church mail boxes. Extra copies can be found on the Connections table. The congregational meeting to discuss and vote on that budget will be held Wednesday, December 8 at 6:20 p.m. Please note the earlier time. The plan is to keep the meeting on a Wednesday, but allow other activities to begin on schedule. A time of refreshments and fellowship is also planned after the meeting.

**Advent Pianists:** Children wanting to play a Christmas carol or other seasonal piece for a prelude or offertory, please contact Shannon Schreurs (348-3432).

**The Giving Tree** items need to be returned TODAY and set on or under the table next to the Giving Tree.

**GEMS on Wednesday, December 1:** We will be making blankets. Please meet upstairs in the church fellowship hall and bring a good sharp scissors. Also, thank you to all who bought cards or donated to GEMS so we can make this project happen.

**Coffee Servers Needed!** A sign-up sheet through the end of the year is on the Connections table. Volunteers are needed (3-4 per Sunday) to make coffee and serve it along with juice/cider (in December). Instructions are provided. This is a great way to be the hands and feet of Jesus!

#### **Christmas Celebrations:**

- ❖ Our service of **Lessons and Carols** will be held the morning of Sunday, December 12. This is a great day of celebrating the birth of Jesus with the music of voice and instrument and a wonderful day to invite a friend to worship.
- ❖ We will also celebrate Christ's birth with a **Christmas Eve** service at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, December 24.

#### **PRAYER PRAISES & CONCERNS**

**Please be in prayer for Roz Geels' extended family.** We have been praying regularly for her nephew Brad who suffered a very severe electrical accident. He had seemed to be making progress in recovery but passed away suddenly Tuesday evening. Pray that the LORD will bring peace and comfort to his wife, children, parents and all those who have been caring for him.

#### **Offering Schedule:**

Today: AM: Cornerstone Prison Ministries and Benevolence  
PM: Mission Faith Promise  
Dec 5: AM: Christian Education Society  
PM: Steve & Jill Schmidt (CRU)

**November Ushers:** Brody Dauer, Kyler Heemskerk, Steve Holz

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

Today: Krista H, Mollie S, Caitlyn F  
Dec 5: Shelby I, Cody S, Jarace S

#### **Praise Team:**

Today: Aidyn Schemper, Jeff Schemper,  
Treyton & Abby Schemper  
Piano: Shonna Wassenaar  
Dec 5: Kristina Wolf, Shonna Wassenaar  
Piano: Shannon Schreurs  
Guitars: Dan Robinson, Ray Hernandez

#### **Audio:**

Today: Zack  
Dec 5: Klint (a.m.)  
Brody (p.m.)

#### **Video:**

Today: Stephen  
Dec 5: Stephen (a.m.)  
Autumn (p.m.)

#### **PowerPoint:**

Today: Dylan  
Dec 5: Lorna

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

Today: No Children & Worship  
Dec 5: Katie W, Tracy W, Joey W

#### **Coffee Servers:**

Today: Sue Meyers, Lee & Arlene Scholten  
Dec 5: Lynn & Cindy Vande Brake

#### **This Week at Immanuel: November 28 – December 4**

SUN: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship  
MON: 7:00 p.m. Leadership Team Meeting  
WED: 7:00 p.m. GEMS / Cadets  
7:15 p.m. Youth Group