

## IMMANUEL MINISTRIES

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Staff: Autumn Dauer  
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Welcome to Worship at Immanuel

Pastor Kevin Muyskens

December 19, 2021

**Morning Worship – Fourth Sunday of Advent:** This morning's message is for all of us who are worn out, dried out, feeling like there is no life left in us and we are dead inside. Ezekiel is taken by the LORD to a valley of dry, sun-bleached bones; this is a picture of the desolation of God's people. Yet, as Ezekiel speaks the Word of the LORD life returns. Jesus has come to renew his people and to give life to those who were dried out and dead. Our hope for life now and for eternity is built on Jesus putting life into us.

*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:** This evening we will look together at two stories of Jesus' actions that the Gospel writer, Luke, put together on purpose. In Luke 18-19 Jesus is passing through Jericho on his way to Jerusalem for the final time. On the way into town he heals a blind man and on his way out of town he meets Zacchaeus and invites himself to dinner. These are wonderful stories individually showing the character of Jesus; together they show Jesus' treatment of both the oppressed and the oppressor suggesting that both can be redeemed.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Children & Worship** will dismiss this morning. The lesson will be "Meeting the Christ Child". All children ages 3 through kindergarten are welcome!

**Sunday school and Catechism meet today.** Their next meetings will be on January 9.

**GEMS and Cadets Christmas Party** will be meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday night at First CRC. We will be caroling and playing games and enjoying snacks. Also, the drink donations that were requested are no longer needed. These were purchased by Love INC so any monetary donations would be appreciated instead. Parents may pick up your child(ren) at 8:30 p.m.

**Christmas Celebrations:** Friday evening we will gather for Christmas Eve worship at 7:00 p.m. We will share the Lord's Supper together celebrating the great purpose for which Jesus was born. We will celebrate the Savior's birth with a service of reverent worship closing by candlelight.

**Youth Group:** Christmas party is rescheduled for Wednesday, January 5.

**Apple Pie Update:** There are approximately 50 pies left to purchase. Contact the church office (324-4523) or Jill Schemper (324-1237) to arrange pick up.

**Sheldon Area Unity Meal** is Monday, December 20 at Living Water Church. If you are longing for some good food and fellowship - please come - this is for you. Meal serving is from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. You may eat and leave or stay and visit. The coffee is on! A special bag of groceries will be offered when you leave.

### **PRAYER PRAISES & CONCERNS**

**Gloria Evink was able to return to Sanford Sheldon** hospital for her rehab this week. She is currently in room 108 and would love visitors.

#### **Michelle Maly's Updated Prayer List"**

- Two and a half weeks ago a 15-year-old young man committed suicide at one of the orphanages Michelle and her team visits. Pray for healing after this shock and for the hope of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to shine through this tragedy.
- More than 100,000 Russian troops are gathered at the Ukrainian border. Pray that peace would prevail, that Ukraine's resources and ability to trade are protected, and that the Russian leadership would move away from their threatening stance.
- Michelle's sister whom we have been praying for is dealing with complications with her cancer and its treatment. Pray for healing for her and for peace for Michelle as she is far away.

**Pray also for those for whom their celebrations** are touched by the sadness of someone not present, whether this is due to death, distance, or broken relationships. Ask that the LORD would be their comfort and strength and would provide healing that is needed.

### **Offering Schedule:**

Today: AM: Resonate Global Mission  
PM: Christian Education Society  
Dec 24: Benevolence  
Dec 26: AM: Young People's  
PM: Mission Faith Promise

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

Today: Katie W, Ella W, Elijah S  
Dec 26: April W, Dylan H, Aidyn S

### **Audio:**

Today: Klint  
Dec 24: Kyler  
Dec 26: Klint

### **Video:**

Today: David  
Dec 24: Stephen  
Dec 26: Sammie

### **PowerPoint:**

Today: Dan W  
Dec 24: Dylan  
Dec 26: Jackie H

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

Today: Shannon S, Krista H, Mason D, Avery D  
Dec 26: No Children & Worship

### **Coffee Servers:**

Today: Lyle & Teresa Hoekstra, Melissa & Matthew Wiersma  
Dec 26: Stacy Klein, Melanie Post, Teresa Hoekstra

### **This Week at Immanuel: December 19 – 25**

SUN:	9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship
	10:45 am	Sunday School & Catechism
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship
WED:	6:30 p.m.	GEMS & Cadets Christmas Party
	7:00 p.m.	Leadership Team
FRI:	7:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Worship