WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT IMMANUEL

PASTOR KEVIN MUYSKENS September 21, 2025

Morning Worship: The life of a follower of Jesus is a baptized life. Since the time of Jesus, baptism has been the sacrament of inclusion in the body of Christ. In going under the water and being baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we receive a new identity in Christ. In God's providential plan, going under the water to receive a new identity already took place at the crossing of both the Red Sea and the Jordan and the LORD God identified the people of Israel as his own. Today we will look at the importance of our baptismal identity and note the important role a milestone such as baptism or profession of faith serves in our lives.

Evening Worship: This evening Rev. Stephen Terpstra from First CRC of Orange City will lead our worship as part of a post-classis pulpit exchange. He will be focusing our attention on God's call of Moses at the burning bush. Pastor Kevin will be preaching in Ireton this evening.

Announcements

This morning are privileged to witness the professions of faith of Madelynn Van Tilburg, Christopher Vande Brake, Cody Schemper, Hallie Robinson, and Lillian Kamstra. We will also have the joy of participating in Hallie's baptism. Let us pray that this day marks a milestone in their walks of faith on which they can look back and note what God has done in their lives.

Children & Worship will be dismissed during the morning service today. Greeters will escort children downstairs. All children ages 3 through kindergarten are welcome.

Women's Monday Night Bible Study: "Relaxed: Letting go of Self-Reliance and Trusting God" is the material we will be using at the Women's Monday Night Bible Study. Please talk to Leah Schoonhoven or Deb Peters if you have questions on how this study group works or if you'd like to join us. As always, we invite all women to join. The dates will be September 22 & 29, October 6 & 20, November 3 & 17, and December 1. Meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Lighthouse.

Summer study on the LORD's Prayer will meet at 7:00 on <u>Tuesday, September 23</u>. This will be our final session covering the final petition and the close of the prayer. You are welcome to join even if you haven't attended previously.

Attention Young Adults (Singles and Married): You are invited to Young Adult Conversations Sunday mornings @ 11:00 a.m. at the Lighthouse. If you are out of high school or even college and are looking to connect with other students and professionals your age, then join us. Grab a cup of coffee or lemonade from the kitchen and join us at the Lighthouse as we talk life and study God's Word.

Sunday morning coffee servers needed! One family or 3-4 people are needed each week. Sign up on the Connections table.

Lighthouse Housewarming: If you'd still like to purchase a housewarming gift for the Lighthouse, a few more tags have been added above the Connections table. If you or your group are interested in helping with the cost of this, please contact Jill Schemper or Kurt Van Noord.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Save the Date for Immanuel's Best Contest on Wednesday, October 29. More details coming next week!
- **CES Apple Pie Project** is planned for November 12-15.
 - Donations of duct tape and wax paper are needed for this project. Items can be brought to the Connections table.
 - Get your orders in! Limited quantities available.
 Order forms are in your mailboxes and extras are on the Connections table.

PRAYER CONCERNS & PRAISES

Don Beltman's treatments went well and he was able to return home on Tuesday. Pray for the effectiveness of this radiation in shrinking his tumor.

Deb Peters returned home Wednesday. Praise the LORD! Keep Deb and Mart in your prayers as they face adjustments yet again.

Kristi Wassenaar had surgery Tuesday to fuse two vertebrae in her back and came home Wednesday. Doctors believe the surgery to be successful in taking away tingling and pain in her back. Pray for her healing and recovery in the coming weeks.