

Immanuel Christian Reformed Church
August 27, 2023

WELCOME TO IMMANUEL!

We are glad that you joined us, and we pray that you will encounter God through prayer, worship, and his word.

TODAY

8:30AM Prayer – FLC Prayer Room All are invited!

9:30AM Pastor Jake Porter
Acts 11

Offerings: General Fund & Benevolent Fund

5:30PM Pastor Jake Porter
Ask the Pastor

NURSERY

Today: Hillary Hansen & Ruth Pohler

Next Sunday: Katie Bonner & Maddy Heuker

THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 30

10:00AM Sr's Coffee & Donuts - FLC
7:00PM Executive Committee

NEXT SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

8:30AM Prayer – FLC Prayer Room All are invited!

9:30AM Pastor Jake Porter
Acts 12 (Herod's Death and the Church Spreading)

Offerings: General Fund & Building Fund

No evening service at Immanuel.

THANKSGIVING

Thank you for your prayers and support of our **Kids Hope students** who went to Camp Roger this summer. When asked about the experience, here's what the parents said:

"He had a great time! He absolutely loves Camp Roger! Abriel had a wonderful time at Camp Roger. He said he made some friends and really had fun. I really enjoyed the pictures on the Camp Roger website. I can see the joy on his face. Thank you so much for allowing him the opportunity to attend Camp for the past few years. I have really seen a huge improvement in him over the past few years. I think the Kids Hope program and his mentor have made an everlasting impression on him. Thank you again for all the support you have provided to us!"

PRAYER REQUESTS

Carolyn Morren passed away on August 18; the funeral was held on August 23. We extend our sympathy to Carolyn's family and pray for God's comfort and peace.

Sharon Ondersma – M.S.

Homebound: Adaline Lems, Pat Duimstra

Staff: Lynnea Van Wylen, Administrative Assistant

Missionaries: Michele Vande Steeg,
Oasis Trails, Spain

Young Adults: Paige Heemstra, Easton Miedema,
Zachary Velthouse

Military: Major Ron Thenn – Army

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sr's Coffee & Donuts

Join us this Wednesday, August 30, at 10AM for coffee in the FLC.

Youth Leader Position

The church leadership is moving forward with finding the next person for this position. If anyone is interested in being the next youth leader, please send your resumé to Allen Vedders (Administrative Chr, avedders@att.net).

Funeral Lunch Help

Additional people are needed to help serve for funeral lunches. If you are available to help, please contact the church office (616-669-9725 or office@immanuelcrc.com).

Please contact even if you think you are already on a list.

Kids Hope Mentors Needed

It's time for kids to head back to school and that means we have the amazing opportunity to mentor students at Park Elementary again this year. Our Kids Hope program has been going strong for over 20 years and God continues to water the seeds of HOPE we plant each week. There are students at Park that need a special friend **LIKE YOU!**

Check out the flyer in your mailbox about how you can become a mentor or prayer partner this year - only one hour a week makes a huge difference in a child's life! Contact Evamarie Eggebeen with any questions.

Kids Hope – Staff Treats

We are looking forward to another great year of our Kids Hope USA ministry as we partner with Park Elementary. The teachers and staff at Park are so accommodating and helpful as mentors come and go throughout the week.

We want to encourage the staff with some yummy treats each month. A sweet treat is a small but easy way to show the staff that we appreciate them. **Would you be willing to bake or buy some treats for teachers one or two months this year?** Fill out the form in your mailbox and return it to Evamarie Eggebeen, or email your availability to kidshope@immanuelcrc.com

Churchwide Fall Kickoff – Sunday, September 10

Let's get together to have fun and reconnect after summer! All are invited!

- We're planning on serving hamburgers and hotdogs, chips, fruit, mac-n-cheese, drinks, paper products - everything provided!
- We'll have an ice cream machine and a snow cone machine!
- You'll enjoy guessing games and other ways to connect with others and have fun!

Join us in the FLC soon after the morning service!!

Immanuel Circle

Mark your calendars for September 13, at 7PM in the Adult Education Room. We will study our Ephesians Lesson 4. Invite a friend to join us. More study books are available. Questions? Call Patsy (669-1888) or Wanda (669-1989).

Women's Bible Study

Please join us for the 12-session study *Experiencing God, Knowing and Doing the Will of God*.

God is inviting you into an intimate love relationship through which He reveals to you His will, His ways, and His work. When you recognize where God is working, you can join Him in what He is doing. Carefully listening to His voice will anchor you in His plan and set you free to live it with boldness and freedom. Then you will experience God doing through you what only He can do.

We will be meeting every other Tuesday morning 9-10:30AM for discussions and a teaching video beginning on September 26. Contact Evamarie Eggebeen if you are interested so that she can order study books.

FINANCIAL UPDATES

August 20, 2023

General Fund \$8,377

General Fund Year-to-Date

Received \$55,285

Budget Goal 64,160

Over (Under) (8,875)

Budget Received - 86%

Fiscal year – July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

*To fulfill our 2023/24 General Fund budget,
an average weekly offering of \$8,020 is necessary.*

Please tithe in faith and as your response to God's blessings.

Contributions to Immanuel can be made in these ways:

- At our worship services
- Mail a check to the church address
- Auto-giving through your bank
- Giving Center Online

August Corners Offering

Harmony Communities (formerly Georgetown Harmony Homes)

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Post Family Farm in Hudsonville is looking to hire energetic ADULTS for seasonal work for our fall season. Our fall season runs from September 5, 2023 - November 4, 2023.

Opportunities include donut makers, tour guides, Fun Farm Day workers and Saturday Festival workers. Donut making involves working with several others in our bakery making donuts, filling orders, and running the cash register. Tour guides take a group of children, teachers, and parents around the farm both on and off a tractor (training provided). Festival and Fun Farm Day workers may work in donuts, office, tickets, drive the pumpkin train or drive tractor to the pumpkin patch.

No previous experience is required for any position. Work days and hours are very flexible to fit your schedule. Please contact Julie at Post Family Farm, if you have any interest in working in a fun, farm atmosphere.

Phone – 616/669-1964, email – tours@postfamilyfarm.com.

Love Your Neighbor Opportunities

Please read through the following volunteer opportunities and see if anything sparks your interest!

- Pickup & Delivery (those with trucks are highly encouraged!)
- Small Appliance Test & Repair
- Store Cashiers
- Shoe volunteers in Treasure's Resale Shop
- Volunteers to sort and price donations before they go to the Outback Store
- Test and Repair Ministry (Training is provided!)
- Landscape volunteers for the Hudsonville Campus

The Bible League Join us on Friday, September 8, in Byron Center for the *Growing Inward-Reaching Outward* conference. Best-selling author, Carol Kent's life turned upside down when their only child was sentenced for murder. Carol shares from God's Word and her family's life experience in growing an enduring faith and impacting the world for Christ. The cost is \$40 for event with lunch or \$27 without lunch. Registration and more information can be found at Bibleleague.org/tickets.