



**Welcome!**  
**Immanuel Reformed Church**  
**December 31, 2023**

**Prelude**

\***Opening Hymn 133:** *Hark the Herald Angels Sing*

**Call to Worship**

**Prayer**

**Hymn 152:** *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day (vs. 1, 3, 5)*

**Hymn 162:** *The Birthday of a King*

**Children's Message**

\***Hymn 166:** *We Three Kings*

**Morning Prayer**

**Scripture:** Luke 2:22 - 40

**Message:** Gifts

\***Responsive Hymn 138:** *Go, Tell it On the Mountain*

**Offering Prayer**

**Offertory**

\***Doxology**

**Church Happenings**

\***Benediction**

\***Closing Hymn 153:** *Come On Ring Those Bells*

\* *Please Stand*

**Serving Us Today**

**Greeters:** Crystal Braner

**Clean Up:** Volunteers

**Musician:** Donna Buseman

**January 7**

**Greeters:** Rich & Lynette Clark

**Clean Up:** Rich & Lynette Clark

**Organist:** Jerry Boelman

**Announcements**

- We're pleased to welcome **Paul Krull** to the Immanuel Reformed pulpit this morning. Thank you, Paul, for serving our family!
- A special thank you to **Millie Wenzel and Julie Berneman** for their contributions toward the **Christmas sacks** presented on Christmas Eve. This long-standing tradition is appreciated by young and old!
- Looking ahead: 1.) **Consistory** will meet Sunday, January 21 at 11 a.m.; 2.) **Family Ministry Night** is Wednesday, January 24. Meal at 6:30 and Bible lesson at 7 p.m. All ages are welcome.
- Don't forget: The **food pantry** is always in need of donations. Immanuel is responsible for donations of cooking oil, laundry soap and toilet paper, so **let's keep that shopping cart in the fellowship hall full!** The pantry will accept other items too, and cash is always welcome. Cash donations can be placed in an envelope and put in Wanda's mailbox. Thanks in advance for blessing others!
- **It's that time of year again: COVID, flu and RSV are back** and making the rounds of the community. Illnesses like these can be quite dangerous. You can be contagious two or three days before symptoms show up, so if you know you've been exposed it's best to stay home just in case...and please stay at home if you are sick. You can watch our Sunday service live at: [www.facebook.com/ImmanuelReformedChurch](http://www.facebook.com/ImmanuelReformedChurch), and later in the day on our website: [www.ImmanuelReformedChurchBelmond.com](http://www.ImmanuelReformedChurchBelmond.com).

**9:30 a.m. Morning Worship**  
**(Playroom available downstairs)**

**10:30 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship**

**10:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages**

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**Prayers & Praise**

- **Please pray for Brandon Smith**, nephew of Judy Klink, who has had surgery for cancer, and will undergo several weeks of chemotherapy.
- **Pray for those in our church family** with ongoing health issues, that they would find peace and healing.
- Pray for the **spiritual growth of our church families**, and our ability to reach out to those in our community who need the saving grace of Jesus.
- Prayers for the **Lord to be present** as Immanuel transitions to our new denomination, Alliance of Reformed Churches (ARC)
- **Guidance** for our all of our consistory members and search team members as we seek the next Pastor for Immanuel.



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| <b>Jan. 8</b>  | Shirley Goeman,<br>Wayne Stahl  | <b>Jan. 19</b> | Ramona Young                      |
| <b>Jan. 9</b>  | Issac Boelman,<br>Karen Halfpop | <b>Jan. 20</b> | Jenna Goeman                      |
| <b>Jan. 13</b> | Anna Boelman                    | <b>Jan. 21</b> | Dalton Clark                      |
|                |                                 | <b>Jan. 27</b> | Julie Berneman,<br>Marcus Barkema |



No anniversaries in the family this month, however **January 26 is National Spouses Day**. Make a special effort to show your spouse how much you appreciate them, and all the things he or she does for you and the home.