



Welcome!
Immanuel Reformed Church
October 15, 2023

Prelude

* **Opening Hymn:** *Amazing Grace – My Chains Are Gone*

Call to Worship: Psalm 63:1 - 8

Prayer

Hymn 113: *I Just Came to Praise the Lord*

Hymn 295: *Revive Us Again*

Children’s Message

* **Hymn 528:** *No One Ever Cared For Me Like Jesus*

Morning Prayer

Scripture: Matthew 5:3 - 10

Message: Merciful Hearts

* **Responsive Hymn 338:** *At Calvary*

Offering Prayer

Offertory

* **Doxology**

Church Happenings

* **Benediction**

* **Closing Hymn 282:** *The Family of God*

* Please stand

Serving Us Today

Greeters: Wayne & Brenda Stahl

Clean Up: John & Melissa Sifert

Organist: Donna Buseman

October 22

Greeters: Gary & Velda Steenblock

Clean Up: Steve & Melanie Sopher

Organist: Jerry Boelman

Announcements



- **October is Pastor Appreciation Month!** To thank Pastor Mark and Ramona for their time serving us at Immanuel, we'll serve rolls, juice, hot cider and coffee **NEXT SUNDAY** from 8:30 to 9:15.
- **Special Congregational Meeting October 29 at 11 a.m.** – The Consistory is contemplating the suspension of the election of a new elder and deacon for one year. The reason for this is the volume of paperwork and decision making involved with becoming a member of the Alliance of Reformed Churches, and the existing Consistory members would like to complete this process. Each Consistory member has agreed to add one additional year to his term. The congregation will be asked to approve this proposal at this meeting.
- **Consistory will meet October 29**, following the Special Congregational Meeting.
- **Art Show:** The next show at the Art Center features art by Lori Biber Stewart. Her art will be on display each Sunday in October from 1 to 4 p.m.

- 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship (Nursery available downstairs)**
- 10:30 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship**
- 10:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages**

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

- Pray for healing and peace in Israel, God’s chosen nation.
- Continue to pray for Millie Wenzel, Joy Bonin’s sister Sandy, Dave Kobes, and Shirley Goeman. All are healing from health issues.
- Please pray for Rosie Bird (House of Treasures) as she recovers from a bad fall. She is recovering and is back in Belmond.
- 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.
- Pray for safety and a successful school year for students, teachers and school staff.



- Oct. 1** Velda Steenblock
- Oct. 10** Joslyn Barkema
- Oct. 16** Crystal Braner
- Oct. 17** Tate Goeman
- Oct. 23** Ashley Pals, Mallory Sopher
- Oct. 26** Karen DeKuiper
- Oct. 29** Lindy Rae Goemaat, Keith Halfpop
- Oct. 31** Dave Kobes



- Oct. 25** Brad & Julie Berneman