

**WELCOME TO OUR NOVEMBER 28, 2021
SUNDAY WORSHIP!**

Liturgical Color: Blue (signifies preparation)

First Sunday of Advent

Prelude: "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" Arr. Diane Bish

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of Advent Candle of Hope Martin & Becky Koster

*Songs of Praise: "The Blessing" Crosswalk
"King of Kings"
"Days of Elijah"

Sanctuary Choir: "Yahweh"

Morning Prayer

*Hymn #542 (Vs. 1, 3, 4) "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Giving of our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory: "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

Magnifying Our Missions 2nd Offering: **MHS Caring Closet/April House**

*Doxology

Message: "Weak and Strong" Pastor Brion Brooks

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Prayer

*Closing Hymn #545 (Vs. 1, 2) "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

*Benediction

*Postlude: "Sing We Now of Christmas"

**AS YOU LEAVE THE SANCTUARY, REMEMBER YOU
ARE LOVED BY OUR CHURCH AND LOVED BY GOD
EVEN MORE! GO BE A DISCIPLE FOR JESUS!**

*Please stand as you are able.

SUNDAYS AT EMMANUEL

8:30 a.m. – Sanctuary Choir Warm-Up	Choir Room
9:00 a.m. – Sunday Worship	Sanctuary & Livestream
10:15 a.m. – Men's Ministry "Take Ten"	Front of Sanctuary
10:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship Time	Christ Center
10:15 a.m. – Sunday School	Entire Campus
5:30-7:00 p.m. – Sr. High YF	Youth Room

<u>Those Serving</u>	<u>November 28</u>	<u>December 5</u>
Sound Tech:	Matt VanDrew	Russ Wallander
Projection Tech:	Jason McDearmon	Scott Findley
Greeters:	Jon & Rhonda Bush	B & C Bush family
Ushers:	Art Pruis	Ryan Venema
	Doug Leech	Loren Tenboer
	Robin Henard	Kris Schmidt
Nursery:	Jamie Dauphin	Sam Wiersema
	Olivia Dauphin	Shelby Wiersema
Exit Greeters:	Ken Stralow	Todd Schlegel
	Loren Tenboer	Anna Ryder
	Suzi Mills	Dave Wiersema
Coffee Hour:	Needed!!!	Men's Bible Study
Post-Service Welcome Center Greeter:	Betty Pruis	

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK AT EMMANUEL

Monday thru Friday		
	5:00-9:30 a.m. – Walking ministry	Gymnasium
Mon., Nov. 29		
	6:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
	7:30 p.m. – EVOP Rehearsal	Choir Room
Tue., Nov. 30		
	7:00 p.m. – H. S. Girls Bible Study	Chapel
Wed., Dec. 1		
	NO Adult Bible Study	Fireside Room
	6:00-7:30 p.m. – Jr. High JAM	Youth Room
Thur., Dec. 2		
	6:30 p.m. – Women's Study	Fireside Room
Sat., Dec. 4		
	7:00 a.m. – Men's Bible Study	Fireside Room
	8:30 a.m. – MOMSnext	Chapel
	10:00 a.m. – Sunday School Program Practice	Sanctuary

FINANCIAL REPORT

Total Offerings to Budget Last Sunday:	\$ 6,191.52
2021 Budget:	\$ 473,665.00
2021 Income YTD to Budget:	\$ 395,437.72
Total needed to meet Budget:	\$ 78,227.28

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today we welcome Pastor Brian Brooks to the pulpit as Pastor Luke & Chris are enjoying time away with family through Sat., Dec. 4.

Beginning TODAY, anyone who has been hesitant to return to church, and wishes to worship masked and socially distanced, will be able to watch a Livestream of the service in the Youth Room of The Christ Center beginning at 8:55 a.m. every Sunday.

Coffee Hour Hosts needed! Please sign up today in the Christ Center. We really appreciate your service!

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Sunday School Christmas Program:
 Join us next Sunday, Dec. 5th at 9:00 a.m.
 for "Do Not Be Afraid Parade"
 performed by our preschool through 5th grade children.

Soup Supper to be hosted by the Young Adult Mission Team before the Congregational Meeting on Wed., Dec. 8th from 5:30-6:45 p.m. Donations will go towards next summer's mission trip. Soups being served will be Chili, Broccoli Cheese and Chicken & Rice. They are asking the congregation for dessert donations (bars or cakes only please) – please sign-up in the Fireside Room.

Congregational Meeting – The congregation of Emmanuel Reformed Church is called to a congregational meeting **Wednesday, Dec. 8th at 7:00 p.m.** for the purpose of discussion and input on our relationship with the RCA and for the selection of elders and deacons for 2022. Those who will be on the ballot are, **for Elder: Laurie Adolph, Steve Hook, Mark Pruis, Missie Sterenberg, Sandi VanDerLeest & Russ Wallander. For Deacon: Andrea Folkers, Steve Hook, Corey Johnson, Scott Mouw, Tim VanZuiden & Russ Wallander.**

Mark your calendars for the 14th annual "Voices of Praise" Christmas Cantata "The Carols of Christmas – The Sequel"!! The cantatas will be Friday & Sunday, December 17 & 19 at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, December 18 at 3:00 p.m. **Greeters, ushers, welcome table greeters and helpers for the fellowship hour** are needed each night, as well as **cookie donations.** If you are able to be part in this vital outreach ministry of our church, please sign up on the sheets on the "Sign Up Board" near the office.

Church Directory Updates: Please get all address, phone number & email changes or additions to the office as soon as possible so that your information will be correct in the 2022 Church Directory. You may leave these changes in the bulletin box by the office or email Pam at office@emmanuelreformedchurch.org



Morrison Helping Hands Christmas Project 2021: You are invited to take a tag off the tree in the Fireside Room, purchase the item, wrap the item (one box per tag - no gift bags please) and lightly attach the tag to the top of the package. (Please do not write anything on the packages themselves) ****The tag may have some of the child's likes/interests, if you would like to include some extra items in your package.** All gifts must be returned to Emmanuel by Sunday, December 12th. The gifts purchased will help local children in need and will be distributed on Thursday, December 16th. Thank you for your generous support of this project. Instructions are included on the back of each tag. Any questions see Sam Wiersema or Pam Muur.



BIRTHDAYS

Nov. 28-Kathy Hogue, Suzi Mills, Nancy Rutledge,
Meghan Sterenberg, Ethel VanZuiden
Nov. 29-Tyler Peters
Nov. 30-William Buis, Joshua McDearmon, Jim Strating,
Lilah VanDerLeest
Dec. 3-Chad Wolever
Dec. 4-Jeannie Schaver



ANNIVERSARIES

Nov. 28-Brad & Kim Eissens

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PLEASE UPHOLD IN PRAYER:

All who have yet to trust the Savior Jesus.
The persecuted church around the world.
The world, national & state leaders.
Those battling addictions in their lives.
The families & marriages of our community & church.



The Missionaries our Emmanuel family supports: the Fields' serving in Columbia; the McCleerys serving in Latin America; the Pitchers serving in South Africa; the Smith-Mathers serving in South Sudan & the Sundararajans serving in Asia.

Parker Pruis, son of Casey & Caitlin Pruis, had surgery at Univ. of Iowa Children's Hospital on Wed., Nov. 24, to reinsert his shunt tubing.

Frances Damhoff, at the time of bulletin printing, was a patient at CGH undergoing tests for not feeling well.

Mary Okrasinski will be having hip replacement surgery on Fri., Dec. 3 at Genesis in Davenport. Cards may be sent to Anna Ryder and she will get them to Mary while in skilled care.

Those who are healing & recovering: **Lynn Border & Jason Kuehl**

Continue to lift up in prayer: **Corey Johnson & Lindsay Buis**

Those who have long-term needs: **Bob Atherton, Linda Damhoff, Jacob Green & Doris Vandermyde**

Those undergoing cancer treatments: **Sean Leech, Arlyn Huizenga & Jonelle Hook**

Our servicemen and women serving our country, including **Riley Dauphin, Brad Eissens, Britt Ottens, Brevin Pruis & Lloyd Wicker**

Rollie Ebberts at his daughter's (Linda Snyder) home.

Gene Bonneur, Betty Tegeler, George Temple & Lois Wiebenga at Resthave.

Norma Boeck at Windsor Manor.

Elwyn Nice at Allure of Prophetstown.



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A Christ-centered, come-as-you-are family
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