

Emden Christian Reformed Church
Pastor David Zigterman
Sunday, January 14, 2018

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude a time to prepare our hearts for worship
 Welcome and announcements
 *Call to worship Psalm 47:5-8
 *God's Greeting of His People
 *We Greet One Another
 *Songs of Praise *When We Walk with the Lord* PH 548 vs. 1-3
Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah! PH 146 vs. 1,3,4

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

Remembering God's Redemption Exodus 20:2
 Reflecting on God's Law The 6th Commandment
 Confession of Sin
 Assurance of God's Grace Romans 5:8; Isaiah 53:5
 Vow of gratitude
 Song of gratitude *We Give You But Your Own* PH 296 vs. 1,3,5
 Prayer of God's people
 Conclude by singing the Lord's Prayer
 Offering General Fund
 Children's Message and Song *Jesus Loves Me* PH 571 vs. 1

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for illumination
 *Scripture John 2:1-12 pg. 1648
 Reader: This is the Word of the Lord
 Congregation: Thanks be to God

Message **Water to Wine**

Prayer of Application
 *Song of response *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise* PH 361 vs. 1-3
 *Profession of our faith Our World Belongs to God, st. 24,25

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*Parting Blessing
 *Closing Song *Here I Am, Lord*

*God invites us to come before him in worship — and so we do this day.
 Let us focus solely on him for this brief time, to hear his Word
 and glorify our Savior, Jesus Christ.*

Sunday Evening Worship Service
6:00 pm

Romans Bible Study

Romans 5:12-21.
Study material will be by the mailboxes.



Next Sunday, January 21, 2018		SUNDAY SCHEDULE
Greeters:	Youth Family	9:00am Catechism
Library:	Julie Link	(Sept.—May)
Coffee Hour:	Curt & Judy Groen	10:00am Morning Worship
Sound System:	Todd Groen	Sunday School
Nursery:	Rachael / Paul	
Ushers:	Doug & Nic Groen	
Letter to Michelsons:	Duane & Verla Mulder	
Congregational Visitor	Julie Link	
Offering:	am Building / Benevolent Funds	
Elders:		Deacons:
Tim Link - President		Gerald Mulder - Chairman
Kim Mulder - Vice President		Randy Zieske - Benevolent / Building Fund
Dave Daugherty - Clerk		Bob Swyter - Treasurer

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Writers: freelance opportunity, apply now. - Hey, have you seen the new Banner? The monthly publication of the Christian Reformed Church and its website thebanner.org have just had a makeover. We're looking for new writers to contribute to our news section with stories of our congregations, ministries, and members. Coaching is available. Inquire about joining our correspondent team at news@thebanner.org and our news editor will get back to you.

From Back to God Ministries International

BEYOND JERUSALEM - True excitement about something that has changed our lives is hard to keep to ourselves. That's exactly how the first believers began spreading the gospel message. Join Groundwork as we study Acts 8 to discover how God's plan unfolds even as violence and oppression try to smother the message. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

FAMILY FIRE - is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at familyfire.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

From Resonate Global Mission

Exodus Vision Tour Led by a Resonate Missionary - Step back into ancient times and walk the paths of the Exodus from Egypt to Israel. From Saturday, April 14, 2018 — Sunday, April 29, 2018, you'll be given a vision of Christ's historical chosen people so you can build a vision for today's church. Deadline to apply is March 16. Visit resonateglobalmission.org/exodus for more information.

From World Renew

World Renew trip to Haiti - World Renew is organizing an open team to travel to Haiti! Are you passionate about sustainable community development? Deforestation is a serious environmental issue that threatens Haiti. Spend 8 days (March 10-18, 2018) learning about Haiti and participating in reforestation projects. Reforestation helps reduce the impact of mudslides and improves soil quality for increased food security and income for families. Applicants should be able to do physical work in tropical conditions. There may be opportunities for construction work. For more information, please contact Iona Buisman at ibuisman@worldrenew.net.

Emden Christian Reformed Church PO Box 390—518 5th Street NW e-mail: emdenrcr@centurytel.net Secretary: Judy C Groen (320) 905-3921 All Bulletin announcements due by Thursday noon. Pastor David's office hours: Pastor's Cell: 320-400-3023 Office phone: 320-329-3932	320-329-3932 Renville, MN 56284 web site www.emdenrcr.org e-mail: j.k.groen56284@gmail.com Tuesday - Thursday 8:30 am—12:00 You are welcome to stop in and visit without an appointment.
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TODAY

Greeters:	Weldon & Char Zondervan
Library:	Julie Link
Coffee Hour:	Dalen & Donna Fuls
Sound System:	Ryan Sietsema
Ushers:	Loren Marcus & Duane Mulder
Nursery:	Andrea & Isabelle
Letter to Michelsons:	Butch & Linda Mayer
Congregational Visitor:	Julie Link
Visiting Elder:	Kim Mulder



CHURCH CALENDAR

Today 2:00 pm **RenVilla Service** - Everyone is invited to join us
 Wednesday 9:00 am **Ladies Games & Fellowship** at the parsonage
 Next Sunday 11:00 am **Congregational meeting** after morning worship

CHURCH FAMILY

Please keep Norma Groen in your prayers this week as she has hip replacement surgery on Monday.



CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

This afternoon at 2pm our church will be leading the Renvilla Service. In the evening at 6 pm we will continue our study of the book of Romans by studying Romans 5:12-21. Study material will be by the mailboxes.

Next Sunday, January 21 we will be hearing God's word from John 2:13-25. After the service we will be having our annual congregational meeting.

At the annual meeting on Jan. 21, new council members will be chosen by lot. The following persons have allowed their name to stand for Elder: Doug Groen, Paul Knapper, Duane Mulder. The following persons have allowed their name to stand for Deacon: Curt Groen, Heidi Link.



Sunday School occurs during the service on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month. Catechism meets at 9 am on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month.



Beginning Jan. 21, on each Sunday there is Sunday School, a Noisy-offering will be taken to raise funds for Lablab beans through World Renew. Lablab beans help Ugandan

farmers improve the soil, increase yields, reduce weeds, eat more protein, and feed their animals, too. Sara Sytsma, in her work for World Renew, works with farmers planting these seeds and shows how they are beneficial.



Each Sunday morning, we will be having a time of prayer before the service beginning at 9:15.

Nursery: A signup sheet has been placed near the mailboxes if you are interested in helping with nursery.



Soles4Souls: Wearing out Poverty - If you have any shoes you are no longer using, please consider giving your shoes to this organization by placing them in the blue container near the entrance of the church.



A special offering will be taken for Safe Avenues on February 4 for victims of sex trafficking. Safe Avenues provides advocacy and emergency shelter for victims of domestic and sexual violence.

Council Notes

December Treasurer Report

Beginning Balance	\$ 8,842.36
Total Deposits	\$16,644.84
Total Expenses	\$19,126.76
Ending Balance	\$ 6,360.44

Building Fund: ~\$14,600

Benevolent Fund: ~\$4,800

Visiting Elder - Kim Mulder

Decisions made:

A Noisy offering will be taken for Lablab beans each Sunday there is Sunday School.

Registration fee for Dordt College's Day of Encouragement will be covered by our church.

Next Council meeting will be February 7 (one week earlier than normal).

A proposed budget for 2018 for the Annual Meeting was approved.

On June 5, 2018 our church will be hosting the Watoto Children's Choir. Our church is responsible to provide 9-10 host homes. Please consider if you would like to serve in this way.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Renville Lions Club will be holding their annual Waffle Feed **TODAY** Sunday, Jan 14, 2018 at the Renville Community Center from 9am-1pm. Proceeds will benefit the proposed Renville Memorial Park. Come enjoy good food and fellowship!!



The Juniors and Seniors of Central MN Christian have begun their fundraising for their mission trip to New York in March where they will be the hands and feet of JESUS. The team will be serving at a soup kitchen, visiting hospitals, doing street witnessing and handing out toiletries and socks to the homeless among other activities. The students from your church are Nic Groen. Please be in prayer for these students as they prepare and fundraise for this Mission Trip. The students are selling homemade bars and hot chocolate at CMCS home basketball games. Other fundraisers are in the planning stages. Thanks for your support!



Pulled pork sandwiches, beans, chips and dessert fundraiser supper will be held at the CMCS Event Center on the night of the boys home basketball games vs. Canby on Tuesday, January 16, from 5-7 pm to support the CMCS Track and Cross Country teams.



How is human trafficking and exploitation happening in rural, MN? How is it affecting our kids who live in an online world? Come and learn how exploitation happens, some safety practices to protect our kids, as well as some of the apps and other online sites that you should be aware of. This is for parents, grandparents and any adults who care about our kids. Brie Sweeney, the community Outreach and Youth Advocate who works at Heartland Girls Ranch in Benson, MN will be our guest speaker. Date: Wednesday January 17th, 7pm at Bunde CRC. Childcare will be available

The award-winning January Series of Calvin College is being held in Prinsburg. From Jan. 3 through Jan. 23, 2018, Unity Christian Reformed Church will be one of more than 50 remote webcast locations worldwide to broadcast one of the nation's leading lecture and cultural arts series.

4K Sonshine Pre-school Open House - We would like to welcome you and your student to our 4K Sonshine Pre-school Open House at Central MN Christian School on January 29, 2018 at 7:00pm. Please RSVP by January 26 to the high school office at 320-978-8700 or by emailing us at development@cmcschool.org



We will have caring adult and student helpers that will facilitate free play in the 4K classroom and gym while parents hear more about our 4K Sonshine program from our principal, Mr. Larry Van Otterloo, and teachers, Mrs. Cindy Van Otterloo and Mrs. Laura Brouwer. If you have or know of a child who will be 4 by September 1, 2018, please contact the Development Director, Michelle Schwitters so we can send more information about our program and open house. Thank you so much and we will see you January 29!

Raymond CRC to host a Cadet Pancake Supper on Wednesday, January 24th from 5-7 pm. Serving: Pancakes, Sausages and Beverages. This is a Free-Will Donation event.



Bethany Christian Services of Willmar is seeking a part time community outreach coordinator. This person should be passionate about the mission of Bethany which says that all children deserve a loving family. It would be this person's responsibility to network with community organizations and agencies, churches, businesses, donors, potential clients and other service professionals by sharing about the multitude of services provided by Bethany. Contact Christy Groen at 320-212-9643 if you want more information.

Dordt College Day of Encouragement is Saturday, Feb. 3, 2018 on the campus of Dordt College. Featured Keynote speaker is Pastor Reggie Smith, Director of Race Relations and Social Justice for the Christian Reformed Church. Breakout sessions fall under the topics of Family, Shepherding, Technology, Teaching/Preaching and Worship. All church members will find something to challenge their personal spiritual growth or help them mature as church volunteers, employees, or lay leaders. Complete breakout information and speaker bios can be found at www.dordt.edu/ or in pamphlets by the mailboxes. Registration opens Dec 1.

The 2018 Men's No Regrets Conference is one you won't want to miss! This will mark the 25th year of encouraging and inspiring men with this all day event that will be streamed live at Rock of Life CRC in Willmar. The theme for this year's Conference is **"No Reserve, No Retreat, No Regrets"** based on a compelling true life story of William Bordan, who dedicated his short life to serve others and to the cause of showing the love of Jesus to the many struggling and hurting men he met. The cost for this event is \$25.00 which includes coffee and donuts for the breaks and lunch at noon. We hope and pray that you will reserve Saturday, Feb 3 for this important Men's event! For more information and to register, go to rockoflifecrc.org or call Renae at 320-235-3060 or email willmarcrc@gmail.com. Doors open at 7:30 and the conference runs from 8:30 am-4:00 pm. We hope to see you there and we also encourage you to invite your friends! --Men's No Regrets planning group.



On February 23, a *Work as Worship retreat* will be simulcasted at Unity Church in Prinsburg. Tickets are \$25. Event goes from 7:30 am - 2:30 pm. Register at www.workasworshipretreat.org.

Driver improvement classes for seniors will be held as follows: 8 hour first time class: Friday, March 16 5:30
Saturday, March 17 9:00



4 hour refresher course: Saturday, March 17-2:00
To enroll, contact the instructor at Paulknapper75@gmail.com
320-522-2575 All classes held at the RCW school.
www.212drivingschool.com

Redeemer Lutheran Church is excited to be hosting the class Perspectives on the World Christian Movement. Perspectives is a 15 week discipleship course that highlights the Biblical, historical, cultural, and strategic aspects of God's global purpose to draw all people into loving relationship with him. Each week we will have a different speaker ranging from a missionary doing business as missions work in Minneapolis to a missionary who worked with cannibals in Papua. Although the class sounds very missions oriented, it is more about what God has done and is doing in the world and how we can be a part of His plan. Here's what Pastor Steve Van Zanen, former minister of Raymond CRC and current missionary in Lithuania said about the class: *"Taking the Perspectives course was a spiritual landmark for me. It provides information and inspiration to engage with God in His work of transforming the world through the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Whether you are considering overseas service or just want to be a faithful disciple in West Central Minnesota, I can think of no better resource than Perspectives for deepening your vision and preparing your heart."* **The class is from 6-8:30 pm on Tuesdays starting January 16. You are not required to attend all classes to pass the course. Cost is \$245 per person but you may attend the first 2 classes for free.** For more information and to register visit www.perspectives.org or contact Jayme Van Beek at vanbeekjs@gmail.com



PRAYER

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O Link, Linda Mayer, Gerald Mulder, Louise Peterson
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E The Persecuted Church: Pray for Aliza, Injured in a Deadly **R** Church Bombing - Pakistan

Aliza, a 1-year-old girl, lost her foot as a result of an injury suffered in the December 17 Quetta church bombing that killed 11 people and seriously injured 50 others. Four suicide bombers approached the Bethel Memorial Methodist Church during a children's Christmas celebration, but only one bomber managed to set off his explosives at the church entrance. The vigilance of church security personnel prevented the bombers from entering the sanctuary and causing more casualties among the 400 believers inside. Pray for the complete healing of Aliza's wounds and for her emotional well-being, and pray for her parents as they care for her and nurture her faith. Also pray for those who lost loved ones and for the others injured in the blast.

Are you continuing to pray that God would use us to share His love and the Good News of the Gospel with our community? Pray that the presence of God will shine through us, the Emden Church Family, and that He will use us in His Kingdom will.

Continue to pray for area churches: Ebenezer Presbyterian, St. John's Lutheran, First Lutheran, United Methodist, Holy Redeemer, Our Saviors Lutheran, Temple of Jesus Christ, Hispanic Church and Emden. Ask God to continue to move through His church to the glory of His kingdom. Remember—we are part of God's kingdom and need to always be following Him.

Sermon Notes
Sunday Morning Worship - January 14, 2018
John 2:1-12

Water to Wine

- Wine gives out
- Nothing gold can stay
- Water to wine
- Jesus' glory

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God"
Philippians 4:6

