

Emden Christian Reformed Church
 Pastor David Zigterman
 Sunday, January 13, 2019

Sunday Evening Service
6:00 pm

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude a time to prepare our hearts for worship
 Welcome and announcements
 Opening prayer
 *Call to worship Psalm 96:2-3, NIV
 *God's Greeting of His People
 *We Greet One Another
 *Songs of Praise *That's Why We Praise Him*
How Great is Our God
10,000 Reasons

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

Confession of sin
 Assurance of pardon Romans 8:15-17
 Song of gratitude *Lord I Need You*
 Prayer of God's people conclude with the Lord's Prayer
 Offering General Fund
 Song of preparation *The Power Is Your Love*

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for illumination
 *Scripture Matthew 3:1-17 pg. 1499
 Reader: This is the Word of the Lord
 Congregation: Thanks be to God

Message **Repentance and Baptism**

Prayer of Application
 *Song of response *The Potter's Hand*
 *Profession of our faith *Boundless Grace*

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*Parting Blessing
 *Closing Song *Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow*

*Welcome to worship, education and Christian fellowship
 on this glorious winter morning !
 Please greet those worshipping near you.*

Bible Study

Tonight we will begin a new Bible Study called
*Discovering and Living God's Heart for
 Immigrants: A Guide to Welcoming the Stranger*
 by Matthew Soerens and Jenny Yang.
 Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join us for Bible Study.
 Lunch will be provided.



Next Sunday, January 20, 2019		<u>SUNDAY SCHEDULE</u>
Greeters:	Randy & Verla Zieske	9:00 am Catechism
Library:	Julie Link	(1st & 3rd Sunday Sept.—May)
Coffee Hour:	Doug & Anne Groen	10:00 am Morning Worship
Sound System:	Brad Link	
Nursery:	Rachael Zigterman	
Usher:	Bob Marcus	Gene & Dawn Michelson
Letter to Michelsons:	Ida Huisman	B.P. 2210, Bamako
Congregational Visitor:	Harold Groen	Mali, West Africa
Offering: am	Building Fund / Benevolent Fund	E-mail address Usamaan@hotmail.com
Elders:		Deacons:
Kim Mulder - President	Gerald Mulder - Chairman	
Tim Link - Vice President	Curt Groen - Benevolent / Building Fund	
Doug Groen - Clerk	Bob Swyter - Treasurer	

From Back to God Ministries International

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.

GROUNDWORK: PLEASING GOD NOT PEOPLE. - Should we really trust all pastors equally? What qualifies a person to share the gospel message? Join Groundwork as we examine 1 Thessalonians 2 to discover Paul's teaching on authority and the importance of our discernment, motivation, and responsibility for the gospel message. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

From CRC Communications

Pray for Inspire 2019 - Inspire 2019 is a conference to connect people from across the 1000+ churches in the Christian Reformed Church for three days of worship, workshops, speakers, and conversation. As we plan and prepare for this event, happening August 1-3 in Windsor, Ont., please join us in praying for the event and all who will attend. This week, please pray for those involved in the planning - that they will be encouraged in their ongoing work and that many will be blessed through the event.

From Faith Formation Ministries

Family Faith Formation Tip - It's easy for kids to think of Bible people like Moses as David as mythical characters rather than real, flesh and blood, flawed people. When you read Bible stories where the main character does something wrong (and there are many!), emphasize that God works through imperfect people, even when they make mistakes. And share stories with your kids of how God is at work in your own imperfect life. (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

From Other

Conference: The Prodigal Love of God - Join us April 4-6, 2019, at Dordt College for The Prodigal Love of God Conference: Reencountering Dordt at 400 and Beyond. Through invited plenaries and panel discussions, this conference will feature conversations about the historical legacy and the future of Protestantism as well as the opportunities facing the global church in the decades ahead. Confirmed speakers include Marilynne Robinson, Richard Mouw, James K.A. Smith, Timothy George, Paul Lim, Suzanne McDonald, Jemar Tisby, and Tish Harrison Warren. For info go to www.dordt.edu/plg. Register at prodigalloveofgodregistration.eventbrite.com/

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You are welcome to stop in and visit without an appointment.

TODAY

Greeters:	Cody & Missy Strand
Library:	Julie Link
Coffee Hour:	Dalen & Donna Fuls
Sound System:	Curt Groen
Usher:	Paul Knapper
Nursery:	Lindsey Knapper
Letter to Michelsons:	Todd & Jane Groen
Congregational Visitor:	Harold Groen
Visiting Elder:	Doug Groen

CHURCH CALENDAR

Tonight 6:00 pm **Bible Study**

CHURCH FAMILY

Greetings from Anthony & Sara Sytsma: This week we have three new posts for you at our blog: <https://anthsara.blogspot.com>

Fun (not really) in Kampala Traffic

Nutrition in Kalaki

Photos from Life and Ministry

(including traffic jams, Anniversary ostrich dinner and dancing in church.)

We would love to hear how you are doing as well and how we can pray for you.

—In Christ, Sara and Anthony

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School and Catechism will meet the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. Catechism (4th grade through High School) meet from 9:00 to 9:45 am. Sunday School (3rd grade and below) meet during the service. In addition to this, the Sunday School will collect a Noisy Offering on the 1st and 3rd Sunday. The money collected for this offering will be go toward the leadership training initiative Anthony Sytsma is overseeing as part of the Timothy Leadership Training of World Renew. More information about this initiative can be found here: <https://www.myworldrenew.net/timothyleadershiptraining>



Announcement from council: Nick Daugherty and Todd Groen have allowed their names to stand for Deacon. Paul Knapper, Duane Mulder, and Brad Link have allowed their names to stand for Elder. If you have any suggestions please talk to a member of council.



Next Sunday, January 20, we will be hearing God's word from Matthew 4:1-17. After the service we will have our annual congregational meeting.

The annual Emden Soup Supper will be held on Wednesday, January 30. You will find the slips for your food donations and work schedule in your mailbox today. Please be sure to check them over and remember to put them on your calendar. **We need everyone's help and cooperation to make our annual Soup Supper an enjoyable event for all.** Thank you in advance from the Soup Supper committee.



Upcoming dates:

- Jan. 13: Bible Study
- Jan. 20: Annual Congregational Meeting
- Jan. 30: Soup Supper
- Jan. 27: Bible Study



COUNCIL NOTES	
Treasurer's Report - December	
Beginning Balance	\$ 9,705.35
Total Deposits	\$12,810.26
Total Expense	\$15,145.88
Ending Balance	\$ 7,369.73
Building Fund:	\$12,461.97
Benevolent Fund:	\$ 4,314.79
Decision made: Courtney Brock membership was transferred to Bethel CRC in Sioux Center, IA.	

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Renville Lions Club will be having a **Belgian Waffle Event** today, Sunday, January 13 from 9am-1pm. There will be a Free Will Donation with proceeds going towards the Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon on Highway 212 which will help to keep our kids safe when crossing.



The West Central Men's Chorus will have its first rehearsal Sunday, Feb. 3 from 3:00 - 4:30 at First CRC in Prinsburg. If you have any questions, contact Michelle Mulder at mkmulder@hotmail.com. All men who are interested are welcome.



Open House Alumni Night at CMCS will be held on Friday, January 19. We will be offering tours of the new 4K-8th grade building. There will be an Alumni supper from 5:00-7:00 pm with a free-will Chick-fil-A dinner in the event center. The girls and boys JV basketball games will be at 3:30, followed by the Varsity girls basketball at 5:00 and the Varsity boys basketball at 6:30. All Alumni receive free admission.



Dordt Regional Event: Dordt alumni, friends, and families are invited for an evening of pizza and basketball. Reconnect with old friends and meet new ones at Central Minnesota Christian with a pizza meal before the basketball games. We'll give a quick update from the college at 6:15 p.m. and have some fun trivia questions with Dordt prizes. Date: Tuesday, January 22 Time: 5:30 - 6:45 p.m. Location: Central Minnesota Christian School event center
 Tickets: \$5 per adult. Kids and teens eat for free, but please sign them up so we have enough food. Please register by contacting Alicia Bowar, Alumni and parent relations at alicia.bowar@dordt.edu



Save the Date: Men you are invited to the 26th annual **No Regrets Men's Conference** on February 2, 2019. The No Regrets Men's Conference is an annual conference for males ages 13 and up. Men, when you invite your sons, you receive a discounted ticket price of \$10 for each of your sons! Invite your sons and friends! The conference will be streamed live at our facility, Rock of Life CRC, located at 1708 8th St SW, Willmar. The doors open at 7:30 am for registration, coffee, juice and donuts. The live stream begins at 8:30 am. Lunch will be provided and the conference will conclude at 4:30 pm. Pay and register online at www.rockoflifecrc.org by January 28 or download the registration form online or call Renae at 320-235-3060 or email willmarcrc@gmail.com



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.

The Village Children's Museum in Willmar, MN is in need of volunteers. If you are interested or have any questions, call Arlene at 320-894-2338.

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PRAYER

~ Please remember those in our congregation who have continuous health concerns: Melvin Link, Marge Link, Linda Mayer, Gerald Mulder, Darla Ruschen, DeeDee Johnson

The Persecuted Church: Lebanon

Believers Teaching Scripture to Syrian Refugees

Each month, believers in a city in Lebanon teach Scripture to about 70 Syrian refugee children in a Bible club. Recently, the Christians taught the children Luke 2:40 while their parents were learning the same Scripture in a concurrent parents meeting. The staff meet regularly for prayer and discipleship with a group of eight boys and five girls after each study. The children’s Muslim parents know they are studying the Bible, but they don’t mind. In fact, the parents are impressed with the things they are learning from Scripture. “We would like to thank the Lord for the ministry in the difficult area of our country where we are serving,” said the Bible ministry team leader.

May these children be receptive to the message & may their efforts reach entire families. May other ministries like this be set up for many other Syrian refugees.

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.

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.

Sunday, January 13, 2019
Matthew 3:1-17

Repentance and Baptism

Sermon outline:

- Repentance

- Fire

- Baptism

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

