



Emden Christian Reformed Church
 Pastor David Zigterman
 Sunday, April 17, 2022 10:00 am



WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude a time to prepare our hearts for worship
 Welcome and announcements
 *Call to worship
 *God's Greeting of His People
 *We Greet One Another
 *Songs of Praise *Glorious Day* (Casting Crowns)
Living Hope

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

Confession
 Assurance of pardon
 Special music *Thank You Jesus for the Blood* by Charity Gayle sung by Heather Link
 Prayer of God's people
 Offering General Fund
 Noisy Offering
 Song of preparation *Low in the Grave He Lay* PH 396

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for illumination
 *Scripture Matthew 28:1-10 pg. 1549
 Reader: This is the Word of the Lord
 Congregation: Thanks be to God

Message **The Empty Tomb**
 *Song of response *I Serve A Risen Savior* PH 405

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*Parting Blessing
 *Closing Song *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* PH 388

Christ is risen! Alleluia!
Welcome, one and all, to this Resurrection Sunday worship celebration!

**Sunday evening
 6:00 pm**

Please join us for an area-wide community Easter worship celebration TONIGHT, Sunday, April 17 at 6:00 p.m. at First CRC of Prinsburg.
 Many of the area pastors will participate in the service and Pastor David Dick, from Hancock CRC, will be bringing the message.
 An offering will be taken to bless The Fortress of Willmar. This service will be broadcast over KDJS radio (1590am and 105.7fm).
 Let's join together to celebrate the Risen King!

Alleluia!
 HE IS ALIVE!

Elders:
 Tim Link - President
 Nick Daugherty - Vice President
 Paul Knapper - Clerk

Deacons:
 Janel Watson - Chairman
 Heather Link - Benevolent / Building Fund
 Samantha Link - Treasurer

SUNDAY SCHEDULE
 10:00 am Morning Worship
 5:00 pm Bible Study

~ OUR MISSION ~
Our mission is affirming the Lordship of Christ, expressing our faith through worship, fellowship, growth and service. We would welcome you to share with us the joy of this exciting venture of faith.

ReFrame Ministries

Groundwork: Crucified and Raise to Life with Christ - Good Friday and Easter mark the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Join Groundwork as we study Philippians 3:10-11, Galatians 2:20, Romans 6:1-14, and 1 Corinthians 15:12-23 to examine what the Apostle Paul teaches us about this gift of salvation by faith and our participate in both Christ's death and resurrection. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Faith Formation Ministries

Faith Practice Reflection Tip - Read Revelation 7:9-13 and ponder or discuss the following questions. Easter Sunday is the most important celebration of the Christian year, and this passage paints the ultimate picture of Christian celebration. Have you ever imagined what that day will be like? Give it a try. (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject)

Resonate Global Mission

Your Gift Will Go Twice As Far This Easter - He is risen! CRC churches traditionally take an offering for Resonate Global Mission on Easter Sunday. And this year, your offering will be matched dollar for dollar. As we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, we are reminded that sharing the gospel is about more than telling—it's about living out the good news! This Easter, you can help Christian Reformed church planters, missionaries, and campus ministers live out the good news: www.resonateglobalmission.org/MatchMyGift!

CRC Communications

Get Inspired This Summer - Join us August 4-6 in Tinley Park, near Chicago for Inspire 2022. Be refreshed by three days of speakers, worship, workshops, prayer, and fellowship with CRC members from across the continent. Register now for the early bird rate, and gather five or more from one church to get the group rate! Learn more at crna.org/inspire

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TODAY

Tim & Dawn Link
Nick Daugherty
General Fund
Heather & Heidi Link
Evelyn Zigterman

Greeters
Sound System
Offering
Coffee Hour
Nursery

NEXT SUNDAY 4/24/2022

Kevin & Dani Engstrom
Curt Groen
CMCS Tuition Support
Samantha Link & Janel Watson
Dawn Link

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, April 17: **8:30 sunrise service, 9:00 0am pancake breakfast, 10:00 am regular service**
Saturday, April 23 **Bridal shower for Alannah Parmer**
Sunday, May 1: **Communion (thank offering for The Broken); potluck dinner**
Saturday, May 7: **Church cleanup day**

CHURCH FAMILY

Please join us for an Open House Bridal shower for Alannah Parmer bride-to-be of Nick Daugherty on Saturday April 23 from 9:30-11:30 at Emden CRC in Renville. The couple is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Target. Please bring your favorite recipe to share with the bride!



CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Anne Groen will be printing the bulletin for next week, Sunday, April 24. Please have all announcements to Anne by 4:00 on Thursday. annemsgroen6987@gmail.com

We will have worship each Sunday at 10:00 am. You can also watch our services on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/emdenrc>. The sermon will continue to be made available on the website.

Next Sunday, April 24, Tony Krossman will be leading worship.

These are the dates for Sunday School for the remainder of the year: 4/24, 5/8, 5/22



On May 1 we will have Communion and a potluck meal after the service. Please bring a dish that is big enough to share.



Our next Bible Study will be May 8.

Please consider this prayer challenge: spend 1 minute each night at 8:00 pm to pray for our nation.



Emden coffee mugs are here! Those who have paid ahead of time should check their mailbox. If you would like to purchase one, see Heather Link. The cost is \$8

COUNCIL NOTES

Treasurer report

March	Beginning balance	\$23,951.44
	Total deposits	\$6,736.00
	Total expense	\$7,820.95
	Ending Balance	\$22,866.49
	Benevolent Fund -	\$3,670.22
	Building Fund -	\$15,371.38

Notes:
We will have a church and cemetery cleanup day on Saturday, May 7 beginning at 9am.

A total of \$2,854 was collected this week for the Luke Society's ministries in Ukraine. Thank you for your generosity to this ministry.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friendship Bible Study



Friendship Bible Study: Monday, April 18, 7:00 pm at Rock of Life Church, Willmar. Pizza for our snack. This is our last meeting for this year.

CMCS Legacy Dinner - April 22

We are looking forward to hosting the 40th Annual Legacy Dinner this Friday, April 22. Reserved seats are complementary and required. Dinner begins at 6:30, with a punch reception prior. Entertainment for the evening will be provided by Bonnema Sisters Dueling Pianos and Jett Skrien, Illusionist from Northwestern College in Orange City, IA. Please remember to RSVP by Tuesday, April 19 on the CMCS homepage or by calling the school office at 978-8700.

New 2 You Thrift Store Donation Drive

The CMCS Junior Class will be collecting donations on Friday, April 22. If you would like a student to pick up your donations, please notify the High School office to be placed on the list.



MS FUNDRAISER Sunday, April 24, at Dave's Place (formerly Bart's). Drive-up / pick-up Enter in Alley East of Main Street Bar & Grill. Pork Sandwich, cheesy hashbrowns, coleslaw, & cookie. Free Will donation. Also a bake sale.

CMCS Spring K-5 Elementary Concert

The CMCS Music Department invites you to join us for the Spring Elementary Concert in the High School Gym at 7:00pm on Thursday, April 28.



The Prairie Arts Chorale presents *Words Of Wisdom*, their spring concert series. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door, students under 18 are free. Contact Paul Knapper for tickets. Check the bulletin board for locations and dates of concerts.

Why Christ calls us to worship

Easter services are usually well attended, but what about other weeks? What draws you to worship on an "average" Sunday, and what might Jesus have in store for people in the pews?

Consider this from Pastor Charles Aaron: "Did we come to church this morning thinking it was a safe thing to do? Did we come with some expectation of receiving a blessing, a bit of comfort, but no real challenge? Did we think about the possibility that encountering Jesus would rearrange our lives, explode our priorities, cause us to give more than we ever expected? Did we think we could get a little something from Jesus, a dose of grace to help us through the week? Did we come for the fellowship, the music, the spiritual boost? No one can argue with those reasons."

He continues: "The risen Christ, however, may have had other plans for this worship service. Christ may want to come under our skins and transform us. Christ may see through us so that something we have well hidden comes to the surface. Christ may kick out from under us the things we use to prop ourselves up but that we don't really need. Are we ready for that? Did we bargain on that when we walked through the door today?"

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PRAYER

~ Please remember those in our congregation who have continuous health concerns: Marge Link, Butch & Linda Mayer, Darla Ruschen, DeeDee Johnson, Carson Groen, Caroline Brouwer

The Persecuted Church - Benin

Man Kills Son, Threatens Daughter-in-Law for Following Christ

Lea and her husband, Solomon, lived with Solomon's father, who was a priest in the traditional religion of their village. When Solomon's father discovered that Solomon and Lea were going to a Christian church, he killed Solomon and threatened Lea, kicking her and her three children out of his home. Unable to provide for her family, Lea sent her two older children to live with her sister in a nearby village while she works to expand her sewing business to be able to fully support her family. *"God gives me peace, and I know He is with me,"* Lea said. *"Please pray that God will help my business grow, and for protection from my father-in-law."*

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.

Sermon Notes
Sunday, April 17
Pastor David Zigterman
Matthew 28:1-10
The Empty Tomb

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

