

Welcome to Emden CRC

April 28, 2024



WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome and announcements

Opening prayer

*Call to worship

*God's Greeting of His People

*We Greet One Another

*Songs of Praise

Come, Christians, Join to Sing SJ 70 vs. 1-3

Rejoice, the Lord is King! SJ 282 vs. 1-3

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

Confession of sin

If, at times, we deny you, God forgive.

When the risks of discipleship are high,
and we are nowhere to be found:

God forgive.

When we wash our hands of responsibility:

God forgive.

When we cast our lot with powerful oppressors
and seek to buy freedom with silver:

God forgive.

When fear keeps us from witnessing to your truth,
or prejudice keeps us from believing it:

God forgive.

In the bright light of Easter morning, O God,
our sin is exposed, and your grace is revealed.

Tender God,

**raise us in your love so that, with joy,
we may witness to your awesome deeds,
in the name of Jesus, the risen one. Amen.**

Assurance of pardon

Ministry of Music: Man on the Middle Cross

Congregational Prayer

Offering: General Fund

Song of preparation

My Hope SJ 315 vs. 1-3

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for illumination

*Scripture: John 21:15-25 pg. 1688

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

Congregation: Thanks be to God

Message: From Shame to Service

*Song of response:

Amazing Grace SJ 299 vs. 1-4

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*Parting Blessing

*Closing Song

My Friend May You Grow in Grace

*please stand if you are able

Our mission: Rooted in God's faithfulness, God has called us to be a resilient community committed to expressing our gratitude by practicing hospitality, using our musical gifts, while embracing and supporting God's mission in our own neighborhood and the world.

Sermon notes:

April 28		May 5
Janel Watson	Greeters	James and Phyllis Santjer
Joan Swyter	Nursery	Dawn Link
Nick Daugherty	Sound system	Paul Knapper
Brad and Julie Link	Coffee Hour	Todd and Jane Groen
General Fund	Offering	General Fund

Elders:

Tim Link - President

David Daugherty - Vice President

Doug Groen- Clerk

Deacons:

Janel Watson - Chairman

Josh Groen - Building Fund

Kevin Engstrom- Treasurer

Upcoming dates:

- May 7: Council
- May 8: Cadets

Church announcements:

Next Sunday, May 5, Rob Braun will be leading the service. Pastor David will be in Tennessee next week participating in a Leadership seminar hosted by Calvin Seminary.

Shepherding elders:

April: Paul and Wanda

May: Janel Watson

We will have Sunday School and Catechism after the morning service on April 28.

Letter to missionaries: Please consider writing a letter to our missionaries. A Sign-up sheet is by the mailboxes. Envelopes are ready!

Requested Announcements

Interested in seminary? If you're thinking about pursuing ordained ministry or looking to enroll in a seminary and pursue ordination in the Christian Reformed Church in North America, the Classical Ministry Leadership Team (CMLT) of Classis Lake Superior would love to talk to you! We have financial aid available to help you cover the tuition and costs of a seminary education. We also intentionally journey alongside our students as they make their way through the discernment and candidacy process. If you'd like to learn more or connect with the CMLT about your plans, please e-mail the chair, Pastor Dan De Graff, at degraff.d@gmail.com by May 31.

Organ/Piano Workshops

If you would like to improve or develop your leadership skills on the piano, or you've had a desire to learn the organ, these workshops are for you! Dr. Carrie Groenewold from Dordt University

will be at First CRC on April 27 to run two workshops. They are "The King of Instruments: An Organ Demonstration" from 11:00 a.m. to noon. Along with this demonstration pianists are welcomed to bring a piece of music to try on the organ. Following a light lunch the "Hymn Leadership Workshop" will run from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. which will focus on hymn-playing techniques. Please call/text Kim De Berg (320-444-2329) with any questions and if you would like to join us as we will need a head count for the lunch.

Hymn Sing: Mark your calendars! Sunday, June 23, 4:00 - Emden Church in Renville! This Hymn Sing will include several audience participation numbers as well as special selections from a variety of guest musicians! You won't want to miss this event! Ice cream floats will follow!

RCW PARENT/PRINCIPAL COFFEE HOUR

K-6th grade parents of students in RCW are invited to join Principle Egge on Monday, April 29th from 2:30-3:30pm in the RCW Boardroom. We want your input on our Literacy Reading Plan - Title Programs, English Language Learners, Americorps. If you are interested in joining us for a cup of coffee and some great conversation, please RSVP by calling the school office: 320-329-8368.

April 28 - "The Chosen" will be shown in the afternoon at FLC at 2 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend - open to the public.