

**Emden Christian Reformed Church  
Pastor David Zigterman  
Sunday, May 5, 2019**

**Sunday Afternoon Worship 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 1 Corinthians 15:57  
 \*God's Greeting of His People  
 \*We Greet One Another  
 \*Songs of Praise *Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain* PH 389 vs. 1-3  
                                   *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* SJ 379 vs. 1-4

**WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE**

Reflecting on God's Law the 2nd commandment  
 Confession of sin  
 Assurance of pardon Colossians 1:13-15, 19-20  
 Guide for grateful living Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 96  
 Song of gratitude *How Vast the Benefits Divine* PH 497 vs. 1-3  
 Testimony Heidi Link  
 Prayer of God's people conclude with the Lord's Prayer  
 Offering Ministry Shares  
 Noisy-offering Anthony's TLT initiative  
 Song of preparation *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* SJ 154 vs. 1-3

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

Prayer for illumination  
 \*Scripture Acts 10:1-17, 34-48 pg. 1708-10  
     Reader: This is the Word of the Lord  
     Congregation: Thanks be to God  
 Message **The Gospel Goes Forth**  
 Prayer of Application  
 \*Song of response *In Christ There Is No East or West* SJ 137 vs. 1-4  
 \*Profession of our faith: The Apostle's Creed

**WE DEPART TO SERVE**

\*Parting Blessing Ephesians 3:20-21  
 \*Closing Song *Christ Shall Have Dominion*

*A warm welcome to members and guests who  
gather today for worship and Christian fellowship.  
May we be blessed as we bless God and one another.*

We will not be having an evening worship service at Emden.  
You are encouraged to attend a service at one  
of the neighboring churches.

Raymond CRC 5:30 pm  
 Prinsburg First CRC 6:00 pm  
 Bunde CRC 5:30 pm

Next Sunday, May 12, 2019 <b>Mother's Day</b>		<u>SUNDAY SCHEDULE</u> 9:00am Sunday School 1st & 3rd Sunday (Sept.—May) 10:00am Morning Worship
Greeters:	Heidi & Samantha Link	Gene & Dawn Michelson B.P. 2210, Bamako Mali, West Africa E-mail address Usmaan@hotmail.com
Library:	Julie Link	
Coffee Hour:	James & Phyllis Santjre	
Sound System:	Paul Knapper	
Usher:	Butch Mayer	
Nursery:	Donna Fuls	
Congregational Visitor:	Janel Watson	
Offering: am	General fund	
<b>Elders:</b>	<b>Deacons:</b>	
Duane Mulder - President	Todd Groen - Chairman	
Kim Mulder - Vice President	Curt Groen - Benevolent / Building Fund	
Doug Groen - Clerk	Bob Swyter - Treasurer	

### From Back to God Ministries International

GROUNDWORK: THE SUPREMACY OF CHRIST - We use a lot of phrases to describe Christ and his role: firstborn of the dead, firstborn of all creation, reconciler, and head of the church. Join the conversation on Colossians 1:18-20 to discover their origin and what they mean we believe about Jesus Christ. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

### From Faith Formation Ministries

Family Faith Formation Tip - An anonymous wise person said, "It is through repetition that possibility becomes ability." Making space for God in your family's busy schedule can be hard. But creating regular family faith habits and practices will have a life-changing impact on your kids—and on you! The new resource Everyday Family Faith (available at FaithAliveResources.org), a pocket-sized family faith formation guide, can help you get started.

(Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

### From Resonate Global Mission

Be a Camp Counselor! - You can make a difference in the life of a young person in Hungary this summer! Resonate partner Momo Victor is inviting college-aged students from Canada and the United States to help lead two week-long English camps. You'll need a love for kids, a sense of adventure, and a desire to serve God! Learn more and apply at [esonateglobalmission.org/summercamp](http://esonateglobalmission.org/summercamp).

### From World Renew

Volunteer Overseas - Are you looking for ways to help end poverty, restore creation, and reconcile relationships? World Renew's Global Volunteer Program has overseas placements for individuals in language learning, health, agriculture, engineering, and more. If you are identifying God's call in your life or looking for an opportunity to use your gifts and skills, let's further God's kingdom together. To find out more, contact Andrew at [globalvolunteer@worldrenew.net](mailto:globalvolunteer@worldrenew.net).

Emden Christian Reformed Church PO Box 390—518 5th Street NW e-mail: <a href="mailto:emdenrc@centurytel.net">emdenrc@centurytel.net</a> Secretary: Judy C Groen (320) 905-3921 All Bulletin announcements due by Thursday noon. <b>Pastor David's office hours: Tuesday - Thursday 8:30 am—12:00 Pastor's</b> <b>Pastors Cell: 320-400-3023</b> <b>Office phone: 320-329-3932</b>	320-329-3932 Renville, MN 56284 web site <a href="http://www.emdenrc.org">www.emdenrc.org</a> e-mail: <a href="mailto:j.k.groen56284@gmail.com">j.k.groen56284@gmail.com</a>  <b>You are welcome to stop in and visit without an appointment.</b>
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Greeters:	Youth Family
Library:	Julie Link
Coffee Hour:	Cody & Missy Strand
Sound System:	Todd Groen
Nursery:	Judy Groen
Usher:	Harold Groen
Congregational Visitor:	Janel Watson
Visiting Elder:	Kim Mulder



Peter's Vision of Animals

## CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	2:00 pm	<b>RenVilla Service</b> , everyone is welcome
Monday	7:00 pm	<b>Ladies Bible Study</b> - Lesson 3
Wednesday	7:00 pm	<b>Council meeting</b>
Next Sunday		<b>Communion &amp; Potluck with Michaelson's</b>

## CHURCH FAMILY

Dear supporters, this week I am very excited to share with you a special video in which you will hear directly from pastors who are helping me with Timothy Leadership Training. I am advising many trainers who are leading TLT throughout Uganda, but these pastors are some of the few who have been working directly with me as a small team. They start TLT groups in new regions of the country and coach other TLT trainers (part of my fundraising project described below). I am so grateful to a missionary friend from the UK, Ben Carver, for making this video for me. Click on the link below to watch the video that I uploaded to YouTube: **Pastors in Uganda Facilitating TLT**

I also want to announce a very important update that my former TLT fundraising site is now disabled, and World Renew has made a new one. I am very grateful for the support that has already come in for this TLT ministry. As you can see from the website, ALL of the funds we needed for the first year of this project came in. Praise the Lord for his provision through his people! Now we are about to begin a second year of the project in a couple months and I ask for your continued support. Here is the new website:

Timothy Leadership Training Assistants - Fundraising Page  
—Anthony and Sara Sytsma

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is the last day of Sunday School, Catechism, and Noisy Offering. Thank you to all the teachers and students for your dedication and your faithfulness and to the congregation for your support in the Noisy offering.

Next Sunday, May 12, Mother's Day, we will be hearing God's word from Acts 13:1-3, 14:8-20 as well as welcoming Gene and Dawn Michelson for their goodbye visit. We will also be celebrating the Lord's Supper and having a potluck after the service.



Circle 2 is in charge of organizing and serving. Those with the last letter of your name beginning with A-L please bring a large hotdish and those last names beginning with M-Z please bring a large salad.

Upcoming dates:

May 12: Michelson's goodbye visit to Renville; Potluck dinner and communion

May 30: Ascension Day service at 6:30 pm at Emden

June 9: Communion and potluck



On Thursday, May 30 at 6:30pm Emden will be hosting a combined Ascension Day service with Raymond CRC and Bunde CRC. Aaron Greydanus will give the message.

**REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CMCS High School Pops Concert**

High School Band and Choir Disney Pops Concert Tuesday, May 14 at 7:00PM in the high school gym Pop and popcorn are available with a free-will donation! Come early to get a good seat! We hope to see you at the last performance of this school year!!



Come on out and support the CMCS Elementary Destination Imagination (DI) Team Tip Night on May 15 from 5:00-8:00p.m. at the Willmar Pizza Ranch. All tips will go towards their trip to the DI Globals competition in Kansas City, Missouri May 22-26!

The Summerfest Committee is hosting a Mexican fiesta on Sunday, May 5. Join us for a Cinco de Mayo celebration from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Community Center. The menu will have a flare of Mexican flavor: pork carnitas sandwich, coleslaw, Mexican rice, chips and salsa, and dessert. Free will



donation. To-go meals available. All proceeds will go directly towards defraying the costs of our hometown Summerfest events. Summerfest has graced our community with fun, food and entertainment for many years and our hope is that it will continue to do so through the support of our community members. Please, join us.

Haiti Literacy Program - Make 'n Take Spring Potted Plant Event will be



held at Stacy's Nursery in Willmar, Monday, May 20th from 6:00 to 8:00p.m. The event fee is \$60 and will cover your 13" pot, soil, flowers, refreshments and a donation to the Haiti Literacy Program. This program enables Haitian people to learn to read and write, participate in their community and church, and

positively affect generations to follow! Please RSVP today, by text/call 320.894.6394, as there is limited space available.

Lift Off to VBS 2019! *Miraculous Mission: Jesus Saves the World VBS* will be held in our church June 3 – 7 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. each evening. Supper will be served at 5:30 p.m. At Miraculous Mission VBS, we will lift off for an intergalactic adventure and learn about God's plan of salvation from creation to the cross!

Registration is now open for kids ages 4 yrs. (by Sept. 1) through 5th grade. To register, sign up online at [www.firstcrofprinsburg.org/ministries/children](http://www.firstcrofprinsburg.org/ministries/children) or on the Facebook page "Prinsburg VBS". If you have any questions regarding registration, please contact Sarah Van Dyken at 320-220-4600. Those who register by May 20 will receive a free CD/DVD of VBS Music. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Sarah Punt at 320-979-6941.



In the summer, Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Sacred Heart, First Lutheran Church, Ebenezer Presbyterian Church, and Emden Christian Reformed Church, all of Renville, sponsor a week of **Ecumenical Vacation Bible School**. Led by Green Lake Lutheran Ministries - GLLM, caring and well-trained staff, VBS consists of Bible studies, worship, music, crafts, and games that highlight the life changing love of Jesus! As sponsoring churches, we offer this event FREE to the youth of our communities. To continue this opportunity to all children in our communities, we need YOUR help! Save the Date: 2019 Ecumenical VBS on July 28 - Aug. 1 at Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Sacred Heart Theme: *Transformed Community | Romans 12:2*



**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.

For information regarding both student as well as adult Driver's Training courses, go to the website at: [www.212drivingschool.com](http://www.212drivingschool.com).



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.

Sunday, May 5, 2019  
Acts 10:1-17, 34-48  
**The Gospel Goes Forth**

Sermon Notes:

### Blind Faith

Eighteenth-century British evangelist *George Whitefield* once asked a coal miner what he believed.

"I believe what my church believes," the man answered, respectfully and confidently.

"And what does your church believe?" Whitefield followed up.

"The same thing I believe," the man said.

"And what do both of you believe?" the preacher asked again.

"We both believe the same thing," the man assured Whitefield.

Belonging to a Christian church — and knowing exactly what it teaches — is vital but doesn't guarantee salvation. That's between each individual and God.

As Romans 10:9 (ESV) says, "If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."



**PRAYER CORNER**

REQUESTS  
—FOR—  
PRAYER

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

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**THE PERSECUTED CHURCH - India**

**Christian Man Arrested After Sharing His Testimony**

A young man was arrested recently after sharing his testimony in a home Bible study. Karamjit, who was raised in the Sikh faith, was invited to share his testimony with a small group on March 13, 2019. As he was speaking, police entered the home and arrested him. Local Sikh leaders had filed a complaint against Karamjit alleging that he was forcibly converting people to Christianity. Karamjit is currently in the Chenchaljud jail and has been denied bail three times. According to VOM contacts, Karamjit is neither a pastor nor an evangelist, but simply a Christian sharing what God has done in his life. Karamjit has a wife and young child, and they are now being threatened because of their Christian faith. Pray for the safety of his family, and pray that he will be released soon.

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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.

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