

**Emden Christian Reformed Church**  
**Pastor David Zigterman**  
**Sunday, June 3, 2018**

**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

Prelude a time to prepare our hearts for worship  
 Welcome and announcements  
 \*Call to worship Psalm 95:1-7  
 \*God's Greeting of His People  
 \*We Greet One Another  
 \*Songs of Praise *Amid the Thronging Worshipers* PH 239 vs. 1-3  
*Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer* PH 543 vs. 1-3

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

Video Grander Vision: Dick & Terri Greenly  
 Song of gratitude *O Master, Let me Walk with Thee* SJ 542 vs. 1-4  
 Prayer of God's people conclude with the Lord's Prayer  
 Offering Ministry Shares  
 Song of preparation *Lord, Be Glorified* SJ 528 vs. 1,2

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

Prayer for illumination  
 \*Scripture Philippians 2:12-30 *pg. 1827*  
 Reader: This is the Word of the Lord  
 Congregation: Thanks be to God  
 Message **The Mindset of Christ in Practice**  
 Prayer of Application  
 \*Song of response *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service*  
 PH 603 1,3,4  
 \*Profession of our faith: Apostle's Creed

**WE DEPART TO SERVE**

\*Parting Blessing  
 \*Closing Song *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues* PH 501 vs. 1-3,7

*Brothers and sisters in Christ, how good it is to gather  
 to praise our God and hear his Word for us today!  
 May God bless you during your time here.*

**Sunday Evening Worship Service**  
**6:00 pm**

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

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| Next Sunday, June 10 2018 |   | <u><b>SUNDAY SCHEDULE</b></u> |
| Greeters:                 | James & Phyllis Santjer                 | 9:00am Sunday School          |
| Library:                  | Julie Link                              | 1st & 3rd Sunday              |
| Coffee Hour:              | Cody & Missy Strand                     | (Sept.—May)                   |
| Sound System:             | Curt Groen                              | 10:00am Morning Worship       |
| Ushers:                   | Paul Knapper & Zach Johnson             |                               |
| Nursery:                  |   | Gene & Dawn Michelson         |
| Transportation:           |   | B.P. 2210, Bamako             |
| Letter to Michelsons:     | Ida Huisman                             | Mali, West Africa             |
| Congregational Visitor:   | Julie Link                              | E-mail address                |
| Offering: am              | General Fund                            | Usumaan@hotmail.com           |
| <b>Elders:</b>            |   | <b>Deacons:</b>               |
| 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

THE FRUIT OF KINDNESS - Is the fruit of kindness simply being nice to each other, or is there more to it? Join Groundwork as we study Luke 6:27-36 and Ephesians 4:31-32 to learn what it means to be kind and how our salvation and faith give us the roots we need to practice kindness even in life's most difficult situations. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

### From CRC Communications

Pray for Synod 2018 - Please pray for the delegates, staff, and deliberations at Synod 2018. From Thursday, June 7—Thursday, June 14, approximately 600 delegates and staff of the CRC and the RCA will be gathered at Calvin College to partner for global impact for the Glory of God. For more information and to sign on to pray, go to [cna.org/synod/prayer](http://cna.org/synod/prayer)

### 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).

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| 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>  | <b>You are welcome to stop in and visit without an appointment.</b>            |

### TODAY

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| Greeters:               | Kim & Nancy Mulder      |
| Library:                | Julie Link              |
| Coffee Hour:            | Bob & Joan Swter        |
| Sound System:           | Todd Groen              |
| Ushers:                 | David & Moise Daugherty |
| Nursery:                | Rachael                 |
| Transportation:         |                         |
| Letter to Michelsons:   | Todd & Jane Groen       |
| Congregational Visitor: | Julie Link              |
| Visiting Elder:         | Kim Mulder              |

### CHURCH CALENDAR

Today: 2:00 pm **RenVilla Worship Service**, everyone is welcome  
Tuesday: 7:00 pm **Watoto Children's Choir concert**  
Wednesday: 2:00 pm **Ladies Aid**  
June 7 - 14 Synod meetings

### CHURCH FAMILY

There will be an Open House for John Aalderks, who is celebrating his 90th birthday, on Saturday, June 16 from 2:00 - 4:00 at the Emden Church social hall. Everyone is welcome to come and help John celebrate!



### CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

This afternoon there will be a Renvilla Service at 2 pm

Next Sunday, June 10 we will be hearing God's word from Philipians 3:1-11 in the morning. In the evening we will continue our study of the book of Romans.

Ladies Aid will meet on June 6 at 2 pm at Meadows on Main. We will study Daniel 10:1-11:35 and "A World out of Control" (chapter 11, pg. 41) in our study book. Phyllis Santjer will host.

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



Nursery Sign-up - We are in need of some members to help in the nursery. There are several spots open in the next couple of months. Please sign up by the mailbox counter.

This Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 7:00 pm our church will be hosting the **Watoto Children's Choir**. Come and hear the inspiring and energetic music of the Watoto children as they share their music and dance from Uganda, Africa. A love-offering will be received at the end of the concert and refreshments and fellowship will follow.



*The Watoto Children's Choir tours the world annually to advocate millions of African children currently orphaned by AIDS, poverty and war. Watoto is a church based organization that cares for orphans and widows in Uganda. The Watoto Children's Choir has performed before royalty and world leaders at Buckingham Palace, at the White House and at many national parliaments across the globe. Wherever they go, audiences are inspired as the children sing, dance and celebrate their stories of hope.*

Upcoming dates:

June 3: Renville Service - 2 pm

Tues., June 5: Watoto Children's Choir - 7 pm

Updated: June 17: Communion and potluck

August 5-10: Ecumenical VBS

Sept. 9: Communion and potluck

Sept. 17 and 18: Classis in Alexandria

October 21: Mission Emphasis Sunday and potluck

Nov. 11: Communion and potluck



### REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Everyone is invited to the Belgian Waffle Feed on Sunday, June 10 from 9:00 - 1:00 at the Renville Community Center.



Serving waffles, toppings, sausages and beverage. Free-will offering will be collected for the Renville Ambulance Service. Carry-outs are available for \$7.

Splash Canyon VBS will be held at First CRC of Prinsburg June 4-8 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. each evening. Registration is open for kids ages 4 yrs. (by Sept. 1) through 5th grade. To register, sign up online at [www.office@firstercoprinsburg.org](http://www.office@firstercoprinsburg.org) and click on "VBS Registration", on the Facebook page "Prinsburg VBS", or call Sarah Van Dyken at 320-220-4600.



Renville United Methodist Church - Main Street,  
Renville - ICE CREAM SOCIAL & BAKE SALE -  
Wednesday, June 6 5:00-7:00

First Lutheran of Renville, Our Saviors Lutheran of Sacred Heart, Emden Christian Reformed of Renville, and Ebenezer Presbyterian in Renville will be bringing the children of our communities together to learn about Jesus. Ecumenical Vacation Bible School, "Get Lost," will commence August 5-9 at First Lutheran, Renville led by counselors from Green Lake Lutheran Ministries. The week consists of Bible studies, worship, music, crafts, games and fellowship. The Ecumenical VBS will be from 5-8pm (includes supper) and is open to all children ages 4-13. Emden will cover the cost of registration. Registration forms can be found by the mailboxes. Please fill one out if you are interested and return to Pastor David or a member of council.



**\*\*To make the week a success, we need the help from all four congregations.** The VBS Committee is asking for congregational help in three ways:

The Green Lake Camp Counselors need **housing** during VBS on the evenings of August 5-8. There are 6 counselors as of May. The counselors can stay together or be split into groups of 2, 3 or 4 if needed. If you are not able to house them, would you be interested in having them for breakfast or lunch one day? Let's make the counselors feel welcome in our communities.

**\*\*We are also looking for volunteers to help in the kitchen** and with the campers (adults or our middle/high school members) during the week. We are gathering names from the three hosting congregations and will be putting together a schedule of workers. More than likely we would only need you to help one night!

**\*\*Lastly, in July there will be "Get Lost!" donations board.** We are asking each congregation for help with groceries to provide all our campers with supper each night. More information will be provided in July. We great appreciate any donation and the service of your time. Please contact Samantha Link if you can house counselors or assist during VBS. Thank you. The VBS Committee



**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.

Renville County Human Services is currently seeking individuals who are willing to be foster parents to children who are in need of a home. Foster parents can be blended families, one or two parent families, retired or single. The most important aspects of fostering a child is your willingness to provide a loving, safe, and stable environment. Foster parents are considered part of a team of individuals who are working to make a better life for a child. Foster parents help a child through a difficult time, share their gifts and talents and receive reimbursement for their dedication and service to children. Is it time to share your gifts and talents and become a foster parent? Please call Bonnie Lund or Stacie Roxberg, Renville County Human Services at 320-523-2202 to find out more about how to become a foster parent for Renville County.

Sunday, June 3, 2018  
Philippians 2:12-30

### **The Mindset of Christ in Practice**

- The mindset of Christ in practice (vs. 12-18)

- A few examples

- Paul

- Timothy

- Epaphroditus

#### **Destination Devotions**

Planning a summer trip? Take along a Scripture passage befitting your vacation to use for devotions and prayer time

- In the mountains: "The mountains and hills will burst into song before you" (Isaiah 55:12).

- At a lake, perhaps on a fishing trip: "They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. 'Come, follow me,' Jesus said, 'and I will send you out to fish for people'" (Matthew 4:18-19).

- Near an ocean or river: "Let the sea resound ... let the rivers clap their hands" (Psalm 98:7-8).

- In the desert: "They looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the LORD appearing in the cloud" (Exodus 16:10).

- In the woods: "Blessed is the one ... whose delight is in the law of the LORD .... That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season" (Psalm 1:1-3).

- In the flatlands: "'My food,' said Jesus, 'is to do the will of him who sent me .... I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest'" (John 4:34-35).

- On a "staycation" close to home: "Love the LORD your God .... These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. .... Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road .... Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates" (Deuteronomy 6:5-9).



## 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

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### THE PERSECUTED CHURCH: China

#### Schools Working to Eliminate Christianity

Teachers in Wenzhou, Zhejiang province, recently sent messages to the parents of elementary and middle-school students, demanding that the parents disclose their religious beliefs. One Christian said school officials have even come to Christian parents' homes and workplaces, asking them to renounce their faith. And in some cases, employers are pressured into reducing the pay of Christian employees in an effort to dissuade them from attending church. In one part of China, an online publication warned, "Schools should make clear to students that they should not have any religious beliefs, propagandize religions, or enter churches." The publication also stated that schools whose students attend church will face hard punishment, because religion is a "foreign invasion." Pray that believers in China will not give in to pressure.

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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.

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

