

**Emden Christian Reformed Church**

**Pastor David Zigterman**

**Sunday, June 7, 2020**

**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

Prelude a time to prepare our hearts for worship

Welcome and announcements

God's greeting

Song of Praise *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Psalm 33

Confession and assurance

Song *To God Be the Glory*

Congregational Prayer

Song of preparation *I Love To Tell the Story*

Prayer for illumination

\*Scripture Matthew 28:18-20 and Acts 2:38-39

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

Congregation: Thanks be to God

Lord's Day 8

Message **Baptism Into The Life of The Trinity**

Prayer

Song *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty*

Parting Blessing

Closing Song *God Be With You Til We Meet Again*

*Sisters and brothers in Christ, welcome to this time and  
space apart, where we can turn our focus from  
self to God and from fear to faith.  
May you sense God's gentle touch.*

**Sunday evening**

**6:00 pm**

There will be a prayer meeting this Sunday at 6pm. This will be hosted on Google Meet. To join the video meeting, go to this link:

<https://meet.google.com/mex-esp-f-tbs>.

Otherwise, to join by phone, dial +1 432-955-6421 and enter this PIN: 315 976 625#. This number will stay the same for the following weeks. Phone participants can press \*6 to unmute their phone.

**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

9:00am Sunday School  
1st & 3rd Sunday  
(Sept.—May)  
10:00am Morning Worship

**Elders:**

Duane Mulder - President

Nick Daugherty - Vice President

Doug Groen - Clerk

**Deacons:**

Samantha Link - Chairman

Curt Groen - Bldg / Benevolent Fund

Todd Groen - Treasurer

### **From Back to God Ministries International**

GROUNDWORK: THE WAY OF WISDOM - People deemed “wise” by worldly standards are not always wise by biblical standards. Discover the characteristics of godly wisdom by joining our conversation studying Proverbs 9:1-12 and together we’ll learn how we can cultivate wisdom that meets God’s standards. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

### **From CRC Communications**

Prayer Request from the CRCNA - All Christian Reformed churches and their members are asked to remember the deliberations of the Special Meeting of the Council of Delegates in prayer this week. The COD will be meeting on behalf of synod (which was canceled because of COVID-19) on June 11 & 12 for advisory committees, and June 16 & 17 for plenary sessions. This includes the approval of this year's candidates for minister of the Word. All decisions from this special meeting will be reported to Synod 2021. Your prayers for wisdom and discernment through the leading of the Spirit are appreciated.

- Colin P. Watson, Sr., Acting Executive Director

### **From Faith Formation Ministries**

At-Home Faith Formation Tip - Vacations can be a great time for families with children to grow in faith together. Check out Everyday Family Faith—a pocket-sized resource that helps families build strong faith habits together and make time for God in everyday life. For each day of the week, you’ll find creative ideas for exploring Bible verses, talking about faith in daily life, and praying together, as well as fun activities to do. Available from FaithAliveResources.org.

(Tip from Faith Formation Ministries; [crcna.org/FaithFormation](http://crcna.org/FaithFormation))

### **From Office of Social Justice**

Movie Night! - Do you love discussing movies with other folks? Don’t miss the free screening of “The Story of Plastic.” Watch it whenever you’d like in your own home and then select from our different discussion groups to discuss the film and ways we can care for creation as believers! <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/105585154038>

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## **CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Council met on Thursday, May 28. We decided that we will hold services in church. We look forward to meeting together in person. Worship will begin at 10 am. The use of face masks is encouraged as well as social distancing.

**Please sit only in pews that have bulletins on them.** If you do not feel well, we request that you refrain from coming. If you are unable to come or you don’t feel comfortable attending, we will also be livestreaming the service using Facebook Live. You can view it by using this link: <https://www.facebook.com/emdenrcrc/live/>. The sermon will continue to be made available on the website.

If you would like to continue giving during this time and are unable to join us Sunday morning, you may send your offering to PO BOX 390, Renville, MN 56284 or drop it off in the clay pot in the narthex. There is now also an online option. Visit <https://www.emdenrcrc.org/online-giving> for more information and directions.

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

I need 4-5 volunteers to create a Support Circle for a friend. Ideally, this group will meet once a week for about an hour at the beginning. As time goes by it will be moved to twice a month. Andrw Peltz of the Renville County Restorative Justice program had stated he is willing to train and help get this circle started.

Next Sunday, June 14 we will be hearing God's word from Ephesians 2:11-22 and reflecting on Lord's Day 21 of the Heidelberg Catechism.

### **REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dear CRC Church Member,

With so many of us staying at home and having extra time on our hands, The Banner would love to send you our weekly update. It's free and you can cancel at any time. The Banner Update is a weekly email sent on Mondays to anyone interested in getting the latest news from the Christian Reformed Church straight to their inbox. Once a week, we include links to news, features, online-extra content, Our Shared Ministries articles, and reviews of books, movies, and TV shows readers might be interested in. It gives a sneak-peek of all the new articles posted in the past week at [www.thebanner.org](http://www.thebanner.org).

Signing up is as easy. <https://www.thebanner.org/signup> Thank you, and may God keep you all safe during this time.

—Shiao Chong, Editor, The Banner

In these unprecedented times, Green Lake Lutheran Ministries is saddened to have to cancel all summer camp weeks (including our Ecumenical VBS day camp), to COVID-19. Ecumenical VBS has been cancelled. Past participants will receive a notification email in the coming days.

There will be an 8 hour adult driving class offered on June 12-13 at the Emden Christian Reformed Church in Renville.

We will meet at 5:30 pm on Friday evening and 9:00 am on Saturday morning. Please contact Paul Knapper if you are interested. 320-522-2575



CCT buses are available to pick up and take seniors/shut-ins to the grocery store, etc OR, they can deliver groceries to them. CCT Olivia: 320-523-3589; if you have any questions, you can contact Tiffany at the Willmar office at 320-214-7433.

### **2020 Decennial Census Operations**

Do You want to work on the upcoming 202 Census Operations We are taking immediate applications for a variety of temporary jobs, including census takers, office staff, and supervisory staff. You can earn extra income while helping your community. The Census Bureau is committed to hiring people to work in the area where they live. They are the most familiar with the people and places within their own community. We offer: competitive wages, mileage reimbursement, weekly paychecks, flexible hours, paid training. Applying is easy! Do it Today! Applications are being taken immediately! Go Online: [2020census.gov/jobs](https://2020census.gov/jobs). Or call 1-855-JOB-2020

### **An invitation to rest**

Summer calls to mind a slower pace, time off from school and work. But many still face daily demands this time of year: farmers work long hours; teachers may take seasonal work to make ends meet; parents with kids now home all day may catch up on work late at night. Still, may the longer days and warmer weather beckon you into a bit of free time this season. Listen:

"When you take time to replenish your spirit, it allows you to serve others from the overflow. You cannot serve from an empty vessel." —Eleanor Brown (public speaker and educator)

"Sometimes it's important to work for that pot of gold. But other times it's essential ... to make sure that your most important decision in the day [is] which color to slide down on the rainbow." —Douglas Pagels (author)

"Rest time is not waste time; it is economy to gather fresh strength. ... In the long run, we shall do more by sometimes doing less." —Charles Spurgeon

"Come to me, all you that are weary ... and I will give you rest. ... For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." —Jesus (Matthew 11:28-30)



## PRAYER CORNER

REQUESTS  
—FOR—  
PRAYER

~ Please remember those in our congregation who have continuous health concerns: Marge Link, Linda Mayer, Gerald Mulder, Darla Ruschen, DeeDee Johnson, Lilah Kleinhuizen, John & Dorothy Aalderks, Carson Groen

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### CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH - Cuba

#### Cuban Christians Face New Difficulties

While many churches around the world have moved their services online because of the coronavirus pandemic, Christians in Cuba do not have that option. Since very few people have access to the internet, Christians have been completely without worship and fellowship. "People are in fear of being visited by others," a VOM worker said. "Many also live in homes where not everyone is a believer." In addition, Christians are concerned about future restrictions the government may impose and how they will have to adapt their teaching and worship services. In general, Cuba is experiencing increasing violence and anxiety. Cubans must wait in long lines for food, many are without work, there is no public transportation and there is a lot of theft. According to contacts around the island, food is the hardest thing to find. Pray for Christians in Cuba.

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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.

~ 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.*

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

