

**Emden Christian Reformed Church**  
**Pastor David Zigterman**  
**Sunday, July 31, 2022 10:00 am**

**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

Prelude a time to prepare our hearts for worship  
Welcome and announcements  
\*Opening song *Now Thank We All Our God* SJ 592 vs. 1-3  
\*God's Greeting of His People  
\*We Greet One Another  
\*Songs of Praise *Shine Jesus Shine*  
*Waymaker*

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

Ministry of Music Hippo song from VBS  
Prayer of God's people  
Offering Crossroads Prison Ministry  
Noisy Offering  
Song of preparation *Spirit of the Living God* PH 424 vs. 1,2

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

Prayer for illumination  
\*Scripture Ephesians 5:1-20 pg. 1822  
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord  
Congregation: Thanks be to God  
Message **The New Life In Christ** (part 2)  
\*Song of response *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*  
(words on screen)

**WE DEPART TO SERVE**

\*Parting Blessing  
\*Closing Song *My Friends May You Grow in Grace* (words on screen)

*May we all be refreshed by the presence of the Spirit  
and by genuine fellowship with one another.  
Let us greet each other with a kind and joyful welcome.*



**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

10:00 am Morning Worship

**Elders:**

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

**Deacons:**

Janel Watson - Chairman  
Heather Link - Bldg / Benevolent Fund  
Samantha Link - Treasurer

## ReFrame Ministries

Groundwork: Grow as a Disciple of Jesus Christ - God provides his grace and the Holy Spirit for our discipleship journey. Join Groundwork as we study Ephesians 4:7-15, Colossians 2:6-22, and Hebrews 6:1-12 to find out what maturing disciples of Jesus understand and recognize the signs of dynamic discipleship in your own life. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

## Faith Formation Ministries

At-home Faith Practice Reflection Tip - Reflection and Discussion Starter—the Practice of Remembering: Read Hebrews 11:1–12:2 and ponder or discuss the following questions. What do the actions of the people mentioned—such as Noah, Abraham, Sarah, Moses—have in common? What does it mean to act “by faith”? Do you have family “faith stories” that you tell about your parents or other ancestors? If so, what are they? How do you share them with younger generations? (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit [bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject](http://bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject))

## Office of Social Justice

Season of Creation - Celebrate this time on the liturgical calendar starting September 1st. During this season the church praises God for Creation’s beauty, focuses on their call as caretakers, and laments the brokenness and the groaning of all creation. For resources go to: [network.crcna.org/biblical-justice/seasons-creation](http://network.crcna.org/biblical-justice/seasons-creation)

## Office of Diversity

Diversity Sunday - August 14 - In two weeks we will recognize and celebrate the growing number of non-Anglo congregations in the CRC. Learn more about the CRC Office of Diversity and its mission to serve and grow diverse leadership throughout the denomination. Check out the website: [crcna.org/Diversity](http://crcna.org/Diversity)

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## TODAY

Curt & Judy Groen  
Nick Daugherty  
Hope Pregnancy Cneter  
Todd & jane Groen  
Layla Lewis

***Greeters***  
***Sound System***  
***Offering***  
***Coffee Hour***  
***Nursery***

## NEXT SUNDAY 8/7/22

Kevin & Dani Engstrom  
Curt Groen  
General Fund  
Duane & Verla Mulder  
Dawn Link

## CHURCH CALENDAR

Wednesday, August 3: **Church Softball** 7:30 pm Bunde vs. R.E.W.  
(note time change) (Roseland, Emden, Willmar)  
Sunday, August 14: **Church at the Big Kandiyohi Lake**

## CHURCH FAMILY

Dear friends, we arrived safely in Uganda on Thursday night with all of our luggage intact. We stayed in Kampala through Monday in order to attend to our work permit issues at immigration. I now have my work permit, and Sara should have hers soon. We made it back to our home in Soroti on Tuesday and it has been a whirlwind of activity trying to settle back in, but we are feeling glad to be home and back into our routines after a wonderful trip visiting our families in Michigan.

We have one blog post for you today at <https://antharsa.blogspot.com>

*HWHIA Training with World Renew*

Thank you for your prayers. — Anthony Sytsma

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will worship each Sunday at 10:00. 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.

Please remember to check the 3 month schedule and find out which Sundays you are responsible to help in some area of the service. If you find you cannot be there, please find someone to trade with and let Judy know so it can be changed in the bulletin. Thank you.

The Zigterman family will be on vacation from August 6 through 12.

Next Sunday, August 7, we will hear God’s word from Jonah 1:1-3. The service will be led by Nick Daugherty.

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



### **How is your soul?** Are you craving something more? Join Soul



Care, a women's Bible Study. For the fall we will be going through a book called **SHE HEARS**, by Rachael Groll. This 6 week study will meet from 7-8:30 on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. Meeting

dates are Sept. 7, 21, Oct. 5, 19, Nov. 2, 16. If

interested you can purchase the book on your own or get \$20 to Rachael Zigterman by August 3.



—Spring Bible Study book will be **THE ARMOR OF GOD**, by Priscilla Shierer (7 weeks) and will start February 1st. You are welcome to join both the fall and spring or you can join for just one.

On August 14 we will be having a church service at Big Kandiyohi Park. The service begins at 11am. After the service there will be a potluck. Meat will be provided.



Bring a dish to pass.

Offering will be for the Kandiyohi Food Shelf.

If there is rain, the service will be at Emden.

To continue receiving prayer requests from Emden sign up for Flocknote. Text all caps EMDEN to 84576, by clicking on this link: <https://emdencrc.flocknote.com/> or by scanning this QR code:



### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**TODAY** is the last day for you to give your “*July Love Gift*” for the Bible League. These gifts will be helping supply Bibles for a country waiting to receive Bibles. Your gifts may be placed in the yellow gift bag on the mailbox counter or mailed directly to Sandy Wubben. Thank you for sharing in this project.



—Sandy Wubben

### **Calling all softball players!**

A friendly competition of softball between the area CRC churches of Bunde, First, Unity, Raymond, Roseland, Willmar, and Emden will be held on Wednesdays from July 20 till August 17, at the baseball field in Prinsburg. We are planning to play two games a night (either five innings or one hour) in order that all get a chance to play each other. The 1st game will start at 6:15 p.m. and the 2nd game by 7:30 p.m. It is open to men and women and high school-age students. Concessions will be open for food purchases and proceeds will go to the summer league baseball program.

**(Please note time changes).**

The games will take place as follows:  
(R.E.W. = Roseland, Emden, Willmar)

Ø Aug 3

Game 1: Raymond vs First

Game 2: R.E.W. vs. Bunde 7:30 pm

Ø Aug 10

Game 1: Unity vs. Bunde

Game 2: Raymond vs. R.E.W. 7:30 pm

Ø Aug 17

Game 1: First vs. R.E.W. 6.15 pm

Game 2: Unity vs. Raymond





## PRAYER CORNER

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

Sermon Notes  
Sunday, July 31, 2022  
Ephesians 5:1-20  
**The New Life In Christ** (part 2)

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### **The Persecuted Church: India**

#### **Two Families Barred from Village for Their Christian Faith**

Two Christian families were recently kicked out of their village due to their faith in Jesus Christ. Twice, the families were brought before the village council where, in the presence of police officers, government authorities and radical Hindu leaders, they were pushed to reconvert to Hinduism. When the families stood firm in their faith, village leaders banned them from the village. Pray that these families are able to find new homes and remain strong in their faith, and pray that their former village comes to faith in Christ as well.

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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**

