

**Emden Christian Reformed Church  
Pastor David Zigterman  
Sunday, August 2, 2020**

**Sunday evening  
6:00 pm**

**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

Prelude a time to prepare our hearts for worship

Welcome and announcements

Opening prayer

God's greeting

Greet one another

Song of Praise *Not What My Hands Have Done*

Psalm 199:65-72 and 169-176

Ministry of Music *Amazing Grace*

Congregational Prayer

Song *Before the Throne of God Above*

Prayer for illumination

\*Scripture Romans 7:7-25

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

Congregation: Thanks be to God

Lord's Day 33

Message **Life Long Repentance**

Song *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* PH 262 vs. 1,2

Parting Blessing

Closing Song *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

*Welcome to this time set aside for worship and Christian fellowship. We need this break from the busyness of the world — even in summer. Pause and relax in the arms of Jesus.*

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: JUSTICE, HEROES, AND JESUS - The pervasive nature of injustice can make our efforts to seek justice feel insignificant. Study Isaiah 1:11-17, Hebrews 7:23-8:2, Matthew 5:1-12, and Ephesians 1:18-23 with us to find confidence in our pursuit of justice by recognizing Christ as prophet, priest, and king. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

### From Faith Formation Ministries

At-home Faith Formation Tip - How warm is your family? The good people at the Fuller Youth Institute tell us that "in a comprehensive study of relational dynamics in more than 300 families spanning 35 years, family warmth was more correlated with faith transmission than any other relational factor (including amount of contact between the generations, the type of contact, and the number of children in the family)." Read more in their blog post at [fulleryouthinstitute.org/blog/warmth-in-your-family](http://fulleryouthinstitute.org/blog/warmth-in-your-family). (Tip from Faith Formation Ministries; [crcna.org/FaithFormation](http://crcna.org/FaithFormation))

### From Other

CRC Annual Day of Justice - For the 2020 Day of Justice (August 16th), we reflect on our world and the events of 2020 with text from Habakkuk 1. The impacts of racism, COVID-19, poverty, disease, and natural disasters... seem overwhelming and we, like David in Psalm 13 and Habbakkuk, ask, "How Long?" For resources including a litany, prayer, and reflection, go to [crcna.org/dayofjustice](http://crcna.org/dayofjustice)

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### TODAY

Todd Groen

*Sound System*

### NEXT SUNDAY 8/9/20

Paul Knapper

### CHURCH FAMILY

Dear friends,

Thank you so much for your prayers and support for us over many years. We really appreciate all of you, and we ask that you would please continue to encourage us and pray for us now that we are in new positions with Resonate Global Mission. Over the past month, we have been settling in well with our new team and we are very excited about future ministry with Resonate.

We have one new blog post today at <http://antharsa.blogspot.com>

### ***Pictures from the Lock-down***

Many of you have asked about how to give financially to support us now that we are with a new organization. Seeing your eager desire to resume financial support makes us feel very loved and cared for and it shows that you view our ministry as your ministry together with us. In our new roles, which includes better salaries and benefits, we have to raise more than we did in previous years. Our fundraising goal is now set at \$110,000 per year. While it looks like a challenging amount to raise, we are confident that God who has already provided for us so abundantly in the past will continue to provide for us in the future! Please consider becoming a regular monthly financial supporter and partner together with us in the work God has called us to.

Resonate is working on putting together new support raising materials for us. These will be mailed to churches and some individuals. In the meantime, if you want to set up giving online, you can do so as our account is already set up. Go to their website: <https://www.resonateglobalmission.org/> Click on "Donate now" and then where it says "for" you scroll to "missionaries - Africa" and it will give you another list where you "choose" and can scroll down to our names. Thank you in advance for your generous support!

Let us know how we can pray for you. —Anthony and Sara

Thank you very much for your prayers, cards, phone calls and visits after my recent hip surgery. It was all appreciated. It is good to be part of a caring and loving community. - Phyllis Santjer

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship will continue at 10:00 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/emdencrc/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.emdencrc.org/online-giving> for more information.

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

Next Sunday, August 9 we will hear God's word from Psalm 115 and reflect on Lord's Day 34.

### Upcoming dates:

August 12: **THE CHURCH PICNIC IS CANCELLED** due to Covid-19 precautions and safety and health issues at this time.

August 12: Council, 7 pm

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Community Softball - August 5:

Game 1: Unity vs. First CRC starts at 6:15

Game 2: Raymond vs. Emden/Willmar/Roseland - starts at 7:15



Each student is a special member of our school family, and our vision is to see every one encouraged as they begin a new school year. Whether you are a parent, grandparent, neighbor, church acquaintance, mentor, or community member, please consider writing a note of encouragement, prayer, or blessing to a student. Notes must be dropped off at the high school office by

Thursday, August 20. Please label the envelope with the student's first and last name and grade. This will help us as we will be placing them in desks and lockers for the first day of school. Help us bless every student!

Walk in the Park 2020 (Cancer Walk) will have a new feel this year while taking COVID-19 precautions. With these recent changes the Emden Tumornators have decided not to actively participate this year. We still encourage you to support this event and the good it does for Renville County cancer survivors and cancer research. If you would like to purchase bags or make any donations to the event, please talk to Dawn Link.



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.





## PRAYER CORNER

~ Please remember those in

our congregation who have continuous health concerns:  
Marge Link, Linda Mayer, Gerald Mulder, Darla Ruschen ,  
DeeDee Johnson, John & Dorothy Aalderks, Carson Groen  
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### CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH - Egypt

#### The Lord Jesus Has Chosen You

A young man was beaten, held captive and later disinherited after becoming interested in Christianity. Ahmed was 16 when he found a scrap of paper on his bus seat that said, “*The Lord Jesus has chosen you for Him.*” This piqued his curiosity and set him on a journey of seeking Jesus. When his family found Christian books in his room, they beat him and brought in an imam to try to change his mind. Later, they decided to send him to Saudi Arabia, where his father owned a factory. There he was imprisoned in a small room for seven years before his family allowed him to return to Egypt and then married him to a cousin. In Egypt, Ahmed was able to access Christian media on the internet, and his faith grew. His family cut him off and removed his inheritance rights to his father’s business fortune. Last year, Ahmed started a small restaurant business to support himself, but when the neighbors found out he was a Christian, they burned it down. Pray for Ahmed and his family to look to the author and perfecter of our faith as he suffers.

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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



Sermon Notes

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Romans 7:7-25

**Life Long Repentance**