

**Emden Christian Reformed Church  
Pastor David Zigterman  
Sunday, October 14, 2018**

**Sunday Evening 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  
 \*God's Greeting of His People  
 \*We Greet One Another  
 \*Song of Praise *Holy, Holy, Holy!* PH 249 vs. 1-4

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

Confession of sin  
 Assurance of pardon *Jesus, the Very Thought of You* PH 480 vs. 1-4  
 Guide for grateful living PH 1014  
 Song of gratitude *For the Beauty of the Earth* PH 432 vs. 1-4  
 Video Trinity Hill  
 Prayer of God's people conclude with the Lord's Prayer  
 Offering General Fund  
 Special offering Trinity Hill church plant  
 Song of preparation *How Firm a Foundation* PH 500 vs. 1-5

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

Prayer for illumination  
 \*Scripture Habakkuk 1:2-4, 3:17-19; pg. 1456  
 James 1:2-4 pg. 1880  
 Reader: This is the Word of the Lord  
 Congregation: Thanks be to God

Message **A Time of Testing**

Prayer of Application  
 \*Song of response *Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer* PH 543 vs. 1-3  
 \*Profession of our faith *Boundless Grace*

**WE DEPART TO SERVE**

\*Parting Blessing  
 \*Closing Song *He Leadeth Me* PH 452 vs. 1-3

*Welcome to worship in the name of the Creator who paints autumn leaves, the Savior who teaches us to warm hearts with love, and the Spirit who guides us through life's seasons. Amen.*

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 7:00 pm  
 Prinsburg First CRC 6:00 pm  
 Bunde CRC 5:30 pm

Next Sunday, October 21, 2018		<u>SUNDAY SCHEDULE</u>
Greeters:	Heidi & Samantha Link	9:00am Sunday School
Library:	Julie Link	1st & 3rd Sunday
Coffee Hour:	Mission Emphasis	(Sept.—May)
Sound System:	Gerald Mulder	10:00am Morning Worship
Ushers:	Brad Link & Chuck Sietsema	
Nursery:		Gene & Dawn Michelson
Letter to Michelsons:	Bob & Joan Swyter	B.P. 2210, Bamako
Congregational Visitor:	Gerald & Connie Mulder	Mali, West Africa
Offering: am	Building / Benevolent Fund	E-mail address
		Usmaan@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

FAMILY FIRE - is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at familyfire.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

### From Faith Formation Ministries

Family Faith Formation Tip - If you want to have a regular family worship time or regular devotions and need a great resource, check out "Teach Us to Pray: Scripture-Centered Family Worship through the Year" by Lora Copley and Elizabeth Vander Haagen. These simple devotions follow the church seasons and include activities, songs, Bible readings, wondering questions, and prayers that engage kids of varying ages. (Faith Formation Ministries; crna.org/FaithFormation)

### From Other

Tour the Biblical Lands of Israel - March 11-22, 2019. Experience a renewal of your faith and a deeper understanding of the Bible as you tour biblical lands with Pastor Peter Tuininga and Sindbad Tours of Israel. See Jerusalem, Galilee, Jericho, and other biblical places that will help the Bible come alive for you. For information go to [toursforisrael.wordpress.com](http://toursforisrael.wordpress.com) or contact Peter Tuininga at 1-289-877-8433 or [peter.tuininga@gmail.com](mailto:peter.tuininga@gmail.com). Register by December 15, 2018.

### From World Renew

Hurricane Michael Response - World Renew Disaster Response Services is organizing to help U.S. Gulf Coast residents affected by Hurricane Michael. DRS regional managers are working with local officials and other organizations to begin planning for early assessments and clean up after the storm. You can support Michael survivors who don't have the resources to recover from the storm on their own. Please give to Hurricane Michael response in your church offering, at [worldrenew.net/michael](http://worldrenew.net/michael), call 800-552-7972, or mail your check made out to World Renew, with Hurricane Michael in the memo line, to: World Renew, 1700 28th St., SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49508.

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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 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

Greeters:	Brad & Julie Link
Library:	Julie Link
Coffee Hour:	Gerald & Connie Mulder
Sound System:	Todd Groen
Nursery:	
Ushers:	Duane Mulder, Harold Groen
Letter to Michelsons:	Cody & Missy Strand
Congregational Visitor:	Gerald & Connie Mulder
Visiting Elder:	Kim Mulder



### CHURCH CALENDAR

Wednesday 7:00 pm *Council Meeting*  
Thursday 9:00 am *Ladies Fellowship at Zigterman's*

### CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning we welcome Art Miller who will be leading our morning worship service.

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



Next Sunday, October 21, we will have our **Mission Emphasis** Sunday. Arlan Koppendrayner will be giving the message from Romans 9:1-13. We will be having a potluck meal after the morning service. Circle 2 is in charge of serving. People with last names starting with A-L please bring a salad, M-Z bring a hotdish.

Sunday School and Catechism will meet the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. Catechism (4th grade through High School) meet from 9:00 am to 9:45 am. Sunday School (3rd grade and below) meet during the service. In addition to this, the Sunday School will collect a Noisy Offering on the 1st and 3rd Sunday. The money collected for this offering will be go toward the leadership training initiative Anthony Systema is overseeing as part of the Timothy Leadership Training of World Renew. More information about this initiative can be found here: <https://www.myworldrenew.net/timothyleadershiptraining>.



Upcoming dates:

October 14: Special offering for Trinity Hill  
October 21: Mission Emphasis Sunday and potluck  
Oct. 28: Reformation Day Service 6:00 Bethany Reformed Church  
Nov. 11: Communion and potluck  
Nov. 21: Thanksgiving Eve service



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All women are invited over to the Zigterman house on Thursday, October 18th at 9am for a time of fellowship and hot drinks. If anyone is interested in bringing a small snack to share you are welcome to.

Bunde MOMS will be selling Butter Braids again to support the MOMS ministry. MOMS stands for "Making Our Mothering Significant" and our theme this year is Gospel Hope - Hebrews 10:23-24. We have around 35 moms planning on attending this year from all different locations, denominations, and walks of faith. If you would like to order there is a form located by the mailboxes. Sale Ends October 31st and delivery date is November 14th. Thanks for your support ~Rachael Zigterman

**REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Today** - Scandinavian Smorgasbord, First Lutheran Church 11:15 - 1:00 pm Adults \$11, Ages 12 and under \$5, Under 5 - Free. Ham, Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Squash, Pea Salad, Glorified Rice, Baked Rice, and many Scandinavian goodies.



**Today** - Fall Dinner & Bazaar at St. Aloysius Church, Olivia. Home-made Fried Chicken dinner and all the trimmings. 11:00 - 1:30 Adults \$11, ages 10 and under \$6, Take out meals \$11.



**PRAYERS of the CHURCH**

The Prayer Mobilizer team for Classis Lake Superior would like us to pray for Raymond CRC this month. Prayer Requests for Raymond CRC:

- 1) Prayer of thanks for our partnership with Bunde CRC for GEMS, Cadets, JAM and Jr. JAM programs.
- 2) Prayer of thanks for the Lord's guidance in leading Pastor Aaron, Michelle and their family to Raymond CRC
- 3) Prayers for our shut-in's who are unable to join us each week for worship.
- 4) Prayers for continued growth for our Tuesday morning Men's Bible Study.

The high school band and choir are excited to bring you the first concert of the school year on Thursday, October 18th at 7:00 PM! The Fall Concert will feature Concert Band and Concert Choir. This free concert will be held in the Event Center. Vocal music selections include a Romantic-era German song and Haitian song honoring the 2018 graduating class of the Haiti Literacy Program. Band selections include a variety of pieces including exciting fanfares, peaceful hymn arrangements, and catchy marches. In addition to the normal offering taken to fund the music department, the audience will have the opportunity to bless the Haiti Literacy Program by matching the funds raised by members of the Concert Choir. Funds raised for HLP will go toward their annual budget. Save the date and see you there!



**MASS CHOIR - REFORMATION SERVICE - Sunday, October 28th at 6:00 PM**

Let's gather together to sing, creating one large choir, as we worship with one another at the Reformation service. We hope for 5 members from each church, but welcome more. There will be 2 rehearsals offered to members: Wednesday, October 24th at 7:00 and Sunday, prior to the service - 5:00 PM - both at Bethany Reformed Church. Let's raise the roof in song! Come..... Please contact Paul Knapper if interested



Children of the Promise will be holding our first annual corn maze in Clara City this September 1st through October 31st. We invite your congregation to join us in the fun, found on Wolverine Drive. Our maze is 8 acres, paired with pumpkins, treats, and special events every weekend. Our hours are Thursday: 3 - 11PM, Friday & Saturday: 9AM - 11PM, and Sunday: noon - 6PM. All profits will go to Children of the Promise. Our mission to provide a healthy, Christian home and family for every Haitian child. We hope to see you there! For more information, go to [facebook.com/1SEEDMN](https://facebook.com/1SEEDMN)



A Reformation Celebration will again be held at First CRC of Prinsburg the evening of Wednesday, Oct. 31. Join us for a free barbecue supper from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. At 6:00 p.m., you are invited to hear the Reformation story as told by Pastor Chris Alle and to sing hymns of the Reformation. Throughout the evening, there will be indoor and outdoor activities, snacks and games for kids of all ages as well as an opportunity to throw a pie-in-your-pastor's-face! Join us for an evening of fun, food and fellowship!



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.



Attention singers: It is time once again to tune up our Christmas Voices and begin practice for the 2018 Renville County Christmas Choir Cantata. Practice begins October 23 at the Faith United Methodist Church in Olivia. Concert will be on Thursday, December 6. Everyone who loves to sing is welcome to join us. Practices are twice a week to accommodate your busy schedule, attend each week as you are able. See the notice on the bulletin board for more information or take a copy by the mailbox



Renville County Human Services is looking for people willing to volunteer to serve as guardians for adults who need assistance in making decisions due to developmental delays, mental illness or other conditions, such as dementia. Guardians are people who are Court appointed to make decisions on behalf of people who, due to their mental status, are not able to make those decisions on their own behalf. For example, a guardian, in conjunction with their treatment team, will determine the appropriate resident (such as a group home or nursing home) for the individual who is no longer able to live independently. The guardian's major responsibilities include authorizing placement and services, attending annual meetings or care conferences, completing annual well-being reports to the court, and authorizing medical care if needed. The amount of time is determined on a case-by-case basis.

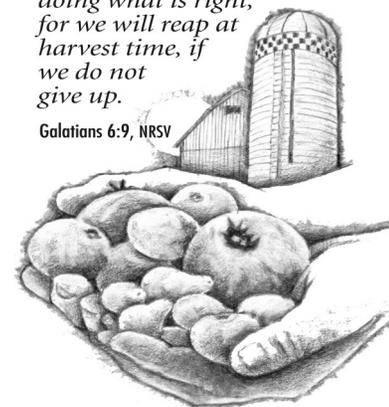
Family members, relatives or sometimes family friends typically serve as guardians for people. However, the reality is that not everyone has someone willing to be responsible for his or her decision-making and urgently needs a guardian. Compensation may be available for performing the service. Please contact Rita Berg at 320-523-3524 if you are interested in becoming a volunteer guardian.

Community Supper 3rd Thursday of each month—  
October 18, 2018

5:00 – 6:30 PM First Lutheran Church  
316 SW 3rd St ~ Renville, MN EVERYONE is welcome

*So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.*

Galatians 6:9, NRSV





**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: YEMEN**

**New Believer Rejected by Family**

After leaving Islam recently and placing his faith in Christ, Khalid has faced several tests of his new faith. His wife left him, taking their two young children with her, and said she would return only if Khalid returned to Islam. And his three closest friends told him that news of his conversion had spread and he could be killed for rejecting Muhammad. Khalid faced the choice of remaining faithful to Christ and facing persecution or returning to a perceived safety in the form of a false religion. After much prayer, Khalid chose Jesus. He knows, however, that his life won't be easy. His wife has returned to him, but she still urges him to follow Islam. Pray that Khalid will remain firm in his new faith and continue to grow through reading the Scriptures, praying and fellowshiping with other believers. Pray that his wife and two children will also come to know Jesus. Pray for the protection of Khalid and his family, and that his life will prompt others to seek Christ.

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