



Emden Christian Reformed Church  
Pastor David Zigterman  
Sunday, October 18, 2020

Sunday evening  
5:00 pm  
(please note time change)

### WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude a time to prepare our hearts for worship  
Welcome and announcements  
\*Call to worship on screen  
\*God's greeting  
\*Greet one another  
\*Songs of Praise *Goodness of God*  
*Who You Say I Am*  
Profession of Faith of Sam Groen and Isabelle Daugherty  
PH pg. 964  
Ministry of Music *Lord, I Need You* sung by Nic Groen  
Congregational Prayer  
Song *I Stand Amazed* LUYH 174  
Prayer for illumination  
\*Scripture Matthew 14:22-33  
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord  
Congregation: Thanks be to God  
Message **Don't Be Afraid**  
\*Song *Boundless Grace*  
\*Parting Blessing  
\*Closing Song *My friends, May You Grow In Grace*

*We gather as one body, with Christ as the head. Each of you brings unique abilities and contributions to our worship and ministry. Thank you for being here, and welcome.*

There will be a prayer meeting this Sunday at 5pm. 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 Catechism  
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

"Pop Psalms" - A Free Ebook - Our favorite pop, rock, hip hop, and country songs echo the wisdom literature of the Bible. Explore what hit songs can teach us about God and ourselves through "Pop Psalms." Get the ebook when you subscribe for free at [thinkchristian.net/poppsalms](http://thinkchristian.net/poppsalms)

**GROUNDWORK: SIGNS OF CHRIST'S GLORY** - The gospel of John recounts a number of events that reveal Jesus Christ's glory. Join Groundwork as we examine some of the stories found in John 2-4 to help us better understand what glory is and where we can expect to encounter the glory of Jesus in our own lives. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

### From Disability Concerns

**Disability Awareness Sunday** - October 18th - Join us today in celebrating Disability Sunday. This year, our theme is Agility. Contrary to assumptions, people with disabilities tend to be highly agile, because they must navigate physical and social structures that are created by and for people who do not have disabilities. In this way, we can and often do "dis-able" people from participating in and joining our churches. Healthy church communities learn from people who have disabilities and provide opportunities for them to lead. Please consider supporting the ongoing work of Disability Concerns.

### From Faith Formation Ministries

**At-home Faith Formation Tip** - The Practice of Gratitude: Keep track of God's good gifts using a format that works for you. Some ideas: keep a gratitude journal; express your thankfulness on paper strips placed inside a Gratitude Jar; write or draw things for which you are grateful on a paper tablecloth during mealtimes. Save your lists and drawings and revisit them when you need a reminder of God's provision. (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit [cena.org/FaithFormation/Practices](http://cena.org/FaithFormation/Practices).)

### From Other

**WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT RACE** - Youth and young adults, join CRC campus ministries for an important discussion about race in the church. Mike Wagenman (Ontario) and Rick Mast (Alberta) will be hosting a discussion of Ben Lindsay's book, *We Need to Talk about Race: Understanding the Black Experience in White Majority Churches*. Join us on Zoom Friday, Oct 23 @ 4pm ET. Register at [www.WesternCampusMinistry.ca](http://www.WesternCampusMinistry.ca)

### TODAY

Brad Link  
Building/Benevolent

*Sound System*  
*Offering*

### NEXT SUNDAY 10/25/20

Todd Groen  
CMCS Tuition Support

### CHURCH CALENDAR

Nov. 1      **Mission Emphasis Sunday**  
6pm **Prayer and Communion service**  
Nov. 25    7 pm **Thanksgiving Service**

### CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship will continue at 10:00 am. The use of face masks is encouraged well as social distancing. **PLEASE SIT IN EVERY THIRD PEW** 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.

Sunday School this year will be intergenerational. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Our next time together will be November 1. Sunday School will meet the first Sunday of each month from 9-9:30 over coffee and donuts.



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

It's time to start thinking Christmas?? It sure is! With the current pandemic, Christmas poinsettias need to be ordered very early this year. If you are interested in helping to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas by donating a poinsettia, please sign up on the sheet in the social hall. Cost details are on the sign up sheet. **TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO SIGN UP FOR POINSETTIAS!**



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Next Sunday, October 25 we will be hearing God's word from 2 Samuel 13:1-22..

**World Hunger Sunday 2020** - Nearly 1 billion people around the world are hungry. In two weeks, we'll be observing **World Hunger Sunday**. God gives us food for the body and food for the spirit. He has a place for all of us at His table. Beginning this week, Emden will be learning about and supporting children and families around the world in need through World Renew. Through daily stories and activity suggestions that you can read around your own table, you will learn from Peter Fish and discover new ways to share your blessings with those in need. Then you and your Peter Fish can join us in celebrating World Hunger and Mission Emphasis Sunday November 1st.



#### COUNCIL NOTES

##### Treasurer report

Beginning balance	\$29,041.25
Total deposits	\$4,187.76
Total expense	\$6,993.57
Ending Balance	\$26,235.44
Benevolent Fund	\$1,995.79
Building Fund	\$11,680.33

##### Council notes:

- Sam Groen and Isabelle Daugherty were approved to make their profession of faith
- Mission Emphasis Sunday will be on Nov. 1. Offering will be for Anthony and Sara.
- The November 1 Communion service that was scheduled for the evening will now be included in the morning service.
- A Thanksgiving service will take place on Nov. 25 at 7pm

#### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The CMCS Music Department invites community members to the Fall Concert on Monday, October 19, at 7:00 p.m. in the high school gym. This year's Fall Concert will consist of high school music students performing the pieces they would have done at last spring's Pop's Concert with the theme "Heroes, Myths, and Legends." This will include pieces from legendary groups like Queen and The Four Seasons, as well as selections from The Avengers, Moana, The



Incredibles, and more! According to the Minnesota Department of Health guidelines, indoor concerts are permitted, provided that audiences, percussion players, and directors wear face coverings and that everyone maintains a 6 foot social distance. Due to these guidelines and with the anticipation of having vulnerable community members among us, we will require face coverings. The CMCS music department will not be providing popcorn and pop for this Pop's Concert (though we hope to do so in the Spring). This concert will also be streamed to our CMCS YouTube channel, so those wishing to watch from home are encouraged to tune in there.

CMCS would like to inform you about a ministry opportunity that we have through NYSUM (New York School of Urban Ministry). This is the organization where our students have served throughout the years when they have gone on the New York Mission trip. Through their connections with the USDA and a food relief program, they will be sending us a truck load of FREE food to distribute in the Willmar area. We do not have all the details, but if you would like to participate in this opportunity, please contact Michelle Schwitters at the school if you would like to help.

The CMCS Harvest Festival Committee is busy making preparations for the 2020 Harvest Festival. This year's event will be very different with an online auction which will run from November 10-17. Also the International Bakery & the Sweet Shoppe will be taking pre-orders only. In your mailbox today is the Harvest Festival information with the pre-order form which is due to school by October 23rd. Thank you for praying and your continuing support through this process!



Two physician assistants at St. Catherine University in St. Paul are looking to rent rooms from Nov. 8 through Dec. 31 while they complete their residency. If interested, call 507-202-7076.

Enrollment forms for the Back-the-Pack program can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/backthepackprogram/>. If you know of anyone who might be interested or in need of this program, please share this link with them.

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 Aalderks, Carson Groen

Sunday, October 18, 2020

Matthew 14:22-33

**Don't Be Afraid**

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### CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH - Somalia

#### Family in Police Custody

A Somali Christian family is in police custody after being arrested for evangelism in Somaliland, a semi-autonomous region of Somalia. Hargeisa police released a statement on Oct. 5 that they had captured “two individuals who were apostates and evangelists spreading Christianity ... [The individuals] should be fully aware that they won’t escape the hand of the law enforcement officers and that the spread of Christianity will not be allowed.” As a result, other Christians in the region have fled the country in fear, anticipating more arrests. A safe house sponsored by VOM has been overwhelmed with believers seeking temporary refuge. The arrested couple have two children who are in prison with them, including a two-month old baby. Please pray for all Somali believers in this critical time along with the family in police custody.

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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

