

Emden Christian Reformed Church
Pastor David Zigterman
Sunday, October 31, 2021 10:00 am



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

*Songs of Praise *Lord, Our Lord, Your Glorious Name* PH 8 vs. 1,3,5
 Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah! PH 146 vs. 1,4

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

Confession of Sin

Assurance of God's Grace

Quartet Grace (Getty Music Songs)

Prayer of God's people

Offering Crossroad Prison Ministries

Song of preparation *Standing on the Promises* SJ 181 vs. 1,2,3

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for illumination

*Scripture Romans 8

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

Congregation: Thanks be to God

Message **In Times Like These**

*Song of response *In Times Like These* (words on screen)

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*Parting Blessing

*Closing Song *By the Sea of Crystal* PH 620 vs. 3

Today is Reformation Sunday.

*We recall with gratitude the saints who led the reform of the Church.
 We rejoice at the spiritual freedom we Christians have been given
 by faith in Christ.*

*With joy in our hearts, we welcome all who have come to celebrate
 our victory through Christ our Lord.*

Sunday evening
6:00 pm

Tonight at 6:00 pm, Emden will be hosting the Reformation Day service at 1st CRC in Prinsburg.

The offering will be for Hope Pregnancy Center.

There will be a time of coffee and fellowship
 after the evening service.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come
 and worship with the community to celebrate
 our Christian heritage.

Reformation Sunday



SUNDAY SCHEDULE

10:00 am Morning Worship
 5:00 pm Evening Prayer Time

Elders:

Duane Mulder - President

Nick Daugherty - Vice President

Paul Knapper - Clerk

Deacons:

Samantha Link - Chairman

Heather Link - Bldg / Benevolent Fund

Todd Groen - Treasurer

ReFrame Ministries

Groundwork: Jonah: Running Away from God - What happens when we try to run away from God? Join Groundwork as we begin our study of Jonah. Together we'll discuss the resonance of Jonah 1 for our lives today and find assurance in God's persistent and relentless love for his people. Listen now at 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 Gratitude: Today is “Reformation Sunday.” Read “Ten Ways My Reformed Identity Shapes My Life” (tinyurl.com/10WaysReformed) and ponder or discuss the following questions. (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject) If you identify with the Reformed tradition, what difference does holding this worldview make in your daily life? What parts of the Reformed worldview especially spark gratitude in you? How might you more fully experience God's abundant grace so that you can live out of gratitude?

World Renew

Help End World Hunger. Host a Dinner for Good. - Have you signed up to host a Dinner for Good? Not sure what we are talking about? It's not too late to pick up a World Hunger devotional to learn more. You can also send a donation that will go directly to World Renew's work with people like the ones you've met during your devotion time. Join us in the hunger for good!

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TODAY

Connie & Janel
Nick Daugherty
Crossroads Bible
Kevin & Dani Engstrom
Jane Groen

Greeters
Sound System
Offering
Coffee Hour
Nursery

NEXT SUNDAY 11/7/21

David & Andrea Daugherty
Brad Link
Ministry Shares
David & Andrea Daugherty
Donna Fuls

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, Oct. 31: ***Reformation Day Service***, 6pm
Thursday, Nov. 11 ***Soul Care Bible Study***, 7:00pm Complete week 2,
Sunday, Nov. 21 ***Communion***
Wednesday, Nov. 24 ***Thanksgiving Eve Service*** 7:00 pm

CHURCH FAMILY

We express our sincere sympathy to Verla & Duane Mulder on the death of Verla's brother-in-law, Harlan Spronk, this past week. May the family know the comfort and peace of our risen Lord & Savior and be surrounded by His love.



CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome Eldon Nelson who will be leading our morning worship service.

We will be continuing in-person worship. You can watch our services on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/emdenrc>. The sermon will continue to be made available on the website.



Sunday School/Catechism will occur after the service on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month.

Daylight Savings Time - Remember to set your clocks back this Saturday as Day Light Savings time ends.



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



Our church will be hosting the Reformation Day service. This service will be at 1st CRC in Prinsburg at 6pm tonight, Sunday evening, October 31. The offering will be for Hope Pregnancy Center.



Next Sunday, Nov. 7, we will be hearing God's word from Ecclesiastes 11:1-6.

The next Bible study will be on Nov. 7.



For the month of November, we will be recognizing World Hunger Month by supporting the Renville County Food Shelf.

Food Shelf



Each Sunday in November we ask that you bring non-perishable items to church. You will find a list of donation items in your mailbox. Please also take a can to collect money and then through out the week add money to the cans at home. Final donations and cans will be collected November 28. Thank you in advance for making someone's holiday season a little more blessed this year!



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mark Your Calendars for Saturday, November 6:



PANCAKES!

The Haiti Literacy Team will be holding a Chris' Cakes Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser from 8am-12pm at the CMCS Event Center in Prinsburg. The all-you-can-eat Chris' Cakes pancakes breakfast will include sausages, orange juice & coffee with unlimited Pancakes. Come for breakfast and do some shopping all to benefit the Haiti Literacy Program. We will have Haitian-made Rosie's boutique home decor and metal Christmas decorations, Minnesota and Iowa kitchen towels, Singing Rooster coffee, Kwik Trip Car wash cards and frozen homemade apple crisps for sale.

Visit us on facebook for more information or check the poster on the bulletin board in the front entry or the Newsletter in your mail box today.



The CMCS Drama Department will be presenting "*All Together Now!*" a musical revue, featuring selections from many of your favorite Broadway shows, on Friday & Saturday, November 12 & 13 in the CMCS Event Center. We will be featuring our middle and high school students, along with several guest appearances from former CMCS drama students!



Friday's performance will be at 7:00PM. Saturday's performances will be at 3:00PM (matinee) and 7:30PM. Tickets will go on sale at 1:30 on Tuesday, November 2. Early emails will not be accepted. Tickets are \$10/adults and \$8/student & younger. Pre-K & under will be free ONLY for the Saturday Matinee. You can order tickets through Theater@cmcschool.org or by stopping in at the high school office during business hours.

Raymond-Bunde GEMS Soup & Pie Supper and Bake Sale will be held on Wednesday, November 17th from 5-7 pm at Raymond CRC. Take-outs are available. This event is free-will donation.



We would appreciate anyone willing to donate items for the bake sale, to have the items to the church by 3pm on Wednesday, November 17.



FRIENDSHIP BIBLE STUDY did not fold or cease. We started on Monday, September 20 and will meet every other Monday at 7 pm for an hour of worship and fellowship at the Rock of Life CRC. Our next meeting is Nov. 1. We are in need of mentors since many faithful ones are retiring. We would appreciate some volunteers to make cookies for our fellowship time. If you are interested and willing to SERVE/REACH OTHERS in any way, please call Helene @320-295-0901 or Clara @320-235- 0455.





REQUESTS
FOR
PRAYER

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

The Persecuted Church: Cuba

Government Prohibits Church from Meeting

A house church of 1,000 members has been banned from gathering for services by the Cuban government. In recent weeks, the government announced that churches in Cuba could begin meeting again in person on Sunday, Oct. 10. On Oct. 8, however, Amparo Gallo's house church in Santa Clara received word from the government that it would not be allowed to meet for in-person services. Pray for God's wisdom for these brothers and sisters as they determine how to honor God amid the Cuban government's restrictions, and pray that the government will lift the restrictions.

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
Sunday, October 31, 2021
Pastor Eldon Nelson
Romans 8
In Times Like These