

**Emden Christian Reformed Church  
Pastor David Zigterman  
Sunday, November 4, 2018**

**Sunday Evening Worship Service  
6:00 pm**

**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

Prelude a time to prepare our hearts for worship  
 Welcome and announcements  
 \*Call to worship Psalm 86:8-10  
 \*God's Greeting of His People  
 \*We Greet One Another  
 \*Songs of Praise *Rock of Ages* SJ 490 vs. 1-3  
                                   *Have Thine Own Way, Lord* SJ 414 vs. 1-3

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

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

Confession of sin  
 Song of confession *God, Be Merciful to Me*  
 Assurance of pardon  
 Guide for grateful living  
 Prayer of God's people conclude with the Lord's Prayer  
 Offering Ministry Shares  
                   Noisy-offering: Anthony's TLT initiative  
 Song of preparation *May the Mind of Christ My Savior* SJ 402 vs. 1-6

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

Prayer for illumination  
 \*Scripture 2 Kings 5:1-19a pg. 576  
                   Reader: This is the Word of the Lord  
                   Congregation: Thanks be to God  
 Message **God Heals Our 'Greatness'**  
 Prayer of Application  
 \*Song of response *There's A Wideness In God's Mercy* SJ 379  
 \*Profession of our faith *Boundless Grace*

**WE DEPART TO SERVE**

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

*The Lord has called us together in worship not for his sake only but also  
 for ours — that we may be renewed with forgiveness, encouraged by  
 God's Word and strengthened through Christian fellowship.  
 Welcome to our worship service.*

Next Sunday, November 11, 2018		<u>SUNDAY SCHEDULE</u>
Greeters: Loren & Rhonda Marcus	Library: Julie Link	9:00am Catechism 1st & 3rd Sunday (Sept-May) Sunday School meets during the Worship Service 10:00am Morning Worship
Coffee Hour: Janel Watson & Lindsey Knapper	Sound System: Brad Link	Gene & Dawn Michelson B.P. 2210, Bamako Mali, West Africa E-mail address Usumaan@hotmail.com
Ushers: Patrick Nelson & Randy Zieske	Nursery: Isabelle Daugherty	
Letter to Michelsons: Weldon & Char Zondervan	Congregational Visitor: Julie Link	
Offering: am General Fund		
<b>Elders:</b> Kim Mulder - President Tim Link - Vice President Doug Groen - Clerk		<b>Deacons:</b> Gerald Mulder - Chairman Curt Groen - Benevolent / Building Fund Bob Swyter - Treasurer

### From Back to God Ministries International

I BELONG: COMPLETELY AND FOREVER - The Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1 brings great comfort to many believers. Join Groundwork as we study Romans 14:1-12 and 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 to explore the scriptures that give us the confidence to say we belong body and soul in life and in death to our faithful Savior Jesus Christ. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

### From Faith Formation Ministries

Family Faith Formation Tip - Make prayer part of your everyday life with a family prayer bulletin board. Post lists titled "Things we're thankful for," "Things we're worried about," "People who need our prayers," etc. Add to your lists after school or at bedtime, then pray together about all your joys and concerns. (Faith Formation Ministries; [crcna.org/FaithFormation](http://crcna.org/FaithFormation))

### From World Renew

Sign up for a Free Advent devotional - "Holy Impatience" is the topic of an email devotional series put together by World Renew and the CRC Office of Social Justice. It features reflections from CRC ministries around the world for the 2018 Advent season. We will explore "doing justice" in a world that belongs to God, a world where many are, with holy impatience, both celebrating glimpses of the kingdom and eagerly yearning for it. Each reflection will be delivered to your email inbox every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, starting December 3, 2018, through Christmas Day. Go to [crcna.org/advent](http://crcna.org/advent) to sign up today!

### From Resonate Global Mission

Join the Global Prayer Safari! - In Swahili the word "safari" means "journey." Join a team of North Americans who appreciate the power of prayer as you journey hand-in-hand with teams from Ethiopia, Kenya, and Uganda. You'll learn about prayer from other Christian traditions as you visit schools, hospitals, jails, government buildings, markets, and more. Dates: January 31 - February 11, 2019. For more information, visit [www.resonateglobalmission.org/safari](http://www.resonateglobalmission.org/safari).

Emden Christian Reformed Church PO Box 390—518 5th Street NW e-mail: <a href="mailto:emdenrc@centurytel.net">emdenrc@centurytel.net</a> Secretary: Judy C Groen (320) 905-3921 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>	320-329-3932 Renville, MN 56284 web site <a href="http://www.emdenrc.org">www.emdenrc.org</a> e-mail: <a href="mailto:j.k.groen56284@gmail.com">j.k.groen56284@gmail.com</a> <b>You are welcome to stop in and visit without an appointment.</b>
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### TODAY

Greeters:	Bob & Jill Marcus
Library:	Julie Link
Coffee Hour:	Patrick & Christy Nelson
Sound System:	Paul Knapper
Ushers:	Loren Marcus & James Santjer
Nursery:	Jane Groen
Letter to Michelsons:	Randy & Verla Zieske
Congregational Visitor:	Julie Link
Visiting Elder:	Kim Mulder



### CHURCH CALENDAR

Today 2:00 pm *RenVilla Service* - everyone is welcome to attend  
Monday 7:00 pm *Ladies Bible Study* - Lesson 2; Meet at Connie's  
Wednesday 2:00 pm *Ladies Aid*

### CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

This afternoon at 2:00, Pastor David will be leading the service at the Renville Home. Everyone is welcome to join in and praise the Lord with the residents.

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



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 Sytsma 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>

Next Sunday, November 11, we will be hearing God's word from Micah 6:1-8. Next Sunday evening we will continue our study of the book of Romans.



On Wed., Nov. 7 Ladies Aid will meet at Meadows on Main at 2 pm. We will study God's holiness. Study material can be found by the mailboxes.

Upcoming dates:

Nov. 11: Communion and potluck

Nov. 13: Women's Movie night at Zigtermans

Nov. 21: Thanksgiving Eve service



**Woman's Movie Night** - Tuesday November 13th, 7:00 pm All women, ladies & girls are invited to the Zigterman house to watch a Christian themed movie (TBD). Hot drinks and a small snack will be provided.

Thank you for partnering with New 2 You Thrift Store and our Corners of Your Field Program. Over the past 27 months, we have been able to provide over \$27,000 in gift cards to more than 60 local churches and community organizations for use in their benevolence ministry. From providing relief to those affected by homelessness, domestic violence, floor/fire, school clothes for children in need, or winter coats for those who could not afford one, your partnership with New 2 You is making a difference in our community. Every time you donate your extra clothing, housewares, furniture or more with New 2 You credit is earned for your organization. Remember, where you give your excess matters. Because of donation made by members of our church to New 2 You, Emden had been given two \$20 gift cards for New 2 You. If you know of anyone who could use one of these, please contact a deacon.

**REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Everyone is invited to the **Turkey Dinner** at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church **TODAY**, November 4 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Renville Community Center. Menu is turkey & stuffing / mashed potatoes & gravy / carrots / cole slaw / cranberries / pumpkin bar. Adults and take-outs - \$11, Ages 3-11 - \$5, under 3 is free.



**Today**, Nov. 4th at 4 p.m., **Hawk Creek's Annual Mission Day** is presenting "A Celebration of Music and Hymns" - an Organ Concert featuring Director of Music Tom Rowland of St James Lutheran in West St Paul, Jeremiah Grover - a student at North Hennepin and an organ enthusiast, and Randy Moe of Hawk Creek (on piano). This event celebrates the gifts of the baby grand Kimball piano and Encore Organ Technologies 5-manual



organ with 67 digital ranks. A soup supper follows. The free-will offering for the concert and supper will go to support Hawk Creek's mission work.

**First CRC Youth Group Potato Supper and Bake Sale** – You are invited to the First CRC Prinsburg Youth Group Potato Supper to be held on Wed., Nov. 7, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. Free-will donations will be taken to fund youth projects. There will also be a silent bake sale auction at 6:00 p.m. Thank you for your support!



**CMCS Veterans Day Service:** We would like to invite all the area Veterans to our Veterans Day assembly on Friday, November 9th at 10:00 in the morning at the Event Center. We will have a short assembly honoring our area Veterans. Coffee and cookies will be served after the program.



**Dad's Belgian Waffle benefit** will be held for Pastor Jeff Brown on Saturday, November 10, 2018 at Unity Church in Prinsburg at 8AM-12noon. Jeff had a stroke in December 2015. It initially left him unable to breathe on his own, eat, speak, sit up, walk, or use his left arm. After nearly three years of therapy he has made great strides. He continues to do both speech and physical therapy. This benefit is to help cover the costs of a recent treatment in Florida as well as the ongoing expenses of therapy. Come out and join us in supporting this wonderful family! Make checks payable to Jeff Brown Benefit. If unable to attend, please send checks to:



Perry and Marge Breems, PO Box 201, Prinsburg MN 56281

**Raymond-Bunde GEMS Soup & Pie Supper and Bake Sale** will be held on Wed., Nov. 14th from 5-7 pm. Take-outs are available. This event is a free-will donation. We would appreciate anyone willing to donate items for the bake sale to have the items to the church by 3 pm on the 14th.



The family of Forrest Slagter wishes to extend their sincere gratitude for the many cards of sympathy, monetary memorials, food brought to the house and services rendered. We especially thank Rev. Elden Nelson for the many visits he had with Forry, as well as conducting the service. We thank Nancy Punt for her music and John Marquardt for operating the projector. We thank all who donated the beautiful floral arrangements

and the circle who served the noon meal. We also thank the America Legion for their contribution. May God bless each and every one of you! — The Forrest Slagter family

The annual **Harvest Festival of Central Minnesota Christian**

**School** will be held at the High School in Prinsburg on Saturday, November 17 from 4:30 pm-8:30 pm. Start your evening with a delicious food at the Ham Supper or the Snack Shack. Then visit the Sweet Shoppe and International Bakery to find tasty treats, candy, and baked goods. Let the kids burn off some energy at the Kids Carnival before you finish your night searching for just the right item for yourself, your home, or your Christmas list at the Silent Auction, The Market (new this year!), or the Live Auction. Check out the list of auction items (live and silent) on [www.cmcschool.org](http://www.cmcschool.org), complete with pictures and descriptions of the items. All booths open at 4:30 pm, live auction starts at 6pm. Come and enjoy an evening of food, fun and fellowship for all ages!



Community Thanksgiving Dinner: Wednesday, Nov. 21 from 4:30 to 6:30 pm at the Renville Community Center. No cost to attend. Reserve your seat for this free community dinner by picking up a ticket by the mailboxes.

Please join Woodland Centers for an open house on Wed., Nov. 28 from 4-6pm at 902 W Lincoln Ave. in Olivia to celebrate our new office space (refreshments will be served)

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 will be at the Faith United Methodist Church in Olivia, Practices are twice a week to accommodate your busy schedule, attend each week as you are able, on Tuesday and /or Wednesday at 5:30 - 6:45. Concert will be on Thursday, Dec. 6. Everyone who loves to sing is welcome to join us. See the notice on the bulletin board for more information or take a copy by the mailbox



**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.

The Village Children's Museum in Willmar, MN is in need of volunteers. If you are interested or have any questions, call Arlene at 320-894-2338.

**Harvest time!**

With harvest underway, fields of ripe grain, tall cornstalks and soybeans turning brown recall Jesus' words to the disciples: "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest" (Matthew 9:37-38).

Nowadays farmers use fewer laborers and bigger machines than in decades past. But what about harvests of faith? Leading people to know God's love can't be done "mechanically." Studies show that newspaper ads or door-hangers left anonymously are less effective at bringing people to church than a warm personal invite.

Right after urging his disciples to pray for harvest workers — in a classic instance of "You might be God's answer to your own prayer!" — Jesus sends them out as those very laborers! How will they work the harvest? Not by guiltting people into faith. Not by pronouncing judgment or Biblical law. But by using Jesus' authority to counter evil, illness and brokenness among those they befriend.

Ponder and pray about where Jesus is sending you as his laborer to cultivate and reap Christian faith and assurance of God's love.



## PRAYER CORNER

REQUESTS  
—FOR—  
PRAYER

~ Please remember those in our congregation who have continuous health concerns: DeeDee Johnson, Melvin Link, Marge Link, Linda Mayer, Gerald Mulder, Darla Ruschen

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### THE PERSECUTED CHURCH: Malawi

#### God is Moving among the Yao People

VOM workers report with joy about a movement of God happening among the Yao people in Malawi, Mozambique and Tanzania. Once considered an “unreachable” people group, today there are more than 4,000 believers among the predominantly Muslim Yao people. Breakthrough came about five years ago. Prior to that, there were only three dedicated believers working among the Yao. Something shifted and new Yao Christians chose to stay in their communities while being persecuted instead of fleeing. Their presence, and the forgiveness and love they have demonstrated, caused many hearts to be open to the good news. Now, entire villages are following Christ and some of the old mosques are being used as churches. Praise God! And pray for those who continue to labor among the Yao.

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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.

Sunday, November 4, 2018

2 Kings 5:1-19a

### God Heals Our ‘Greatness’

- Naaman's greatness
- The church rebuked
- God's heals Naaman

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

