

Emden Christian Reformed Church
Pastor David Zigterman
Sunday, November 10, 2019

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 *Great is Thy Faithfulness* PH 556 vs. 1-3
 In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified SJ 528 vs. 1,2

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD’S GRACE

Confession of Sin
Assurance of Pardon
Prayer of God’s people conclude with the Lord’s Prayer
Offering General Fund
Song of preparation *With Grateful Heart my Thanks I Bring* PH 183 vs. 1,4

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Prayer for illumination
*Scripture Hosea 11:1-9 pg. 1407 Anna Knapper
 Reader: This is the Word of the Lord
 Congregation: Thanks be to God

Message **God’s Love For Israel**

Prayer of Application
*Song of response *Before the Throne of God Above* LUYH 682 vs. 1-3
The Lord’s Supper
Thank Offering

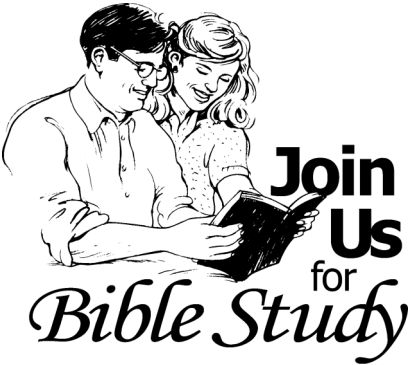
WE DEPART TO SERVE

*Parting Blessing
*Closing Song *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* PH 486 vs. 1-3

*Welcome to the Lord’s house. Today we recognize with appreciation
all the men and women who have served or are currently serving in our
nation’s military. As we acknowledge this week those who’ve served
in our military, we pray for peace throughout the world.*

Sunday Evening Worship Service
6:00 pm

Tonight we will continue our study of
Vanishing Grace by Philip Yancey.
Please join us for this time of fellowship.



<p>~ OUR MISSION ~</p> <p><i>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.</i></p>		<p><u>SUNDAY SCHEDULE</u></p> <p>9:00am Catechism (Sept.—May) 10:00am Morning Worship Sunday School</p>
<p>Elders:</p> <p>Duane Mulder - President Kim Mulder - Vice President Doug Groen - Clerk</p>	<p>Deacons:</p> <p>Todd Groen - Chairman Curt Groen - Benevolent / Building Fund Bob Swyter - Treasurer</p>	

Free Advent Devotional - How Long, Lord? is an email devotional series put together by World Renew and the CRC Office of Social Justice that features reflections from CRC ministries around the world during Advent 2019. Witnessing destruction and injustices can often lead us to ask the same question that God’s people and the prophets in the Bible asked: “How Long, Lord?” As we continue to wrestle with that question we can also have hope that our pain will not be forever and that the God who made us is with us, now and forever. Each devotion will be delivered to your email inbox every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, starting December 2, 2018, through Christmas Day. Go to crcna.org/advent to sign up today!

From Back to God Ministries International

FAMILY FIRE - 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.

GROUNDWORK: MAKING SENSE OF SETBACKS - Just like most building and construction projects, we can expect to encounter setbacks in our lives. Join us as we study the setbacks Ezra and Nehemiah faced in Ezra 3-4 and Ezra 7:8-28 to gain a greater understanding and biblical perspective for enduring our own trials and setbacks. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

From World Renew

Sometimes, hope starts with girls. - This holiday season, World Renew is partnering with One Day’s Wages in a matching campaign to change the story of poverty for over 4,800 Bangladeshi girls and their families. Together, we’re bringing justice and love in the name of Christ to these young women by combatting childhood marriage, infant mortality, domestic violence, and economic hardship. You can join us. When you give to onedayswages-worldrenew.funraise.org, your gift to these young women gets doubled by One Day’s Wages. A gift of \$50 changes the lives of 4 women. Give for #4justgirls today.

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You are welcome to stop in and visit without an appointment.

TODAY, November 10, 2019

Paul & Wanda Knapper	<i>Greeters</i>
Julie Link	<i>Library</i>
Pot Luck	<i>Coffee Hour</i>
Brad Link	<i>Sound System</i>
Bob Marcus	<i>Usher</i>
Lindsey Knapper	<i>Nursery</i>
Harold Groen	<i>Congregational Visitor</i>
General Fund	<i>Offering</i>
Kim Mulder	<i>Visiting Elder</i>

Next Sunday, November 17

Chuck & Twyla Sietsema
Julie Link
Bob & Joan Swyter
Todd Groen
Moise Daugherty
Dawn Link
Harold Groen
Bldg / Benev Fund
Kim Mulder

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	2:00 pm	<i>RenVilla Service</i>
	6:00 pm	<i>Bible Study</i>
Wednesday	7:00 pm	<i>Council Meeting</i>

CHURCH FAMILY

Our Christian sympathy is expressed to Verla and Duane Mulder on the death of her sister, Joanne. May God give them peace and grace in the coming days.



CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Today everyone is invited to stay and join us for dinner and fellowship immediately following the morning service.

There will be a Renvilla service at 2 pm. Communion will be served at Meadows on Main at 3 pm.
Tonight at 6 pm we will continue our Bible study of Vanishing Grace by Philip Yancey.

Sunday School and Catechism meet the 1st, 3rd, and 5th (when applicable) Sunday of each month. Catechism (7th grade through High School) meets from 9:00 am to 9:45 am. Sunday School (6th grade and below) meet during the service. In addition to this, the Sunday School will collect a Noisy Offering on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th (when applicable) Sunday. The money collected for this offering will go toward the leadership training initiative Anthony Sytsma is overseeing as part of the Timothy Leadership Training of World Renew.



Catechism will meet every Sunday morning during the month of November.

On November 3 and 17 the Sunday School and Catechism will be using a curriculum called Circle of Grace. Parents will be receiving further information about this curriculum in their mailboxes. Each year Circle of Grace will be taught to the Sunday School and Catechism classes. Circle of Grace is a Christian safe environment curriculum that helps to form and educate children and youth about the value of positive relationships with God and others. As part of this education program we will take time during the services on Nov. 3 and 17 to learn a poem and a song that the Sunday School will be learning. The poem is:

CIRCLE OF GRACE

Raise your hands above your head and then bring
your outstretched arms slowly down.

Extend your arms
in front of you
and then behind you
embrace all of the space around you
then slowly
reach down to your feet.

Knowing that God is in this space with you.

This is your
Circle of Grace.
You are in it.

What would our world look like if we all lived believing and truly knowing
that God is that close?

Next Sunday, November 17, we will be hearing God’s word from Isaiah 5:1-7.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS



Central MN Christian School invites the community to a Veteran's Day Assembly on November 11 at 8:30AM in the CMCS Event Center. We will be hearing from Senator Andrew Lang as well as honoring our local veterans. Refreshments to follow.

CMCS students going on the NY Mission Trip are selling fruit, nuts, and cheese as part of a fundraiser to offset their expenses. Orders will be taken until November 12th. Delivered in time for Christmas! Please contact a student from this list to place your order: Erin Brouwer, Addison Brouwer, Ethan Huisinga, Tyler Wubben, Kaden Bulthuis, Isaac Brouwer, Lukas Hillenbrand, Tanner Swierenga, Skyler Watson, Jeff Zeatlow, Torri Muzik, Sarah Nelson, Lauren Ammermann, Reegan Duininck, Tucker Dehmlow, Peter Martin, Jay Marcus, Jonathan Garvick, Neika Leininger, Jonathan Bloomquist, Jesse Daugherty, Jaedyn Rausch, Katelyn Graves, Austin TeBrake, Sam Mellema, Aidan Brouwer, Elli Stoel, Jake Abrams, Maggie Abrams, Matt Pederson,



Raymond-Bunde GEMS Soup & Pie Supper and Bake Sale will be held on Wed., Nov. 20th from 5-7 pm at Raymond CRC. 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 20th. If you are willing to donate a pie, please contact Kendra (320-220-0221)



Harvest Festival 2019 is just around the corner! The annual school festival at Central MN Christian School starts at 3pm on Saturday, November 23. Come join us for the Elementary and Middle School Dedication, and then enjoy a wonderful night of fun and fellowship. There will be delicious food options - home-cooked meals, snack foods, drinks, sweets and homemade baked goods. Silent Auction, the Market, and the Live Auction provide the perfect chance to get your Christmas shopping done while supporting Central MN Christian School. Kids will have a blast at the Kids Carnival with games, inflatables, and more (\$5 admission). Cap off the evening with a cake from the Cake Walk. All proceeds benefit CMCS. Cash and check accepted at all booths; credit card and debit card also accepted at Live and Silent Auction.



New York Mission Trip Tip Night Fundraiser at the Willmar Pizza Ranch will be Monday, November 25th from 5:00 to 8:00p.m. Please come out and support the over 50 students and leaders that will be heading out to New York in April. Grab your friends and family for a great night!



THANKSGIVING DAY Meal - You are invited to join with others from the community for a Thanksgiving Day meal at Unity CRC in Prinsburg at Noon on November 28! The main staples will be provided (turkey, potatoes, ham, stuffing). If you have a favorite dish and/or dessert to share, you can bring that along! This is open to EVERYONE. Come with family. Come with friends. Come with a neighbor or co-worker. Pass this invite along to someone who would be blessed to share the day with others. No RSVP necessary. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Steve or Ang - 320-444-6682.



CHILI COOKOFF: The Outreach Team at Bunde CRC is hosting a chili cookoff on Monday, December 2 in the Bunde Fellowship Hall beginning at 6:00pm with taste testing. All are invited to come taste the different chili soups and vote for their favorite! After the tasting, the Vikings game against the Seahawks begins at 7:15pm and will be shown on the "big screen". All are welcome to stay to watch the game together. Any willing cooks are asked to contact Christy Groen (320-212-9643 or rcgroen723@gmail.com) **to sign up as a participant in this event by Nov. 13.** You will be asked to cook your special chili recipe for the attendees to taste test and vote on. A stipend is available upon request to help cover costs for the cooks. Cash prizes of \$100 for 1st place, \$50 for 2nd place and \$25 for 3rd place will be awarded for the top three chili recipes. **LET THE COOKING BEGIN!!**



CMCS Search Committee Update: On behalf of the Search Committee we are excited to provide an update on the results of our efforts so far to find our next Superintendent. As of October 28th, our planned recruiting cycle for Superintendent applicants has come to a “soft close”. The position will remain online in an “active until filled” status but our effort now is shifting to the screening and interview stages. We are blessed to be able to share we currently have 8 applicants, along with a few others interested in applying. The screening process is currently in session, with video interviews scheduled to occur between Nov. 7th and Nov. 18th. Please see the next Cable for specific details regarding the process. Thank you for your ongoing prayer and support for this process. It has been very encouraging to see the commitment and teamwork of the search team, as well as God’s faithfulness throughout this process. Please continue to pray for discernment and God’s guidance for both the search team and candidates in the months to come.

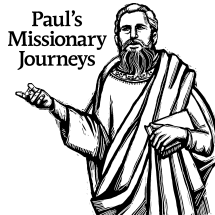
For information regarding both student as well as adult Driver’s Training courses, go to the website at: www.212drivingschool.com.



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.

From Calvin Theological Seminary

Paul's Missionary Journeys In Greece (April 2-14, 2020): Travel by motor coach (8 days) and cruise ship (3 days) to sites connected with Paul's 2nd and 3rd missionary journeys, as well as visit other major sites of Biblical, archaeological, and cultural interest. Jeff Weima, at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, hosts this inspirational tour. For more information, visit www.jeffreyweima.com or contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu



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Hosea 11:1-9
God’s Love For Israel

- When Israel was a child (1-4)
- Rebellion (5-7)
- Compassion (vs. 8-9)

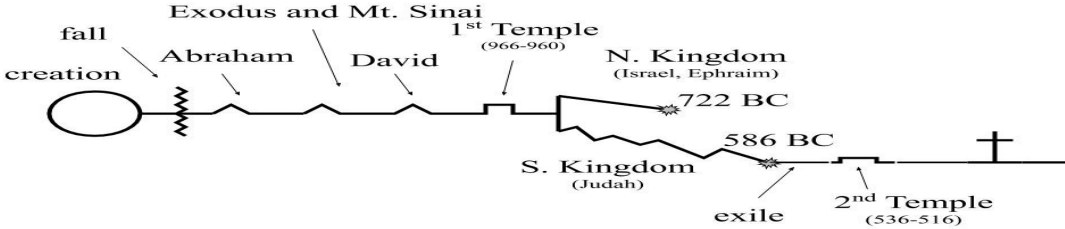
Thoughts for Veterans Day

Abraham Lincoln gave his second Inaugural Address on March 4, 1865, as the Civil War was raging. He said, “Fondly do we hope — fervently do we pray — that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away.”

Lincoln's next paragraph is especially appropriate for Veterans Day:

“With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphan — to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace, among ourselves, and with all nations.”

When President Lincoln finished his classic oration, he reportedly kissed the Bible and left the platform. He was assassinated the next month.



PRAYER



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

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**The Persecuted Church: Egypt
Woman Flees Father and Brother Planning to Kill Her**

Acenath was a married mother of three children when she became a Christian. She kept it secret for many years, but her family eventually learned of her Christian faith. They first tried to persuade her to return to Islam, but when five members of her extended family also came to know Christ, Acenath's father decided she was a "virus" that had to be stopped. He and Acenath's brother beat her severely and made plans to kill her. As they waited for her bruises to heal, so they could make her death look like an accident, Acenath took the opportunity to escape. Today, she lives in another country and meets weekly with other Christian converts from Islam. Pray for Acenath, and pray that her family will come to know Christ.

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.

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

