

**Emden Christian Reformed Church
Pastor David Zigterman
Sunday, November 22, 2020**

**Sunday evening
5:00 pm**

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude a time to prepare our hearts for worship
Welcome and announcements
*Call to worship
*God's greeting
*Greet one another
*Song of Praise *Praise Him! Praise Him!* SJ 73

Psalm 120
Confession of Sin
Assurance of Pardon
Congregational Prayer
Song *Let All Things Now Living*

Prayer for illumination
*Scripture James 3
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord
Congregation: Thanks be to God
Message **Taming the Tongue**
*Song of response *Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above* SJ 26

*Parting Blessing
*Closing Song *Go My Children* LUYH 946

*Welcome to worship on this Sunday before Thanksgiving.
With the psalmist, let us "enter [God's] gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!" (Psalm 100:4).*

There will be a prayer meeting this Sunday at **5:00pm**.
This will be hosted on Google Meet.
To join the video meeting, go to this link:
<https://meet.google.com/mex-espf-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

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

Elders:

Duane Mulder - President
Nick Daugherty - Vice President
Doug Groen - Clerk

Deacons:

Samantha Link - Chairman
Curt Groen - Bldg / Benevolent Fund
Todd Groen - Treasurer

Prepare Your Heart - Starting December 2, 2020, World Renew, Resonate Global Mission, and the CRC Office of Social Justice will distribute a free email devotional to your inbox during Advent. Don't let Christmas presents overtake the Christmas Presence. Sign up to receive reflections on this year's theme of He Will Be Our Peace every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday through Christmas Day. Join us as we journey through lamenting injustice to looking forward to the coming of the Prince of Peace using the book of Micah. Go to justice.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.

Advent Devotional Series From Today - It's been a rough year. Let Advent help you see God's story in Christmas. This special devotional series takes you deeper into the true meaning of Christmas, the coming Savior. Subscribe at todaydevotional.com/advent. It's free!

GROUNDWORK: JESUS CHRIST RESTORES - Have you ever wondered if you're too broken or if you've sinned too much for Jesus to love you? Study John 21 with Groundwork and witness an interaction between Jesus and Peter that gives us the hope and courage to love Jesus despite our failings. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

From Faith Formation Ministries

At-home Faith Formation Tip - The Practice of Generosity: We often associate generosity with financial giving, but we can also cultivate a generous spirit in our relationships. Ponder how you might practice this in daily life, perhaps by focusing on refraining from mental criticism, attributing the best motives to people's actions, being "present" and attentive when spending time with others (especially children), or doing acts of random kindness. (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit crcna.org/FaithFormation/Practices.)

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TODAY

Todd Groen
CMCS Tuition Support

*Sound System
Offering*

NEXT SUNDAY 11/29/20

Paul Knapper
Children of the Promise



Ida Huisman's new address: 2232 Roslyn Ave,
Duluth, MN 55802

CHURCH FAMILY

CHURCH CALENDAR

Nov. 25 7:00 pm Live stream Thanksgiving service
Nov. 29 Offering will be for Children of the Promise

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council met Friday night and decided to cancel church through the end of November. Worship services will continue to be livestreamed during this time. 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.

If you would like to send in your **Thanksgiving offering** envelopes and if you would like to continue giving during this time 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.emdenrc.org/online-giving> for more information.

There will be a livestreamed Thanksgiving Service on Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm. Thanksgiving Offering envelopes are available in your mailbox or on the table in the entry way

Join us for Sunday School. This year Sunday School will be intergenerational. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Our next time together will be December 6. 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.

Next Sunday, November 29, we will be hearing God's word from Colossians 1:15-23 and Lord's Day 11 in the Heidelberg Catechism.

Please feel free to take any books from the library you would like to keep. The library will be disbanded in about a month.



If you think someone should serve on Council next year, please let a member of the council know.

Sunday, November 22, 2020
James 3 and Lord's Day 43
Taming the Tongue

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Would you like to give a unique Christmas gift this year that will help people around the world and can have a long lasting, positive effect in their lives and their community? Through the World Renew Giving Tree Project you are able to purchase a goat, ducks, sheep, chickens, tools, nutrition kits, farming tools, sanitary items, wheelchairs and many other items for people around the world and share God's light with those who live in extreme poverty. On the back table is a basket of cards with different items of differing monetary costs that you can choose an item that fits within your budget or your families budget and donate to World Renew. Mail in your card and donation or go online or call World Renew (instructions are on the cards). You can also give your donation as a gift in someone else's name and request a gift card be sent to them to let them know.



The Haiti Literacy Team would like to thank all those who supported us by ordering Haitian Spaghetti! It was an incredible fundraiser! Our next opportunity to support this work is to check out our metal art and ornaments brought to us by Singing Rooster, the same company we purchase our coffee through. These decorative pieces are made by Haitian artisans. Check out our Facebook page for more information. We will also take coffee orders. Orders will be taken from Nov. 9 -Dec. 7 and will arrive in time for Christmas. Questions? Call or text Christy Groen 320-212-9643.





PRAYER CORNER

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

PRAYERS FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH - Myanmar

Front-Line Worker Accused of Denigrating Buddhism

A Christian accused of speaking against Buddhism has been told that a verdict will be delivered this fall. Aung Tun Oo was accused by two radical Mahbahtah monks of denigrating Buddhism in 2017. Since the case was registered, Aung Tun Oo has been summoned to the court 54 times. A VOM worker in Myanmar asked for prayers that God would cause the judge in the case to rule justly rather than give in to pressure from the radicals. The Mahbahtah monks are members of the Wirathu sect, which is the most dangerous terrorist group in Myanmar. As Aung Tun Oo has been going through this grueling legal process, he has also suffered physical ailments. Pray for his healing and release.

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**

