# **Emmanuel Reformed Church**



"Declaring Jesus is Lord"

Sunday, July 30, 2023

**DIGITAL VERSION** 

# Worship

Prelude: "Come, All Christians, Be Committed" (Beach Spring tune)

#### **God Gathers Us**

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

"Jesus is Lord of All" #359

**Announcements** 

"A Child of the King" #352

Prayers of the People

\*"Lord, We Praise You" #83

### God Speaks to Us

Prayer for Illumination

Psalm 110, "Declaring Jesus is Lord" Pastor Cody Raak

Prayer for Blessing on God's Word

#### God Sends Us

- \* "Doxology" (#625)
- \* Prayer for Blessing
  - \* Benediction

\*\*\*Stay after the service for Q&A with students about Rocky Mountain High\*\*\*

\* We stand, as able, to worship our great God!

### **Sunday, July 30, 2023**

**10AM** 

Worship Service - Building Fund Offering

Friday,		August	4,	2023
9AM-12PM	Church		Office	Open

Sunday, August 6, 2023

**10AM** Worship Service - John & Susan McNeill

<sup>\*</sup>Next practices for the Praise Team will be held August 20 & 27.

# Discipleship

<u>Sunday School</u> — we meet together at 9:00AM, before the worship service, in the church basement!

Music — Krystal Williams, Linda Tjeerdsma, Jill Tolsma

PreK-Kindergarten — Hillary Tjeerdsma

1st-3rd — Amy Vanderlei

4th-5th — Pastor Cody

Jr. High+ — Matt DenHerder, Connie Tjeerdsma

Adults (New!) — Mel & Danielle Wallinga (see below)

**Youth Room Wish List** — The students of the LIT youth group express our overflowing thanks to those of you who have purchased from our Amazon wishlist and contributed to our new space and our gatherings. Thank you for your continued support and generosity in the new year!

If you'd like to help equip our space for ministry, search the Amazon gift list "LIT" to view our ideas.

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## Mission

The BH Food Pantry asks for the following: gravies, shampoos, soups, cereals, canned or dried fruit, canned vegetables, taco fixings. As always, any and all donations are greatly appreciated. The pantry is seeing an increase in the number of folks visiting the pantry!

Bon Homme County Food Pantry

105 E 17th Ave Tyndall, SD 57066

Open Wednesdays 8-12PM (2nd Wednesdays open 2-6PM)

#### **Our Mission Partners**

Living Stone Prison Church, Springfield SD Grace Covenant Ministries, Annville, KY Bon Homme & Avon Fellowship of Christian Athletes Dakota Senior Meals Northwestern College, Orange City, IA Center of Hope, Sioux Falls, SD Words of Hope

The Mission Team and Deacons are reviewing our support of mission partners, and looking to increase our participation in local mission efforts. If you have any input or ideas, please contact the deacons or Beth Namminga!

# **Prayer**

#### Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

How do you keep God's name holy (Deuteronomy 5:11)? Have a conversation with God about this question. Do your words, your actions, your character, show others what you think about God? If not, what would you need to stop doing? What could you start doing?

#### Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.

As you pray, continue to be mindful of God's holiness. He is so perfect that we cannot reach him; yet he draws near to us. What would it look like for his holiness to come and take root here in our world, in your life? Pray for the clarity of vision and courage of heart to see and to do "his good, pleasing, and perfect will" (Romans 12:2).

#### Give us today our daily bread.

God's throne isn't so high that he cannot see to our everyday needs. Pray to him your worries, no matter how small, shameful, or secret. He wants to help you in the very place you need him most.

#### Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Give thanks to God for his great mercy. Even though his holiness "cannot look at wrong" (Habakkuk 1:13), "He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins" (Colossians 1:13-14).

#### Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

Examine your life in God's presence. How does God see your circumstances? Notice, too, the areas where you are tempted to sin. Ask God to make and keep you holy as he is holy (1 Peter 1:14-16).

# For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Meditate on Revelation 4, reading slowly the description of God's glory. How does this vision of his holiness prompt you to respond?

# Flee Temptation

- Matthew 18:7-9 (Matthew 5:29-30) -

I know several people — too many — who have heard *the* diagnosis: "It's cancer." The medical response to these words is radical. Radiation. Chemotherapy. Surgery. Once cancer is identified, it must be removed. It's dangerous, and it will only grow.

But what if you sat down with a trusted friend, someone who really knew your life, your heart, and your behavior. Suppose this friend said to you, directly and lovingly, of a certain habit of yours, "It's sin." What would be your response?

Jesus said, if we discover some thing in us that leads us into sin, that we must remove it swiftly and rapidly. But we don't obey this command. If — and it's a big if! — someone actually were to confront us about our sin, we would likely denounce him or her with a defensive tirade. We might even talk to a different "friend" — is this person really a friend? — who we know would tell us what we want to hear, for a "second opinion" on our condition.

Sin is not benign. It is not harmless. It leads to death (Romans 6:23a).

Sin is not "a little thing." Even a tiny speck of skin cancer is immediately removed. In the same way, even a "little" sin must be cut off, or it will enslave us (Romans 6:12, 16). Like cancer, sin will grow and spread and devour unless it is removed.

How do you remove sin from your life? You can starve it out (Romans 13:14). You can escape it (1 Corinthians 10:13). You can expose it (Ephesians 5:11), confessing it to another (James 5:16). You can resist and refuse and reject it (1 Thessalonians 5:22).

You can do this. Even if you've failed in the past. It may not feel like it, but the new you who is in Christ, who is satisfied by all the goodness of his kingdom, doesn't need sin or enjoy sin. And you have help. You have the Holy Spirit in you, and you have the help of other disciples.

**Read:** Romans 6; James 1:12-15, Ephesians 5:1-20

### **Emmanuel's Mission**

"To serve God and share the message of Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit."

### **Emmanuel Staff**

Pastor: Cody Raak (464-4952)

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# **Emmanuel Consistory**

#### <u>Elders</u> <u>Deacons</u>

Beth Namminga (Mission) Amy Cooper

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Lawrence Namminga, Jr. (Clerk) Tom Kolecka

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