

# Emmanuel Reformed Church

SPRINGFIELD, SD



# Worship

*Prelude*

## **We Come to God**

\* Call to Worship – Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1a

\* **“Lead Me to Calvary” #176**

\* Opening Prayer and Greeting

**“Cleanse Me” #438**

## **God Speaks to Us**

Children’s Sermon

Prayers for Illumination

Matthew 6:12, 14-15, “We Forgive”     *Pastor Cody Raak*

## **We Respond to God**

**“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” #68**

Prayers of the People, and the Lord’s Prayer

**\*“Doxology” (#625)**

\*Closing Prayer

\*Sending – Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1b

\* Benediction

***\* We stand as able to worship Jesus Christ our Lord***

# The Week Together

## Sunday, October 26, 2025

- 9a Sunday School for all ages  
10a Worship Service  
Matthew 6:12, 14-15, "We Forgive," Pastor Cody  
11a Praise Team Practice

## Wednesday, October 29, 2025

- 7p LIT & CREW

## Thursday, October 30, 2025

- 9a-11a Office open\*\*

## Saturday, November 1, 2025

- 4:30p Center of Hope Fall Benefit

## Sunday, November 2, 2025

- 9a Sunday School for all ages  
Praise Team Practice  
10a Worship Service  
Luke 5:16, "Talking to God," Pastor Cody

# The Bible Recap Discussion

## **Readings for the Week of October 26**

**Day 299, October 26 – Luke 12-13**

**Day 300, October 27 – Luke 14-15**

**Day 301, October 28 – Luke 16-17**

**Day 302, October 29 – John 11**

**Day 303, October 30 – Luke 18**

**Day 304, October 31 – Matthew 19; Mark 10**

**Day 305, November 1 – Matthew 20-21**

## **Reflection and Discussion Questions**

1. Read Luke 17:3-4 aloud. According to this verse, what precedes forgiveness? Can you think of a place in Scripture where we're commanded to forgive those who are expressly unrepentant? How does God respond to the unrepentant?
2. Raising Lazarus from the dead is a turning point for Jesus. How do the location and audience contribute to this turning point? What is He being mindful of by making this adjustment?
3. **What was your favorite "God Shot" this week? What did you learn about His character from these readings?**

# The Bible Recap

Transfiguration - The Mount of Transfiguration might be one of the most confusing passages in scripture. On the top of an unnamed mountain, somewhere in Israel, Jesus transformed in front of three of his disciples, Peter, James, and John. At the same time Moses and Elijah appeared and had a conversation with him. The disciples were shocked and didn't know what to say other than some muttering by Peter about building some shelters for them all to stay in. Then God the Father showed up on the scene in a bright cloud and in a loud voice said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." (Matthew 17:5 ESV) With great fear, the disciples fell on their faces. Jesus comforted them, and they realized he was the only one there. Then Jesus instructed them not to tell anyone what they saw.

So what can we make of this? There is a lot going on. Jesus tells us that he came to fulfill the law and the prophets. (Matthew 5:17) Moses brought the law to the people of Israel, and Elijah was one of their greatest prophets. Both of these men have had mountain top experiences with God, where God has talked with them. And here on this mountain God talks again, and things change. Although confusing, this scene can comfort us. Jesus pulled back the veil of this mortal existence and gave us a glimpse of eternity. A new way of life opened up for not just the people of Israel, but for the whole world.

# **Emmanuel's Mission**

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

## **Staff**

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