

Emmanuel Reformed Church

SPRINGFIELD, SD



Worship

Prelude

We Come to God

- * Call to Worship — Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1a
- * **“Holy Forever”**
- * Opening Prayer and Greeting
- “Jesus”**

God Speaks to Us

Children’s Sermon

Prayers for Illumination

Luke 5:16, “Talking to God”

Pastor Cody

The Sacrament of Communion

We Respond to God

“Remembrance”

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, November 2, 2025

- 9a** Sunday School for all ages
Praise team practice
- 10a** Worship Service
Luke 5:16 "Talking to God" Pastor Cody

Wednesday, November 5, 2025

- 7p** LIT & CREW

Thursday, November 6, 2025

- 6p-9p** Office open**

Sunday, November 2, 2025

- 9a** Sunday School for all ages
- 10a** Worship Service
Phil 4:6, "Talking With God," Pastor Cody

The Bible Recap Discussion

Readings for the Week of November 2

Day 306, November 2 — Luke 19

Day 307, November 3 — Mark 11; John 12

Day 308, November 4 — Matthew 22; Mark 12

Day 309, November 5 — Matthew 23; Luke 20-21

Day 310, November 6 — Mark 13

Day 311, November 7 — Matthew 24

Day 312, November 8 — Matthew 25

Reflection and Discussion Questions

1. Read Matthew 23:3 aloud. What direction does Jesus give His followers about the actions of the scribes and Pharisees? Is this shocking? Why or why not?
2. What are some ways we can practice “waiting well” as we wait for the return of Christ? What are some ways we can practice “staying awake” in the meantime?
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."

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