

# Emmanuel Reformed Church

SPRINGFIELD, SD



# Worship

## We Come to God

- \* Call to Worship — Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1a
- \* **“Christmas Version - How Great thou Art”**
- \* Opening Prayer and Greeting
- “One King”**

## God Speaks to Us

Children’s Sermon

Prayers for Illumination

**Luke 2:21-40 “Simeon and Anna”** Pastor Cody

Sacrament of Communion

## We Respond to God

**“O Come, All Ye Faithful” #145**

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, January 4, 2025

- 9a** Sunday School potluck for all  
Praise Team Practice
- 10a** Worship Service  
Luke 2:21-40 “**Simeon and Anna**” Pastor Cody

## Wednesday, January 7, 2026

- 7pm** CREW/LIT resume

## Saturday, January 10, 2026

- 10a-12p** Office Open

## Sunday, January 11, 2026

- 9a** Sunday School for all ages
- 10a** Worship Service  
Luke 2:21-40 “**Boy Jesus**” Matt DenHerder

# The Bible Recap Discussion

## Readings for Jan1-10

Day 1, January 1 — Genesis 1-3

Day 2, January 2 — Genesis 4-7

Day 3, January 3 — Genesis 8-11

Day 4, January 4 — Job 1-5

Day 5, January 5 — Job 6-9

Day 6, January 6 — Job 10-13

Day 7, January 7 — Job 14-16

Day 8, January 8 — Job 17-20

Day 9, January 9 — Job 21-23

Day 10, January 10 — Job 24-28

## Reflection and Discussion Questions

**Why do you think God gave us two separate accounts of creation?**

**How does it feel to be pursued by God in the midst of your sin? Scary? Comforting? Threatening? And why?**

**What is your favorite thing you read about God's character in your God Shots from this week?**

# The Bible Recap

A New Year is upon us, as well as a time for new beginnings. As we read through the Bible again this year, I would encourage you to find someone to read with. When we read together we can grow together and see things coming out of scripture that we wouldn't find by ourselves.

As Revelation ends and Genesis begins, there are several mentions to "marks" being placed on people. Revelation tells us that those who follow the beast are marked with his number; basically showing a lack of faith in God and His provision.

Opposed to this mark is the Seal of God that is also placed on foreheads, but on the foreheads of God's elect. These are the people who believe in Jesus as their salvation.

In Genesis we see God mark Cain after Cain kills his brother Able. Cain fears for his life and God marks him to protect him from someone else killing him. God states that whoever kills Cain will be dealt out sevenfold vengeance. Although the mark on Cain was a preventative measure, it was a symbol of the sin that he had committed.

Being marked in the Bible is a sign of some kind of protection. Cain didn't want to come back to God, he only wanted to be safe from what he had done. Those with the mark of the beast are allowed to buy and sell, thus being able to be clothed and fed, but they don't want to come to God for His provision. Only the Seal of God, although it does not grant earthly security, guarantees our eternal security and access to God.

# **Emmanuel's Mission**

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

## **Staff**

**Pastor:** Cody Raak (464-4952)

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