

Emmanuel Reformed Church

SPRINGFIELD, SD



Worship

Prelude: Let it Rise with O worship the King We Come to God

* Call To Worship- Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1a

* **“Blessed Be the Name” #103**

* Opening Prayer and Greeting

“A Shelter in the Time of Storm” #353

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

God Speaks to Us

Children's Sermon - Matt Den Herder

Prayer of Illumination

“Steadfast, Immovable and Abounding”

1 Corinthians 15:58

We Respond to God

“How Firm A Foundation” #275

* **“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 11th , 2026

- 9a **Sunday School for all ages**
10a Worship Service Alex Decker
“Steadfast, Immovable and Abounding”
1 Corinthians 15:58

Monday October 12th, 2026

- 7pm God’s Garden Circle

Wednesday October 14th, 2026

- 10:30am Good Sam Worship and Care
7pm CREW - JR High
LIT - High School

Saturday, October 17th , 2026

- 9a-11a Office Open

Sunday, October 18th, 2026

- 9a Sunday School for all ages
10am Worship Service
Ryan Feltman Cultivate Coop
Ministry of Synod of the Heartland

The Bible Recap Discussion

Readings for the Week of October 11

Day 284, October 11 — Matthew 9; Luke 7

Day 285, October 12 — Matthew 11

Day 286, October 13 — Luke 11

Day 287, October 14 — Matthew 13; Luke 8

Day 288, October 15 — Mark 4-5

Day 289, October 16 — Matthew 10

Day 290, October 17 — Matthew 14; Mark 6; Luke 9

Reflection and Discussion Questions

1. In what ways do we sometimes act like Pharisees and “Build a fence around the law”? What are some positives and negative things that can result from setting up our own standards? What are we trying to accomplish by putting our own standards in place?
2. Jesus has harsh words for the Pharisees and the lawyer in Luke 11:37-53. How does his response shape your view of Him? How does it shape your understanding of His purposes and goals in His conversations?
3. **What was your favorite “God Shot” this week?**
What did you learn about His character from these readings?

The Bible Recap

[Bible Recap:](#)

Matthew 12 challenges us to examine the condition of our hearts. Jesus, addressing the Pharisees, draws a connection between our inner lives and the outward evidence of our words and actions. Just as a tree is recognized by its fruit, our lives reveal the true state of our hearts. This teaching invites us to ask: What kind of fruit am I producing? When we hear Jesus say, “The mouth speaks what the heart is full of,” it prompts a deeper question: What fills our hearts? Is it the Word of God, gratitude, and love for others? Or is it worry, anger, or selfish ambition? The fruit of our lives—our words, choices, and relationships—reveal the source of nourishment our hearts are receiving. What does the “fruit” in your life—your words and actions—say about the state of your heart? What are you allowing to fill your heart each day? Are you feeding it with God’s truth, or are you allowing negative influences to take root? How can you ensure that the “tree” of your life is good, producing fruit that glorifies God and blesses others? Jesus’ words in this chapter aren’t meant to shame us but to guide us into self-reflection and transformation. He offers us a way to bear good fruit: by abiding in Him. Remember, Jesus said, “I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me, you can do nothing.” The key to living a fruitful, God-honoring life is remaining in Him. The Pharisees throughout this chapter were quick to criticize, accuse, and reject Jesus, despite witnessing His miracles. Are there areas in our lives where we, like the Pharisees, resist Jesus’ authority or ignore His work? What would it look like to surrender those areas fully to Him? Would He be leading us into the miraculous?

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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