

# Emmanuel Reformed Church

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## Sunday, March 4, 2018



*A CONGREGATION CALLED BY GOD*

*TRANSFORMING AND*

*BEING TRANSFORMED*

*“A warm welcome to guests”*

Jacob London  
**Interim Pastor**

The Entire Congregation  
**Ministers**

**Worship Celebrations:**  
Sunday 10:30 am

**Sunday, March 4, 2018**

**WE APPROACH GOD**

**Prelude** - Jim Hoogsteen

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Psalm 47*)

L: Clap your hands, all peoples!

**P: Shout to God with loud songs of joy!**

L: For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,

**P: a great king over all the earth.**

L: He subdued peoples under us,

**P: and nations under our feet.**

L: He chose our heritage for us,

**P: the pride of Jacob whom he loves.**

L: God has gone up with a shout,

**P: the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.**

L: Sing praises to God, sing praises!

**P: Sing praises to our King, sing praises!**

L: For God is the King of all the earth;

**P: sing praises with a psalm!**

L: God reigns over the nations;

**P: God sits on his holy throne.**

L: The princes of the peoples gather

**P: as the people of the God of Abraham.**

L: For the shields of the earth belong to God;

**P: he is greatly exalted!**

**\*SONG OF APPROACH**

#540 - My Hope Is in the Lord

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*Psalm 25:11*)

**P: For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great.** (*Time for silent confession*)

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON:** (*2 Corinthians 5:18-19,21*)

L: Hear what the Lord Christ Jesus has become for your sake, "All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and

gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation... For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."

**P: Hallelujah and Amen.**

## **OPENING PRAYER - PRAYERS FOR OTHERS - THE LORD'S PRAYER**

### **\*SONGS OF PRAISE**

#300 - All Glory, Laud and Honour

#412 - Holy Bible, Book Divine

## **TO HEAR HIS WORD**

### **PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING**

**SCRIPTURE:** Galatians 5:1; Matthew 6:16-18 [*p. 1247; 1041*]

Reader: Tricia Groeneveld

**SERMON:** "Rule, Doctrine, Practice" - Jacob London

### **PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD**

## **AND RESPOND TO HIS WORD**

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER – OFFERING**

\* #815 - Doxology

### **COMMUNION SERVICE**

- Meaning of the Sacrament

- Invitation

- Communion Prayer:

L: The Lord be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts!

**P: We lift them up to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

L: Holy and right it is....we worship and adore your glorious name.

**P: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!**

L: Most righteous God, we remember in this Supper... Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**P: Christ has died! Christ has risen! Christ will come again!**

L: Send your Holy Spirit... Even so, come, Lord Jesus!

- Communion

- Thanksgiving Prayer:

L: Brothers and sisters, since the Lord has now fed us at his Table, let us praise God's holy name with heartfelt thanksgiving!

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**P: and all that is within me, bless His holy name.**

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**P: and do not forget all His benefits—**

L: who forgives all your iniquity,

**P: who heals all your diseases,**

L: who redeems your life from the pit,

**P: who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.**

L: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

**P: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

L: He does not deal with us according to our sins,

**P: nor repay us according to our iniquities.**

L: For as the heavens are high above the earth,

**P: so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him;**

L: as far as the east is from the west,

**P: so far does He remove our transgressions from us.**

L: As a father has compassion for his children,

**P: So the Lord has compassion for those to fear Him,**

L: who did not spare His own Son, but gave Him up for us all, and will also give us all things with Him.

**P: Therefore shall my mouth and heart show forth the praise of the Lord, from this time forth and forevermore. Amen.**

## **CLOSING PRAYER**

### **\*BENEDICTION**

### **\*CLOSING SONG**

#232 - God Be with You (with refrain)

*\* Indicates where congregation is to stand, if able.*

Please join us downstairs after the service for refreshments and fellowship.

## ERC THIS WEEK

Sun 4th Sunday School 9:30 am  
Worship Service 10:30 am  
Communion  
Library open after service

Mon 5th

Tues 6th RCW Meeting 1:30 pm

Wed 7th

Thu 8th

Fri 9th

Sat 10th Daylight Savings - set clocks forward 1 hour tonight

Sun 11th Sunday School 9:30 am  
Worship Service 10:30 am



### PRAYER CORNER

Carly Hippern	Fred Hippern
Mina Trachsler	Allan Blake
Nelly VandenBrink	Ken Reinsma
John & Hennie Ryken	

#### PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

*James 5:16 (LEB) Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous person accomplishes much.*

**Paul & Carly Hippern**  
**Ben & Narda Hoogkamp**  
**Carol Howie**

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD'S BLESSINGS** to **Ken & Joanne Reinsma** (anniversary 7th) and **Lis Wiersma** (birthday 9th).

**MISSIONS OFFERING:** We collected \$890 for missions last week. For the year so far, we have collected \$940.

**RCW Meeting:** Our next meeting is March 6. Bible study by Lillian Hammers. Hostess: Cathy Warren. We will meet at Lillian's apartment Providence 207. Bible study from S.S. Guide Acts 10:19-33. All ladies welcome!

**ADDRESS:** If you'd like to send condolences to Rev. Honken at the passing of his wife, Jean, his address is:  
913 2nd Street NE  
Sibley, IA 51249

**EASTER LILIES** – If you would like to purchase an Easter Lily in honour or memory of someone, please fill in this form and submit it with **\$6 per plant** to Tricia Groeneveld, or put it in and offering envelope with the designation "Easter Lilies" and place in the offering plate. Deadline is **March 18**. (The cost is not tax deductible.) You may take the plant home after the Easter service.

**Given by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In memory/  
honour of:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of plants:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Welcome Greeters

- March 4** Harry & Helen Zylstra  
**March 11** Herman & Susan Duivesteyn  
**March 18** John & Siska DeJong  
**March 25** John Wolters & Harry Sintniklaas

## Scripture Readers

- March 4** Tricia Groeneveld  
**March 11** Cathy Warren  
**March 18** Pat Pluister  
**March 25** Lisa London

## Coffee Fellowship

*(An extended list may be found at [ercwhitby.com/announcements](http://ercwhitby.com/announcements))*

- March 4** Chris & Samantha Groeneveld with Barb DeJong  
**March 11** Garry & Cathy Warren with Jane Van Slageren  
**March 18** Ben & Narda Hoogkamp with Beatrice Koster  
**March 25** Harry & Helen Zylstra with Michael & Catherine Brady

## Nursery Helpers

- March 4** John DeJong  
**March 11** Joanne Verhoog  
**March 18** Elizabeth VandenBos  
**March 25** Cathy Warren

## PowerPoint Operators

- March 4, 11** Paul Hippern  
**March 18, 25** Tricia Groeneveld

## Sound Technicians

- March 4** Chris Groeneveld  
**March 11, 18** Kevin Groeneveld

*We thank everyone who takes the time to share God's love by assisting at the church. If you're unable to meet your commitment, please arrange for somebody to take your place and inform the list manager and the office as soon as possible.*