

# Emmanuel Reformed Church

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## Sunday, August 26, 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

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## WE APPROACH GOD

**Prelude** - Leo Clossen

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Psalm 34:8-10*)

L: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

**P: Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!**

L: Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints,

**P: for those who fear him have no lack!**

L: The young lions suffer want and hunger;

**P: but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.**

L: Amen.

#### **\*SONGS OF APPROACH**

#21 - O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

#737 - Like a River Glorious

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*James 4:7-10*)

L: Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

*[Silent Confession]*

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (*Romans 8:38-39*)

L: "For I am sure that neither death nor life,

**P: nor angels nor rulers,**

L: nor things present nor things to come,

**P: nor powers,**

L: nor height nor depth,

**P: nor anything else in all creation,**

L: will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus

our Lord.”

**P: Hallelujah and Amen.**

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

### **MISSIONS OFFERING**

#### **\*SONG OF PRAISE**

Psalm 139 “Lord, Thou Hast Searched Me”  
*To the tune of #488 - Just As I Am*

### **TO HEAR HIS WORD**

#### **PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING**

**SCRIPTURE** - 1 Corinthians 1:30 [*p. 1223*]

**SERMON** - “Christ, the Believer’s Wisdom, Righteousness, Sanctification, and Redemption” - Jacob London

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

### **AND RESPOND TO HIS WORD**

#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER – OFFERING**

#815 - Doxology

#### **\*BENEDICTION**

#### **\*CLOSING SONG**

Now Blessed Be Jehovah God

*To the tune of #43 - All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

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

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

# Sermon Notes

## ERC THIS WEEK

Sun 26th      Sunday School 9:30 am  
                  Worship Service 10:30 am  
                  Missions Offering  
                  Book Club 4:00 pm

Mon 27th  
Tues 28th  
Wed 29th      Prayer Meeting 6:00 pm  
                  Bible Study 7:00 pm

Thu 30th  
Fri 31st  
Sat 1st  
Sun 2nd      Sunday School 9:30 am  
                  Worship Service 10:30 am  
                  Matthew Senior Preaching  
                  Library Open after service



### PRAYER CORNER

Carly Hippern	Fred Hippern
Mina Trachsler	Allan Blake
Nelly VandenBrink	Janet VanderMeulen
John & Hennie Ryken	Margaret Duivesteyn

#### 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.*

**Adrie VanderLey**  
**Tony VanderLey**  
**Gerrard & Marion VanderLinden**

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**MISSIONS OFFERING:** Today is our next special offering for missions.

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Jacob will be away next Sunday. Matthew Senior will return to preach.

**IT'S A BOY!** Zach and Emily's baby Elijah - "My God is Yahweh" (Elijah Frederick Salvatore Bonura) was born at 10:41 am on Monday, August 13th, weighing 9.1 lbs and 22 inches long! Let's thank God along with them for a healthy delivery and an even healthier baby!

**RIDE FOR THE GATE:** Mark your calendar - this year's charity bike ride for Gate 3:16 is scheduled for Saturday, September 22.

**OFFICE HOURS:** The bulletin will be printed on Thursdays from now on. Please have any announcements or bulletin items in by Wednesday evening.

**BIBLE READERS NEEDED:** We would like more people on the Scripture reading rotation. If you're willing to be on the schedule to read the Scripture before the sermon on Sunday mornings, please speak with Tricia.

**ATTENTION NEW FRIENDS:** If you would like a mail slot in the narthex to receive the literature distributions, or if you would like your birthday/anniversary added to the church calendar, or if you'd like your name added to the Prayer Chain, or if you have any other list/admin requests, please let the office know by email at [ercwhitby@rogers.com](mailto:ercwhitby@rogers.com) or put a note in the secretary slot in the back hall.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES:** We will be ordering the 2019 offering envelopes soon. If you are not currently using envelopes, please let Tricia know if you would like a set for next year.

**CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS:**

- We will be installing more lights to outside of church, for security reasons and to replace the lights that used to shine on the front of the church building.
- Using funds from Marina Dolson's bequest, we are partially supporting Jacob's fall semester in seminary. Support for future semesters will be in the 2019 budget.

**REGIONAL WOMEN'S DAY RETREAT:** The RCA Women's Transformation and Leadership and the Classis of Ontario are hosting a day retreat, "Honoring Our Histories", Saturday, Sept. 22nd 8:30 a.m.– 6:00 p.m at New Hope Reformed Church (2438 Glengarry Road, Mississauga). Speakers: Rev. Liz Testa, coordinator for Women's Transformation and Leadership, and Lesley Mazzotta, spiritual director, educational consultant, and facilitator. For more information or to register, please visit <http://newhopereformedchurch.ca/index.php/events/>

## **Welcome Greeters**

- Aug 26** Kryn & Anne Duivesteyn  
**Sep 2** Leo Clossen & Marinus Rensink  
**Sep 9** Garry & Cathy Warren  
**Sep 16** Pat Pluister & Jo Veenstra

## **Scripture Readers**

- Aug 26** Jacob London  
**Sep 2** Susan Duivesteyn  
**Sep 9** Tricia Groeneveld  
**Sep 16** Jacob London

## **Coffee Fellowship**

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

- Aug 26** Garry & Cathy Warren with Jane Van Slageren  
**Sep 2** Neil & Ann VanStaveren with Pat Pluister  
**Sep 9** Teunis & Alie Verhoog with Joanne & Linda Verhoog  
**Sep 16** Ron & Ann Reitsma with Lillian Hammers

## **Nursery Helpers**

- Aug 26** Joanne Verhoog  
**Sep 2** Elizabeth VandenBos  
**Sep 9** Barb DeJong  
**Sep 16** Cathy Warren

## **PowerPoint Operators**

- Aug 26** Tricia Groeneveld  
**Sep 2, 9, 16** Paul Hippern

*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.*