

# Emmanuel Reformed Church

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## Sunday, November 25, 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, November 25, 2018**

**WE APPROACH GOD**

**Prelude** - Harriet Chepesiuk

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Job 37:14-24*)

L: Hear this, O Job; stop and consider the wondrous works of God. Do you know how God lays his command upon them and causes the lightning of his cloud to shine? Do you know the balancings of the clouds, the wondrous works of him who is perfect in knowledge, you whose garments are hot when the earth is still because of the south wind? Can you, like him, spread out the skies, hard as a cast metal mirror? Teach us what we shall say to him; we cannot draw up our case because of darkness. Shall it be told him that I would speak? Did a man ever wish that he would be swallowed up? And now no one looks on the light when it is bright in the skies, when the wind has passed and cleared them. Out of the north comes golden splendour; God is clothed with awesome majesty. The Almighty—we cannot find him; he is great in power; justice and abundant righteousness he will not violate. Therefore men fear him; he does not regard any who are wise in their own conceit.

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**\*SONGS OF APPROACH**

#526 - The Solid Rock

#548 - As the Deer

**COMMUNION PREPARATION** - Tony VanderLey

**ASSURANCE OF SALVATION** (*Romans 10:13*)

L: For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

**CONFESSION OF FAITH** - Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 5

Q13. Can we pay this debt ourselves?

**A13. Certainly not. Actually, we increase our guilt every day.**

Q14. Can another creature—any at all—pay this debt for us?

**A14. No. To begin with, God will not punish any other creature for what a human is guilty of. Besides, no mere creature can bear the weight of God's eternal anger against sin and release others from it.**

Q15. What kind of mediator and deliverer should we look for then?

**A15. One who is truly human and truly righteous, yet more powerful than all creatures, that is, one who is also true God.**

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

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

#694 - The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

## **TO HEAR HIS WORD**

### **PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING**

**SCRIPTURE** Luke 22:54-62

Reader: Susan Duivesteyn

**SERMON** - "Peter Denies Jesus" - Jacob London

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

## **AND RESPOND TO HIS WORD**

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER – OFFERING**

#815 - Doxology

### **\*BENEDICTION**

### **\*CLOSING SONG**

#236 - The Lord Bless You and Keep You

*\* 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 25th Sunday School 9:30 am  
Worship Service 10:30 am  
Book Club 4:00 pm
- Mon 26th Church Decorating 8:30 am  
Tues 27th  
Wed 28th Prayer Meeting 6:00 pm  
Bible Study 7:00 pm
- Thu 29th  
Fri 30th  
Sat 1st Congregational Meeting & Lunch 10:00 am
- Sun 2nd Sunday School 9:30 am  
Worship Service 10:30 am  
Communion  
First Week of Advent  
Library Open After Service



### PRAYER CORNER

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

#### 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.*

**Willy Krygsman  
Jacob & Lisa London  
Connor & Lacey Longaphie**

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**CHRISTMAS DECORATING:** It is that time of year again when the tree needs to be trimmed and the church is made festive for the Christmas Season. All volunteers are needed, the work will start on Monday at 8:30.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:** Please plan to attend the congregational budget meeting, Saturday, December 1 at 10:00 am. We'll be having a luncheon afterwards, provided by the RCW. The agenda and proposed budget are in the mail slots. NOTE that Manning Rd & Brock St will be closed in the morning due to the Santa Claus parade, so plan your route accordingly.

**PARTY:** The Widows & Widowers Christmas party will be on Wednesday, December 5, starting at 2:00 pm, in the lounge in Providence Place.

**DUTCH CAROL SING:** Thursday, December 13, 7:00pm at Durham Christian Homes. All are welcome to come; there will be a free will offering taken in support of our new Long-term Care facility, currently being constructed.

**An Advent Celebration of Music:** You are invited to join the combined choirs of Maranatha and First Baptist Church in an evening of Christmas music! Conducted by Cory Kuipers.  
Saturday December 8, 2018. 7:00 p.m. at Maranatha Church, 2805 Hwy. 2, Bowmanville  
Sunday, December 9, 2018. 7:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church, 812 Hortop St., Oshawa  
A free will offering will be collected, and refreshments will be served after the concert.

**JESSE TREE & ADVENT DEVOTIONS:** "A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him— the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord— and he will delight in the fear of the Lord." (Isaiah 11:1-3)

This Christmas season we invite you to observe Advent with the Jesse Tree, a daily journey through Jesus's family tree—from creation, through the stories of his ancestors, right up to his birth. Each day's Bible passage evokes an image, which is traditionally made into an ornament and hung on your tree.

Jesse Tree resources for families, individuals and churches are available here: <https://www.rca.org/resources/advent-discipleship-children/making-jesse-tree>

Daily Advent devotions, starting November 27, are available here: <https://www.rca.org/resources/advent-discipleship-children/jesse-tree-advent-devotions>

### **Regional Synod of Canada Survey and Opinion Poll.**

We need your help! The RSC is constantly evaluating our effectiveness and faithfulness to the call of God. We'd love your input on the resources you find helpful, and the ways we could serve you better. Go to <https://tinyurl.com/y77m7673> to take a survey to help us in our ministry to Canadian churches. Thank you for your time!

## **Welcome Greeters**

- Nov 25** John & Siska DeJong  
**Dec 2** John Wolters & Harry Sintniklaas  
**Dec 9** Ken & Joanne Reinsma  
**Dec 16** Kevin & Tricia Groeneveld

## **Scripture Readers**

- Nov 25** Susan Duivesteyn  
**Dec 2** Tricia Groeneveld  
**Dec 9** Jacob London  
**Dec 16** Pat Pluister

## **Coffee Fellowship**

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

- Nov 25** Bill & Kathy Wielinga with Mina Trachsler  
**Dec 2** Garry & Cathy Warren with Jane Van Slageren  
**Dec 9** Kevin & Tricia Groeneveld with Paul & Carly Hippern  
**Dec 16** Teunis & Alie Verhoog with Joanne & Linda Verhoog

## **Nursery Helpers**

- Nov 25** John DeJong  
**Dec 2** Trudy VanStaveren  
**Dec 9** Cathy Warren  
**Dec 16** Barb DeJong

## **PowerPoint Operators**

- Nov 25; Dec 2, 9** Paul Hippern  
**Dec 16, 23, 30** Tricia 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.*