

EMO CRC'S OCTOBER 22ND UPDATE

Your Council would like to provide you an update of what's happening with respect to the Christian Reformed Church here in Emo this week:

- This **Sunday, October 24th**, our worship service will be at 10:00 a.m. Jack Esselink will be the Elder of the Week. If you have prayer requests that you would like included in the congregational prayer, please contact Dr. Marno Retief at marnoretief@gmail.com or 271-4690.
- We are in the process of getting our worship services live streamed. Dr. Retief will be doing pre-recorded services for the interim until such time as live streaming is possible. These services will be available on our Facebook page and on our web page (emocrc.ca), as well as on Youtube.
- Our services will continue to include a controlled entrance and exit policy and physical distancing measures will continue to be in place. Council reminds everyone that masks are required when inside the church building. Masks are available on the table in the foyer if you need one. If needed, additional seating will be made available in the Fellowship Hall. Please do not attend if you have a cough, fever, or do not feel well.
- SUNDAY SCHOOL classes (3 yrs - grade 8) will meet this **Sunday, October 24**. Thank you to those who signed up to teach the starting session. We are off to a great start but still need more teachers for the rest of the season. Please sign up to be a Sunday School teacher on the sheet in the foyer. If you know that you would like to teach, but will not be in attendance at church, please contact Michelle Van Beek (candmvanbeek@gmail.com) or Jenna Esselink (jennaesselink@gmail.com).
- We hope to have our NURSERY available again, beginning next **Sunday, October 31**. We are thankful to those who have volunteered to do childcare in our nursery but to be able to open up our nursery as planned, we still need more volunteers. Please contact Wilma Esselink (276-4622) asap to have your name added to a schedule.
- During the Discovering God's Will series, Dr. Retief has spoken about the importance of spending time in the Word of God every day, listening attentively to what the Spirit of God wants to communicate to us. For those who would like to participate in a one year Bible reading plan, the ONE YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN from Tyndale House Publishers will allow you to read the Bible in one year. Here is a link to download the reading plan: <https://www.oneyearbibleonline.com/readingplan/oneyearbiblereadingplan.pdf>. The Bible reading plan for the month of October can be found in the October Care & Share newsletter.
- The Emo Hospital is able to have groups of us come out to sing with the residents there as we have done in the past and welcomes us to do so. If you are fully vaccinated and would like to be put in a group to sing at the hospital after our worship services on Sundays, please contact Helen Cates or sign up on the sheet in the foyer.
- The November/December TODAY devotionals have arrived. There are copies available on the table in the foyer and from the mailbox outside the front entrance of the church. Please help yourself.
- If you have anything you would like to contribute for the November CARE & SHARE newsletter, please submit it to Jeannette by Tuesday evening of next week.
- Any committees who would like an increase in their budget for next year are asked to please contact a member of Council by next week **Monday, October 25**.

- There will be a CONGREGATIONAL MEETING on **Monday, November 22nd** at the church at 7:00 p.m..
- **WORLD HUNGER 2021: Hunger for Good** - Over 1 billion people around the world are hungry. In two weeks, we'll be observing World Hunger Sunday. God promises in Scripture to fill the hungry with good things and invites us to join in that holy work. Pick up your World Hunger Campaign devotionals (in your mailbox at church) and spend some time thinking about what it means to hunger for good in our lives, our communities, and around the world. If you have children in your household, make sure to go online and download some special activities just for them at worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches. Peter Fish banks will be handed out to our Sunday School children this Sunday and they will be asked to return them on **November 7** when we have our offering for World Hunger.
- Please remember we do have financial obligations to meet with our budget, including monthly expenses. We kindly ask that you continue to support the church with your financial giving, particularly if you budget weekly donations. If you are unable to attend services, budget envelope donations can be sent to the church's mailing address – Box 209, Emo, Ontario P0W 1E0, or if you wish to do e-transfers (electronic funds transfer) please e-mail the transfer to emocrc.t@gmail.com. You are reminded that when doing an e-transfer, you can put your envelope # (otherwise the deacons can look it up) and where you would like your donation to go in the message/memo line. If you leave the message/memo line blank, donations will automatically go towards the Budget.

	October 24	October 31	November 7
ELDER OF THE WEEK	Jack Esselink	Dale Kaemingh	Zach Koomans
SOUND TECHNICIAN	Paul Koomans	Zach Koomans	Marcus Veldhuisen
ACCOMPANIST	Lucas Koomans	Dianne Heerema	
OFFERINGS	Local Budget & Resonate Global Mission/ Ian & Jessica Friesen	Local Budget & Cheryl Ramsey/ International Friendships	Local Budget & World Renew/ World Hunger
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS	3 yr olds - Helen Cates; 4 & 5 year olds - Jenelle Veldhuisen Grades 1 & 2 - Jeannette V; Grades 3-5 - Doug Veldhuisen; Grades 6-8 - Sietske Van Zwol		

The circumstances surrounding the COVID 19 virus may cause you or your family to need support during this time. Our deacons are prepared to help in any way. If you, or anyone you know requires financial assistance or any other help, please contact one of the deacons.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your elder or deacon.

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:6,7.

