

# Great *Responsibility*

"To whom much has been given, much will be required" ~ Jesus

## Next Sunday: The Greatest Blessing

### SMALL GROUPS

- Sunday 10:30am – Encounter Group (here)
- Tuesday 10:00am – Encounter Group (here)
- Thursday 10:00am – Bible Study, book of Acts (here)
- Thursday 6:45pm – Encounter Group (Gieser's)  
(2nd and 4th)

**CCMS The Anchor Food Pantry** 90 N. Main Street, Castleton, NY 12033  
518-732-4120 Manager – Paula Sancomb

Mon. 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm Tue. & Thu. 9:00 am – 1:30 pm  
1<sup>st</sup> Sat. 10:00 am – 12:30 pm

**Let us remember those at home, in nursing homes & hospitals:**  
**Ginny Hempstead** Green Unit Rm #340 180 Washington Ave Ext. Albany, NY 12203  
**Stan Hotaling** 56 Scott Ave. Castleton, NY 12033  
**Nancy Wasson** c/o Joy Dalaba 17 Cabot Way, Clifton Park, NY 12065

### "Whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die"

The Golden Memory Book reflects these loved ones and friends:

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| Marie Willameina Lebrecht Nov. 5, 1971 | George W. Salisbury, Sr. Nov. 5, 1989 |
| Clarence Z. F. Morgan Nov. 7, 1972     | Eva Lebrecht Bentley Nov. 7, 1980     |
| Mrs. Arthur VanderBurgh Nov. 8, 1943   | Mildred D. Van De Wal Nov. 8, 1978    |
| Michael S. Hulek Nov. 8, 1987          | Earl W. Buffington Nov. 9, 1957       |

A final witness to your faith can be found in your will.  
Have you remembered your church in your estate planning?

### Emmanuel Reformed Church

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### CONSISTORY MEMBERS

|                   |                     |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| <b>ELDERS</b>     | <b>DEACONS</b>      |
| David Ewert       | MaryLee Hedrick     |
| Roland Ferris     | Leah Hesch          |
| Judy Rappold      | John Shortsleeve    |
| Rhonda Van De Wal | Candy Shyer         |
| Wes Van Ort       | David Spink         |
| Zachary Warner    | Scott Van Nederynen |

WITH GREAT  
**POWER**  
COMES GREAT  
**RESPONSIBILITY**

To Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine,  
according to His power that is at work within us,  
to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations!

Ephesians 3:20-21

# Emmanuel Reformed Church



# WORSHIP THE LORD!

NOVEMBER 5, 2023

*Let Us Adore*

## Welcome

*The Beauty of the Bride  
There is Power in the Blood*

## Confession & Assurance

## Kids' Time

## Scripture

Matthew 25:31-46

## Message

Who do You Bless?  
Pastor Dirk Gieser

## Communion

*Behold the Lamb*

## Engagement Opportunities

## Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer - *Our Father* . . .

*I Will Follow*

## Benediction

## OFFERINGS

Make your donation to ERC in the collection  
plate at the back

or

Give online at:  
[www.encounterERC.com/donate](http://www.encounterERC.com/donate)

## CHILD CARE

Nursery for infants – 3  
yr. is available  
downstairs in our  
staffed nursery room.

## KID'S CONNECTION

Children up through 3rd  
grade are dismissed to  
the Fellowship Hall after  
the Kids' Time.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

is held for children after  
worship, ages 3 to high  
school.

## THE LORD'S TABLE

Communion is served  
the first Sunday of the  
month and is open to  
everyone who is seeking  
Jesus as Lord and  
Savior. A gluten-free  
option is available and  
grape juice is served so  
all may come to the  
table.

## UPCOMING

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| <b>Wednesday</b> |     |
| Music Rehearsal  | 6pm |
| <b>Saturday</b>  |     |
| Gieser Gathering | 7pm |

**WELCOME** – *Emmanuel Reformed Church is a spiritual community where we invite everyone to focus their attention on God, engage in what God is doing in the world, and in every aspect of their life follow Jesus Christ. It is good that you are here today, and we hope you know that this is a place for you. If you have any questions or need help, ask a greeter or Pastor Dirk.*

**ENGAGE FORM** – Please fill out the Engage Form and place it in the collection plate after worship. If you are a visitor, we'd love to know how we can stay in touch. Prayer requests are collected and prayed over each week. On the back are ways you can engage.

**SHOEBOX COLLECTION** – Collection Sunday – NEXT SUNDAY!!!!  
Pick up your boxes and directions, bless children in need with love, and add your shoeboxes to the growing pile! Bring your full boxes next Sunday to be prayed over before they are shipped out.

**MOVIE NIGHT** – Thursday Nov 16, 5:30pm. Free family dinner & we will watch **Frozen!** Let us know you are coming on the Engage Form.

**ROAST PORK DINNER** – November 18 – A fundraiser for our mission work, a welcome to the community, and a great opportunity to serve together! Sign up to help as God has enabled you to Engage!

**ST. PAUL'S CENTER FAMILY GIFTS** – Next week the Christmas tree in the narthex will be covered with tag ornaments. Each tag will have a gift requested by kids or moms at St. Paul's in Rensselaer. You will be able to take a tag, go shopping, and return the wrapped gift in December.

**ANCHOR THANKSGIVING BASKETS** – Our food pantry puts together special baskets for the holidays. Bring in stuffing, canned turkey gravy, canned veggies, and cranberry sauce. Thanks!

**CHRISTMAS DECORATING AND ADVENT WREATH MAKING**  
Will be happening on Nov 26!

## BACKYARD CAMPFIRE / FAMILY ROOM GATHERING

If the weather is right, we will still be building a campfire in the backyard this fall, otherwise we will move our singing and prayer into our house – all are welcome. 1500 S. Schodack Rd, Saturdays, 7pm.