Heidelberg **Catechism**

Q1. What is your only comfort in life and death?

A1. That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His



precious blood and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation.

Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

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Mon. 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm1st Sat. 10:00 am - 12:30 pm 90 N. Main Street, Castleton, NY 12033 Manager - Paula Sancomb

Tue. & Thu. 9:00 am - 1:30 pm

Let us remember those at home, in nursing homes & hospitals:

Ginny Hempstead Red Unit Rm #445 180 Washington Ave Ext. Albany, NY 12203 Stan Hotaling 56 Scott Ave. Castleton, NY 12033

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

The Golden Memory Book reflects these loved ones and friends:

James H. Salisbury Apr. 23, 1966 Albert J.D. Grooten Apr. 24, 1999 Catherine Peter Apr. 25, 1936 Simon C. Ton Apr. 25, 1943 Mayland L. Parker Apr. 26, 1998

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

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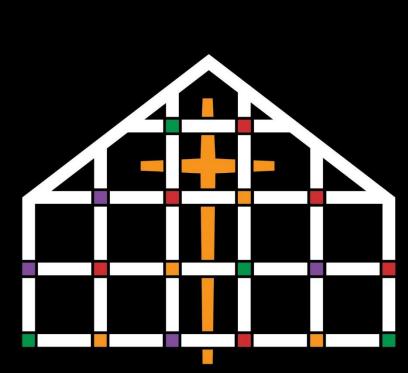
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OFFERINGS

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

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GET YOUR BOOK

Copies of the *Heidelberg Catechism*– for our sermon series –
are available in the back for \$5.00

CHILD CARE

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

KID'S CONNECTION

Children up through 3rd grade will be dismissed after the Kids' Time for an enriching time just for them.

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 glutenfree option is available and grape juice is served so all may come to the table.

NEXT WEEK

Today

Chile Presentation 5pm Wednesday

Music Rehearsal 6pm

Thursday

Bible Study 10am Saturday

Work Day – 3rd Reformed

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.

CHILE MISSION PRESENTATION – Tonight 5pm. You are invited to come and hear about their amazing experience at Casa Esperanza two weeks ago. Chilean food will be served.

ALBANY CLASSIS WORK DAY – Next Saturday, April 27 at 3rd Reformed Church Albany. The Classis is looking for handy men and women to come get the house at 16 Ten Eyck Ave. ready for the next phase of ministry. Can you come make a difference by helping with painting, cleaning and repairs. Talk to Pastor Dirk

GOD SQUAD - Youth Night, May 2, 6:30pm - For all ages.

WOMEN'S GROUP – Friday, May 3, 6:30pm Mark your calendar and plan being part of this opportunity to connect with other women.

SPRING CLEAN-UP – Sat May 4, come lend a hand cleaning up around our facilities as we embrace spring!

MOTHER'S DAY BLESSING – **May 11** – St. Paul's Center. Plans are starting to organize a blessing of the mothers and kids in the program in Rensselaer. Bring in women's clothing that is in great shape and would be appropriate to give as a gift. Also, Candy and Carolyn can use help with providing food for the breakfast. See the sign-up in the back, or mark the Engage Form

PASTOR STEWARD VISIT – May 6-13 – Steward and his wife Nyapu are coming to visit ERC! We are planning a meet and greet Wednesday, May 8 at 6:30pm, and then a reception time with them in the Ministry Pavilion after worship on May 12. Can you help? See the Engage Form.