

# Great *Responsibility*

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

## Next Sunday: Who do you help?

### 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:

Mrs. Lewis Lansing	Oct. 31, 1961	Donald F. O'Keefe	Oct. 31, 1967
Ernest K. Thomas	Nov. 1, 1986	Gerrit C. Bol	Nov. 1, 1997
Abraham Decker	Nov. 1, 1998	Eugene Ostrander, Jr.	Nov. 2, 1989
Rev. Thomas Hall	Nov. 3, 1997	Jean E. Hutchings	Nov. 3, 2018
John J. Lammerts	Nov. 4, 1978		

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!

OCTOBER 29, 2023

## Welcome

*The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)  
There is a Kingdom  
All Glory Be to Christ*

## Confession & Assurance

## Celebration Bank

## Kids' Time

## Scripture

Matthew 25:24-30

## Message

Power – Use It or Lose It  
Pastor Dirk Gieser

*The Beauty of the Bride*

## Engagement Opportunities

## Prayers of the People

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

*Living for Jesus*

## 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

### Today

Trunk or Treat 4pm

### Wednesday

Music Rehearsal 6pm

### Thursday

God Squad 6:30

### Saturday

Fall Clean-Up 9am

Mug-n-Muffin 10am

Gieser Gathering 7pm

### Sunday

**TURN CLOCKS BACK!**

**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.

**TRUNK OR TREAT – Today 4pm** A fun time to welcome the community while we decorate trunks, set up games, and give out candy. Will be inside/under cover if necessary due to rain.

**GOD SQUAD** – Youth Night – Thursday Nov 2, 6:30pm. A fun and engaging time for kids of all ages!

## 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.

**FALL CLEAN UP** – Help around the building, Nov 4, 9am



**Mug-n-Muffin** – Women's Event, Saturday, Nov 4

All women and teen girls are invited to a time of refreshment, thanksgiving, and friendship.

10:00-Noon, 1500 S Schodack Rd. [jeng@ercrca.org](mailto:jeng@ercrca.org)

**SHOEBOX COLLECTION** – Collection Sunday - November 12

Pick up your boxes and directions, bless children in need with love, and add your shoeboxes to the growing pile!

**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!

**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!