

## Welcome to Sunday Morning at EFree Bemidji

### Worship Service - April 8

Prayer  
Psalm 139:1-18 Terry Smith

#### Nursery - up to age 3

Our nursery is here for you, it's located at far end of the Fellowship Hall. We have great people ready to care for your babies.

#### Kids Quiet Packs

These are available in the back of the Sanctuary, behind Section 2, for any kids staying in the service.

#### Kids Church—11:30 a.m.

Age 3 to 5th grade, lower level.

#### Rekindle Training Videos

All 18 of our Rekindle training sessions were videotaped. Watch them at [www.oakhills.edu/churchministries](http://www.oakhills.edu/churchministries). Click on the "Conferences & Retreats" tab, then select "Watch Rekindle 2018" and choose from the list of options.

#### Short-term Missions Trips

If you or someone you know from our church is planning to go on a short-term missions trip this year, please let Pastor Jerry know or email him at:  
[PastorJerry@efcbemidji.org](mailto:PastorJerry@efcbemidji.org)

#### The Sharon Singers

Please come and enjoy listening to the Sharon Singers of the Sharon Mennonite Bible Institute Choir. They are from McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania and will be presenting a program of sacred a-cappella music. They will be performing in our sanctuary on Wednesday, April 11, at 7:00PM.

#### Case For Christ Movie

Please join us for the Case For Christ Movie tonight at 6:30 pm in the youth room. Come see Lee Strobel's journey from atheism to faith through his two-year investigation of the Bible and the life of Jesus Christ

#### Community Men's Event

Monday, April 9, 7:00 pm  
Men, bring your sons & come hear Pastor Dale Witherington of the MN Family Council speak on "Spiritual Strategies to Advance God's Truth in Today's Declining Culture" at the Armory. Free event with offering opportunity.

#### Women's Ministries

*Liz Curtis Higgs*  
Ladies, go with us to hear Liz speak on "Endless Hope" Saturday April 14 in Roseau. Tickets are \$25 if purchased by April 4. Prices go up after that. Also let us know if you can provide a car for car pooling up there. Contact Robin Hewitt with questions: 218-556-4847.

#### *Priscilla Shirer*

Simulcast, Saturday, April 28, 9am - 4:30pm here at E-Free. Topic: "The five P's of hearing God through the Bible"  
Baked Potato Bar lunch provided. Cost: \$25 advance purchase, \$30 @ door. Registration starts April 8.

#### Sermon Sneak Peek

April 15, God's Children, 1 John 2:28-3:10  
April 22, Laying Down One's Life, 1 John 3:11-24

## Announcements

### *Sunday*

8:30AM Traditional Worship  
9:45AM Small Groups/Sun. School  
11:00AM Contemporary Worship  
6:30PM Case for Christ Movie

### *Monday*

9:00AM Homeschool Co-Op  
6:30PM Volleyball  
7:00PM GCT

### *Tuesday*

10:30AM Bone Builders  
1:30PM MCMA  
5:45PM Handbell Practice  
6:00PM Knowledge Bowl  
7:15PM Choir Practice

### *Wednesday*

6:30AM Men's Bible Study  
8:30AM Women's Bible Study  
6:20PM Kids Club  
6:20PM Youth Group - Night out  
7:00PM Mennonite Bible Choir

### *Thursday*

9:00AM White Cross  
6:30PM Men's Basketball  
7:00 PM Worship Team Practice

### *Friday*

10:30AM Bone Builders  
5:30PM 4H Meeting

### *Saturday*

#### Child Dedication, April 29

Our church is rejoicing in a Child Dedication Service on Sunday, *April 29*. This is an opportunity for parents to publicly dedicate their children to the Lord and to prayerfully acknowledge their responsibility to raise their children for Him. Interested parents should place a note in Pastor Jerry's office mailbox or email him at:

[PastorJerry@efcbemidji.org](mailto:PastorJerry@efcbemidji.org) no later than Sunday morning, *April 22*, indicating their desire to participate. Please include which service you attend and your most recent contact information.

#### Would you like to help prepare the Lord's Supper?

We are looking for 2-3 people who could be in charge of preparing the bread and the juice for our communion service 6 times a year. If you are interested, please talk to Micah Carpenter or email him at [mcarpenter@efcbemidji.org](mailto:mcarpenter@efcbemidji.org). Our sincere thanks go out to Chuck and Jan Conway for faithfully serving in this ministry for over 5 years!

### ***SAVE THESE DATES:***

April 8 - Case for Christ Movie  
April 9 - Men's Event, Armory  
April 11 - Mennonite Bible Choir  
April 14 - Liz Curtis Higgs, women  
April 22 - Potluck/Cong. Meeting  
April 27-29 - District Blitz - students  
April 28 - Priscilla Shirer - women  
April 29 - Child Dedication Service  
May 6 - Choir Finale 3:00PM  
May 20 - Seniors Grad. Potluck

## Connection Card

### **Prayer Request. Please share with...**

Prayer chain     Pastors only

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### I'd like to learn more about:

Children's Ministry     Youth Ministry  
 Young Adults     Senior Adults  
 Women's Ministry     Men's Ministry  
 Small Groups     Music Ministry  
 Global Partners Ministry (missions)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### *Weekly Prayers*

**Sunday:** Pray for our congregation to be continually seeking the Lord through prayer.

**Monday:** Pray for our church's 100 year anniversary and Vision 2024.

**Tuesday:** Pray for wisdom for our Elder Board.

**Wednesday:** Pray for our youth programs and for the leaders that influence and minister to them.

**Thursday:** Pray for our worship teams.

**Friday:** Pray for our Associate Pastor Search Committee.

**Saturday:** Pray for our Global Partners Andrew and Heidi Kellogg with the Seed Company.

## Connection Card

### Are you new here?

Welcome! We are so glad that you are our guest today. Please fill out this Connection Card and bring it to our Welcome Table in the main Foyer. We have a small gift we'd like to give you and information about our ministries.

*Please Print*

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

- 1st visit     Return visitor  
 Out of town guest  
 New to the Community  
 Looking for church home

Age (check all that apply)

- < 18     18-29  
 30-39     40-49  
 50-59     60+

Gender  Male     Female

I would like more information about:

- Becoming a Christian  
 Joining a Small Group  
 Meeting with a pastor  
 Becoming a member  
 Baptism  
 Opportunities to serve  
 Child Dedication

**April 8, 2018**



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### Our Mission:

*To promote the supremacy of Christ  
by celebrating His love, obeying His truth,  
and enlarging His kingdom.*

### Keep in Touch

Church Office: (218) 751-8834  
Email: [efree@paulbunyan.net](mailto:efree@paulbunyan.net)  
Web: [www.efcbemidji.org](http://www.efcbemidji.org)

Emergency Pastoral Care Phone: (218) 760-7424  
Email [pray@efcbemidji.org](mailto:pray@efcbemidji.org) to submit a prayer request or  
to join.

*Wi-Fi password: "efreebemidji"*

### Financial Giving through April 1

General Ministry weekly giving: \$11,567    Needed to date: \$166,465  
Given to date: \$149,402

Global Partners weekly giving: \$ 950    Needed to date: \$20,046  
Given to date: \$16,459

Jerry Johnson - Lead Pastor  
Albin Sterneman - Youth & Young Adults Pastor  
Micah Carpenter - Pastoral Ministry Assistant  
Gerri Thorsgard - Kids Ministries Director  
Kay Sue Eriksson - Visitation Caregiver  
Ron Bodenheimer - Facility Supervisor  
Karisa Kosinski - Church Secretary