

December 30, 2018

Evangelical Free Church

115 Carr Lake Road SW
Bemidji, MN 56601

Our Mission:

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

Keep in Touch

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Visit us:

www.facebook.com/EFCBemidji/

24/7 Emergency Pastoral Care Phone: (218) 760-7424

Email pray@efcbemidji.org to share a prayer request or
to join us in prayer.

Wi-Fi password: "efreebemidji"

Financial Giving through December 16

(Offering count for December 23 will be posted next Sunday)

General Ministry weekly giving: \$12,837 Needed to date: \$640,250
Given to date: \$607,165

Global Partners weekly giving: \$935 Needed to date: \$77,100
Given to date: \$65,055

Jerry Johnson - Lead Pastor
Eric Nygren - Associate Pastor
Albin Sterneman - Youth & Young Adults Pastor
Gerri Thorsgard - Kids Ministries Director
Kay Sue Eriksson - Visitation Caregiver
Ron Bodenheimer - Facility Supervisor
Steven Miller - Audio/Visual Supervisor
Karisa Kosinski - Church Secretary

LOVE
is patient

CORINTHIANS 13:4

Welcome to Sunday Morning at E-Free Bemidji

Worship Service - December 30

"Together"
Hebrews 10:19-25

Nursery - up to age 3

Our nursery is located at the far end of the Fellowship Hall. We have great people ready to serve.

Kids Quiet Packs

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

Wednesday Night Activates

We will start back up again January 9.

Communion

Sunday, January, 6 the Lord's Supper will be served in both worship services. All who trust in Jesus as Lord and Savior are invited to participate. Please take some time to reflect upon your walk with the Lord and your relationships with other Christians. 1 Corinthians 11:28 urges, "We ought to examine ourselves before we eat of the bread and drink of the cup." The Lord's Supper represents the Christian's union with Jesus and his or her unity with other believers. We will receive a special offering after our service in support of our Global Partners. The communion bread is gluten free.

Book Sale!

Head over to the Fellowship Hall to check out some Bibles and other books that we are selling this week, December 30, and next Sunday, January 6.

Vespers

Calling all Young Adults! Please join us next Sunday, January 6, for a free meal at 5:30PM followed by a time of worship and dialogue from 6:00 - 7:00PM.

Men's Wild Game Feed

Gentlemen! Mark your calendars for our annual Men's Wild Game Feed on Monday, January 7th at 6:00 pm. Bring meat that you've shot, caught, or bought and a side dish to share for our potluck dinner. Our special guest speaker will be Al Killian from the MN DNR. Come for food, fellowship, door prizes, and more!

SOS: Mark Your Calendars!

The Servants of Shelter ministry for the homeless will be held at our church the week of February 17 - February 24. Volunteers will be needed for shifts, serving meals, and other tasks. If you would like to help with this ministry, please mark it down on your calendar now. More information and opportunities to sign up will be available starting in January. If you have any questions contact Pastor Eric at: pastor.nygren@gmail.com.

Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed Tuesday, January 1 for New Years.

Men's Ministries

Camp Shamineau is hosting a Father/Son Retreat February 1-3, 2019 and a Men's Weekend Retreat March 1-3, 2019. If you would like more information, check out the Men's Ministries Bulletin Board!

Middle School Retreat

Save the Date! There will be a Middle School Retreat at Camp Oak Hills on January 18-19. The cost is \$15 per person. Contact Pastor Albin for more information at: pastoralbin@efcbemidji.org.

Opportunities and Info

Order of Service:

Service starts at 11:00AM

WELCOME

WORSHIP

OFFERING

SCRIPTURE READING

MESSAGE

CLOSING SONG

BENEDICTION

Adult Volleyball

Calling all adults for a good evening of fun, competitive volleyball. Thursday nights at 6:30 pm in the multi purpose room/gym. Our first night will be January 10th. For more info, call or text Stephen Helweg at 218-242-0041.

Child Dedication, January

Our church is rejoicing in a Child Dedication Service in January 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 no later than Sunday morning, January 6, indicating their desire to participate. Please include which service you attend and your most recent contact information.

Nursery Schedule:

TODAY, December 30

11:00A.M. - Tracy Parthun, Joan Ditty, and Sue Brown

Next week, January 6

8:30A.M. - TBA

11:00A.M. - TBA

Sunday, December 30

11:00AM Combined Service

Monday, December 31

Tuesday, January 1, 2019

Happy New Year!

Office Closed.

Wednesday, January 2

Thursday, January 3

5:30PM Griefshare
6:00PM Men's Bible Study
7:00PM Worship Team Practice

Friday, January 4

Saturday, January 5

9:30AM Note Reading Workshop

Sermon Sneak Peek

January 6, "The Lord's Supper", John 6:25-59

January 13, "A Global Worldview"

SAVE THESE DATES:

January 7 - Men's Wild Game Feed

January 10 - Adult Weekly Volleyball starts at 6:30PM

January 18-19 - Women's Craft Weekend

January 27 - Annual Meeting & Potluck

**READ THE ENTIRE
NEW TESTAMENT
IN A YEAR**

**THE
NEW
TESTAMENT
260-DAY
CHALLENGE**

**PICK UP A PRINTED READING PLAN IN THE
FELLOWSHIP HALL OR FOLLOW ALONG
WITH THE YOUVERSION BIBLE APP**

**GO TO FIND PLANS AND SEARCH FOR
FOUNDATIONS: NEW TESTAMENT**

#NT260

Season of Giving

Each holiday season, the church anticipates and relies on a seasonal increase in contributions. It is through the donations of every individual and family in the congregation that we are able to carry on our work now and throughout the year.

If you need a convenient way to make recurring contributions or plan to make an additional gift before the end of the year, we encourage you to consider our electronic giving options. As the pace of life speeds up around the holidays, you may find electronic giving a welcome way to make contributions.

To set up a recurring giving schedule, visit us online at www.efcbemidji.org and locate the link to our online giving page. Or if it's easier, get a paper authorization form from church and return it to the main office.

You can also make a contribution to E-Free Bemidji with a quick text message!

Simply send a text to (218) 216-8560 with the amount you would like to contribute. Make sure to include the dollar sign before the amount (example: \$25). Within a few minutes, you will be sent a text with a link to register. Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and credit or debit card information. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt via email. For future giving, simply send a text with the amount you wish to give, and it will process automatically!

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Together

Hebrews 10:19-25

December 30, 2018 - Pastor Jerry Johnson