

January 6, 2018

Evangelical Free Church

115 Carr Lake Road SW
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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

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

Wi-Fi password: "efreebemidji"

Financial Giving through December 30

General Ministry weekly giving: \$9,112	Needed to date: \$665,860
<i>Giving from December 23: \$32,336</i>	Given to date: \$648,613
Global Partners weekly giving: \$490	Needed to date: \$80,184
<i>Giving from December 23: \$6,005</i>	Given to date: \$71,550

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

WELCOME

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Welcome to Sunday Morning at E-Free Bemidji

Worship Service - January 6

The Lord's Supper
John 6:25-59

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 THIS Wednesday, January 9 at 6:15PM.

Communion

TODAY, 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.

Choir Performance

The Choir will be singing on Sunday, January 13th at Tamarack Court at 1:30PM and Goldpine Home at 3:00PM. Anyone is welcome to come and enjoy!

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.

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.

March for Life

The 2019 March for Life will take place at noon on January 19th. It begins at the Beltrami County Court House and ends at St. Philips Catholic Church. The Knights of Columbus will once again provide a soup and sandwich lunch following the march.

Women's Weekend "Catch-Up"

Join the ladies in our church for a great time to get away and work on those unfinished tasks or maybe start a new project without any interruptions... Except for chatting with old friends and new ones. Come anytime that works for you in-between Friday, January 18 from 5-9PM and Saturday, January 19 from 8AM - 4PM.

Opportunities and Info

Sunday, January 6

8:30AM Traditional Worship Service
11:00AM Combined Service

Monday, January 7

6:00PM Men's Wild Game Feed

Tuesday, January 8

9:00AM Staff Meeting & Prayer
6:00PM Men's Bible Study
7:15PM Choir Practice

Wednesday, January 9

6:30AM Men's Bible Study
6:15PM Kids Club & Youth Group

Thursday, January 10

9:00AM White Cross
6:00PM Men's Bible Study
6:30PM Adult Volleyball
7:00PM Worship Team Practice

Friday, January 11

6:00PM Worship Committee Meeting

Saturday, January 12

Sermon Sneak Peek

January 13, "A Global Worldview"
January 20, "The Greatest Sermon",
Matthew 5:1-12

SAVE THESE DATES:

January 18-19 - Women's Weekend
Catch-Up
January 27 - Annual Meeting &
Potluck
February 10 - Valentine's Banquet at
5:30PM

Men's Wild Game Feed

Gentlemen! Join us tomorrow night, Monday, January 7th for our annual Men's Wild Game Feed at 6:00 pm. Our special guest speaker will be Al Killian. Al will be speaking about his experiences as a wildlife technician with the Minnesota DNR. Bring meat that you've shot, caught, or bought and a side dish to share for our potluck dinner. Come for food, fellowship, door prizes, and more!

Adult Volleyball

Calling all adults for a fun evening of competitive volleyball. Thursday nights at 6:30 PM in the Community Life Center Gym. Our first night will be January 10th. For more info, call or text Stephen Helweg at 218-242-0041.

Happy Anniversary!

Congratulations to Tom and Ruth Eastling who are celebrating 50 years of marriage on January 8, 2019! If anyone would like to send congratulations, their address is 705 31st St NW, Bemidji, MN 56601.

Vespers

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

Nursery Schedule:

TODAY, January 6
8:30A.M. - Corinne Auginash and
Alisa McLemore
11:00A.M. - Aaron and Sharna
Johnson

**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**

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The Lord's Supper: 4 Viewpoints (This is a general overview. Each local church may make particular exceptions to these general practices.)

	<u>Transubstantiation</u>	<u>Consubstantiation</u>	<u>Reformed</u>	<u>Memorial</u>
Denomination(s) and "Founder"	Roman Catholic, Thomas Aquinas	Lutheran, Martin Luther	Presbyterian and other Reformed Churches, John Calvin	Baptist, Mennonite, etc., Ulrich Zwingli
How should the "body" and "blood" be understood?	Literal interpretation. Through consecration the elements (bread/wine) change into Christ's actual body and blood. Christ is truly and substantially present in the elements themselves.	Literal interpretation. The elements do not change into the presence of Christ, but He is actually present "in, with, and under" the elements.	Nonliteral interpretation. Christ is not literally present in the elements but He is present spiritually in the elements.	Nonliteral interpretation. Christ is not present in the elements themselves either literally or spiritually.
What is the significance of the Lord's Supper?	Spiritual food to strengthen our souls and to free us from minor or accidental sins (venial). Christ is sacrificed at each mass to atone for the sins of the partaker.	Recipient has the forgiveness of their sins and the confirmation of their faith. When participation includes faith the sacrament conveys gracious benefits.	A commemoration of Christ's death that bestows grace to seal partakers in the love of Christ. It gives spiritual nourishment and brings us closer to the presence of Christ.	A commemoration of Christ's death. We are reminded of the benefits of redemption and salvation that Christ's death has purchased for us.
Who should administer the Lord's Supper?	A Priest	An Ordained Minister	A Pastor or Church Leader	A Pastor or Church Leader
Who can participate in the Lord's Supper?	Bread to baptized church members, many parishes allow only priests to have the wine.	Believers only.	Believers only.	Believers only. (Some limit it to members of the denomination, some limit it to local church members.)