

January 13, 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.*

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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 January 6

General Ministry weekly giving: \$10,919 Needed to date: \$12,805
Given to date: \$10,919

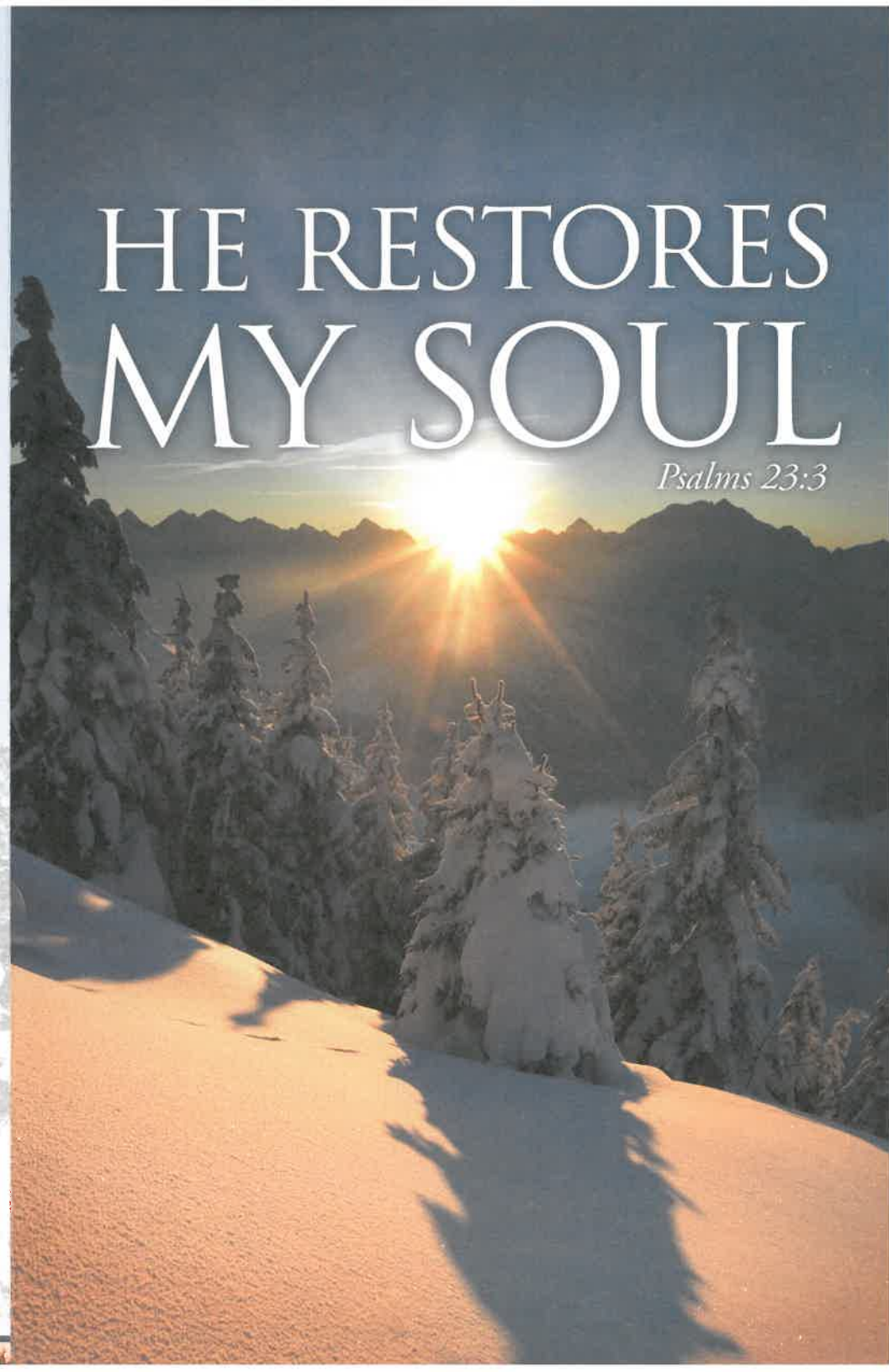
Global Partners weekly giving: \$1,319 Needed to date: \$1,505
Given to date: \$1,319

Jerry Johnson - Lead Pastor
Eric Nygren - Associate Pastor
Albin Sterneman - Youth & Young Adults Pastor
Gerri Thorsgard - Kids Ministries Director
Kay Sue Eriksson - Visitation Caregiver
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Karisa Kosinski - Church Secretary

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HE RESTORES MY SOUL

Psalms 23:3



Welcome to Sunday Morning at E-Free Bemidji

Worship Service - January 13

A Global Worldview
Acts 1:1-8

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.

Child Dedication on January 27

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 contact Pastor Jerry by leaving a note in his box or by emailing him no later than January 20 at PastorJerry@efcbemidji.org. Please include which service you attend and your most recent contact information.

Community Women's Bible Study

Join the Community Women's Bible Study Monday evenings in the Community Life Center at 6:30PM, starting February 4th. The book cost is \$20. Contact Gerri Thorsgard at: gthorsgard@efcbemidji.org to get your book by January 22nd.

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.

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!

Middle School Retreat

There is still time to sign up for the 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.

Sanctity of Human Life

Please pray for God to lead us as His followers regarding the Sanctity of Human Life. Pray that each of us will have the discernment we need to navigate the complexity of the issue. Ask God to help us empathize with people's hurts and regrets. Pray that we will find a gracious and effective way to address the subject of abortion. May we be quick to help and support those in difficult pregnancy situations as well as the various agencies that serve them.

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. Friday, January 18 from 5-9PM and Saturday, January 19 from 8AM - 4PM.



Opportunities and Info

Potluck and Annual Meeting

Sunday, January 27 we will have a potluck meal at 12:15 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room. Please bring a hotdish and vegetable or dessert to share, beverages will be provided.

Our congregational business meeting will start at 1:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The congregation will receive reports from multiple ministry areas. Printed copies of the church's annual report will be available for distribution that morning. Please put this business meeting on your calendar. It is open to anyone who would like to attend, but only church members may vote. Please come to the potluck even if you cannot stay for the meeting!

55 Plus Potluck

We will meet on Friday January 25th for a potluck luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. We plan to have a White Elephant Gift Exchange. Please mark your gift to indicate if it is for a lady or a man. Come for the fellowship and bring a friend.

SAVE THESE DATES:

January 18-19 - Women's Weekend Catch-Up

January 27 - Potluck 12:15 PM and Annual Meeting 1:00 PM

February 10 - Valentine's Banquet at 5:30 PM

Nursery Schedule:

TODAY, January 13

8:30 AM- Pam Erickson and Sue Brown

11:00 AM- Aaron & Sharna Johnson and Rachel Eastling

Next week, January 20

8:30 AM - Bob & Karen Carlson

11:00 AM - Carlson family & t.b.a.

Sunday, January 13

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

Monday, January 14

7:00 PM GCT Meeting

Tuesday, January 15

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

Wednesday, January 16

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

Thursday, January 17

6:00 PM Men's Bible Study
6:30 PM Adult Volleyball
6:30 PM Elder Board Meeting
7:00 PM Worship Team Practice

Friday, January 18

5:00 PM Women's Weekend
5:30 PM Middle School retreat

Saturday, January 19

Cont. Middle School retreat
8:00 AM Women's Weekend

Sermon Sneak Peek

January 20, "Way to Be",
Matthew 5:1-12

January 27, "Witness to the World"
Matt. 5:13-16 Pastor Eric preaching

Important Dates for Spring 2019



January

- Middle School Winter Retreat Jan. 18th-19th Cost: \$15
- Special Guest coming Jan. 23rd -Corey Medina-

February

- Upperclassmen Pie night Feb. 6th
- Lock-In Feb. 15th (overnight, ends at 8am)
- Small Groups Night out Feb. 20th
- Prayer Event Feb. 27th

March

- No Youth Group March 6th
- Upperclassmen Pie Night March 13th

April

- Small Groups night out April 3rd
- Upperclassmen Pie Night April 10th
- District Blitz in Duluth April 12-14th Cost: \$99

May

- Upperclassmen Pie Night May 1st
- Last Youth Group May 8th

For more information please email or call Pastor Albin
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