

JULY 19, 2026

NEWSLETTER

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF BEMIDJI



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, July 19

- 9:30 am - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Kids/Beginners Church (Lower Level)
- 11:00 am - Coffee & Treats (Gym)
Bubbles & Bubblers (Courtyard)
- 2:00 pm - Bridal Shower for Leah Helweg
(Connection Café)
- 6:00 pm - Music Night (Sanctuary)

Monday, July 20

- 6:00 pm - Worship Committee (Conf. Room)

Tuesday, July 21

- 9:30 am - Adult Bible Study (Room 10)
- 10:30 am - Bone Builders (Chapel)

Wednesday, July 22

- 7:30 am - Men's Bible Study (Chapel)

Thursday, July 23

- 10:30 am - Bone Builders (Gym)
- 7:30 pm - Softball Game (City Field 2)
- 8:30 pm - Softball Game (City Field 2)

Sunday, July 26

- 9:30 am - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 9:45 am - Kids/Beginners Church (Lower Level)
- 11:00 am - Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)
- 12:00 pm - Cookout & Cornhole Tournament

July 19th: God's Commandments (Exodus 19-20)

July 26th: Ezra's Sermon (Nehemiah 8:1-12)

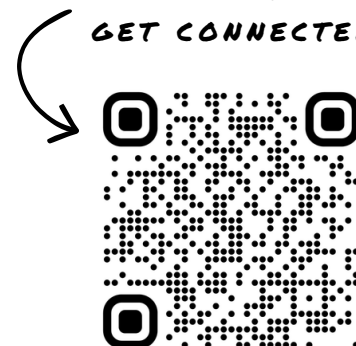
TITHES & OFFERINGS

Giving through
July 12, 2026

Weekly Giving:
\$32,175
Weekly Giving Need:
\$15,790

Giving YTD:
\$394,745
Needed YTD:
\$442,120

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We've got a variety of activities planned for after service this summer. Here's what's happening this month.

Music Night - Tonight, Sun., July 19th, 6-7 pm

Music Night tonight! Join us from 6-7 pm for an evening of worship through music featuring some modern day contemporary favorites, and few songs that may be new to us.

July 26th - Congregational Meeting, Cookout, & Cornhole Tournament

Following our July 26th Congregational Meeting at 11 am, we'll be hosting our annual Cookout & Cornhole Tournament. Grab a partner and register your team for the double-elimination tournament.

We're keeping it to 32 teams, so register soon. Pick up a registration form at the Welcome Table, or in the office, or scan the QR code below to sign up.

**2026 CORNHOLE
TOURNAMENT
SUN. JULY 26TH**



JULY 19TH ORDER OF WORSHIP

9:30 am - Worship Service

Prelude: Piano, Laura Engelstad

How Firm A Foundation (Hymn #612)

Blessed Be Your Name

In Christ Alone

Offertory: Lydia Nygren, Hills and Valleys

Scripture Reading: Exodus 19:1-25, Josie Fultz

Message, Pastor Eric Nygren

How Great Thou Art (Hymn #21)

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Memorial Book

To the glory of God and in loving memory of Vivian Forte, a Memorial Gift toward Sanctuary Decorations was presented by her Family and Friends Jan 2012

August 1st Women's Ministry:

The 2026/2027 Overflow Planning Retreat is Saturday, August 1st from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm at Launa Schlador's house. The Women's Ministry Team is always looking for new faces and fresh ideas! The day will include breakfast & lunch, group brainstorming, devotional time/prayer, and games. R.S.V.P. to Launa 218.600.6204 or Lindsay 319.325.9835.

Bridal Shower

You're invited to come celebrate Leah Helweg's upcoming marriage to Josh O'Leary, and help us "shower" love, prayers, and gifts on their future life together. Join us on Sunday, July 19th at 2:00 in the Connection Cafe. Please bring a favorite family recipe card for the bride-to-be.

Their registry is available through their website on TheKnot;

<https://www.theknot.com/us/josh-o-leary-and-leah-helweg-oct-2026/registry> Password: theolearys2026!

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Ways to Give

We invite you to prayerfully consider worshipping God and supporting the ministries of E-Free Bemidji through regular financial giving. A portion of every gift goes to support the ministry of our Global Partners. You can find out more about the various ways to give by visiting our website at www.efcbemidji.org/give or by scanning the QR code with your mobile device.



Men's Bible Study

Join us in the Chapel on Wednesday mornings at 7:30am for good coffee, great conversation, and an opportunity to grow in your walk with Christ along with other men.

From the Elders

The Elders are forming the Nominating Committee for church offices for 2027. The Committee will be announced at the July congregational meeting.

E-Free Softball

Come on out and support our E-Free softball team Thursday nights! This week, July 23rd, our team plays at 7:30pm in City field 2 against First Baptist Blue and at 8:30pm in City field 2 against Calvary Chapel. There is a schedule posted on all the bulletin boards if you'd like to see it. Go E-Free!! THE TEAMS ARE LOOKING FOR MORE PLAYERS, SO IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN IN, CONTACT MATT MYRICK AT 218-242-0822

Scam & Fraud

Please beware of emails or texts that come to you asking for you to provide information or purchase something. Staff will never ask you for this information in this way. Please connect with the church office if you have questions.

YOUNG ADULTS

Sunday, July 19

9:30 am - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

ANCHOR

We will resume ANCHOR in the fall. Please talk to Pastor Shane if you have questions.



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See Mark C. or Terry H. with questions:

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E-FREE KIDS



Sunday, July 19

9:30 am - Kids/Beginners Church Today



VBS - Kingdom Quest

SAVE THE DATE - Aug. 9th-12th 6:00pm - 8:15pm
4 years old - 6th grade



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CHILD FOR VBS



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notification system.

Volunteers needed

We are still in need of volunteers for beginners/kids church.

Kids ministry looks a bit different in the summer, but there are plenty of opportunities for kids/families to learn about Jesus, deepen their faith, and be discipled.

Kids can attend Beginners/Kids church each Sunday (they will be dismissed halfway through the service, and grade levels will be combined in the Assembly Room on the lower level - Please check in your children).

Kids can attend VBS at different churches in town (and at E-Free - Aug. 9-12)

Kids can go to Camp Oak Hills or Shamineau (there are scholarships available)

Kids can serve at an outreach opportunity, or attend our monthly Sunday Kids Ministry Events following the 9:30am service.

ALL of our outreach events/Sunday events are for kids and families. These are NOT "drop off" events. Parents/caregivers need to stay with their children.

STUDENT MINISTRIES



Sunday, July 19

9:30 am - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Wednesday, July 22

6:00 pm - Youth Group (Ball Field)

Youth Sunday School

We have officially wrapped up Sunday School for the Youth this season. We would encourage our congregation to continue daily in the Book of Proverbs. We collectively can grow in the abundant knowledge, wisdom, and love for our God through this time in His Word.

Youth Group

Join us here July 22nd from 6:00pm - 7:30pm - for ultimate frisbee and fellowship! 6th - 12th graders are encouraged to come hang out. Play some games, and enjoy some summer connection. See Pastor Shane for more information.

Young Adult Ministry

Our Young Adult (Anchor) group has officially wrapped up for the year. If you want to know more about this ministry or are interested in joining, please reach out to Pastor Shane.

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