

Welcome to E-Free Bemidji

Sunday, November 3, 2024

Traditional Worship Service - 8:30 AM

Prelude: Mary Larson & Taumi Wilson, piano/flute

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer of Adoration

Great Is Thy Faithfulness (Hymn #60)

He Will Hold Me Fast

Offering & Prayer

Choir Anthem - "All the Way My Savior Leads Me"

Dismiss for Kids Church - 1st-5th Grades (No Beginners Church)

Prayer for the Election

Scripture Reading: Luke 1:1-4, Nichole Hassebroek

Message: Luke's Account of the Gospel

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne (Hymn #198)

Benediction

The Deeply Devoted Podcast - Episode 010

November is National Adoption Awareness Month. In this episode, Pastor Eric sits down with Mandi Buchan to talk about adoption, foster care, and Mandi's heart for kids and families. Visit

efcbemidji.org/podcast or listen via your favorite podcast app.

Send an email to

podcast@efcbemidji.org with your comments and feedback.

Allen Benson

Allen Benson is in Havenwood, on comfort care. He will be turning 89 on Nov 4th. Cards may be sent to: Allen Benson
C/O Havenwood Care Center
1633 Delton Ave. NW Room #102
Bemidji, MN 56601

Why Should I Be Baptized?

If you are considering being baptized, we invite you to join us today or next Sunday at 9:45 am in Classroom 1 (CLC) to learn more about baptism at E-Free.

There are many ways to give at E-Free Bemidji.

1 Visit www.efcbemidji.org/give or by scanning the QR code (back page)

wi-fi: EFCB_Guest | password: efreebemidji

Contemporary Worship Service - 10:45 AM

Prelude: Blessed Be Your Name

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer of Adoration

Who You Say I Am

Promises

Gratitude

Dismiss for Beginners/Kids Church

Offering & Prayer

Deeply Devoted

Prayer for the Election

Scripture Reading: Luke 1:1-4, Mandi Buchan

Message: Luke's Account of the Gospel

Living Hope

Benediction

Calling Singers!

Calling all who love to "sing a new song"! If you would like to sing with the Choir just for the Christmas cantata, we need you! Please talk to Ian Trosen, Tayler Borders, Taumi Wilson or Laura Engelstad. Or just come to our rehearsals Tuesdays at 7:15 PM. We'd love to have you!

Baby Shower

The church family is invited to a baby shower to celebrate the upcoming birth of a little girl to Neil & Serena Hall. Join us November 17th at 3:00pm in the Connection Cafe. Serena is registered on Amazon. Questions and RSVP to Tessa Gill at 612-391-9947.

Next Sunday, November 10, 2024

Message: The Forerunner Foretold

Luke 1:5-25, Pastor Jerry R.A. Johnson

Kids & Youth Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 3

- 8:30 am - Kids Church (Lower Level, dismissed before sermon)
- 9:45 am - Kids Sunday School (Lower Level)
- 9:45 am - Youth Sunday School (Guys-Youth Room, Girls-511 Room)
- 10:45 am - Kids/Beginner Church (Lower, dismissed before sermon)

Tuesday, November 5

- 6:30 pm - Trail Life (Gym)

Wednesday, November 6

- 5:00-5:45 pm - Family Meal: Spaghetti (Gym)
- 6:00-7:45 pm - Kids Club, PreK - 5th Grade (Lower Level)
Operation Christmas Child Packing Party
- 6:00-7:45 pm - Youth Group, grades 6-12 (Youth Room)

E-Free Kids Sunday School

- 9:45-10:30am - use secure check-in
PreK-Kindergarten (PreK Room)
- 1st-5th grade (5th grade class room)

Kids Club

E-Free Kids Club welcomes all children ages 4 through 5th grade! Join us for dinner at 5pm. Use our Secure Child Check-In and drop your children off in their classroom by 6:00pm. Pickup your children in their classrooms by 7:45 pm. We meet each week in small group, large group Bible teaching, worship, snacks and games. Contact Amy with questions: agraf@efcbemidji.org



Operation Christmas Child

Our **Kids Club** Packing Party is November 6th. Anyone can begin to bring OCC donations this week. We are hoping to make **100** boxes again this year! Let's celebrate Christmas by giving to those in need, and sharing the love of Christ.

Items needed - socks, scarves, mittens, hats, coloring supplies, wash clothes, soap, and toothbrushes.

8:30 Service Kids Church

We are excited to invite Kids 1st - 5th Grade downstairs to Kids Church during the 8:30 Traditional service. Kids will be dismissed before the sermon.

Youth Ministry Youth Group



E-Free Bemidji Student Ministry welcomes all 6th - 12th grade students! Most Wednesdays throughout the school year we meet for Youth Group for time with Jesus, Bible, fellowship, worship, and fun. Most Sunday mornings we have Sunday School during the Sunday School hour to connect, and pray about our week and have class. See Shelly Mustful or Danny Paddock with questions. shellymustful@gmail.com or paddocksonsaautorepair@gmail.com

Youth Group

Thank you Youth Leaders & others who help with the E-Free Amazing Race! Congratulations to the 6-8th grade boys who came in first!

Small Group Night Out

There is no regular Youth Group on November 13th. We will be having Small Group Night Out. Check with your small group leaders on when & where you will be meeting.

Guys! It's Your Chance..

We are looking for a couple more guys who are willing to serve at our Christmas Tea. Talk to Shelly or Jessica if you are interested. (You will also get to enjoy food!)

Young Adults

Sunday, November 3

- 9:45am- Church History Survey (Chapel)
Gospel of John (room 10)

Tuesday, November 5

- 6:30 pm - Anchor
- 7:00 pm - CRU Small Groups
women: South Conference Room
men: Ozawindib Room
- 7:15 pm - Choir (Sanctuary)

Thursday, November 7

- 2:00 pm - Pickleball (gym)
- 7:30 pm - CRU -Crying Wolf Room

ANCHOR

Anchor is our young adult life group. We meet on Tuesday nights from 6:30-8:30 pm. Contact Jesse Schmidt at 218-760-5852 or email pastorjerry@efcbemidji.org with any questions.



Cru is back on BSU campus for the Fall Semester! Open to all BSU, Oak Hills, NW Tech, Leech Lake, and Red Lake Nation students. See Mark C. or Terry H. with questions: mhockeymd@gmail.com Terryleeheewitt@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 3

- 7:45 am - Prayer (Fireside Room)
- 8:30 am - Traditional Worship Service
- 9:45 am - Church History Survey (Chapel)
Gospel of John (Room 10)
- 10:45 am - Contemporary Worship Service
- 2:00 pm - Grief Share (Chapel)

Monday, November 4

- 6:30 pm - Young Men's Bible Study (Fireside Room)

Tuesday, November 5

- 10:00 am - Women's Bible Study (Fireside Room)
- 10:30 am - Bone Builders (Gym)
- 5:45 pm - Handbell Practice (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 pm - Trustee Meeting (Conference Room)
- 7:15 pm - Choir (Sanctuary)

Wednesday, November 6

- 7:30 am - Men's Bible Study (Chapel)
- 6:05 pm - Oasis (Green Room)
- 6:15 pm - Life Group (Conference Room & Fireside Room)

Thursday, November 7

- 10:00 am - Life Group (Fireside Room)
- 10:30 am - Bone Builders (chapel)
- 2:00 pm - Pickleball (Gym)
- 6:30 pm - Women's Bible Study Fellowship (Chapel)
- 6:30 pm - Worship Team Practice (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 pm - Shindelar Men's Life Group (Fireside Room)

Friday, November 8

- 7:00 am - Men's Discipleship (Chapel)
- 11:30 am - Senior Connection Potluck (Connection Cafe)
- 1:00 pm - Mom's in Prayer (Fireside Room)

What's Happening at E-Free Bemidji

Did you know...

1985 brought a global focus for our church. Pastor Fred studied in Israel, and we heard reports on Urbana summer missions, work at Red Lake, the Gideons, SIM in Ethiopia, and the Bemidji Refugee Task Force. Bibles were packed and sent to Uganda and Chile. The church threw a family shower for Mike & Natalie Nelson, who added 5 siblings from Brazil to their family. And the film series, "Out of the Salt Shaker," encouraged us to witness in gracious, friendly ways.

Memorial Book Entry

Back in August of 2006 to the glory of God, in loving memory of Eric Soderstrom, a memorial gift toward Sanctuary Projection Equipment was presented by his family.

Women's Christmas Tea

Friday, December 6th, 2024 at 6:00pm. Tickets go on sale November 10th. Look forward to a new menu and a wonderful speaker/musician! Contact Jessica Westlund in the church office with questions.

New Members

We welcome our new members of E-Free: Miles & Mary Larson, Vinny & Melanie Recine.

November Senior Potluck

The November potluck for Senior Connection is this Friday, Nov. 8, at 11:30. Bring a simple food item, and come for a time of fellowship around the tables. Invite a friend! Kara Nicholson will be sharing her story with us. Learn what brought her from work as an air traffic controller to a farm in northern Minnesota. Call Laura at 218-209-8190 with questions.

Orphan Sunday - November 10th

Next Sunday EFCA churches across the country will be highlighting the ministry of Global Fingerprints as part of Orphan Sunday. Through partner churches in twelve countries, Global Fingerprints helps to provide for the spiritual, nutritional, medical, and educational needs of children for just \$39 a month. We will have opportunities to begin sponsoring a child through Global Fingerprints next Sunday. Visit globalfingerprints.org for more information about the program.

Evangelical Free Church of Bemidji

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Church Office

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Office hours: Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm; 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am - 8:30 am; 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

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Jason Robeck, 10:45 Music Director

Giving for October 27, 2024

Weekly Giving: \$ 8,067

Weekly Need: \$ 15,986

Giving YTD: \$ 658,553

Needed YTD: 687,407

Remaining Mortgage: \$ 87,574.84



Last Week's Attendance

Sunday, October 27, 2024

387 onsite | 23 screens / 5 states

SS: 8 kids | 9 youth | 41 adults

Connection Café/Misc: 74

Wednesday, October 30, 2024

70 adults, 80 children, 54 youth

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E-Free Kids Ministry: text **efreekids** to **94000**

Youth Ministry: text **efcbasm** to **94000**

Prayer chain: text **efreepayer** to **94000**

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Becoming deeply devoted followers of Jesus together.



For no matter
how many
promises God
has made, they
are "Yes" in Christ.
And so through him
the "Amen" is spoken by
us to the glory of God.

2 CORINTHIANS 1:20

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

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LUKE

Resources for further study

BOOKS

★ **Luke** (NIV Application Commentary)
Darrell L. Bock

The Message of Luke (The Bible Speaks Today Series)
Michael Wilcock

Luke (Tyndale New Testament Commentary, 1988)
Leon Morris

Luke (Tyndale New Testament Commentary, 2022)
Nicholas Perrin

Reading the Gospels Wisely
Jonathan T. Pennington

Reading the Gospels as Christian Scripture
Joshua Jipp

MEDIA

The Bible Project: Luke (video)
<https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/luke/>

Help Me Teach the Bible:
Benjamin Gladd on Teaching Luke (podcast)
<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/podcasts/help-me-teach-the-bible/benjamin-gladd-on-teaching-luke/>



Ladies' Christmas Tea

Friday, December 6, 2024 | 6 p.m.

Speaker/Musician: Taunya Todd

Purchase tickets at the church
Sunday, November 10th
through Sunday, November 24th

Limited Seating. Age 14 & Older.

\$20 Tickets | \$25 for Gluten or Dairy Free

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115 Carr Lake Road SW
(1 mile south of Luckens South)