# Welcome to E-Free Bemidji

### Sunday, March 2, 2025

**Traditional Worship Service - 8:30 AM** 

Prelude: String Ensemble

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer of Adoration

**Great is Thy Faithfulness** (Hymn #60)

Like a River Glorious (Hymn #594)

He Will Hold Me Fast

Ministry Moment: Prayer for the Muslim World

Offering & Prayer

Offertory Music: String Ensemble: "Thine Is The Glory"

Dismiss for Kids Church (1st-5th grade)

Message: Are Signs & Wonders for Today? Pastor Jerry R.A. Johnson

'Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus (Hymn #520)

Benediction

#### 30 Days of Prayer

Pick up a free copy of this year's 30 Days of Prayer for the Muslim World guide in the Connection Cafe. These prayer guides highlight various people groups around the world (including our adopted people group) and specific ways to pray for the Lord's harvest field.

## Come sing "Behold Our God"

Choir will sing a great worship song, "Behold Our God," at both services on March 23. We'd love more voices to join us, so come give choir a try! Rehearse Tuesdays March 4, 11, 18 for just 30 min. at 7:15. Let Laura know you are coming, and we'll save you some music. Call/text her at 218-209-8190 with questions.

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#### Contemporary Worship Service - 10:45 AM

Prelude: Garment

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer of Adoration

**Strong God** 

**Faithfulness** 

#### How Deep The Father's Love For Us

Offering & Prayer

Ministry Moment: Prayer for the Muslim World

Dismiss for Beginners/Kids Church (Pre-K-5th Grade)

Message: Are Signs & Wonders for Today? Pastor Jerry R.A. Johnson

Do it Again

Benediction

# The Deeply Devoted Podcast - Episode 027

Are you interested in church membership but haven't attended a membership class yet? This week and next, The Deeply Devoted Podcast brings our church's membership class to you! Whether you're new to the church or already a member, these two episodes will be a good reminder of why membership matters.

#### **New Baby**

Congratulations to Dan & Leanne Frost on the birth of their son, Brooks Douglas. He was born February 10th. He weighed 8 lbs, and was 22.5" long.

#### Next Sunday, March 9, 2025

Message: Eating with Lost Sinners
Luke 5:27-32, Pastor Jerry R. A. Johnson

#### **Kids & Youth Upcoming Events**

#### Sunday, March 2

8:30 am - Kids Church (Lower Level, dismissed before sermon)

9:45 am - Kids Sunday School (Lower Level) Youth Sunday School (511 Room)

10:45 am - Kids/Beginner Church (dismissed before sermon)

#### Tuesday, March 4

6:30 pm - Trail Life (Gym)

#### Wednesday, March 5

5:00-5:45 pm - Family Meal: Spaghetti

6:00-7:45 pm - Kids Club, PreK - 5th Grade (Lower Level) Youth Group, grades 6-12 (Youth Room)

#### Wednesday, March 12

No Family Meal, Kids Club or Youth Group

#### Saturday, March 8

No Family Meal, Kids Club or Youth Group

8:00 am - 12:00 pm - Trail Life Archery Day (Fairgrounds)

7:00 pm - 11:00 pm - Prom (Nary School, advance tickets required)

#### Shamineau 4/6 Retreat

Forms and a \$25 deposit are due by March 5th! Please pick up a registration form at the child checkin table in the main foyer.

#### **40 Days of Grace**

Family Prayers for Lent
Remember to pick up your Lent
packet of prayers. Each day,
beginning March 5th, there is
scripture and a prayer for your family
to do together. This is a great way to
connect as a family and to prepare
your hearts for the Easter season and
remember the hope of our salvation!

# Kids Ministry Envelope Fundraiser

Praise the Lord! We met our goal of \$1000 so each student received a \$40 scholarship to attend the retreat. Thank you for your generosity.

If you did not get a chance to give and would like to help with the retreat, today is the last day for our envelope fundraiser. The remaining funds will go to help purchase T-shirts and for transportation. Thanks again for

remember the hope of our salvation! supporting Kids Ministry!

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Text efreekids to 94000 join our E-Free Kids notification system.



#### **Youth Ministry**



#### **District Blitz**

District Blitz registration has ended. However, 6-12th grade students can still be put on a waiting list if a spot opens up. Contact Shelly if you want to be on the waiting list, 218-760-2821.

#### E-Free Prom Still time!

"Amongst the Stars," is March 8th from 7pm-11pm for 9th-12th grade students at the Nary School/Helga Town Hall. Tickets are \$30 each and can be purchased in the church office until Friday March 7th.

Tickets will not be sold at the event.

#### **Sunday School**

Today, March 2nd, a new Sunday School class for grades 6-12 is starting using <u>The Money Challenge</u> <u>for Teens</u>. We will be meeting together in the 511 room and it will be led by Matt & Shelbi Myrick.

## **Young Adults**

#### Sunday, March 2

8:30 am - Traditional Service

9:45 am - Gospel of John (Room 10) Church History Survey (Ch)

10:45 am - Contemporary Service

7:00 pm - CRU Women

(BSU library, 3rd floor)

#### Tuesday, March 4

6:30 pm - Anchor Life Group

#### Wednesday, March 5

7:15 pm - CRU Men (BSU, south Conference Room of lower union)

#### Thursday, March 6

6:30 pm - Volleyball (gym)

7:30 pm - CRU Large Group (BSU Crying Wolf room)

## ANCH<sup>♣</sup>R

Anchor is our young adult life group. We will 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 on BSU campus for the spring semester. Open to all BSU, Oak Hills, NW Tech, Leech Lake, & Red Lake Nation students.

See Mark C. or Terry H. with questions: mhockeymd@gmail.com Terryleehewitt@gmail.com

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### **Upcoming Events**

#### Sunday, March 2

8:30 am - Traditional Worship Service

9:45 am - Gospel of John (Room 10)

- Church History Survey (Chapel)

9:45 am - Women's Ministry Meeting (Conference Room)

10:45 am - Contemporary Worship Service

12:00 pm - CRU Leader Meeting (Fireside)

2:00 pm - Grief Share (Chapel)

#### Tuesday, March 4

10:00 am - Women's Bible Study (Fireside Room)

10:30 am - Bone Builders (Gym)

12:00 pm - Worship Committee (Conference Room)

5:45 pm - Handbells (Connection Café)

7:15 pm - Choir (Sanctuary)

#### Wednesday, March 5

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

6:05 pm - Oasis (Green Room)

6:15 pm - Life Groups (Conference Room & Fireside Room)

#### Thursday, March 6

10:00 am - Halverson Life Group (Fireside Room)

10:30 am - Bone Builders (Gym)

2:00 pm - Pickleball (Gym)

6:30 pm - Worship Team (Sanctuary)

- Women's Bible Study Fellowship BSF (Chapel)

- Volleyball (gym)

7:00 pm - Shindelar Life Group (Fireside Room)

#### Friday, March 7

7:00 am - Men's Discipleship (Fireside Room)

#### Sunday, March 2

8:30 am & 10:45 am - Traditional & Contemporary Worship Services

9:45 am - Second Sunday Prayer (Chapel)

2:00 pm - Grief Share (Chapel)

## What's Happening at E-Free Bemidji

#### Did you know...

By 2005 worship in the sanctuary was improved with a new soundboard and new (to us) technology of Powerpoint. Growing ministries led to the good "problem" of filling our facility to the limit. Youth group rented 17 different rooms from Oak Hills Christian College, and Adult Sunday School used space at the radio station and the Bemidji Town Hall. By fall a plan to greatly expand the building was approved, and generated huge excitement to serve our Lord even better with more space.

# Sr. Connection March Potluck

Let's try this again! Our family is healthy, hope you are too. Seniors, let's get together at our monthly potluck on Friday, March 14 at 11:30, as we Focus on Friendship. Scott will share what the Bible says about friends. And we'll throw in a little bit of bingo too! We'll meet in the Connection Cafe, to eat, laugh, and learn together. Call Laura at 218-209-8190 with any questions.

#### **Memorial Book Entry**

Back in May of 2011 to the glory of God, in loving memory of Mildred Sandwick, a memorial gift toward Sanctuary Projection equipment was presented by her family.

#### **BIG SALE!**

Please check out our 100th Anniversary table in the Connection Cafe. We have a big BLOWOUT sale going on now! Buy any 2 items for \$5! You can get 2 T-shirts, 2 history books, or 1 of each! Please see Jessica in the church office if you don't see your t-shirt size.

#### **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

#### **Ministry Staff**

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#### Giving for February 23, 2025

Weekly Giving: \$13,940 Weekly Need: \$15,986

Giving YTD: \$ 132,075 Needed YTD: \$ 127,888



Remaining Mortgage: \$ 37,753.18

#### Last Week's Attendance

Sunday, February 23, 2025 350 onsite | 37 screens / 8 states 2 countries

SS: 17 kids | 7 youth | 41 adults Connection Café/Misc: 83 Wednesday, February 26, 2025 60 adults, 68 children, 49 youth

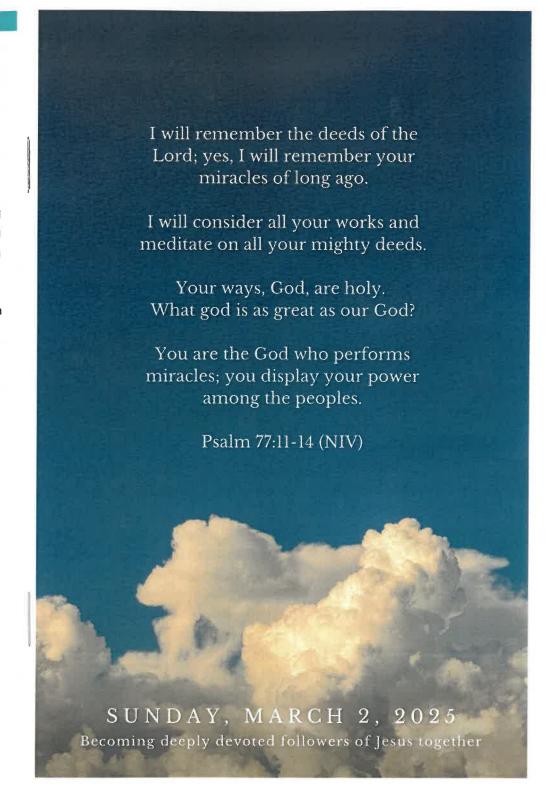
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Youth Ministry: text efcbsm to 94000 Prayer chain: text efreeprayer to 94000

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# Scam Awareness

How to Recognize and Avoid Common Scams







Join us for a Scam Awareness presentation.

When: Thursday, March 27th @ 6pm.

Where: Beltrami County Board Room at 701 Minnesota Ave.

This event is open to the public.

Put on by the Bemidji Police Department and the Beltrami County Sheriff's Department