

Welcome to E-Free Bemidji

Sunday, April 20, 2025

Traditional Worship Service - 8:30 AM

Prelude: Laura Engelstad, piano

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer of Adoration

Choir Anthem: Canon of Praise for Easter Morning

Christ The Lord Is Risen Today (Hymn #234)

He Lives! (Hymn #248)

Testimony: Jan Parham

Offering & Prayer

Handbells: "Christ Arose"

Testimony: Seth Neill

Scripture Reading: John 20:1-10, Sylvia Johannes

Message: Celebrating the Risen Christ!, Pastor Jerry RA Johnson

Choir Anthem: "Love Crucified, Arose"

Lift High The Cross (Hymn #229)

Benediction

Words for Choir Song Today

Love Crucified, Arose

by Michael Card

Love crucified, arose:

The risen One in splendor,

Jehovah's sole Defender,

Has won the victory.

Love crucified, arose:

And the grave became a place of hope,

For the heart that sin and sorrow broke

Is beating once again!

Child Dedication

We are having a Child Dedication Service on Sunday, May 4th.

If you have any questions or are interested in having your child dedicated, please contact PastorJerry@efcbemidji.org no later than Wednesday, April 30th.

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Contemporary Worship Service - 10:45 AM

Prelude: Jesus Son Of God

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer of Adoration

My Redeemer Lives

Set Free

Glorious Day

Testimony: Jan Parham

Offering & Prayer

Handbells: "Christ Arose"

Testimony: Seth Neill

Scripture Reading: John 20:1-10, Joel Hoover

Message: Celebrating the Risen Christ!, Pastor Jerry RA Johnson

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Benediction

High School or College

If you are graduating or know someone from our church who is graduating from High School or College, please let Jessica in the church office know.

E-Free Softball T-Shirts

We will be placing an order for E-Free Softball T-Shirts for anyone who would like to show support for our team! Please see the order form in the church office, the order will be placed on May 4th.

The Deeply Devoted Podcast - Episode 034

This week on the podcast, we are continuing our Podcast Read-Along through Mere Christianity by C.S. Lewis. Pastor Eric sits down with Hudson Cermak to discuss Chapters 7-12 of Book Three on Christian Behavior.

Next Sunday, April 27, 2025

Message: Allowing Blessings and Woes to Inform our Worldview

Luke 6:17-26, Pastor Jerry RA Johnson

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

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

Kids & Youth Upcoming Events

Sunday, April 20 Easter Sunday

No Kids/Beginner Church or Sunday School

9:45 am - Refreshments in the Connection Café

Wednesday, April 23

5:00-5:45 pm - Family Meal: Pulled Pork Sandwiches

6:00-7:45 pm - Kids Club, PreK - 5th Grade (Lower Level)

Youth Group, grades 6-12 (Youth Room)

Saturday, April 26

Trail Life - Character Challenge Course

E-Free Kids

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



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

To continue to serve our families and offer Nursery and Beginner's/Kids Church, we need more people to volunteer. Please contact the office or Amy if you would considering helping. Ideally, if enough people volunteered you would only need to serve once per month or every couple months.

2025 VBS

Save the date!

August 10th-13th from

6:00pm-8:15pm

4 years-entering 6th graders

We hope your kids will join us this year as we Live It Out: Discover how to love like Jesus. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the church office of Amy Graf.

Youth Ministry



Youth Group

E-Free Bemidji Student Ministry welcomes all 6th - 12th grade students! See Shelly Mustful or Danny Paddock with questions. shellymustful@gmail.com or paddocksonsautorepair@gmail.com

Today

No Sunday School today, April 20th due to Easter Sunday.

New Sunday School Class

The Youth has a new Sunday School class beginning on April 27th at 9:45am in the 511 Room. This four week class will look at what science says about the origins of the earth using The Science Dilemma video series.

District Blitz

Thank you for your prayers and financial support for our trip to Duluth! Thank you to everyone who helped on so many fronts! We had a great trip! And thank you leaders who gave a whole weekend to hang out with and disciple our students!

Young Adults

Sunday, April 20

8:30 am - Traditional Service

9:45 am - Treats (Connection Café)

10:45 am - Contemporary Service

Tuesday, April 22

6:30 pm - Anchor Life Group

Wednesday, April 23

7:00 pm - CRU Men (BSU, south Conference Room of lower union)

Thursday, April 24

6:30 pm - Volleyball (gym)

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

ANCHOR

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, April 20 Easter Sunday

8:30 am - Traditional Worship Service

9:45 am - Refreshments in the Connection Café

10:45 am - Contemporary Worship Service

Monday, April 21

6:30 pm - Softball practice (Gym)

Tuesday, April 22

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

10:30 am - Bone Builders (Gym)

5:45 pm - Handbells (Connection Café)

6:00 pm - Conquer (Room 2)

7:15 pm - Choir (Sanctuary)

Wednesday, April 23

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

6:05 pm - Oasis (Green Room)

6:15 pm - Life Group (Conference Room or Fireside Room)

Thursday, April 24

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

10:30 am - Bone Builders (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, April 25

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

Sunday, April 27

8:30 am - Traditional Worship Service

9:45 am - Adult, Youth, Kids Sunday School

10:45 am - Contemporary Worship Service

12:00 pm - All Church Potluck (Gym)

1:00 pm - Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)

What's Happening at E-Free Bemidji

Congregational Potluck

Please join us next week, April 27th for an all-church Potluck in the Gym at 12 PM before the congregational meeting at 1:00pm. Please bring a main dish or side dish to share, we hope you will join us. Please contact the church office if you are available to help with set up and clean up. All are welcome!

Congregational Meeting

Next Sunday, April 27th at 1:00 PM we will hold a Congregational Meeting meeting in the sanctuary. The agenda will include voting on new members, on by-law changes, and our Global Connections Team chair. We will hear a financial report. This meeting is open to anyone who would like to attend. We hope to see you there! The by-law changes are available in the church office if you didn't get it in your bulletin last week.

Open House

Please join the Eastlings in celebrating Ben and his graduation from High School. Their open house is May 4th from 2-4pm at Camp Oak Hills.

Baptism

Let's rejoice together as we celebrate the baptism of Devin Brown. He was baptized in the name of Jesus on Thursday, April 3rd.

Women's Overflow

Ladies! Join us Monday, April 28th at The Bemidji Community Food Shelf for our last Overflow of the year. Bring an item or two to donate. Popular but understocked items include: canned tuna or chicken, spices, Bisquick or muffin mixes, canned fruit, and name brand cereals. Stop by the Women's Ministry table for a reminder invite!

Benevolence Fund

If you or someone you know from our church family is experiencing a financial difficulty, please contact one of the pastors or elders about our Benevolence Fund. The Elders distribute these funds to anyone in our church family who needs help with a utility bill, rent, car repair, medical bill, or whatever might be creating a financial hardship right now.

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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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Laura Engelstad, 8:30 Music Director

Jason Robeck, 10:45 Music Director

Giving for April 13, 2025

Weekly Giving: \$ 10,546

Weekly Need: \$ 15,986

Giving YTD: \$ 211,609

Needed YTD: \$ 239,790



Last Week's Attendance

Sunday, April 13, 2025

405 onsite | 19 screens / 7 states

Palm Sunday Breakfast: 155

Connection Café/Misc: 26

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

13 adults, - children, 49 youth

Remaining Mortgage: \$ 17,979

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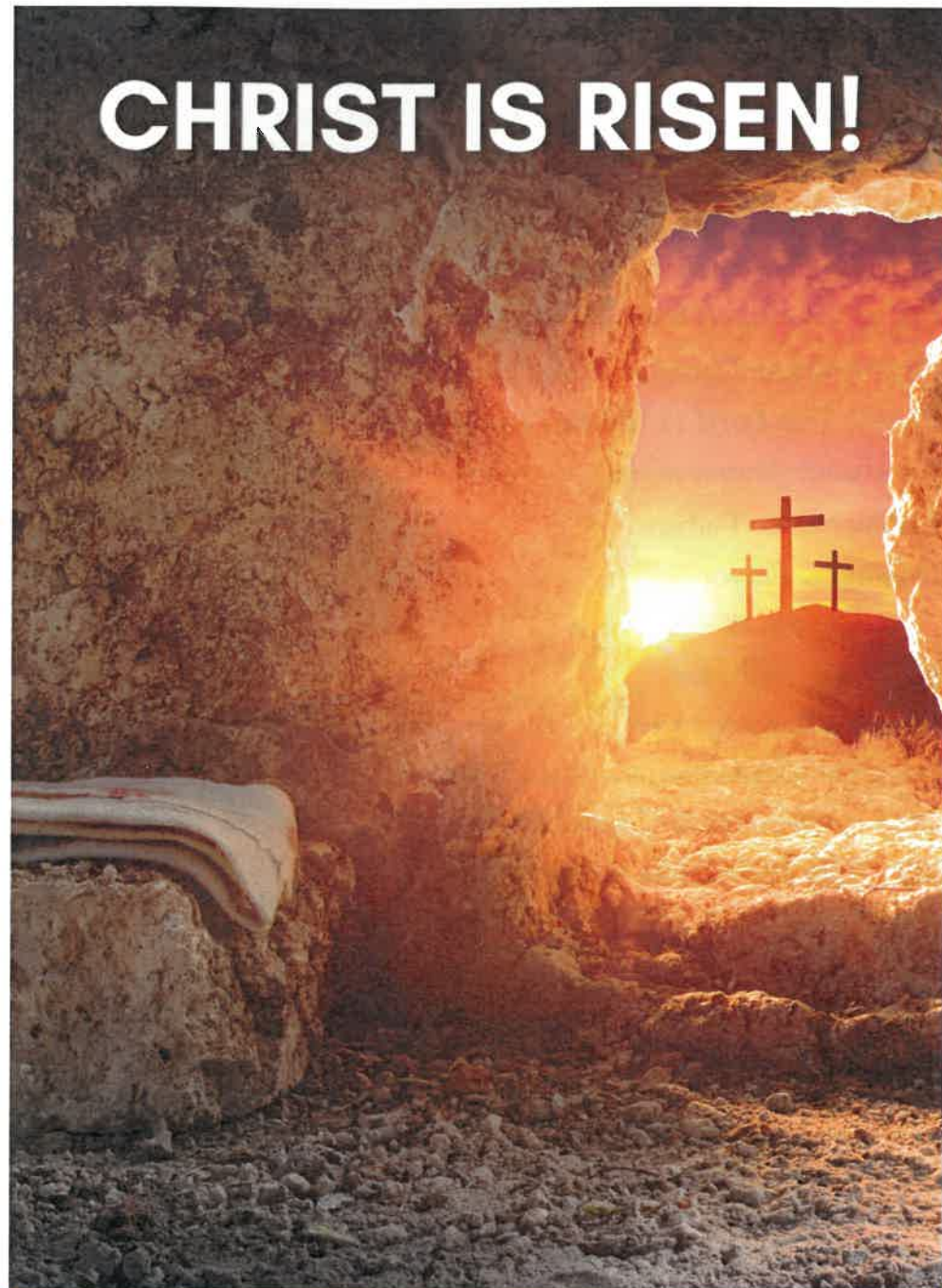
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