

Evangelical Free Church of Bemidji

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Giving through February 8, 2026

Weekly Giving: \$11,640

Weekly Need: \$15,986

Giving YTD: \$59,125

Needed YTD: \$95,916



Last Week's Attendance

Wednesday February 11, 2026

53 Kids | 51 Youth | 54 Adults

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Becoming deeply devoted followers of Jesus together.



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Sunday, February 15, 2026

Welcome to E-Free Bemidji

Sunday, February 15, 2026

Traditional Worship Service - 8:30 AM

Prelude: Laura Engelstad

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer of Adoration

O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing (#130)

Grace Greater Than Our Sin (#472)

Trust And Obey (#523)

Ministry Moment: Foster Ministry

Offering & Prayer

Offertory: Handbells, "O God Beyond All Praising"

Dismiss for Beginners/Kids Church

Scripture Reading: Josie Fultz, Luke 9:51-62

Message: The Path to Discipleship, Pastor Eric Nygren

I Have Decided To Follow Jesus (#576)

Benediction

What's Happening at E-Free Bemidji

February Overflow

Ladies: "GAME ON" Monday, February 23rd @ 6:30 PM in the Gym! Come learn how to play pickleball OR choose a board game to challenge others in OR bring a project to work on if you're not the gaming type but still enjoy the fellowship. Questions? Stop by the Women's Ministry table to let us know you're coming - we'd love to talk with you!

Today's Handbell Song: **O God Beyond All Praising**

O God beyond all praising,
we worship you today
and sing the love amazing
that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder
at every gift you send,
at blessings without number
and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you
and wait upon your word,
we honor and adore you,
our great and mighty Lord.

Memorial Book Entry

To the glory of God and in loving memory of Eric Soderstrom, a memorial gift towards Sanctuary projection equipment, was presented by his family in August of 2006.

Celebrate Marriage

We are celebrating marriage during the month of February. We would like to post wedding photos to remember and cherish all the marriages that have taken place in our church family. They will be hung up in the connection cafe. If you have yet to send one we'd love to see it! Please contact Mandi Buchan to let her know to include your photo. (218)766-9106

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

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

Our Life Groups are all about learning together and loving one another. Visit www.efcbemidji.org/lifegroups for more info.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, February 15

- 8:30 am - Traditional Worship Service
- 9:45 am - Adult Bible Study: Gospel of John (Room 10)
- 9:45 am - Survey of Church History (West Chapel)
- 10:45 am - Contemporary Worship Service

Tuesday, February 17

- 10:00 am - Women's Bible Study (Fireside Room)
- 10:30 am - Bone Builders (Gym)

Wednesday, February 18

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

Thursday, February 19

- 10:30 am - Bone Builders (Gym)
- 6:30 pm - Women's Bible Study Fellowship
(Youth Room, East Chapel, West Chapel, and Classroom 4)
- 6:30 pm - Volleyball (Gym)

Saturday, February 21

- 10:30 am - Not Forgotten Adult Grief Group (Room 10)

Sunday, February 22

- 8:30 am - Traditional Worship Service
- 9:45 am - Adult Bible Study: Gospel of John (Room 10)
- 9:45 am - Survey of Church History (West Chapel)
- 10:45 am - Contemporary Worship Service

Contemporary Worship Service - 10:45 AM

Prelude: The More I seek You

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer of Adoration

Your Glory

Nothing But the Blood of Jesus (#471)

The Heart of Worship

I Have Decided To Follow Jesus (#576)

Ministry Moment: Foster Ministry

Offering & Prayer

Offertory: Handbells, "O God Beyond All Praising"

Dismiss for Beginners/Kids Church

Scripture Reading: David Knudson, Luke 9:51-62

Message: The Path of Discipleship, Pastor Eric Nygren

I Am Not My Own

Benediction

Next Sunday, February 22, 2026

Hanging Together (Why Unity is a Survival Skill), Paul Schlador
Philippians 2:1-4

Kids & Youth Upcoming Events

Sunday, February 15

- 8:30 am - Kids/Beginners Church (Lower Level, dismissed during service)
- 9:45 am - Kids Sunday School (Lower Level)
- 9:45 am - Youth Sunday School (5:11 Room)
- 10:45 am - Kids/Beginners Church (Lower Level, dismissed during service)

Wednesday, February 18

- 5:00-5:45 pm - Family Meal: Hot Dogs
- 6:00-7:30 pm - Kids Club, PreK - 5th Grade (Lower Level)
- 6:00-7:45 pm - Youth Group, grades 6-12 (Youth Room)

E-Free Kids

Shamineau Retreat 46

Shamineau Retreat 46 is April 10th-12th. This retreat is for 4th, 5th, & 6th grade students. If your child is interested in attending this retreat, please pick up a "youth retreat release form" from the church office, or at the child check-in stations. The cost is: \$125/student for the weekend. Forms and fees are due by March 25th. Meals at the camp will be included. We will stop at DQ on the way down to Shamineau, and when we head back to Bemidji. Students will be responsible for their meals at DQ. **If you are available to be a counselor, or help by driving kids to Motely (Camp Shamineau) Please contact Lex in the office, or Amy Graf - agraf@efcbemidji.org

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 7:30 pm. We meet each week in small group, large group Bible teaching, worship, snacks and games. Contact Amy with questions: agraf@efcbemidji.org



Youth Ministry

Youth Sunday School

We finished up our Bad Advice series and are moving into Proverbs - or Good Advice! Each Sunday we will be tackling a new chapter of Proverbs and discussing the wisdom and discernment that we have been given through this wonderful book.

Sunday School Volunteers Needed

if you are willing/desire to lead a discussion with our 6th-12th Grade students, let Pastor Shane know. We are looking for more Male and Female leaders to help guide/teach our Sunday School Group.



Young Adults

Sunday, February 15

- 8:30 am - Traditional Service
- 10:45 am - Contemporary Service

Tuesday, February 17

- 6:00 pm - Anchor (Youth Room)

Thursday, February 19

- 7:30 pm - CRU (BSU, Hobson Memorial - Crying Wolf Room)

ANCHOR

Our Anchor group continues! Tuesday evenings from 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM in the Youth Room. Join us this week as we step into the I AM Series and how through the gospel of John we see a very personal and powerful savior.



Open to all BSU, Oak Hills, NW Tech, Leech Lake, and Red Lake Nation students. We meet Thursday nights from 7:30-8:30 pm in Memorial 240.

As well as having a Tuesday Night Men's Bible Study and Monday Night Women's Bible Studies. See Mark C. or Terry H. with questions: mhockeymd@gmail.com Terryleehewitt@gmail.com

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