10:30am Contemporary Service

WELCOME		
PRAISE SINGING	"I Thank God"	Good News Worship Team
	"It Really Is Amazing Grace"	
	Time of Prayer	
	"Goodness of God"	
GREETING & MEMORY VERSE		
CHILDREN INVITED TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH		
This option is for children Pre-K through Grade 5. Kids can stay in worship or go to Children's Church.		
OFFERING		
SCRIPTURE	1 Thessalonian's 5:18	
MESSAGE	"Thankful Anyway"	Jim Klepper
PRAYER		
SPECIAL MUSIC	"Gratitude"	Kahn Evans
ANNOUNCEMENTS & MEMORY VERSE		
BLESSING		

Memory Verse

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is Good: his love endures forever." Psalm 107:1

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November 22, 2026

Wherever you are on your journey, you are welcome here!

8:30am Traditional Service

GATHERING	"Come Thou Font of Every Blessing"	Robert Robinson
PRELUDE	"Count Your Blessings"	Irving Berlin
WELCOME		
*OPENING SONG	"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty!"	*UMH*#139 (vs. 1, 3 & 5)
*MEMORY VERSE		
CHILDREN INVITED TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH		

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SCRIPTURE	1 Thessalonian's 5:18	
MESSAGE	"Thankful Anyway"	Jim Klepper
MESSAGE SONG	"Give Thanks"	*TFWS*#2036
LED PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "sins")		*UMH*#894
OFFERING		
CHOIR ANTHEM	"Prayer of Thanksgiving"	Knox & Wilson
*DOXOLOGY	"Thank You Lord"	

"Thank you, Lord, for saving my soul. Thank you, Lord, for making me whole.
Thank you, Lord, for giving to me Thy great salvation so rich and free."

*OFFERTORY PRAYER		
*CLOSING SONG	"For the Beauty of the Earth"	*UMH*#92 (vs.1, 2, 5 & 6)
*ANNOUNCEMENTS & MEMORY VERSE		
*THE BENEDICTION		
*POSTLUDE	"Let All Things Now Living"	Welsh Tune

***Invited to stand. Feel free to stand or sit, as you are able or prefer.**

Rev. Dr. David Werner, Pastor
Jim Klepper, Director of Connections & Growth
Clancy Craven, Assoc. Director of Connections & Growth
Fant Steele, Media Technology Coordinator

Mike Aakre, Office Administrator
Stephanie Mettler, Youth Director
Pam Wright, Choir Director
Tom Burson, Organist

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, November 22
8:15am Prayer for Worship
8:30am Traditional Worship Service (Children's Church)
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am Contemporary Worship Service (Children's Church)
2:00pm Unite@ *The Drowsy Chaperone* (Dover-Eyota HS)
4:00pm *The Chosen Season 6* Watch Party (Roger & Janet Guderian's)

Monday, November 23
1:00pm Sewing Circle (Room 223)

Tuesday, November 24
6:15pm Praise Team Practice (Sanctuary)

Wednesday, November 25
11:00am Older Folders (Fireside Room)

Thursday, November 26
Thanksgiving – Office Closed

Friday, November 27
Office Closed

Sunday, November 29 – First Sunday of Advent
8:15am Prayer for Worship
8:30am Traditional Worship Service (Children's Church)
10:30am Contemporary Worship Service (Children's Church)
4:00pm *The Chosen Season 6* Watch Party (Roger & Janet Guderian's)

Upcoming events, holidays & special Sundays:
Sat., Dec. 5 Cookies for the Homebound
Fri., Dec. 11 Youth Christmas Party
Sun., Dec. 13 Christmas Program
Thurs., Dec. 24 Christmas Eve
Fri., Dec. 25 Christmas Day

Today at Evangel

- Today, we welcome Jim Klepper, Evangel's Director of Connections and Growth, who will lead worship and preach at both services.
- The Giving Tree starts today! You can participate by taking a tag off the tree in the lobby and following the instructions. Gifts are due back Sun., Dec. 13.
- Unite@ is heading to Dover-Eyota High School for a performance of *The Drowsy Chaperone*, featuring Evangel's own Zoe and Emma Norman! Meet at Evangel at 1:15pm to carpool or meet at the high school at 1:40pm. The show begins at 2:00pm.
- Join in at 4pm at Roger and Janet Guderians' home for *The Chosen Season 6* Watch Party. Today is episode 4. Pizza included! Call the church office for the address.

Announcements

Church Office Closed for Thanksgiving
The church office will be closed Thursday, November 26, and Friday, November 27, in observance of Thanksgiving. We wish everyone a blessed and happy Thanksgiving!

Message Next Sunday: "A Tiny Thrill of Hope" with Pastor Stephanie Mettler
What did God send to a world in need of hope? Join in for Hope Sunday as we begin Advent remembering God's remarkable and small gift of hope.
Pastor Stephanie will lead worship and share the message for the First Sunday of Advent while Pastor David and his family are exploring the Holy Land of Egypt.

Advent Series: "Journey to Bethlehem"
Christmas is a story of leaving, NOT staying home. Mary and Joseph journey to Bethlehem, shepherds leave their fields, the Magi travel from the East, and angels come to earth with the Christmas message. Most importantly, Jesus leaves His heavenly home to come to us. This series explores how Christmas calls us beyond our comfort zones to go out, share the good news, and follow God boldly into the new year.

Sign Up to Light the Advent Wreath
Each week we'll light a candle on the Advent wreath, representing the hope, peace & joy of the season. Individuals and families are encouraged to participate in a Sunday morning service to light the candle and read scripture. Sign up today in the Lobby or call the church office.

***The Chosen Season 6* Watch Party at Roger and Janet Guderians'**
Sundays at 4pm • call the church for address • Pizza Included!
November 29: Episode 5 | December 6: Episode 6

Cookies for the Homebound
Sat., Dec. 5 • 1–4pm • Kitchen & Dinette • Class size is limited to 12 participants
Each participant is asked to bring 2 dozen homemade cookies without nuts. We'll frost and decorate cut-out cookies, enjoy holiday drinks and treats, and share a brief Christmas devotion. To sign up, click the link in the midweek update or sign up on the bulletin board next to Room 223.

Custodian Needed
With Sue Long's retirement at the end of 2026, Evangel is seeking a part-time custodian. The position is approximately 20 hours per week. Interested in learning more? Please contact the church office at 507-289-4817. Someone will follow up with you to discuss the position's responsibilities, requirements, and answer any questions you may have.

Expressions of Appreciation
- Elaine Schmidt would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who came out on Sun., Nov. 15, to rake leaves in her yard. She is grateful for your time, kindness, and willingness to lend a helping hand!

"Say It with Flowers"
- Flowers today are in memory of Travis Gierszewski, Barb Hammon's son-in-law.

Prayer Concerns
- Becky Pierce had her second kidney stone surgery this week.
- Dick Rinearson is determining treatment for stage-4 metastatic prostate cancer. Pastor Dick and his wife Pastor Linda Renaud (recent attender to Evangel) moved to Rochester in October.

Continued Prayers
- Karen Craven – stroke disability
- Hazel Curtiss - mobility issues
- Stan Dodge - mobility issues
- Carson Eide - college student
- Cody Evans - college student
- Ed Fishel - cancer treatment
- Sylvia Fishel - multiple health issues
- Fulton Gallagher - mobility issues
- Duane Haugen - mobility & memory issues
- Jacque Heidebrink - mobility issues
- Elaine Held - mobility issues
- Garrett Hermanson - college student

Message Notes