

10:30 a.m. “Good News” Worship Service

WELCOME

PRAISE SINGING & PRAYER      “Day of Victory”      “Good News” Worship Team  
   “The Praise Is Yours”  
   Time of Prayer  
   “No Longer Slaves”

GREETING & MEMORY VERSE

OFFERING      “Who You Say I Am”      “Good News” Worship Team

KIDS RELEASED TO CHILDREN’S CHURCH  
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SCRIPTURE      Matthew 18:1-5      Tessa Hull

MESSAGE      *The Chosen:* (S1E3) “Jesus Loves the Little Children”

PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC      “God Be the Glory”      Skip Langer & Band

ANNOUNCEMENTS & MEMORY VERSE

BLESSING & CLOSING MUSIC

Memory Verse

“Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.” -Luke 18:17

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Welcome to  
Evangel United Methodist Church!

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February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

GATHERING	“Hymn of Promise”	Natalie Sleeth
PRELUDE	“In Heaven Above”	J.S. Bach
WELCOME		
OPENING HYMN	“Glorify Thy Name”	TFWS#2016 (vs. 1-3,& 1 repeated)
*MEMORY VERSE		
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MESSAGE	<i>The Chosen:</i> (S1E3) “Jesus Loves the Little Children”	
SPECIAL MUSIC	“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”	Kahn Evans
PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER		UMH#894
OFFERING		
CHOIR ANTHEM	“Like as a Father”	Austin C. Lovelace
*DOXOLOGY	“Glory Be to the Father”	UMH#70
*OFFERTORY PRAYER		
*APOSTLE’S CREED		UMH#881
*CLOSING HYMN	“Children of the Heavenly Father”	UMH# (vs. 1-4)
*ANNOUNCEMENTS & MEMORY VERSE		
*THE BENEDICTION		
*POSTLUDE	“Fugue in Bb Minor”	J.S. Bach

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

Rev. Dr. David Werner, Pastor	Mike Aakre, Office Manager
Jim Klepper, Christian Education Director	Tom Burson, Organist
Clancy Craven, Associate of Christian Education	Pam Wright, Choir Director

This Week’s Schedule

5:30 p.m.	<u>Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup></u> Evangel Young Adults: Dinner & Movie
1:00 p.m.	<u>Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup></u> Sewing Circle (room 224)
9:00 a.m.	<u>Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup></u> Bible Storytime (room 225 – Children’s Library)
1:00 p.m.	“The Chosen” Season 1 Episode 4 (sanctuary)
5:00 p.m.	Wed. Night Meal (dinette)
5:00 p.m.	Connect Group Design Team (room 223)
6:15 p.m.	Praise Team (sanctuary)
6:15 p.m.	Confirmation (room 224)
6:30 p.m.	<i>The Chosen</i> Season 1 Episode 4 (dinette)
6:30 p.m.	Unrelenting Grace book study (zoom)
7:30 p.m.	<u>Thursday, February 29<sup>th</sup></u> Choir practice (sanctuary)
11:00 a.m.	<u>Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> – World Day of Prayer</u> Older Folders (room 221 – Fireside)
7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Lock-In
8:15 a.m.	<u>Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup></u> Prayer for Worship
8:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship – Jim Klepper preaching
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
10:30 a.m.	“Good News” Contemporary Service – Jim Klepper preaching
11:30 a.m.	Hospitality Group (room 221 – Fireside)
<b>Upcoming events, holidays &amp; special Sundays:</b>	
Tues., Mar. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Presidential Primary Election
Sun., Mar. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Daylight Savings Time
Sun., Mar. 17 <sup>th</sup>	UMCOR Sunday
Sun., Mar. 17 <sup>th</sup>	St. Patrick’s Day
Sun., Mar. 24 <sup>th</sup>	Palm Sunday
Thurs., Mar. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Maundy Thursday
Fri., Mar. 29 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday
Sun., Mar. 31 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Sunday

Announcements

Evangel Young Adults: Dinner & Movie Tonight!

This evening at 5:30 p.m. the Young Adults are meeting for dinner at Mr. Pizza North and then will go see *The Chosen*, Season 4 Episodes 4-6 at nearby Cinemagic Theater. Bring your friends!

Lenten Journey

This Lent we are using the new TV series *The Chosen* as a way to draw closer to Jesus. Each Wed. through Mar. 27<sup>th</sup> we'll show episodes from *The Chosen* Season 1 at church in the sanctuary at 1:00 p.m. and in the dinette at 6:30 p.m. This Wed., Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, we will watch Episode 4 with a short discussion afterwards. You can also watch on your TV on Angel Studios, Netflix, Amazon Prime & Hulu. In addition to watching Season 1 of *The Chosen*, you are invited to read a chapter from Matthew each weekday. Read through chapter 12 by the end of Fri., Mar. 1<sup>st</sup>.

Message Next Sunday - Jim Klepper Preaching!

We humans like to be independent. We like to do it alone. We don't like to look weak and we definitely do not want to look helpless! So why is it that God seems drawn to those who are weak and powerless? Why does Jesus prefer being near us when we are empty? As we dive into *The Chosen* Season 1, Episode 4, "Changing Course into the Deeper Water" I want us to consider the weaknesses God has blessed us with (yes...blessed us with). It's not when were strong that we are strong in Christ's power, but when we are weak. And in our weakness, who knows what God might do!

Holy Communion Moved to Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>

There will be no Holy Communion on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Evangel's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Sunday School/All Church Food Drive

Sun., Mar. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Sun., Apr. 7<sup>th</sup>

This year Evangel will be supporting the Zumbro Ridge Estates Food Shelf, just three miles north on Hwy 63. Evangel has served this neighborhood several times including remodeling their community center, clearing trees and brush from the property and building their food shelf pantry. The "Food Wall" in the lobby and food bins in Sunday School rooms will be ready to receive your non-perishable food items on Sun., Mar. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Easter Flower Orders

The Visual Arts Team will be decorating the sanctuary and lobby with a variety of flowers for Easter. Flowers you purchased may be taken home following the last service on Easter Sunday, Mar. 31<sup>st</sup>. Order forms can be found in the February newsletter. If you need help obtaining an order form, contact Mike in the office. Deadline for ordering is March 15<sup>th</sup>.

Positions Available at Evangel

Evangel Church is a loving and supportive community. The staff are welcoming and love to have a good time while working hard to move the church forward in their mission. Evangel is currently hiring for the following positions: 1.) Youth Director 2.) Media & Technical Coordinator 3.) Lead Custodian and 4.) Supplemental Janitor. For job descriptions, go to [evangelum.org](http://evangelum.org) > Job Openings. If interested in learning more about the positions, please contact the church office at [office@evangelum.org](mailto:office@evangelum.org); 507-289-4817.

Delay With Upper Room Devotionals

The Upper Rooms for March/April will arrive next week.

Prayer Concerns

- Dianne Anderson has moved to Samaritan Bethany, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, room #2401.
- Neil & Pat Anderson's granddaughter, Ari, is experiencing possible liver problems & nerve pain.
- Rudy Biaggio was admitted this past week to the St. Mary's ICU for breathing concerns.
- Becky Book is recovering at St. Mary's from abdominal surgery on Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Al Fritsche was hospitalized two weeks ago with pneumonia and sepsis.
- Phyllis Hammes is convalescing at an adult foster care home at 1311 9<sup>th</sup> St SW, 507-288-4304.
- Carol Kirkham had a PET scan on Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> to determine next steps for skin cancer treatment.
- Dorene Speer has moved to Samaritan Bethany, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, room #2607.
- Michael Stelck is feeling weak and has a fever. Doctors have not given a diagnosis.
- Jean Vrieze was admitted this past week to St. Mary's for an infection.

Continued Prayers

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| • Jeva Kennedy – Multiple ongoing issues | • Gene Long – Parkinson's disease and back pain |
| • Jean Koebke – Respiratory issues       | • Emma Lundquist – College student              |
| • David Laechel – Stroke recovery        | • Ian McDonough – College student               |
| • Griffin Langer – College student       | • Lane McDonough – College student              |
| • Shirley Larson – Mobility issues       | • Sean McDonough – College student              |
| • Lily Linden – College student          | • Ruth Ann Miles – Parkinson's disease          |

Message Notes