

10:30am Contemporary Service

WELCOME

PRAISE SINGING "Glorious Day" Good News Worship Team
 "Same God"
 Time of Prayer
 "Lord I Need You"

GREETING & MEMORY VERSE

PRAYERS FOR SCHOOL STARTING

OFFERING

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: THE COVENANT

SCRIPTURE Romans 6: 3-14

FAITH SHARING "My Faith Testimony" The Confirmation Students

MESSAGE SONG "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" TFWS#2129 (vs.1-3)

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: THE VOWS & APOSTLES' CREED UMH#881

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: THE CONFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE CONFIRMATION VERSE Romans 6: 3-4

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: THE CONFIRMATION BLESSING

JOINING EVANGEL AS PROFESSING MEMBERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER ("sins") UMH#894

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Blessing"

ANNOUNCEMENTS & MEMORY VERSE

BLESSING

CLOSING MUSIC

***Special Music performed by Helen Duff, Jim Klepper & Denise Tompkin**

Memory Verse

*"For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ."
- Galatians 3:27*

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Welcome to
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August 23, 2026

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

8:30am Traditional Service

GATHERING	"I Have Decided To Follow Jesus"	W. Jensen Reynolds
PRELUDE	"They Will Know We Are Christians By Our Love"	Peter Scholtes
WELCOME		
*OPENING SONG	"I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry"	TFWS#2051 (vs.1-7)
*MEMORY VERSE		
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SPECIAL MUSIC	"The Blessing"	
OFFERING		
*DOXOLOGY	"When We All Get to Heaven"	UMH#701 (vs.1)
*OFFERTORY PRAYER		
*ANNOUNCEMENTS & MEMORY VERSE		
*THE BENEDICTION		
*POSTLUDE	"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"	

*Invited to stand. Feel free to stand or sit, as you are able or prefer.
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Rev. Dr. David Werner, Pastor	Mike Aakre, Office Administrator
Jim Klepper, Director of Connections & Growth	Stephanie Mettler, Youth Director
Clancy Craven, Assoc. Director of Connections & Growth	Pam Wright, Choir Director
Fant Steele, Media Technology Coordinator	Tom Burson, Organist

This Week's Schedule

	Sunday, August 23 – Confirmation Sunday
8:15am	Prayer for Worship
8:30am	Traditional Worship Service Children's Church (during service)
9:30am	Upper Room Bible Study (Fireside Room)
9:30am	Drop-In class (Room 223)
10:30am	Contemporary Worship Service Children's Church (during service)
	Monday, August 24
1:00pm	Sewing Circle (Room 223)
	Tuesday, August 25
1:30pm	Women of God – Walking It Out (Fireside Room)
	Wednesday, August 26
6:15pm	Good News Praise Team practice (Sanctuary)
	Friday, August 28
11:00am	Older Folders (Fireside Room)
1:00pm	Mission Presentation (Fireside Room)
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Upcoming events, holidays & special Sundays:

Wed., Sept. 2	1 st Wed. Night Meal of the year
Mon., Sept. 7	Labor Day (Office closed)
Fri., Sept. 11	Youth Kickoff Night
Sun., Sept. 13	Kickoff Sunday Unite@ Lark Toys
Sun., Sept. 20	1 st day of Sunday School

Announcements

Today Is Confirmation Sunday

We have three amazing Confirmation students who will be declaring their faith in Jesus publicly: Tate Hull (Mentor: Jim Cooper), Clarissa Kroening (Mentor: Pearl Hulsebus), Emma Norman (Mentor: Hollie Dunford). They will share their incredible testimonies and be spurred on in your own spiritual journey! And a special thank you to Jackie Hall for making the Confirmation stoles!

Women of God – Walking It Out

Tuesdays at 1pm • Fireside Room • August 25–September 22
Ladies, starting this Tues., you are invited to participate in a five-week journey through the lives of five women in Scripture. Each week will include Bible study, discussion, prayer, & encouragement to help you grow in your walk with Christ. Contact Kay Hess or Cyndy Tischer to sign up.

Mission Presentation on August 28

Nathan and Shelly Snodgrass are visiting Evangel on Friday, August 28, at 1pm in the Fireside Room. They are Evangel-supported missionaries serving in Central Asia, and they'll be sharing about their ministry, experiences, and what God is doing through their mission work. You're invited to come hear their story and learn more about their ministry.

Message Next Sunday – “Heaven: Home!”

What images does “home” evoke for you? What are its good qualities? Next Sunday we will hear Jesus’ promise to one day take us “home” to our heavenly dwelling. That means our true home is not in this life, but in the life to come. That changes what “home” means, and heaven, too!

Come Ring with Us - Handbells Return this Fall!

Starting September 9, handbell practice will be on Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm in Room 223. If you are interested or want to join, contact Anita Hermanson at 507-254-5724; ahrmnsn@msn.com.

Kickoff Sunday: The Jesus Way On September 13 - One Service at 9:30am

Reconnect with your church family, welcome new friends, and join in for a high energy morning to kickoff the new school year! This year's theme, “The Jesus Way”, will explore what it means to follow Jesus—not only in what we believe, but in how we live each day. After worship service, you are invited to the south parking lot for a catered lunch, games, and fellowship. The day will continue with an adventure to Lark Toys in Kellogg, MN for our first Unite@ event of the year!

Unite@ Lark Toys in Kellogg, MN

Sunday, September 13 • 1pm–4:30pm • Cost: \$8
After Kickoff Sunday activities, join in for an adventure to Lark Toys! Enjoy 18 holes of mini golf, indulge in their famous ice cream and fudge, and ride one of the world’s most unique hand-carved wooden carousels. Carpool from Evangel at 1pm or meet us there. To sign up, click the link in the August newsletter or weekly Midweek Update. Questions or need assistance signing up? Talk to Mike in the Office.

Prayer Concerns

- Tom Adams’ memorial service was on Sat., Aug. 15 at Evangel.
- Darlene Albrecht had successful knee surgery on Aug. 17.
- Nancy Becker-Peterson is stable in her leukemia diagnosis.
- Maurine Johnson's funeral was on Tues., Aug. 18 at Evangel.
- Pastor Tracy Kennedy retired from chaplaincy with Mayo Clinic to take care of her husband, who has been diagnosed with Parkinson's and Lou Gehrig's diseases. She is also taking low-dose chemo for possible cancer diagnosis.
- Patty Lex continues to recover from hip surgery.
- Brian Nass continues to recover at home from his stroke.
- Ronda Nass' mother passed to glory last week.
- Sylvia Rolfs continues to recover at home from back surgery.
- Charles Schneider has moved to Enhanced Living at Charterhouse.
- Jean Vrieze moved into Chosen Valley Care Center in Chatfield on Thurs., Aug. 20.

Continued Prayers

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| • Theo Wermers - college student | • Marian Blagsvedt - mobility issues |
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| • Dianne Andersen - mobility issues | • Pat Brahmer - mobility issues |
| • Josiah Arechigo - college student | • Joy Burson - memory issues |
| • Marilyn Bastian - mobility issues | • Jim Cooper - cancer concerns |

Message Notes