

Prayer Concerns

- Neil Anderson had an ablation on Sep. 10 to get his heart back in a more consistent rhythm.
- Tim Bauer & fiancé Jo Spencer are grieving the sudden deaths of both Tim’s son and cousin last weekend.
- Becky Elgin's cousin, Missy Garnes and family on the loss of her son Emmet Sauers in a tragic accident.
- Ruth Ann Miles passed to glory on Sunday, September. 6. Her funeral will be at Evangel on Saturday, September 19 at 11am (visitation at 10am, lunch following service).
- Gary Wexell, oldest son of Joyce Lee, had brain surgery to draw a sample of a mass.

Continued Prayers

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| • Paula Jackson - disability | • Jeva Kennedy - multiple ongoing issues |
| • Logan Jameson - college student | • Remona Kisrow - mobility issues |
| • Paul Johnson - mobility issues | • Jean Koebke - respiratory issues |
| • Donna Jorgenson - mobility issues | • Evan Langer - college student |
| • James Kamarah, Jr. - college student | • Griffin Langer - college student |

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Message Notes



Welcome to
Evangel United Methodist Church!

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September 13, 2026

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

9:30am Kickoff Sunday Worship Service

"We Choose the Jesus Way"

WELCOME		
PRAISE SINGING	"Praise"	Good News Worship Team
	"So So Good"	
	"Pharoah Pharoah" (Jesus Way Edition)	
INTRODUCTION TO THE THEME: WE CHOOSE THE JESUS WAY		
CHOIR ANTHEM	"God Is Calling Us"	Natalie Sleeth
THE JESUS WAY PART 1: CHOOSING HUMILITY & SERVING OTHERS		
THE JESUS WAY PART 2: CHOOSING JUSTICE & MERCY		
MILESTONE GIFTS FOR GRADES 6 & 9		
THE JESUS WAY PART 3: CHOOSING LOVE		
CONCLUSION: TRANSFORMED (CHANGED)!		
PRAISE SONG	"The Jesus Way"	Good News Praise Team
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
BLESSING FOR THE MEAL		
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, September 13 – Kickoff Sunday	
9:30am	Kickoff Worship (one service only)
10:30am	Meal (south parking lot)
11:00am	Games & Activities
12:00pm	Carpool leaves Evangel for Lark Toys
1:00pm	Unite@ Lark Toys
Monday, September 14	
9:00am	Sewing Circle (Room 223)
Tuesday, September 15	
1:00pm	Women of God – Walking It Out (Fireside Room)
Wednesday, September 16	
4:30pm	Connections & Growth Team (Room 224)
5:00pm	Wednesday Night Meal (Dinette)
6:15pm	Praise Team practice (Sanctuary)
6:30pm	Connect Group: How Do You Know? (Fireside Room)
6:30pm	Connect Group: Jesus Is Lord (Room 224)
7:30pm	Handbells (Room 223)
Thursday, September 17	
1:00pm	Women's Gathering (Lobby)
7:00pm	Choir (Sanctuary)
Friday, September 18	
11:00am	Older Folders (Fireside Room)
6:00pm	Youth Late Night
Saturday, September 19	
8:00am	Youth serving noon meal at Christ UMC
11:00am	Ruth Ann Miles Funeral Service (visitation at 10a; lunch at 12p)
Sunday, September 20 – 1st Day of Sunday School	
8:15am	Prayer for Worship
8:30am	Traditional Worship Service
	Children's Church (during service)
9:30am	Sunday School
10:30am	Contemporary Worship Service
	Children's Church (during service)
11:45am	Youth Leadership Team (Fireside Room)
Upcoming events, holidays & special Sundays:	
Sun., Oct. 4	The Great Fall Get-together
Sun., Oct. 4	Collections Drive for the Landing Begins
Sun., Oct. 4	World Communion Sunday
Oct. 15-Oct. 17	Youth Spiritual Outdoor Adventure Retreat

Announcements

Unite@ Lark Toys in Kellogg, MN Is Today!

Carpool leaves from Evangel at 12pm or meet us there at 1pm.

Connect Groups for Fall 2026!

Check out the brochure in today’s bulletin for a list of classes, service opportunities, and fellowship groups where you can connect with others of our church family. Connect groups are a key way to grow spiritually and to be blessing to others. Sign up at evangelum.org > Connect groups; scan the QR code in the brochure, or via the weekly midweek update.

Women’s Gathering

Thursday, September 17 · 1:00 PM · Lobby

After summer break, we’re excited to resume our monthly gatherings of sharing, devotions, and prayer. All Evangel women are invited to join in! This month, we’ll welcome a special guest, Cora Parker, a new member at Evangel. Cora will share her story and give us a presentation on “clowning.” Come welcome Cora, hear her story, and learn all about this unique and fun art form! We hope to see you there!

Message Next Sunday – Legos: Building a Unique You!

Next Sunday we begin our fall message series, “**Legos: Building a Unique Life with God!**” God has a unique design for each of us, one we build creatively with Him. This series will be constructed on the blocks of “Built together,” “Built on,” “Building,” “Built for,” “Built with.” We begin next week where builders begin: with design. God has a plan for your life, a blueprint for you! Our new form of worship is interactive for all ages. Come prepared to get involved in building!

Sunday School Starts Next Sunday!

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| • Pre. K-Grade 1 Room 130 | Parent Café: Dinette |
| • Grades 2-5: Room 224 | “One Another”: Pastor’s Office |
| • Grades 6-8: Room 132 | Upper Room Group: Fireside Room |
| • Grades 9-12: Room 131 | Drop-In Class: Room 223 |

Do You Have Questions Regarding Financial Giving?

Contact Church Treasurer Carmen Stenhaus at carmen.stenhaus@gmail.com.

Evangel Movie Group: *Daniel & The Fiery Furnace* on Tues., Sept. 22

- Dinner at 6pm at Roosters, Too
- Movie at 7:20pm at Marcus Cinema No RSVP Required!

The Great Fall Get-together

Sunday, October 4 • 2-4:30pm

After 15 years of Trunk or Treat, Evangel is excited to introduce The Great Fall Get-Together—a new fall outreach focused on connection, community, and care! Enjoy games, a petting zoo, first responders, crafts, food, bingo, dancing, and more, while participating in service projects that bless our local community. Most importantly, we want to create space for people to connect, build relationships, and experience the warmth of the Evangel family. Watch for volunteer opportunities coming soon!

Collections Drive for the Landing Starts October 4

Starting after the Great Fall Get-together, we will be collecting food, clothing, and other items for the Landing. On Fri., Oct. 23 Erin Sinnwell from the Landing will come and share with the youth group that night. On Sun., Oct. 25 Erin will come to share a Missions Moment at both services and also share during the Drop-In class between services. We hope to finish the drive on Nov. 1 so we can deliver the supplies on Mon., Nov. 2 in order to make room for the rummage sale that weekend.

Discover How You’re Gifted to Serve

Have you ever wondered how God has uniquely equipped you to make a difference? Our Spiritual Gifts Inventory is a simple and meaningful way to discover the strengths God has placed within you. When you understand your gifts, you can serve with greater joy, confidence, and purpose—both within the church and beyond. We encourage you to take a few minutes this week to visit our church website and complete the Spiritual Gifts Inventory, located under the **Connect Groups** menu. It’s a small step that can lead to a deeper sense of calling and a more fulfilling way to connect, serve, and grow. Find your gifts. Find your place.

Make a Difference! Be a Blessing!

Evangel offers many opportunities to serve. If you'd like to help in any of these areas, please contact the church office. We'll connect you with the right person.

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| • Tech Team (slides, cameras, sound) | • Sunday Morning Hospitality |
| • Music Ministry (praise team or special music) | • Building & Grounds Projects |
| • Bible Story Time (Thursday mornings) | • Gardens & Landscaping |
| • Kitchen Krew & Funeral Receptions | • Evangel Cares & Home Visits |
| • Community Dinners (Wednesday evenings) | • Older Folders (Fridays at 11:00 a.m.) |
| • Community Ministries (Dorothy Day House meals) | • Evangel Moves (help with moving) |
| • Office Coverage (phones and greeting visitors) | |

Every act of service makes a difference. Thank you for sharing your time and gifts!