



## From the Pastor's Perspective

*[To the Church in Ephesus, say] "Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God." -Revelation 2:7*

We need more heaven!

In a world filled with constant headlines, unsolvable problems, continued animosity and growing uncertainty, we can feel anxious, overwhelmed and hopeless. The weight of problems far beyond our own lives drag us down and sap our joy. We seem to be in a continual state of distress and dismay.

As Christians, however, God gives us something powerful: a long-range vision grounded in hope. Scripture carries God's promises to guide history toward His good and perfect purposes. That long-range perspective changes how we live right now. That is why this summer we are beginning a new sermon series focused on heaven, hope and the future God has promised.

Last summer, we studied the Book of Revelation & explored themes surrounding the end times. One important truth became clear: while Scripture doesn't reveal every detail about when or how the end will come, it clearly reveals Who is at the center of it all.

That "Who" is Jesus.

The Bible assures us that Christ will bring all things together according to God's plan. Even when life feels chaotic, God is not absent or defeated. The future belongs to Him. And that truth changes everything.

When we look to see the long-range promises of God, it corrects our short-range despair. Instead of being consumed by fear, we can live with confidence. Instead of being trapped by anxiety about the unknown, we can rest in the certainty of God's faithfulness.

Heaven is not simply something Christians hope for after death. Heaven shapes the way we live today. The promise of eternity gives us courage in suffering, peace in uncertainty and joy even in difficult seasons. It reminds us that brokenness will not have the final word. God will.

Our world needs more heaven! People are searching for peace, stability and meaning. Christians are called to be witnesses of hope in an anxious age. When others are overwhelmed by fear and discouragement, we can point toward the greater story God is writing.

Over the coming weeks, we will explore what the Bible teaches about heaven. We will look at the promises, images & teachings found throughout Scripture, and we may even discover that some common assumptions about heaven are not actually biblical at all.

Most importantly, we will discover how God's promises reshape our lives in the present. This series is not about escaping the world. It is about learning how the certainty of God's future gives us strength, joy and purpose for today.

We need the reminder that God is still in control. We need the confidence that Christ is victorious. We need the hope of a sure future to steady our hearts in uncertain times. We need more heaven!

*"Beams of heaven as I go, through the wilderness below,  
guide my feet in peaceful ways, turn my midnights into days.  
When in the darkness I would grope, faith always sees a star of hope,  
and soon from all life's grief and danger I shall be free someday.  
I do not know how long 'twill be, nor what the future holds for me,  
but this I know: if Jesus leads me, I shall get home someday."  
("Beams of Heaven as I Go" by Charles Albert Tidndley, ca. 1906. UMH#524)*

Pastor David

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## Share Your Music in Worship This Summer!

Although special music enriches our worship year-round, summer offers a wonderful opportunity to share your musical passion in worship. Consider playing or singing (as a solo or group) special music before, during or after a worship service. Accompaniment can also be provided. If you are interested, please speak with Jim Klepper, Clancy Craven or Tom Burson.

## United Methodist Women

**Sewing Circle** - Mondays throughout June in Room 223 at 1pm (9am on June 1).

**Women's Gathering** - Faithful women of Evangel, we are taking a break for the summer months. We will be resuming our meetings in the fall. Be on the lookout for our next meeting announcement in the August Reporter. Until then, have a great summer and we hope to see you in church through the summer. Blessings to you all until we meet again! - With love and prayers from Susie and Becky

## Join the Evangel Movie Group!

You're invited to join in for great films, food, and fellowship! Simply show up at the restaurant or theater for any of the upcoming showings below — no formal RSVP required. We'll go out for ice cream after each movie!

**All movies will be shown at:** Marcus Rochester Cinema | 4340 Maine Ave SE, Rochester, MN 55904

For questions or more details, please contact Reese Werner at [dtwerner@msn.com](mailto:dtwerner@msn.com)

***The Breadwinner*** - Tuesday, June 2 | Dinner at Noodles & Co. At 6pm | Movie at 6:50pm

## Rochester Area Foundation: Monthly Virtual Coffee & Conversation Series

**Wednesday, June 3 at 10am – Fraud Prevention**

Zoom Link: [RAF Coffee Conversation Link](#)

Meeting ID: 886 6676 5672 | Passcode: 588716

Free and open to the community! For more information, contact Ellen Hegge at this email address:

[ellen@rochesterarea.org](mailto:ellen@rochesterarea.org) or at 507-282-0203.

## Celebrate and Sing This Summer! (Potlucks & Hymn/Song Sings)

**Wednesdays, June 10, July 8, and August 12**

**5:30pm - Potluck Meal in the Dinette | 6:30pm - Hymn & Song Sing in the Sanctuary**

"Glory!", our summer message series is all about heaven. Knowing we have a future in heaven directly affects our daily lives now. We are lifted in hope, assured of full healing and resolution and trusting that there is a better future coming. In fact, heaven keeps us singing here and now! There are seemingly limitless worship songs and hymns about heaven for the believer to keep in heart, mind and mouth. So, in addition to what we will be exploring in the Bible about heaven on Sundays, we also need to celebrate and sing about this joy that carries us. We're going to host monthly potlucks and hymn/song sings this summer. Bring a dish to share if you can (perhaps consider a "heaven" theme dish...like angel hair pasta or angel food cake!) or simply come and eat. We'll then move into the sanctuary for "a good sing!"



## Love Offering on Sunday, June 14

Each year our church joins with the other United Methodists across Minnesota to take up a "Love Offering" for Missions that we deliver to Annual Conference session mid-June. This year's Love Offering will go to: Midwest Mission, Love Boldly Mental Health Ministries Grant, the Endowment for Ministerial Education, Minnesota Conference's Emergency Response Fund, and Volunteers in Mission Scholarships. Offerings will be received through Sunday June 14. Let's keep doing great good together!

## Midwest Missions School Supply Drive for Honduras Through June 14

Help support students and teachers in Honduras by donating new or gently used school supplies through June 14. Donations can be dropped off at church and will be delivered to Midwest Missions.

Please donate only items in good, usable condition. Do not donate broken or worn-out items, items with missing pieces, or 3-ring binders.

## Let's Connect: Meet & Greet with Evangel Staff

**Thurs., June 18 from 6:30-8:30p and Fri., June 19 from 1-3p**

Would you enjoy getting to know our Evangel staff a little better? We'd love to spend some time with you! Join us for a relaxed, informal meet-and-greet where you can connect with staff, ask questions, share stories, and simply enjoy being together. We'll have light refreshments, so just come as you are and drop in! Whether you're newer to Evangel or have been here for years, this is a great opportunity to deepen connections and get to know the people who serve our church. If these times don't work for you, let us know as we're happy to offer additional opportunities.

## Financial Summary of Church Operations through April 2026

Income from Church Congregational Giving	\$ 194,305
Other Operating Income	\$ 46,489
Total Income from Operations	\$ 240,794
Total Expense from Operations	\$ 242,856
Net Income/(Loss) from Operations	\$ (2,062)

Giving for the month is on track with the approved monthly budget. Giving Year to Date (YTD) is slightly behind budget by \$,2361 as giving was under budget in Jan and Feb. The YTD net operating income vs expenses is near budget – under by \$2,062. Overall, finances are strong and the team has no concerns to report. For questions or for more information, contact Arlene Morris, Chair of the Finance Team, at [vammorris@gmail.com](mailto:vammorris@gmail.com).

## Chapel Choir “Dusty Trails and Golden Roads” Concert at Evangel on June 28

The Chapel Choir from First United Methodist Church of Downers Grove, IL, will present its “Dusty Trails and Golden Roads” Concert at Evangel United Methodist Church on Sunday, June 28 at 7:30pm.

Directed by Nick Loos, the choir includes 14 students in grades 8-12. The 2026 tour marks the 53<sup>rd</sup> year the congregation has sent its youth choir on a musical mission trip. In addition to Rochester, the group will perform in Wisconsin and Minnesota communities before concluding with a home concert on July 5.

During the week-long tour, choir members will participate in mission projects, perform at a senior living center, and visit regional attractions including the National Mustard Museum and the National Eagle Center. Recreational activities will include ziplining, canoeing, kayaking, and a Mississippi River paddleboat dinner cruise. The concert is free and open to the public. A freewill offering will be accepted to help offset tour expenses.

## Mega Kids Camp Art Class Needs Your Help!

Mega Kids Camp will be here before we know it, and the Art Class is getting ready for something special! We are collecting small craft materials such as:

Fabric scraps	Beads	Ribbon
Lace and trim	Buttons	Fake fur

And other fun creative extras!

If you would like to donate, please place items in the church office or workroom. Thank you in advance for helping make this year’s Mega Kids Camp extra memorable — something special is coming!

## Prayer Is Powerful!

### Paired Prayer Partners: A new way to pray for and with each other!

Prayer is the essential communication that grows us spiritually both as individuals and as a church. Would you be willing to be a prayer partner with someone else in our Evangel family? We would like to pair up people, families and/or households to pray for and with one another. Our plan is this:

1. Willing people/families will be paired up
2. Paired Prayer Partners are asked to connect (check in) with each other at least monthly to check in and get updated prayer requests
3. Prayer partners pray for their partners regularly during the month. This could be daily, weekly, or occasionally. Another idea is to find a time to pray out loud together once in a while as well.

If you are willing to be a Paired Prayer Partner, let Pastor David, Jeff Lansdowne or the church office know. If you have a preference for whom you could be paired, also share that. You will be notified of your prayer partner and provided resources for prayer. We hope to get this started in May!

### Prayer Groups Praying for Our Church

Jeff Lansdowne is seeking to create a cadre of small, 2-3 member, prayer teams who will co-op praying for specific concerns that need faithful prayer. Jeff and church leadership will provide prayer needs to the groups. Jeff is confident: “I’m sure our church family will be excited about doing this.” If you’re willing to join a prayer group, please let Jeff Lansdowne,, Pastor David or the church office know.

### Evangel’s Ongoing Prayer Teams

1. Prayer Listing in the bulletin and weekly email distribution: Everyone is asked to pray over the listed prayer concerns and celebrations each week. Evangel relies on three ongoing prayer teams to support the prayer needs of our church family.
  2. Email Prayer Chain: Receive occasional prayer needs by email and commit to pray over them.
  3. Intercessory Prayer Team: Are available after worship to pray with those who are requesting prayer.
- If you are willing to serve on any of these prayer teams, please let the church office know.

## Evangel's "Over 90" Club: Fulton Gallagher



Fulton celebrated his 90th birthday on Dec. 3, 2024.

He grew up in the Pittsburgh area, the youngest of five sons of a Methodist Episcopal pastor. One of his older brothers was singing opera and inspired Fulton to try it as well. He developed his high baritone voice with a range of two octaves. In his senior year of high school, Fulton was the only local to be accepted into the Pittsburgh Opera.

Fulton graduated from Indiana College of Pennsylvania, majoring in music (voice, baritone horn and euphonium). While there he met his wife, Nancy, who played the violin! They got married in 1953. (They are currently the longest-married couple of Evangel - 73 years!)

After college, Fulton taught music in the Pittsburgh area, earned his PhD in Music Education at Indiana University at Bloomington and sang professionally in the operas both in Indiana (receiving the lead for six operas) and again back at Pittsburgh.

When they were expecting their second child, Fulton decided he needed to settle down into a "steady job." They moved to Bemidji, MN, where Fulton became professor of music at Bemidji State University. From 1961 to 1996 Fulton taught music and instigated many creative music programs, such as having his students sing in local restaurants, touring internationally with his chorus and, of course, putting on musicals and operas.

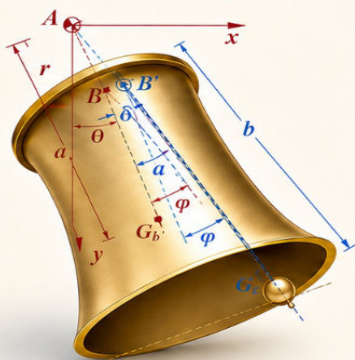
In 2021 Fulton and Nancy moved to Rochester to be near their daughter and family. One day at the Farmer's Market, Fulton met Jim Klepper, who invited him to attend Evangel. When his health allowed, Fulton would sing special numbers on Sundays during worship.

Fulton has been a life-long Methodist and has always been active in a local Methodist/United Methodist church, particularly in music ministries. During treatment for prostate cancer in 2024, Fulton was totally at peace trusting in God. He shared that he thinks often that if Jesus sees the sparrow (Matt. 6:26 & 10:29-31), he knows the Lord is watching over him. Besides, Fulton trusts that "someday Jesus will come and take me up into His arms."

His favorite Bible passage is Psalm 23, but he also remembers Psalm 55:22, "Cast thy burden on the Lord, and He will sustain thee." (This verse he remembers best, of course, as the classic hymn set to music by Felix Mendelssohn.)

When asked how to sustain a long marriage, Fulton offered that marriage needs to be treated as a job, something you have to actively work at. Things will not always go smoothly! And over his years working with young people, Fulton's advice was to always encourage them to pursue their dreams.

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AREA HANDBELLS



## Why We Ring



### Music and Motivations Concert



June 13 • 7pm

**First Lutheran Church**

100 Peace Ridge, Lake City, MN 55041



June 14 • 7pm

**Evangel United Methodist Church**

2645 N Broadway Ave, Rochester, MN 55906



[rochesterareahandbells.org](http://rochesterareahandbells.org)

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## Connections and Growth Calendar for June

Every Sunday	Children's Church at 8:30am and 10:30am
Every Sunday	Nursery open at 8:30am and 10:30am
Throughout June	Mega Kids Camp Registration Open
Sunday, June 21	Happy Father's Day!
TBD	Connections & Growth Team
TBD	Sunday School Teacher Debrief & Futuring
July 7 or 9	Mega Kids Camp Training
July 13-16	Mega Kids Camp: Mission Cup

### Children's Church –June Series

Every Sunday at 8:30am & 10:30am

During the month of June, Evangel's Children's Church will continue its series on the early church, "True Story," before beginning a new series on creation titled "In the Beginning." Students will explore key biblical stories, including:

- Peter's Miraculous Catch of Fish — God hears us when we pray
- Paul and Silas — The Holy Spirit gives us power
- Paul and the Shipwreck — God helps us share the Good News
- God Made the World and Everything in It — God created the world
- We Are Made in God's Image — God created humans

Children's Church is highly creative and innovative, often featuring baking, exciting crafts, cutting-edge multimedia, indoor and outdoor "tours," games and activities connected to the daily theme, dramatic storytelling, and Bible study designed to help kids grow in their relationship with Jesus.



Children's Church is open to all kids in grades K–5, along with youth helpers. Leaders include Connections and Growth staff members Jim Klepper and Clancy Craven, along with youth helpers Nora Day, Becca Steele, Gretchen Kroenemoen, and Gavin Hommerding.

**We look forward to seeing you every Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am!**

## Thank You for a Great Year in Evangel Connections and Growth!

### ***Evangel: A Place for Everybody!***

Here we are at the conclusion of another Sunday School year — and what a year it has been!

Following our Kick-Off Sunday on September 7 with the theme, "**Evangel: A Place for Everybody,**" we experienced an incredible year of ministry together. Highlights included Sunday School for children, youth, and adults; a dozen Unite@ inter-generational events; an inter-generational Christmas program; Youth Group; Mega Kids Camp; outreach events like Trunk or Treat; the Annual Rummage Sale; the Easter Egg Hunt; Bible Storytime with the children of the Good News Children's Center; and so much more. It has truly been quite a ride!

But the most important part of all our Connections and Growth ministries was the one-on-one time our adult leaders shared with students — caring, listening, laughing, encouraging, and simply being present. It was a joy to teach and study God's Word together and pass the faith on to new generations. Every Sunday School teacher and Connections and Growth volunteer served with fully engaged hearts.

What a privilege it has been for Jim and Clancy to witness our loving teachers and leaders in action each Sunday. Words cannot express our appreciation for our volunteers.

We believe people find Jesus through relationships, and we believe our teachers and leaders provided those relationships through the anointing of the Holy Spirit. We know many lives have been touched, changed, and transformed in Jesus' name!

We look forward to another wonderful year in 2026–27.

*"First a child learns to love their teacher... then they learn to love their teacher's God."*

## Zumbro Ridge Estates Is Immensely Thankful for the Giant Food Wall

Evangel recently received a colorful card and heartfelt thank-you from Zumbro Ridge Estates for the \$4,500 worth of food donated through our Sunday School and All-Church Food Drive this past March and April. Zumbro Ridge Estates includes 127 homes, and nearly every family uses the neighborhood food pantry. Residents were thrilled to see the previously bare shelves stocked with a wide variety of fresh food and pantry items. The families of Zumbro Ridge Estates would like to say:

**“THANK YOU, EVANGEL!”**

## Connections & Growth Exploring Food Source Alternative to Ruby’s Pantry

Evangel Connections & Growth has consistently worked to address food insecurity in our community through projects such as building community food walls in our parking lot for the Salvation Army, holding food drives in our lobby for Zumbro Ridge Estates, helping haul food for the Salvation Army’s annual “Stamp Out Hunger” food drive, and much more.

Now, we have entered into conversations with Lisa Schutz of Minnesota Food Rescue about becoming a potential distribution site for fresh food as an alternative to the recently closed Ruby’s Pantry.

The program we are exploring would partner with local farmers to provide boxes of fresh produce and other “farmers market-style” goods to anyone who registers. Full boxes would cost \$50 and include up to \$90 worth of food. A sliding scale would also be available, allowing families to receive a box for as little as \$12.

This program, called “Equity Eats,” would provide food for households trying to reduce grocery costs as well as households in need of financial assistance. The program would benefit both consumers and local farmers by helping distribute surplus goods that might otherwise go to waste.

Stay tuned for updates on Evangel’s participation in this exciting food ministry, which has the potential to help many people in our community — including local farmers who also need support.

Questions? Contact Jim Klepper at [jklepper@evangelum.org](mailto:jklepper@evangelum.org) or Stephanie Mettler at [smettler@evangelum.org](mailto:smettler@evangelum.org).

## Sunday School Teachers Debrief and Future Planning Meeting

What worked well in Evangel Sunday School this year? What can be improved? What are your thoughts on the curriculum, and should any changes or adaptations be made for 2026–2027? What will the Sunday morning schedule look like this fall? All Sunday School teachers from Pre. K, elementary, and youth ministries are invited to join the Connections & Growth staff as we reflect on this past year and begin planning for the 2026–2027 Sunday School year.

### Here’s What to Expect:

- We will begin together as one group to discuss the Sunday morning schedule for 2026–2027, along with general observations and reflections from this past Sunday School year.
- We will then divide into children’s and youth ministry teams to discuss curriculum options, effectiveness, and possible adaptations for 2026–2027. Pre. K–Grade 5 teachers will meet in one space. Middle School and High School teachers will meet in another.
- The date and time are still to be determined — often the greatest challenge of all! Stay tuned for more details.

## Evangel & the Salvation Army “Stamped Out Hunger” on Saturday, May 9



## Mega Kids Camp Is July 13–16: We Need Volunteers for this Life-Changing Event!

God is up to something BIG for Mega Kids Camp this summer, and we need your help as we encourage kids to reach for Jesus! We already have nearly 400 children registered, with more than 300 registering on the very first day of sign-ups back on March 21. Our Mega Kids Camp Leadership Team has been hard at work preparing for an unforgettable week of faith, fun, and community.

### Here's Where Things Stand So Far:

- All head coaches have been secured for: Adventure 1 & 2, Soccer, Horse Training, Creative Arts, Basketball, Dog Training & Pre-Kindergarten
- The Snack Team is ready to serve nutritious and delicious treats
- Rally Teams are preparing music, skits and memorable teaching moments
- Technology Teams have sound systems and computers ready to go
- The schedule is packed with exciting and meaningful activities
- "Mega" the mascot is in training and excited to greet kids and make them laugh
- Horses are ready to be saddled
- Adventure equipment and inflatables are prepared and ready for use
- Art supplies have been ordered and organized
- The Pre-K bouncy house and petting zoo are ready for action
- The National Volleyball Center at Century HS is prepared and waiting for campers.

So far, so good — but we are still missing something important... **YOU!**

**Our Greatest Need right now: Huddle Coaches!**

### What Does a Huddle Coach Do?

Huddle coaches "shepherd" a small group of 5–10 children throughout each day of camp. This includes:

- Helping kids move safely from rallies to activities
- Encouraging and supporting campers
- Building relationships and helping kids feel included

Huddle coaches are never alone with campers and will always have additional support nearby. Registered nurses and a behavioral specialist will also be on site.

You do not need to coach activities — all activities are led by trained head coaches. Each day includes one simple 10-minute huddle time with your group and a complete guide is provided.

### Volunteer Requirements

- Available July 13–16 from 8:30am–12:30pm. If you cannot attend all four days, we will gladly work with your availability.
- Must be entering 7th grade or older. Youth volunteers will always serve alongside adults.
- Volunteers age 18 and older must complete a confidential background check.

That's it — huddle coaching is simple, meaningful, and incredibly rewarding!

### Can You Help This Summer?

There are two ways to sign up:

1. Click: [MegaCampVolunteerSignup](https://www.rochestermegacamp.org/) (or visit <https://www.rochestermegacamp.org/>)
2. Email Jim Klepper; [jklepper@evangelum.org](mailto:jklepper@evangelum.org) or Clancy Craven; [ccraven@evangelum.org](mailto:ccraven@evangelum.org)

Thank you for considering being part of Mega Kids Camp 2026. We need you — and more importantly, the children in our community need caring adults who will help point them toward Jesus.

Mega Kids Camp is an unforgettable experience that will impact lives for years to come — including your own. We hope to hear from you soon!



## The First "Take-A-Hike" of the Season "Took-A-Hike" at Quarry Hill



## The Good News Children's Center Kids Showed Off their Singing on May 6



## It Was a Beautiful Day for the Last Unite@ Activity at Garden Skate Park



### EvangelCares Update

EvangelCares seeks to connect those who could use some help with those willing to help. We offer assistance in eight areas: Temporary Food Support, Expressions of Encouragement, Yard work and Leaf Raking, Transportation Assistance, Caregiver Support, Household Moving Support, Handy Helpers and Building Connections.

Eight more EvangelCares volunteers have completed the training, but we could always use more! Please consider signing up via this link: [Become an EvangelCares Volunteer](#). **The next training session is on Sunday, May 31 after the second service in Room 224.**

### There are 3 ways to request help:

Click: [Evangel Cares Needs Form](#)

Complete a request form at the church information center.

Contact the EvangelCares coordinator (see below).

Please allow for at least a 1-week turnaround time.



If you have questions, feel free to contact Roger or Janet Guderian. We'd love to explain what we offer and to answer any questions that you have.

EvangelCares Coordinator: [evangelcares@evangelum.org](mailto:evangelcares@evangelum.org); 507-910-3230;

Roger Guderian: [guderian.roger@gmail.com](mailto:guderian.roger@gmail.com); 507-254-1432 |

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# CROSSFIRE NEWS

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## SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH IN SUMMER

While summer may seem like a slower season, it passes quickly — and it is an important and formative time for our youth!

This summer, we invite you to remember our youth in your prayers. Here are a few specific ways you can support them:

- Each new school year brings new challenges, and many students are already thinking ahead to what next year may hold. Please pray for confidence, wisdom, and peace as they prepare for new transitions.
- Summer offers opportunities for both rest and growth. Pray that our youth will experience healthy rhythms of renewal, learning, and spiritual growth.
- Summer schedules often change friendships and routines. Please pray that our youth will build strong, encouraging friendships in their schools, neighborhoods, and church family, and that they will support one another well.



This summer, our youth will also be actively involved in ministry through the Virginia trip and In-Town Mission, including Mega Camp. Please pray that God will use these experiences to shape their lives and help each student discover the unique ways they are gifted to serve.

## LAST CALL: HONDURAS SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

Please also remember our School Supplies Rescue Drive for students in Honduras. Our final day for donations is Sunday, June 14. Every contribution, large or small, will help bless a new generation of learners.

Thank you for your continued love, encouragement, and prayers for our youth and mission efforts!



# UPCOMING Youth Events!

MAY 29



**MINI GOLF**  
at Blue Lagoon

JUNE 4



**THRIFTING**  
and end of  
semester  
**COFFEE/BOBA**

JUNE 19



**DINNER & MOVIE**  
discussion  
at Stephanie's

JUNE 28-JULY 3



**VIRGINIA**  
mission



Friends. Fun. Faith. Making a Difference.



**Mission Team Update**

Thanks to everyone who attended the Jumpin' Jehosaphats concert on May 17 (see pictures below)! Many thanks as well to the Kitchen Team for preparing and serving the Sunday brunch before the concert. Good food followed by good music made for a wonderful day!

Abby Miles will be at Evangel on Sunday, June 21. She will be available at both services and will also speak at the drop-in class. Abby is a missionary supported by the Missions Team.

The Missions Team met on May 13, 2026. Final details for the Jumpin' Jehosaphats concert on May 17 were discussed. The team decided not to meet during the summer and will resume meetings on August 12, 2026.

Missionary disbursements for May, June, and July were approved. Abby Miles has also decided to extend her service for another year, so the team approved adding a disbursement for her in September.



**You Can Give to the General Mission Fund By:**

1. CHECK: Write 2<sup>nd</sup> Mile Gift on the memo line and turn it into the Church Office or place in the Sunday offering.
2. ONLINE: Click [Give \(elexiogiving.com\)](http://Give(elexiogiving.com)) and select Missions—2<sup>nd</sup> Mile.
3. QR Code: Scan this QR code with your cellphone and select Missions—2<sup>nd</sup> Mile.

The Missions Team, with the guidance of Church Council, will distribute the funding.

The Mission Team's next meeting will be on Wednesday, August 12, 2026, at 4:00pm in the Fireside Room. Zoom will be available. If you have questions, ideas or want to be involved, contact any member of the Mission Team: Becky Pierce, Bev Morgan, Linda Gregg, Evie Ellenbaum, Carol Madsen, Colleen Stacey, Roger Guderian, or Pastor David Werner.



**The Jumpin' Jehosaphats Rocked the House on Sunday, May 17**





# JUNE 2026

## EVANGEL UMC

### C A L E N D A R

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday, June 1	9:00am	Sewing Circle
Tuesday, June 2	6:50pm	Evangel Movie Group
Wednesday, June 3	5:00pm	Wed. Night Meal
	6:15pm	Board Games
	6:15pm	Confirmation
	6:15pm	Good News Team Practice
Thursday, June 4	6:00pm	Meal hosting at Dorothy Day House
	6:00pm	Youth Group: Thrifting & Coffee
Friday, June 5	11:00am	Older Folders
Sunday, June 7	8:15am	Prayer for Worship
	8:30am	Traditional Worship
	9:30am	Drop-In Class
	10:30am	Contemporary Worship
Monday, June 8	1:00pm	Sewing Circle
Tuesday, June 9	6:15pm 7:00pm	Good News Team Practice Trustees
Wednesday, June 10	4:30pm 5:30pm	Connections & Growth Team Celebrate & Sing
Thursday, June 11	6:30pm	Finance Team
Friday, June 12	11:00am	Older Folders
Sunday, June 14	8:15am	Prayer for Worship
	8:30am	Traditional Worship
	9:30am	Drop-In Class
	10:30am	Contemporary Worship
	11:45am	Youth Leadership Team
	7:00pm	Rochester Area Handbells Concert
Monday, June 15	1:00pm	Sewing Circle
	6:30pm	Church Council

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wednesday, June 17	6:15pm	Good News Team Practice
Thursday, June 18	6:30pm	Meet & Greet Evangel Staff
Friday, June 19	11:00am	Older Folders
	1:00pm	Meet and Greet Evangel staff
	Evening	Youth Group: Dinner & a Movie
Sunday, June 21	8:15am	Prayer for Worship
	8:30am	Traditional Worship
	9:30am	Drop-In Class
	10:30am	Contemporary Worship
Monday, June 22	1:00pm	Sewing Circle
Wednesday, June 24	6:15pm	Good News Team practice
Friday, June 26	11:00am	Older Folders
Sunday, June 28	8:15am	Prayer for Worship
	8:30am	Traditional Worship
	9:30am	Drop-In Class
	10:30am	Contemporary Worship
	7:30pm	Chapel Choir Concert "Dusty Trails & Golden Roads"
Monday, June 29	1:00pm	Sewing Circle

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## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30am - Traditional Service

9:30am - Drop-In Class

10:30am - Contemporary Service

(Children's Church offered at both services)



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