

WELCOME to eFree

GUESTS

Please fill out the Connect Card included in your Welcome Bag and place it in the offering box at the back of the room. If you need a Bible, feel free to ask an Usher. Please leave church Bibles on your seats so they may be cleaned following the service.

If you choose to keep your child with you during the service, Sermon Activity Bags are available to help keep your child engaged. Feel free to request one from an usher.

Our hope and prayer is that you feel seen, known, and loved as we worship our great God together!

Our Pastors

Dr. Gary Hylander
Senior Pastor

Jon MacDonald
Family Life/Discipleship Pastor

Aaron Brown
Worship/Technology Pastor

Robert Lee
Student Ministries Pastor

September 6, 2020

Fall Equip begins today.

- *This We Believe*, 9:30am, Library (Tom R.)
- *Revive Us Again*, 9:30am, Sanctuary (Dr. Walter Kaiser)

The Church office will be closed on Monday, September 7, in observance of Labor Day.

We warmly invite the entire church family to grab a folding chair and join us for **Food Truck Monday** at Vollrath Park tomorrow evening between 5 and 7pm. We can safely fellowship and enjoy the company of one another while enjoying delicious food truck offerings in the great outdoors.

Contact Kristie Ahlberg to discover how you can volunteer with the **Faith Community Nursing team in non-medical ways**.

Join us this Wednesday, September 9 at 6:30am as we begin our **weekly Men's Prayer meeting** held in the church library.

Men's Bible Study: More Like Jesus. Designed to help men who are already growing as disciples to allow God to transform their character, put away distractions, become focused on God's kingdom, treasure Jesus more and become better leaders in the church. This study meets each Wednesday from 6:45-8pm beginning September 23. The first 5-6 times we meet will be via Zoom. Contact Pastor Jon (jon.m@e-free-family.com) to be placed on the "More Like Jesus" email list.

The **Women's Bible Study** led by Marlene G. and Vicki M. will begin this Wednesday, September 9 at 9:30am in the Sanctuary.

First Love: "The Great I AM Has Come" Bible study meets every Wednesday from 9:30-11:30am beginning September 9. The cost is \$20 and childcare is available upon request. Contact Summar C. with questions.

A Woman After God's Own Heart Women's Bible Study led by Nancy V. at her home begins Tuesday, September 15 at 6:30pm. The book cost is \$6.

"**Habakkuk Remembering God's Faithfulness**" Bible Study meets every other Wednesday at 6:30pm beginning September 23. Contact Nikki M. with questions.

Since the first coordinated 40 Days for Life campaign took place in 2007, over 1000 cities in 63 countries have been reached. Sign up for vigil hours today at 40daysforlife.com/Sheboygan. Contact Yvonne M. with questions.

September issues of *Glimpses* and *Focus on the Family Bulletin* are in the Welcome Center and office kiosks.

The quarterly directory update is available today in the church office.

This Week

Tuesday 9:30am GriefShare
6:30pm Precept Study
Wednesday 9:30am Men's Study
9:30am Precept Study
9:30am Bible Studies
6:30pm Awana/StuMin
6:30pm DivorceCare
Thursday 6:30pm GriefShare

For more information visit us at
www.e-free-family.com.

Featured

Join everyone on Thursday, September 17, 6-7pm in the sanctuary, for **worshipful music to the Lord**, featuring Sharon S. sing-a-longs, Lee and Heidi R., Damon and Johannah W., and the Doug and Kristen R. family. Hosted by Forever Faithful, desserts and refreshments will follow.

Our next **Parent-Child Dedication** is September 20. If you would like to dedicate your child to the Lord in either of the two morning services, please contact the church office by September 13.

Sheboygan Prayer March: We believe God answers prayer! We want to be faithful to cry out to Him for grace and mercy in the midst of unrest, conflict, and tensions. We will meet at City Green (behind Sonlight Books) on Saturday, September 26 at 11am. There is a walking option (just under two miles) and a non-walking option (bring your own lawn chair and pray at City Green). Our prayer event will meet simultaneously with the Franklin Graham prayer event in Washington, DC. The Sheboygan Prayer March is a non-partisan prayer event aimed at seeking God's face for our Nation. We encourage Life Groups to come together. Please plan to join us!

Sheboygan Evangelical Free Church

September 6, 2020

Contemporary Service - 9:30am

Welcome and Prayer

Pastor Aaron Brown

Open Up The Heavens

We've waited for this day, we're gathered in Your Name, calling out to You.
Your glory like a fire awakening desire, will burn our hearts with truth.

You're the reason we're here, You're the reason we're singing.

*Open up the heavens, we want to see You, open up the floodgates a mighty river
Flowing from Your heart, filling every part of our praise.*

Your presence in this place, Your glory on our face, we're looking to the skies,
Descending like a cloud, You're standing with us now, Lord, unveil our eyes.

Show us show us Your glory, show us show us Your power,
Show us show us Your glory, Lord.

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Jesus Messiah

He became sin Who knew no sin that we might become His righteousness.

He humbled Himself and carried the cross. Love so amazing, love so amazing.

*Jesus Messiah, name above all names, Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel.
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven, Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.*

His body the bread His blood the wine, broken and poured out all for love.
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn. Love so amazing, love so amazing.

All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You, all the glory to You, God, the Light of the world.

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Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us, how high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation I turned to heaven, and spoke Your name into the night.

Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written, Jesus Christ my living hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy, what heart could fathom such boundless grace.
The God of ages stepped down from glory to wear my sin and bear my shame.

The cross has spoken, I am forgiven, the King of kings calls me His own.
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever, Jesus Christ, my living hope.

*Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free. Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me.
You have broken every chain there's salvation in Your name, Jesus Christ, my living hope.*

Oh God, You are my living hope.

Then came the morning that sealed the promise, Your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion declared the grave has no claim on me.
Jesus, Yours is the victory.

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He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast.
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast.

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast, for my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast.
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last.
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast.
Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast,
Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last.

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Announcements and Offering Prayer

The Lord Is My Salvation

The grace of God has reached for me and pulled me from the raging sea
And I am safe on this solid ground, the Lord is my salvation.

I will not fear when darkness falls, His strength will help me scale these walls.
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun, the Lord is my salvation.

*Who is like the Lord our God, strong to save faithful in love.
My debt is paid and the victory won, the Lord is my salvation.*

My hope is hidden in the Lord, He flow'rs each promise of His Word.
When winter fades I know spring will come, the Lord is my salvation.

Glory be to God the Father, glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit, the Lord is our salvation.

The Lord is my salvation, the Lord is my salvation.

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Message

Dr. Gary Hylander

A Great Earthquake, Acts 16:25-40

Closing Prayer

Postlude

Morning messages can be watched/listened to on our website at www.e-free-family.com.

September 6, 2020

Dr. Gary Hylander

Morning Services

Acts Series

A GREAT EARTHQUAKE

Acts 16:25-40

Located on the great Egnatian Way, Philippi was the first major European city Paul entered to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ. Philippi was founded by Philip of Macedon (the father of Alexander the Great). By the time Paul came to Philippi, the city had been highly Romanized. It was at Philippi where the armies of Octavian and Antony defeated the forces of Brutus and Cassius.

Roman citizenship was considered to be a status symbol in Philippi. Roman rights, Roman law, and a constitution modeled after Rome prevailed. Retired Roman soldiers, exempt from tribute, exerted a great influence upon the city. Thus, Paul's eventual statement that he was a Roman citizen startled the city magistrates, for the law prohibited the binding or beating of Roman citizens without trial. God, in his sovereignty, would use both an earthquake and Paul's Roman citizenship for the advancement of the gospel.