

Missionaries Serving Around the World

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Campus Life

Evangelical Child & Family Agency

Good News Jail & Prison Ministry

The Family Radio



Check the church directory for contact info on all missionaries and their sending agencies.

Christmas Eve at Sheboygan eFree

Every year we look forward to gathering together to celebrate the birth of our Savior. This year, we'll be offering the option of two service times, 4pm and 6pm, including a livestream option at 6pm.

We've talked for years about adding an early option: for those who don't like driving in the dark, for those whose young children need to get to bed earlier, and for those who have family supper celebrations. Now, as we practice medically-wise physical distancing, it's finally a reality!

Will we still celebrate with our usual traditions? Yes, there will be special music, provided entirely this year by the highly-gifted Rice family. Yes, there will still be a children's story, although videotaped and projected so all can see more clearly. Yes, we will still conclude the service with candle-lighting to illustrate the sharing of the gospel.

This year's Christmas Eve services will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room, with overflow seating in the sanctuary. Staff will be prepared to sanitize both locations between services. Worshipers may park in both east and west lots, entering from either Entrance B or Entrance D. Greeters with programs will welcome you at both entrances, and you can pick up your candles from the ushers as you enter the MPR.

If you know in advance which service you plan to attend, would you help us out by calling the office or responding via the link on the website calendar? We want to be prepared with sufficient programs, candles and volunteers for each service. Though not required, your information is appreciated.



Come celebrate God's presence with us, beginning that singular night in Bethlehem so long ago!



Pause & Ponder

As the news around us continues to swirl, it's important we tether our souls to our steady, faithful, immovable Rock. Women's Ministries invites all ladies to gather with us at "Pause & Ponder" on Friday evening, December 4 at 7pm. It's a collective opportunity to quiet our hearts before the Lord and be reminded of the Hope we have in Him. Join us as we worship, pray, and soak in Truth.

This physically-distanced event will meet in the multi-purpose room. While there is no charge, registration is necessary via the church website or by contacting the church office.



Family Advent Devotional Now Available

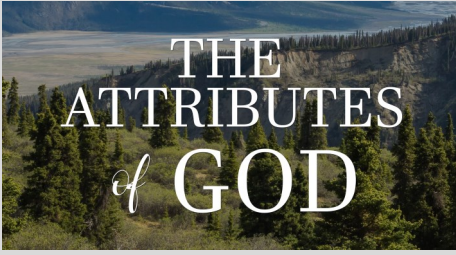
If you have not yet received your link or physical copy of the Focus on the Family Advent devotional, *Preparing the Way for Jesus*, print-outs are available in the Welcome Center at the Guest Services counter and in the church office. You can also download it here: <https://www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting/advent-calendar/>.



EQUIP

Our next Equip series will run from January 10 through February 7. We'll be led through *The Attributes of God*.

In this study, we will look at God's sovereignty, holiness, grace, mercy, justice, and more. Many walk daily taking these attributes for granted. It is time to become aware of how these attributes impact our lives. We hope you'll join us!



Happy Birthday/Anniversary in December

Names omitted.

Blessing Your Church at Year-End

Thank you for being a part of God's work in and through our church . . . to missions, for better and more reliable ways of broadcasting the gospel of Jesus, to meet the needs of the underprivileged, for facility repairs and upgrades, and more. Your faithful giving in 2020 has made all the difference!

To maximize your charitable deduction and to advance the ministry of our church, year-end gifts may be made by cash, check, or online, as follows:

- Hand-delivered contributions must be received in the church office by 4:00pm on Thursday, December 31.
- Mailed contributions must be post-marked by Thursday, December 31.
- Online giving must be transacted by 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, December 31.

Thank you for your generous gifts throughout the year and at year-end.

This and That

The church office will observe the following hours during Christmas:

- December 24: 9am-5pm
- December 25: Closed
- December 28: 12-5pm
- December 31: 9am-5pm
- January 1: Closed

In case of program changes due to inclement weather, announcements will be posted on our church website homepage, as well as the following:

- WHBL 1330AM radio/website
- WTMJ Channel 4
- 620TMJ radio/website
- WITI Channel 6 (Fox 6)

Decisions on Sunday events will be made at 6am that day with announcements to the media shortly thereafter. Ministry leaders will be called by their overseeing program staff. Decisions on weekday evening events will be made by 3pm that day, with calls to media and ministries thereafter.



December 2

Reason for the Season Night

December 9

Christmas Mitten Tree Night

December 16

Ugly Sweater Night

December 23

Christmas Movie & PJ Night

December 30

NO CLUB

Precept Study Starts Jeremiah, Part 2

Part 2 of a ladies' Precepts Study on the book of Jeremiah begins January 5 and 6. It covers chapters 25-52 and continues Precept's inductive Bible study of God's Word to His people through the prophets. Learn what God's message was to a rebellious Judah as Babylonian exile loomed.



The study meets at church every other week with two meeting options: Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30pm or Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30am.

Please contact the church office for information on how to order a workbook.

Offering Envelopes

2021 offering envelopes were purchased earlier this year to get the best price so, if you are interested in using offering envelopes this next year, there are plenty available. If you have recently transitioned to online giving and no longer plan on using envelopes, please notify Ann at ann.t@e-free-family.com or call the church office.

Save the Date for MC21

Make a note now to add March 5-7 to your 2021 calendar - it's our next Missions Conference featuring Rich Brown (Ethnos 360), our Sunday speaker, Dr. Michael McKay (Cedarville University), as well as other supported missionaries. The focus will be on discipling through technology.

Thank you for your generous and faithful giving to the REACH Campaign this year. We are grateful for the sacrifice of many to impact the generations to come!

This Christmas, would you consider a special gift to the REACH campaign? Your gift can make a huge impact on helping eFree make great steps in the new year to start Phase 2 of the Master Plan.

Please consider giving via envelope in the church office or online by selecting Master Plan.

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