

Get Involved

The body of Christ can accomplish great things for the glory of God. Please check any boxes of the ministries you want to serve with:

- Greeter
- Usher
- Coffee Prep
- Coffee Cleanup
- Special Events
- Children's Sunday School
- Youth Group
- Nursery
- Welcome Center
- AWANA
- Women's Ministries

Prayer Requests

- Make this request public on the church wide email prayer chain.

Please place this tear-off into the wooden offering boxes in the back of the Sanctuary.

First-time guests are encouraged to receive their **free gift** at the Welcome Center after the service. Thanks for coming, we are excited you have joined us for worship!

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first evangelical free church
 Knowing God and making Him known.



Welcome to Worship

12/4/22

We join together this morning to worship the LORD through fellowship, singing, praying, and preaching.

Our Mission

Knowing God and Making Him Known

Our Purpose

We are becoming disciples of Jesus Christ.
 We are living as a family of disciples.
 We are making disciples in our community.
 We are raising up disciples to send into the world.

Order of Worship

Worship Through Song:

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Welcome & Call to Worship:

Psalm 119:10-12

Advent Candle:

The Bethlehem Candle

Worship Through Song:

How Great Our Joy
Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming / Infant Holy

Scripture Reading:

Hebrews 3:13-15

Worship Through Song:

All is Well

Baby Dedication:

Alvina "Vivie" Elaine Van Heuvelen

New Member Welcome and Prayer

Sermon Scripture:

Mark 4:13-20

Pastoral Prayer:

Psalm 113

Worship Through the Word:

"The Word, Perils, and Perseverance"
 Pastor Randy Anderson

Worship Through Song:

O Holy Night

Benediction

“The Word, Perils, and Perseverance”

Pastor Randy Anderson

Mark 4:13-20

December 4, 2022

We are to be warned against the perils that threaten our ability to persevere in the word.

- Jesus highlights for us the importance of God's word.

- Jesus highlights for us the perils that keep people from persevering.

- Jesus highlights for us the blessings of persevering in the word.

Announcements

Hidden Acres Summer Camp

Registration is now open for next summer's Hidden Acres Summer Camp. There are camps for many different age groups. Because we want to send as many students as possible, the church is providing a \$175 voucher for every camper from our congregation. These vouchers are available by contacting the [church office](#). Please let the office know when you register so that we can keep track of who is attending each week. Go to HACamps.org for more information and to register your kids.

Women's Ministries Bible Study:

Registration is open for our next Thursday morning winter Bible Study. Please register by the link provided on the FEFC Website under Adult Ministries or in the electronic bulletin [here](#).

Galatians: Redeeming Grace and the Cross of Christ a Sophron Study.
16-week study starting January 5, 2023
Cost \$10
Childcare to age 6 provided.

Pray For Me Campaign

The FEFC Youth Ministry will begin another "Pray For Me" campaign in 2023. We want to match our 6th-12th grade students with a "Prayer Champion." A "Prayer Champion" is an adult in the congregation who commits to pray for one student for an entire year. Each Prayer Champion will be given the name of a student, specific prayer requests, and a Prayer Guide to use in praying daily for their student. This ministry works to tighten the web of intergenerational relationships in our church and equips adults to pass along a life of faith to the next generation. Please contact Pastor Dan (Dan@KnowingGodSF.org) if you would like to commit to being a Prayer Champion this next year. Also let me know if you are a parent and want to make sure your 6th-12th grade student is matched with a Prayer Champion.

Weekly Outlook

Sunday, December 5

Today

9:00 am Sunday Worship: also live stream
10:30 am Sunday School: in person only
10:30 am Women's Prayer Group in Room 115
5:00 pm Christmas Ensemble Practice
6:00 pm Children's Christmas Program practice
6:00 pm Evening Worship
7:00 pm High School Youth Group

Monday, December 5

6:30 am Men's Discipleship at Bagel Boy on Minnesota Ave

Tuesday, December 6

6:30 am Corporate Prayer at Church

Wednesday, December 7

Noon Men's Discipleship in the FEFC Library
6:25 pm AWANA
6:30 pm Middle School Youth Group
6:30 pm Adult Bible Study

Thursday, December 8

6:15 am Men's Discipleship at Church

Saturday, December 10

7:00 am Men's Discipleship at Josiah's Coffeehouse
9:00 am Children's Christmas Program Practice

Sunday, December 11

9:00 am Sunday Worship: also live stream
10:30 am Sunday School: in person only
10:30 am Women's Prayer Group in Room 115
5:30 pm Christmas Prelude
6:00 pm Preschool Christmas Program
6:30 pm K-5 Christmas Program
7:00 pm High School Youth Group

First Free 411

Second Sunday Potlucks Begin Again in January

Due to the Christmas program next week, we will plan to start meeting again for Second Sunday Potlucks in January. See you then!

Connect With Us 12/4/22

1st-time Guest 2nd-time Guest

Regular Attender Member

Visitor

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Others in Attendance _____

Respond

I Want to Become a Christian

I Want to Get Baptized

I Want to Become a Member

I Want to Talk to a Pastor



Scan this code with your phone's photo app to sign your connection card virtually!

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

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O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.

Refrain Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here;
And drive away the shades of night,
And pierce the clouds and bring us light! **Refrain**

O come, Thou Wisdom from on high,
And order all things far and nigh;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And teach us in her ways to go. **Refrain**

O come, Desire of nations, bind
All peoples in one heart and mind;
Bid envy, strife and quarrels cease;
Fill all the world with heaven's peace. **Refrain**

O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;
From depths of hell Thy people save
And give them vict'ry o'er the grave. **Refrain**

O come, Thou Key of David, come,
And open wide our heav'nly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery. Refrain

How Great Our Joy

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While by the sheep we watched at night, Glad tidings brought an angel bright.
How great our joy! Great our joy!
Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy!
Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!
Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!

There shall be born, so he did say, In Bethlehem a Child today.
How great our joy! Great our joy!
Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy!
Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!
Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!

There shall the Child lie in a stall, This Child who shall redeem us all.
How great our joy! Great our joy!
Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy!
Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!
Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!

This gift of God we'll cherish well, That ever joy our hearts shall fill.
How great our joy! Great our joy!
Joy, joy, joy! Joy, joy, joy!
Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!
Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

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Lo, how a rose e'er blooming. From tender stem hath sprung,
Of Jesse's lineage coming, as men of old have sung.
It came, a floweret bright, amid the cold of winter,
When half-spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it, the rose I have in mind,
With Mary we behold it. The virgin mother kind.
To show God's love aright. She bore to them a Savior,
When half-spent was the night.

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

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Infant holy, Infant lowly, for His bed a cattle stall;
Oxen lowing, little knowing Christ the Babe is Lord of all.
Swift are winging angels singing, noels ringing, tidings bringing:
Christ the Babe is Lord of all, Christ the Babe is Lord of all.

Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping vigil till the morning new
Saw the glory, heard the story, tidings of a gospel true.
Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, praises voicing, greet the morrow:
Christ the Babe was born for you. Christ the Babe was born for you.

All is Well

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All is well all is well
Angels and men rejoice
For tonight darkness fell
Into the dawn of love's light
Sing A-le
Sing Alleluia
All is well all is well
Let there be peace on earth
Christ is come go and tell
That He is in the manger
Sing A-le
Sing Alleluia

All is well all is well
Lift up your voices and sing
Born is now Emmanuel
Born is our Lord and Savior
Sing Alleluia
Sing Alleluia
All is well

O Holy Night

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O holy night, the stars are brightly shining,
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth;
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!
Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices;
O night divine! O night when Christ was born!
O night divine! O night, O night divine!

Led by the light of Faith serenely beaming,
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand;
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming,
Here came the wise men from the orient land.
The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger,
In all our trials born to be our friend;
He knows our need, He guards us from all danger;
Behold your King! Before Him lowly bend!
Behold your King; before him lowly bend!

Truly He taught us to love one another;
His law is love and His gospel is peace;
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother,
And in His Name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we;
Let all within us praise His holy Name!
Christ is the Lord! O praise His Name forever!
His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!
His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!