



WELCOME TO FIRST EVAN

"We exist to glorify Jesus Christ and magnify His gospel in all of life until He comes."

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2023



We are so excited you are visiting with us today! Be sure to fill out a connect card in the pews or visit www.firstevan.org/connect.



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Pictured: Break Young Adult Camping Trip to Serendipity Campground in October 2023.

BRING HIM GLORY

“Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.” Psalm 29:2

Welcome	Jake Ferwerda, <i>Pastor of Student Ministries</i>
Call to Worship	Psalm 29:2
Songs of Praise	O Worship the King Whom Shall I Fear
Elder Prayer	JP Hickey
The Lord’s Supper	
Choral Meditation	The King of Love My Shepherd Is
Song of Worship	10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)
Scripture Reading: Acts 4:23–31	Barry Knight
Sermon	Andrew Beach, <i>The Center Memphis</i> “Squeezing Fists, Squeezing Sponges” Acts 4:23–31
Testimony: Everyday CoJourney	
Song of Response	May the Mind of Christ, My Savior (Hymn #560)
Benediction	

Musicians: The Worship Choir, Olivia Grace Atkinson, Carter Boer, Dan Gilbert, Edrie Gray, John Rawlinson, Jamie Scholik, Mark Stelling, Phil Thompson. Ken Boer, Pastor of Worship.

“O Worship The King” by Robert Grant (1833), Joseph Martin Kraus and F.J. Haydn. “Your Great Name We Praise” by Bob Kauflin © 2002 Sovereign Grace Praise. “Whom Shall I Fear (God of Angel Armies)” by Ed Cash, Scott Cash, and Chris Tomlin © 2012 S.D.G. Publishing, sixsteps Songs, et al. “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” by Henry Baker, arr. John Ness Beck © 1985 Beckenhorst Press. “10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)” by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman © 2011 Shout! Publishing; et al. “May the Mind of Christ, My Savior” by Kate B. Wilkinson (1925) and A. Cyril Barham-Gould (1925). CCLI #47316.

“Squeezing Fists, Squeezing Sponges”

Acts 4:23–31 | Andrew Beach, The Center Memphis

Praise instead of pouting

God's perfect sense instead of personal common sense

God's resources instead of human resources

Comprehensive Transformation instead of Temporary transaction

Gospel proclamation instead of self-preservation

God's power instead of human power

Complete joy over partial joy

Squeezing Fists, Squeezing Sponges



MISSIONS LUNCH

Missions Lunch, Next Sunday, November 12

12:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Join us as we share a meal and hear from FEC National Partners Gabor and Edina Gresz, serving with Cru in Kansas, USA.



caregivers
group

Caregivers Group

Thursday, November 16, 11:45 a.m., Chapel

Caregivers is a ministry for those caring for loved ones. This month we will enjoy lunch and hear from Dr. Paul Neal of the Christian Psychological Center about how to approach the holidays well. Contact Christy Bicknell at cbicknell@firstevan.org or Sue Sharpe, 901-828-2624 with questions. Registration required at www.firstevan.org/caregivers.



What if we
simply
journey
with them?

Everyday CoJourney: An Outreach Training w/ Gabor & Edina Gresz
Saturday, November 18, 9:00–11:45 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Join us for a practical outreach training aimed at equipping First Evaners to confidently and comfortably share our faith through meaningful conversations with the non-believers in our lives.

Register today in the Fellowship Hall. The deadline for childcare is Sunday, November 12—sign up at www.firstevan.org/ecchildcare.

Midweek Fellowship Meal, Wednesday, November 8, 5:00–6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall.

Menu: Hamburger/Cheeseburger/Hot Dog, Tater Tots, Corn on the Cob, & Garden Salad OR Garden Vegetable Soup & Salad Bar. Dessert: Four Layer Cake.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS

Christian children are persecuted for bearing witness to Christ. Persecutors around the world are determined to stop the evangelism and discipleship of children.

Pray

- That as children grow in spiritual maturity and obedience, they will become faithful witnesses.
- That persecuted Christian parents and church leaders will boldly disciple children despite opposition.
- That God will give courage and strength to our youngest brothers and sisters.
- That they will experience the truth that Christ is the light of the world (John 8:12).

MEMPHIS PARTNER OF THE WEEK

World Relief Memphis

Praise

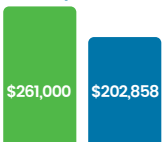
- For new church partners, housing and employment partners, as well as community connections and resources instrumental in welcoming refugees and immigrants!
- That we completed our 11th fiscal year with some of our highest totals in refugees resettled.
- For the resilience, determination, and vibrance of the growing Cuban community in Memphis!

Pray

- For the transition into a new country for two dozen refugees this month, as they navigate social, cultural, and linguistic barriers.
- That God will continue activating the local church to lead our community in welcoming.
- That God will send the right people our way as we look to expand our staff!

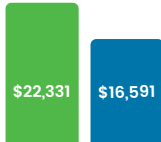
WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Ministry Fund



October Budget

Missions Fund



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FAMILY MATTERS

Hospital Jim Henry, Methodist Germantown

PULPIT PREVIEW

NOV 12 Gabor Gresz, National Partner, Cru

NOV 19 Dr. George Murray, Columbia International University

NOV 26 Wayne Smith Jr., Pastor of Pinnacle Church at Cedar Creek Lake in Texas

DEC 3 Ronnie Stevens, Harvest Church

DEC 10 Pastor Taylor Park

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