

# WELCOME TO FIRST EVAN

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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023



We are so excited you are visiting with us today!

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Pictured: Sunday morning Worship Service on November 5, 2023.

# LORD GOD OF HEAVEN

And I said, "O LORD God of heaven, the great and awesome God who keeps covenant and steadfast love...hear the prayer of Your servant." Nehemiah 1:5–6

Welcome Taylor Park, Executive Pastor

Responsive Reading Ephesians 1:3–6

Song of Praise Come Praise and Glorify

Responsive Reading Ephesians 1:7–14

Song of Praise Hallelujah, We Will Sing

God at Work Todd Vanderpool

Elder Prayer Mark Gosney

Choral Meditation O Love

Scripture Reading Matthew 11:28–30

Song of Comfort Softly and Tenderly (Hymn #441)

Scripture Reading: Nehemiah 1:1–7 Anna Langston

Sermon Gabor Gresz

Executive Director for Church Movements, Cru

"The Walls are Broken, the Gates are Burning -America after Christianity" Nehemiah 1:1–7

## Benediction

Musicians: The Worship Choir, Olivia Grace Atkinson, Amelia Boer, Drew Coffey, Trent England, Brandon Herrington, Andy Holler, McKayla Rawlinson, Jamie Scholik, Phil Thompson. Ken Boer, Pastor of Worship.

"Come Praise and Glorify" by Tim Chester and Bob Kauflin © 2011 Sovereign Grace Praise. "Hallelujah We Will Sing" by Tommy Walker © 2007 Universal Music-Brentwood Benson Songs. "O Love" by George Matheson (1842-1906) and Elaine Hagenberg © 2016 Beckenhorst Press, Inc. "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling" by Will Lamertine Thompson (1880). CCLI #47316.

# "The Walls are Broken, the Gates are Burning -America after Christianity"

Nehemiah 1:1–7 | Gabor Gresz, FEC National Partner, Cru



YOU'RE INVITED — Missions Lunch today after the service! 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.



Everyday CoJourner: 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. Today is the deadline for childcare sign up: www.firstevan.org/ecchildcare.



Prime Time and Care Christmas Luncheon, Sunday, December 3 12:00–2:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall | Speaker: Sandy Willson, Pastor Emeritus, Second Presbyterian Church & Interim Director, The Gospel Coalition | Special music presented by Twyla Dixon and friends. Come hear stories of God's faithfulness and learn about the new Prime Time Ministry plan. Donations appreciated. Registration required Sundays, November 12, 19, or 26 at the Fellowship Hall or online: www.firstevan.org/christmasluncheon.

FINAL Midweek Fellowship Meal, Wednesday, November 15, 5:00–6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall.

Menu: Taco Salad (Ground Beef or Grilled Chicken) and Black Beans with Chips & Queso OR

Taco Soup and Salad Bar with Chips & Queso. Dessert: Brownie with Ice Cream.

## NATIONAL PARTNERS OF THE WEEK

Gabor & Edina Gresz, Cru, Kansas

#### **Praise**

- For the Global Alliance of Church Multiplication (GACX) last month with 400+ church leaders from all over the globe.
- For the discipled becoming the disciplers through our Sent 6:7 multiplication process.
- That God is at work around the World and He wants to use all of us to bring hope to the multitudes living without hope.

#### Pray

- For our health and strength as we travel.
- That God would use these sermons and trainings to envision and equip many for gospel conversations.
- That God through us as we teach next week.

## MEMPHIS PARTNER OF THE WEEK

**Fikon Ministries** 

## Praise

- For First Evangelical Church and their commitment to provide food for our kids at Club Nathan every 3rd Tuesday.
- For our two new intern workers with Eikon.
   They are here to get training, equipping,
   and be boots on the ground in Binghampton.
- For God's blessings on Eikon Ministries for 25 years.

### Pray

- For our new middle school club we've kicked off in the community.
- For our Internship participants.
- For continued funding to support Eikon programs.

## **WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING**

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Thanksgiving Offering: A Christmas Gift for our Missionaries— Designate "Thanksgiving Offering" on your check to First Evan or give online at www.firstevan.org/thanks.

## **FAMILY MATTERS**

Death Elizabeth Chapell, November 5, 2023

Hospital Jim Henry, Methodist Germantown

#### **PULPIT PREVIEW**

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