

**We welcome you to our services at EFCMM!** Our guests are invited to complete the *Guest Reply* section of this worship folder and drop it off at our Welcome Center after the service. We have a small gift for you!

- **Childcare:** Worship – Todd, Rene, and Micah Wehler. Kingdom Kids – Brett Belleque, Kristine Rogers, Ian Kaufman, and Olivia Stranberg. *Children’s activity packets are available in the foyer to use during the service.*
- **No Youth Group Tonight.**

**Welcome and Announcements**

“All Creatures of Our God and King” – # 63

“God Moves”

“It Is Well With My Soul” – # 705

**Prayer**

**Offering**

**Special Music:** “Consider the Lilies”

“He Will Hold Me Fast”

**Sermon:** “Don’t Worry, Be Happy . . . in God!”

Matthew 6:25-34

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“Behold Our God”

**Worship Team:** Josh Weaver, Ben Hilty, Ashley Weaver, and Julie Nordman

**Today at EFCMM**

- **Guest Speaker:** This morning we are pleased to welcome Tracy Singleton, who will be preaching today during our worship service. He is a missionary with ACTION Zambia and he teaches and trains pastors.

**This Week at EFCMM**

- **Welcome Logan:** Our new Associate Pastor, Logan Murphy, will begin working in the office this week. We are excited to see what God will do as he joins our staff and church family.
- **Holiday Office Hours:** The church office will be closed Tuesday, January 2. The women’s morning prayer group will *NOT* meet that day.
- **Loaves & Fish Food Pantry volunteers** are needed Tuesday, January 2, 9:00 a.m., to restock shelves at the Loaves & Fish Food Pantry.

**Next Week at EFCMM**

- **Week of Prayer:** January 8-11. Please join us as we start the new year in prayer for God to be at work among us. There will be four prayer meetings, each starting at 7:00 p.m. and lasting an hour.
  - Monday, January 8, hosted at the home of Lee & Sue Rogers, Dixon
  - Tuesday, January 9, hosted at the home of Ben & Holly Hilty, Sterling
  - Wednesday, January 10, at EFCMM
  - Thursday, January 11, hosted at the home of Gordy & Ruthie Bell, Oregon
- **Winter Youth Retreat:** Friday-Monday, January 12-15 at Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Center in Oregon. The cost is \$50 per student. Register online at: <https://tr.im/snowcamp>. Camp will start at 7 p.m. As there is no dinner the first night, students should eat before coming. Parents drop off and pick up students at camp. If questions, please contact the church office.
- **Church Plant Candidate:** On Sunday, January 14, Aron Utecht, our Sterling church plant candidate, will be visiting with his wife Jenn. The Utechts have several years of ministry experience in Nebraska and North Dakota. Aron will be doing a Q & A during the Sunday School hour and preaching during the worship service. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to meet and hear him.
- **Childcare:** Sunday School – Mari Vesey and Kendra Oltmanns; Worship – Linda Stranberg, Dee Hickman, and Alek Stranberg. Kingdom Kids – Ashley Weaver, Olivia Steingraber, Jack McKanna, and Catherine Bloemker.

**Sign-up Opportunities**

- **Missions Trip:** January 28–February 3, 2018 to Corpus Christi, Texas. If interested in learning more, sign up in the Welcome Center.

*Please tear off this section to keep as a reference for planning and for praying.*

**Tuesday**

9:00 a.m. Food Pantry Volunteers  
Office is closed.

**Wednesday**

6:00 a.m. Dixon Men’s Prayer  
6:00 p.m. Puppet Team

**Thursday**

6:00 a.m. Council of Elders  
1:00 p.m. Ladies’ Bible Study

**Saturday**

7:00 a.m. Men’s Group  
8:30 a.m. Helps’ Ministry Mtg.

**January At-A-Glance**

- **Week of Prayer:** January 8-11.
- **Winter Youth Retreat:** Friday-Monday, January 12-15.
- **Church Plant Candidate:** Visiting January 14.
- **Celebration of Grace:** Sunday, January 21, 10:00 a.m. The service will include our installation for Logan Murphy as Associate Pastor. Following the morning service, we will have a potluck at Barnacopia.
- **Missions Trip:** Jan. 28-Feb. 3, 2018, to Corpus Christi, TX.
- **Small Groups** resume Sunday, January 28.