

Exodus

“I AM THE LORD YOUR GOD.”

Evangel Presbyterian Church
Every Member a Worshipper, Worker, Witness



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Lord's Day, September 19, 2021

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;
and to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors and offers
welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(Register Attendance/Connect Cards)

Meditation

Matthew 1:23

“The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel”—which means, ‘God with us.’”

APPROACHING GOD IN WORSHIP

Greeting: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Call to Worship

Psalm 115:18; Isaiah 2:3

Pastor: Let us bless the LORD from this time forth
and forevermore. Praise the LORD!

People: Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob, that He
may teach us His ways and that we may walk
in His paths.

Hymn of Adoration

Only a Holy God

Prayer of Adoration

APPROACHING GOD IN CONFESSION AND SERVICE

Call to Confession

James 1:2-8

"Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given him. But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt, because he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. That man should not think he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all he does."

Prayer of Confession in Unison

Father, just as parents lead their children toward maturity, You lead us to spiritual maturity. One way You do this is through giving us trials. Trials test our faith and bring about perseverance. Knowing this, help us to embrace trials as opportunities for growth. Give us the faith to cry to You for wisdom, understanding, and grace.

Forgive us when we have resented trials in our lives, and when we have become bitter from them. Show us the beauty of becoming more like Jesus.

The Lord's Assurance of Pardon

God reminds our forgetful hearts of the grace that is ours in Jesus.

Psalm 51:17

"The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise."

Hymn

May the Mind of Christ My Savior #644

The Offering

In gratitude, we offer our tithes and offerings to God.

Gloria Patri #735

Glory be to the Father,

And to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen, amen.

Ministry of Music

Choir

My Jesus, I Love Thee by William Featherston & Adoniram Gordon

Pastoral Prayer

We lift up our requests to God knowing that he hears us when we pray.

Hymn

Living Waters

RECEIVING THE WORD OF GOD

The Scripture Reading and Response

1 John 1:1-4

Exodus 17:1-16

Pastor: The grass withers, the flower fades;

People: But the Word of our God stands forever.

Children may be dismissed for Children's Church (ages 3-7). Teachers will meet them in the foyer. They may be picked up after the service at the end of the south hall.

The Morning Sermon

"Is the Lord among us, or not?"

Rev. Tim Rackley

Prayer of Application

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn

Facing a Task Unfinished

Benediction

Psalm 65:4

Pastor: "And now hear from the God who dwells in the heavenly Zion: 'Blessed is the one who He chooses to dwell in His courts, for He will satisfy your house with goodness and by awesome deeds, answer all who trust in Him.'" Amen.

Doxology #731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise him, all creatures, here below;

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Postlude

SERMON OUTLINE

“Is the LORD among us, or not?”

I John 1:1-4

Exodus 17:1-16

Point: Since God is with us
we are to go to Him for help.

I. God meets our needs.

A. God Orchestrates Our Lives

B. God Establishes Authority

C. God Proves His Presence

II. God defeats our enemies.

A. God Uses Normal Means

B. God Develops Leaders

C. God Calls Us to be Dependent Upon Him

D. God Proves His Presence

NOTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ministry Opportunity: The Women's Ministry is collecting items for Harbor House starting this Sunday, September 19th through October 17th. Harbor House's "Wishlist Items" is in the foyer along with a basket for you to drop off your donations. All items must be new. Contact Bethany Drouhard with any questions.

Dessert Groups: Will begin in October.

Singles/Couples/Families will form each group and get together for a simple dessert and fellowship. Each group can decide for themselves who wants to host and what works best for your gathering. Signup strips are in the foyer and if you want to take part, leave your signup strip in the basket. Take this opportunity to enjoy your church family! Contact Kendi Fiscus with any questions.

Kids' and Youth Music today, September 19th at 9:10

AM. This is for children in Pre-K/Kindergarten through 5th grade. Victoria Briggs will be leading this fall.

GriefShare tonight, September 19th at 6:00 pm in the education building. This ministry seeks to help people through grieving resulting from the death of a loved one. Questions may be addressed to Dan Drouhard or Pastor Tim.

Kids' Quest: We are so excited to have your children back with us and invite any new students as well;

tonight, September 19th at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship

Hall. Children in grades Pre-K/K-5th are encouraged to join us for an hour of fun and learning each Sunday night. See you soon, kiddos! (Psst! Bring your friends...) Contact Pastor Tim with any questions.

EPYC (Evangel Presbyterian Youth Crew) is tonight, September 19th at 6:00 PM at the church. Contact Pastor Tim for more information.

2nd Annual Robert Johnson Rod & Custom Car Show: Is scheduled for October 2 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. We need workers to work from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM. There will also be a short training session on Friday night. Signup to help on the church app. Contact Pastor Tim with any questions.

Nursery Volunteers

	September 19	September 26
Sunday School:	Jenny Rackley	Maryanne Johnston
Worship:	Lois Kimmel Brian Kimmel	Kendi Fiscus Sydney Engelbrecht

Children’s Church Leaders

	September 19	September 26
Leader:	Jenny Rackley	Brenda Johnson
Helper:	Toby Edwards	Kate Rackley

Thank you for serving! We appreciate our loving children’s ministry volunteers very much. If you are unable to serve your scheduled time for either nursery or children’s church, please try to find a replacement.

Cheryl Doeden, Nursery Coordinator

Jackie Rackley, Children’s Church Coordinator

CHURCH PROGRAMS

Kids' and Youth Music.....	Sundays at 9:10 AM
Sunday School.....	Sundays at 9:10 AM
Gather	Sundays at 10:10 AM
Morning Worship	Sundays at 10:45 AM
Adult Choir	Sundays at 12:10 PM
Kids' Quest Classes	Sundays at 6:00 PM
EPYC (Evangel Presbyterian Youth Crew)	Sundays at 6:00 PM
GriefShare Classes.....	Sundays at 6:00 PM
Women's Evening Study Group <small>Second & Fourth</small>	Tuesday at 7:00 PM
Women's Morning Study Group <small>Second & Fourth</small> ..	Wednesday 9:30 AM
F.L.O.C.K.S. Groups	See group leaders for time and location

HISTORY AND MISSION

Evangel had its first service on November 6, 1988. The following year, Evangel joined The Presbyterian Church in America, a conservative denomination organized in 1973.

Evangel believes the Bible is the infallible word of God and forgiveness and eternal life are obtained only through God's Son, Jesus Christ, who died as a substitute for His people.

Our objective is to exalt the moral excellence of God, to build up and sustain the faith of members, to engage in mutual service, to interpret today's happenings in the light of God's revelation, and to proclaim the Gospel to the world.

GUEST INFORMATION

Welcome to Evangel!

Nursery care is provided for infants and toddlers under age three during Sunday school and the worship service. Children's church is offered for children ages 3 to 7. Children may leave the service after the Scripture reading.

LEADERSHIP

Session

Rev. Tim Rackley, Pastor
Brad Doeden
Bryan Fiscus
Marlon Johnston, Clerk of Session

Diaconate

Zack Flummerfelt
Eric Mize

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