

First Evangelical Free Church exists to:

BRING people into a relationship with Jesus, **CONNECT** them to God's family, **MATURE** them in their faith, and **EQUIP** them for ministry so God's name will be **EXALTED!**

Our Current Series:
January 3-April 18, 2010

12 Tests

Developing a Faith That Works

When it comes to your faith, how and where does it show up? We will begin this new decade by taking 12 tests from the book of James that will spur you on to develop a faith that works!

March Tests:

March 7—*"How Well Do You Get Along With Others?"* (James 4:1-12)

March 14—*"Who Do You Trust For Tomorrow?"* (James 4:13-17)

March 21—*"What Have You Done With Your Money?"* (James 5:1-6)

March 28—*Palm Sunday*

Contact Us!

The staff at First Free would love to hear from you today!

Pastoral Staff

Senior Pastor, Joel Sutton (joel.sutton@firstfreechurch.org)

Worship & Connecting Pastor, Eric Twietmeyer (eric@firstfreechurch.org)

Youth Pastor, Mark Meyers (mark.meyers@firstfreechurch.org)

Ministry Staff

Children's Director, Beth Brown (beth.brown@firstfreechurch.org)

Director of International Ministries, Sam Song (songo110@umn.edu)

Parish Nurses, Delores Huanca & Maureen Juarez (parishnurses@firstfreechurch.org)

Intern, Aaron Rusnak (aaron.rusnak@firstfreechurch.org)

Intern, Phil Hintz (phil.hintz@firstfreechurch.org)

Administrative Staff

Facilities Technician, Scott Beckett (scott.beckett@firstfreechurch.org)

Office Administrator, Olivia Lueth (olivia.lueth@firstfreechurch.org)

Administrative Assistant, Karna Anderson (karna.anderson@firstfreechurch.org)



WELCOME
where the difference is... the relationship

Sunday Mornings:

Creekside Friends

9:30 –12:00 PM:

Nursery (Infant–2 Years)*Cuddlebugs* (Infant–Age 1) & *Creepers* (Ages 1–2)**2's Climbers** (2 Years)**Preschool** (3–5 Years)*Hoppers* (Age 3) & *Critters* (Ages 4–5)*Parents, please sign your child in and receive a pager.***** Creekside Bible Time ******Children's Bible Time (K-6)** _____ 9:30-10:30 AM**Creekside Kids (K-3)** meet in Creekside Rooms #102A-D**Creekside Kids (4)** meet in Room #101**Creekside Explorers (5-6)** meet in Rooms #301 - 302**Zion Youth Church** (Gr. 7-12), 9:30 AM, meet in Room 108

10:30-10:55 AM:

K-3 Friends' Corner: Room #102**4-6 Friends' Corner:** Room #101**** Creekside Children's Church ******Children's Church (K-6)** _____ 11:30 AM-12:00 PM*Gr. K-3 - Room 102; Gr. 4-6 - Room 101*

Wednesday Evenings:

Creekside Clubs

6:30-8:00 PM

Girls Rock! (Gr. 1-6)**Tree Climbers** (Boys Gr. 1-2)**Stockade** (Boys Gr. 3-6)Zion Student Ministry

6:30-8:30 PM

Zion Youth Group (Gr. 7-12)**Please use South Entrance****Sign up for Summer
Ministry Trips!**

Deadline is TODAY

Register online at
student.firstfreechurch.org

Sunday Mornings:

Adult Bible Fellowships**9:30 AM****Life (Room #104)** ~ Jeff & Andrea Spranger*Singles, Couples & Parents with Young Children– 30s***Parents of Teenagers (Room #103)** ~ Jim & Joyce Friesen**Sojourners (Room #105)** ~ Vince & Heidi St. Clair*Singles, Couples & Families – Late 30s, 40s, Early 50s***11:00 AM****Metamorphosis (Room #109)** ~ Wayne & Julie Danielson*Post High School, College & Early Career***Seekers (Room #108)** ~ Audrey Sollie, Bob Gu, & Steve Mondy*Multi-culture Class***Seniors (Room #105)** ~ Char Boyles & Bob Chapman*Singles & Couples – 65+***Agape (Room #103)** ~ Mark & Deb Holman*Singles & Couples – 50s & 60s***Makarios (Room #104)** ~ Eric & Susan Stabnow*Singles, Couples & Newlyweds in their 20s***Prayer Group (Library)** ~ Facilitator: Grace Elasky

Josiah's Gift, a group of Northwestern College students, will be presenting an hour of music and Scripture recitation on **March 7th** at 6:00 PM in the sanctuary. Come join us for an awesome night of worship and encouragement!



Pick up your Camp Shamineau discount scholarship now at the **Creekside Canteen!** First Free happily gives scholarships to all kids going to camp...just fill out a form! Note that Camp is offering a "Super Discount" for summer camps if you register by TOMORROW!

Terrace on Chicago: Youth Fundraiser Dinner*Today: Last Chance To Reserve Your Seats*

Dinner: March 6

Two Seatings Available: 5 PM & 7 PM

Come and learn about the Ministry Trips the students of First Evangelical Free Church will be taking this summer and support them financially.

Note to Students: Please wear black dress pants and a white dress shirt on the night of the dinner.

Have One?

Zion Youth Group needs to borrow it for their Fundraiser Dinner! Place card tables in labeled gym closet by **TODAY!**

**Men's Fellowship**

All Grandpas, Dads, and Sons are invited next Saturday (March 13th) at 8 AM for a continental breakfast, short talk, and discussion time.

This Week @ FEFC...February 28-March 6

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 2 Services: 9:30 & 11 AM 12:15 PM Seekers' Potluck 4 PM CoRe	1 8:30 PM Men's Basketball	2 1 PM Women's Guild 6:30 PM Worship All-Team Meeting 7:45 PM Worship Team	3 9:30 AM WNBS 6:30 PM Clubs & Youth Group 6:45 PM Prayer	4	5 9:15 AM MOPS	6 5 PM & 7 PM Youth Fundraiser Dinner



Fellowship Dinners

March 12 & 13

Sign up at the Welcome Desk or Call the Church Office!

Q? Contact: Diane Laitinen (612-721-7360) or Gail Marchand (612-823-3114)

Free Blood Pressure Checks Today!

You can find Christina Olson and Kelli Benner outside of Room 105 after first service.

Family News~

*We offer our prayers and condolences to the family of **Harriet Mikkelson**. Harriet passed away February 25th. A funeral service will be held at Albin Funeral Chapel in Eden Prairie (6855 Rowland Road) on March 2nd at 11 AM.*

We Warmly Welcome Our New Members Today!

Evon Peterson
Jerry & Dorothy Young
Bruce & Kirstin Bird
Julianna Scheumann
Linda Tuff
Shelton Rucker
Tim & Diane Ryden

Women's Guild

Tuesday, 1 PM

Guest Speaker: Pastor Joel Sutton

HELLO

my name is

Name Tag Sunday

TODAY!

Grab a name tag in the foyer.
Let's get to know each other!

Fiscal YTD Giving: February 21, 2010

Local Ministries: \$511,357
Budget: \$548,017
Outreach: \$135,323
Budget: \$140,684

Designate Outreach funds by marking it on your check or giving envelope.

EXALT

"Sing To The King"

"Your Name"

Welcome

Offering

"By Faith"

Scripture Reading: James 3:13-18
(Children Dismissed 2nd Service)

Prayer

Message

Pastor Joel Sutton

"What Kind Of Wisdom Do You Use?"
James 3:13-18 (Pew Bible Pg. 1174)

"I Surrender All"

First Time Visitor?

If you are new to First Free, we extend a special welcome to you today. We hope that you will find the following information helpful:

Information Request: We ask each attendee to *fill out the enclosed Welcome Card* and place it in the offering plate each week. Our church uses this information for First Free communications only...plus, we would just like to get to know you! *Information will not be shared with outside sources.*

This Morning's Offering is for those who call First Free their church home. You are our guest. Please do not feel obligated to participate.

Restrooms are located below the foyer and across from the gym. A handicap accessible restroom may be found by the nursery near the North Entrance.

Nurseries, Classrooms, and Children's & Adult Ministry: Stop at the Welcome Center for maps! Class times and locations are located on the inside of this bulletin.

A Gift! We invite you to also stop by the **Welcome Center** to receive a gift and additional information about our church. *Thank you for joining us today!*

Test 7:

James 3:13-18

What Kind Of Wisdom Do You Use?

James: Wisdom is about _____ to other people.

_____ wisdom: v. 13

A _____ . . . in _____.

_____ wisdom: vv. 14-16

How to deal with others wisely: v. 17

- 1) If I'm Wise, I Won't Compromise _____.
- 2) If I'm Wise, I Won't Antagonize _____.
- 3) If I'm Wise, I Won't Minimize _____.
- 4) If I'm Wise, I Won't Criticize _____.
- 5) If I'm Wise, I Won't Emphasize _____.
- 6) If I'm Wise, I Won't Disguise _____.

The Result: _____ v. 18

Take Home Idea: A _____ that comes from _____ is a
 _____ that promotes _____ and _____
 relationships.

*Coming Next Week:***Test 8 : "How Well Do You Get Along With Others?"***James 4:1-12*

*Pastor Joel Sutton; February 28, 2010

Sermon-Based Discussion Questions

(For Small Groups, Adult Bible Fellowships, or Personal Use)

1. What thoughts did you have about the sermon? Were there any ideas that you couldn't stop thinking about? How has your heart been changed by the Holy Spirit's guidance and wisdom?
2. Who is the wisest person you know? Tell a story about when their wisdom was on full display.
3. How do you recognize a wise person? Read James 3:13 and distinguish the difference between wise words and wise living.
4. What are some characteristics of an unwise person? Do you see any of these in your own life? Take some time to repent of any sins that God has revealed in your heart.
5. James tells us "such 'wisdom' does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, of the devil." Where does true wisdom come from? (Read Psalm 111:10)
6. As heavenly and godly wisdom grows in your own life, how do you see your behaviors changing? How will you intentionally ground yourself in godly wisdom and let your life be "pure, peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere"?