

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!**

Upcoming Series:
June 13-August 29, 2010

The God You Are Looking For

Who do you think God is? Is He an unknown spirit floating through the cosmos? Or a creator with a hands-off attitude when it comes to His creation? Does He sit on a throne above the clouds waiting to zap you if you do something wrong? The Bible says that God is none of those things. He is in control, and at the same time He is right there for you. He knows everything and feels deeply. Join us this summer as we explore who God really is in our series called, "The God You Are Looking For."

Are You Looking For A God...

June 13—"Who Is In Control?"

June 20—"Who Knows It All?"

June 27—"Who Is Always There When You Need Him?"

July 4—"Who Is A Refuge?"

July 11—"Who Can Laugh And Cry With You?"

Contact Us!

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

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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

Children's Ministry Summer Schedule begins June 20!

Nursery & Preschool, 9:30-12 PM

K-5 Bible Time, 9:30-10:30 AM

Gr. K-3, Room 102

Gr. 4-5, Room 101

Friends' Corners, 10:30-10:50 AM

11 AM-12 PM

Kids remain in service.

All children move up to their next grade level in the fall.

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



VBC Training

6:30-8 PM

This Wednesday

All volunteers must attend a training session!



Hoist The Sails!

Sunday, June 20

VBC Set-Up

Noon

Please stay and help set up for the High Seas Expedition! Lunch provided. Contact Beth Brown with questions.



June 24

3-6 PM

Sign up at Welcome Desk or by contacting the church office.

Host A New Arrival From China!

New Chinese students are arriving this summer to study at the U. They need a place to stay for several days while finding housing. China Outreach Ministries is looking for people willing to host. Hosting involves providing temporary housing, arranging daily transportation to and from the U of MN's campus, and providing breakfast and supper.

Interested? Info?

Bob & Joanne Kraftson at rjkraftson@gmail.com.

This Week @ FEFC...June 13-19

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
13 9:30 & 11 AM Worship Services 12:15 PM Seekers Potluck 12:30 PM Youth Challenge Conference Prep Mtg.	14 8:30 PM Men's Basketball	15	16 6 PM YG: Biking 6:30 PM VBC Training 6:45 PM Prayer	17	18	19

This morning we welcome guest worship leader **Tonia Hughes** to our service. Tonia and her husband reside in Minneapolis. She is a regular worship leader at St. Andrews Lutheran Church in Mahtomedi, MN, and leads worship at various events around the metro area. If you are interested in learning more about Tonia's ministry or purchasing her recordings, please visit her website at www.toniahughes.com.

Capital Campaign

Update, Upgrade, & Uplift First Free!

Further information available at the Welcome Desk. Designate "Challenge 2012" on check or giving envelope!

Commitment Cards In By June 20!



Neighborhood Street Fest

It's a family-fun party! Join us for live music, hot dogs & ice cream, and inflatable jumpers for kids!

June 23
6-8 PM



Senior Singles Luncheon

June 27, 12:30 PM
Olive Garden (American Blvd.)

Family News--

Our condolences and prayers go out to the family of **Lucille Bornholdt**. Lucille passed away Thursday, June 3. Services were held June 10 at First Free.



Interested in baptism?
Our next baptismal service is scheduled for **August 8 at Lake Nokomis**. Contact the church office or mark your Welcome Card if you would like to participate.

Join the Summer Reading Club! All children, youth, and adults are welcome to participate. We will help you keep track of what you read between June 13 and August 15. The library will be **open before and after services**. **The book cart will be in the gym during coffee time**. More info is available at the Welcome Center.



Fiscal YTD Giving:
May 23, 2010

Local Ministries: \$92,791
Budget: \$103,565
Outreach: \$23,430
Budget: \$25,092

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

EXALT

"Sing To The King"

"Mighty To Save"

"How Great Is Our God"

"How Great Thou Art"

Welcome

(Children Dismissed 2nd Service)

Message

Pastor Joel Sutton

"Who Is In Control?"
Isaiah 40 (Pew Bible Pg. 700-702)

Offering

"I Surrender All"

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

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!*

Who Is In Control?

Isaiah 40

Sermon-Based Discussion Questions

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

God through God's eyes:

- God is greater than _____. (Vv. 6-7)

- God is greater than _____. (Vs. 12)

- God is greater than _____. (Vv. 15 -17)

- God is greater than _____. (Vv. 12, 22, 26)

Take Home Idea: When you know the _____ of God, then you can _____ that He is in _____.

Coming Next Week:

Are You Looking For A God...Who Knows It All?

Psalm 139; Heb. 4:13

*Pastor Joel Sutton; June 13, 2010

1. What stood out to you from the sermon? Pinpoint an idea or a thought that made an impact on your heart; share with everyone else. How has the Holy Spirit used the sermon to transform who you are?

2. Describe a time when life looked out of control to you – either in our nation, in your family, or personally. What did you feel like?

3. Look back at Isaiah chapter 39. Summarize what has happened. What is the situation at the end of chapter 39? Why would the words, "Comfort, comfort my people, says your God," be so significant at the beginning of chapter 40?

4. Read 40:6-8. How are all people like grass? How are we like flowers? Knowing that God is so much bigger than us, how does that make you feel? Scared? Confident?

5. Read 40:12-14. Stop and picture how big God is that He can do all these things. What does that tell you about God's greatness? About God's sovereignty?

6. Read vv. 15-17. Name the most powerful nations on earth. What do these verses remind us when it comes to God's greatness?

7. Read vv. 12, 22, 26. This is God's perspective of the universe. How does that impress you?

8. How does all of this make you feel? How does this chapter remind you that God is in control – in our disasters as well as our triumphs? What will be your response next time you feel like life is out of control?