

# Evangelical Covenant Church

## November 19, 2023

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**Life at ECC**

Kurt Kincanon  
Administrative Pastor

**New Members Recognition**

**Worship in Song**

“Forever”  
“How Great Thou Art”

**Worship in Testimony**

Angie Pendley

**Worship in Song**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

**Scripture Reading**

Audette Taylor

**Worship in Song**

“Goodness of God”

**Spiritual Formation**

Gratitude

**Morning Prayer**

Stacey Littlefield  
Lead Pastor

**A Year in Review**

**Worship in Song**

“Evidence”

**Benediction**

**Next Week’s Scripture**

[Revelation 7:1-17](#)

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## **THIS WEEK AT ECC**

<b>Today</b>	9:00am	Adult Christian Formation, Great Room
	10:30am	Service of Thanksgiving, Sanctuary & Online Toddler Nursery (Birth-3 year olds) <b>Kids Out Loud</b> (3yrs - Kindergarten), Room 5 <i>mid-service</i> , <b>Kids Out Loud</b> (1st-5th Grade), Life Center
	12:00pm	Soup Fundraiser and Dessert Auction, Life Center
<b>Monday</b>	9:00am	ECC Pickleball, Life Center Gym
	6:30pm	Men's Monthly Meal, Teays River
	7:27pm	Young Life, Life Center
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30am	Men's Bible Study, Zoom
<b>Thursday</b>		Happy Thanksgiving, Office Closed
<b>Friday</b>	8:30am	ECC Pickleball, Life Center Gym Office Closed

## **Save the Date**

December 2                      Christmas Outreach

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**Soup Luncheon and Dessert Auction Fundraiser:** Come to the Life Center after service **today** as part of our Service of Thanksgiving. This fundraiser will help send our high school students and leaders to the Covenant's triennial student conference called UNITE in July 2024. Come support our students at a "by-donation" soup lunch (meaning the cost is any size donation you are willing to give), which will be followed by a auction of desserts that were homemade and donated by students and their families. Come, enjoy lunch, and win a delicious dessert to take home right before Thanksgiving! We hope to see you there!

**Poinsettias:** It's time to order poinsettias to adorn our sanctuary over the Christmas season! You may purchase for yourself, in memory of a loved one, or as a gift! Poinsettias are \$12 each and can be picked up after our Christmas Eve service and the Sunday after. Order [here](#) or dropping your check off at the church.

**Christmas Outreach:** This year, ECC will once again be helping our Afterschool JAM families. JAM, which stands for Jesus and Me, is our afterschool ministry for Miller School students. We are setting our goal at \$8,000 to be raised by December 3. A portion of the money will be used for Christmas, but most of it will go to fund our outreach ministries year-round. Please make checks payable to ECC with Christmas Outreach in the memo section or you can [give online](#) and select the Christmas Outreach link on our giving portal. We ask that you give towards this effort over and above your regular giving if possible. In the next week or so, we will be asking for volunteers for our party for the families on December 2, so please watch your email for those needs. Please contact [Ronda](#) with any questions.

**Indoor Decorating:** It's that time of year again to deck the halls of our church! Join us November 27, at 6:30pm, for Christmas decorating starting in the sanctuary! Please let Meghan know you are coming [here](#).

**Serving Opportunities:** So many people faithfully serve up front and behind the scenes every week here at ECC—and we are thankful! Finding a place to serve is an important way to support and engage our mission. If you are looking for a way to get more involved in the ministry and mission of ECC, you can [let us know here](#). Remember, it will take all of us serving together for us to become a community of people who know God, follow Jesus, and pursue God's purposes in the world, and we'd love to have you join us!

**Adult Christian Formation:** Sunday mornings at 9:00am in the Great Room. The Adult Sunday School Class is doing a series entitled *Old Testament Survey*.

### Men's Ministry

- **Wednesday Morning Men's Fellowship:** Join us each week at 6:30am. The Wednesday Morning Men's group is studying a commentary by NT Wright on Romans 1-8. This group is currently meeting via Zoom. For an invite, please email [Ken Ritchey](#). We'd love to see you there!
- **Wednesday Evening Study:** Pastor Kurt's weekly study meets at 6:30pm on Wednesdays in Room 10. We are currently studying the book of Revelation. We hope you can join us.
- **Men's Monthly Meal:** Men, join us for our monthly meal on November 20 at 6:30pm. We are changing things up and rotating between two restaurants. This month we will be at Walt's Other Pub (3001 S 9th St) for good food and conversation.

### Women's Ministry

- **Merry Little Christmas Party:** Join us for a festive time on December 3 at 6:30pm in the ECC Great Room. We'll eat treats, play games, make DIY ornaments, and more! Come for some great fellowship and Christmas fun! Feel free to bring a friend or two! Register [here](#).

**MOPS/MOMSNext:** Whether expecting your first or sending your last off to college, MOPS/MOMSNext has a place for you! MOPS/MOMSNext exists to nurture a community that allows each mom to grow as an individual and in relationships with her family, other moms, and Jesus. Our next meeting is November 14 from 9:30-11:30am. [MOPS/MOMSNext](#) is open to any mom in the community, so we encourage you to invite neighbors and friends who might be looking for a place to connect!

### Youth:

- **Winter Camp:** Students in grades 6-12 are invited to join us for Winter Camp 2024 at Covenant Harbor! Our camp weekend this year is January 12-14, 2024. Our total cost for the weekend will be \$195/student. We do have scholarships funds available if needed, so contact Pastor Kristin or Pastor Chuck for more information. For more information about winter camp or to sign up today, click [here](#)!
- **UNITE 2024:** After 6 long years, our denomination's triennial youth event, Unite (formerly known as CHIC), will return in July 2024! All students currently in 8th-12th grade will be invited to attend this incredible event with our youth group. [Register here](#) or contact [Pastor Chuck](#) for more information.
- **Youth Group Gatherings:** There will be no youth group gathering this week (11.22). We will resume the normal schedule next week 11.29.
- **Young Life:** Youth 9th-12th grade, join us on 11/13, 11/20, and 11/27 in the life center. It will be a time to connect with your Young Life leaders and friends in a small group setting. We will catch up with one another, watch the Club video, and take a few moments to process the Club Talk together.

**4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Gatherings:** Our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to join us December 10 for lunch, Bible study, games, and more! We'll meet over in the Life Center, starting after worship, and going until 1:45pm. Friends are welcome to join us! Please contact [Pastor Kristin](#) for more details.

**Children's Ministry:** Our nursery, preschool, and kindergarten children meet in the main building, down the hall from our worship space. You can check in for these classes at the west entrance table. Our 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade students begin in worship with their families. Midway through our worship service, they are invited to a class in the Life Center building.

**Soul Training:** Explore our [Soul Training page](#) where you will find an introduction to spiritual practices and a wide variety of places to begin or add to your own transformational journey.

**Pickle Ball at ECC:** We will have no play on Wednesday November 22. On Friday November 24 and Monday November 30 we'll have open play from 8:30-10 to help work off Thanksgiving. If you haven't tried Pickle ball yet come join us! We have all the equipment you'll need!

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## Please Pray For:

**Recovery from Surgery:** Caleb Bergmann, Anna Taylor

## Health Concerns

ECC Attenders: Marilyn Grenat, Destiny Hatke, Esau Hatke, Westyn Antonian, Maxine Balkema, Freda Brock, John Brock, Bonnie Brockman, Marge Elliott, Tammy Faulkinbury, Shelly Fishback, Vickie Henry, River Lail, Margaret Maitlen, Judi Stanfield, Debbie Trella, Jill Taul, Janet VanBuskirk, Ben Waninger, Nate Waninger, Jane Warner, Dawn Witter

ECC Attenders' Family: Deb Burrow's mom (Rosemary Vendl), Reba Kinder's sister (Trudi Morgan), Ginny Quesada's mom (Karen Retzner), Kim Gibson's mom (Kay Brady), Kyra McIntosh's dad (Mike), John Barrett's sister (Pat Sheahan), Lynette Hamer's mom (Caroline Wiatt), Pam Gellenbeck's brother (Mike Swindle), Bill Senesac's brother (Don Senesac), April Wiley's dad and stepmom (David and Mary Holscher), Linda Jones' husband (Roy Jones) and father (Don Nelson), Sandy Waninger's father (Jim Siegfried), Matt Waninger's sister (Lisa Reynolds) and brother (Brian Waninger), Lisa Kohl's brother (Tony Kohl), Kari Ekenstedt's father (Bob Ekenstedt) and mother (Sheila), Linda Shute's mother (Judy Shute)

**Mission of the Week:** John and Letha Kerl, Covenant Missionaries, Leon France

**Service Person of the Week:** Ethan Adkins, Army, Mike and Sharon Arman's grandson

**Prayer Focus:** Young Adult Ministry, Pastor Chuck Potts

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**Care Team:** As Care Team members, our hope is to care for and support those who are hurting during challenging times. We will listen, be present with you, and pray for you. Please respond [here](#) to have one of our referrals coordinators contact you.

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## Stewardship at a Glance

November Budget (4 wks)	\$62,283	Fiscal Year Budget 7.1.23-10.31.23	\$293,774
Weekly Amount Needed	\$16,321	Fiscal Year Giving 7.1.23-10.31.23	\$274,514
Last Week's Offering	\$18,453	Fiscal Year Expenses 7.1.23-10.31.23	\$301,200
November Amnt Received (2 wks)	\$28,080		
November Amnt Needed (2 wks)	\$37,203		

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