

### *Our Purpose:*

Helping individuals discover life in Jesus.

### *Our Expression:*

Being transformed by God to be God's transforming presence.

### *Our Values:*

Life is discovered through a personal relationship with Jesus

Life is transformed through worship, prayer, and giving

Life is experienced through community and fellowship

Life is enlarged through service to others.

#### WORSHIP

Gather for Sunday service to worship, witness, and dig into God's word.

"love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all of your soul." Mark 12:30a

#### GROW

Grow as we journey together in groups and classes, learning to passionately follow Jesus.

"love the Lord your God with all your mind." Mark 12:30b

#### SERVE

Being the transforming presence of Jesus as we live as the church joyfully serving others and sharing the message of the gospel.

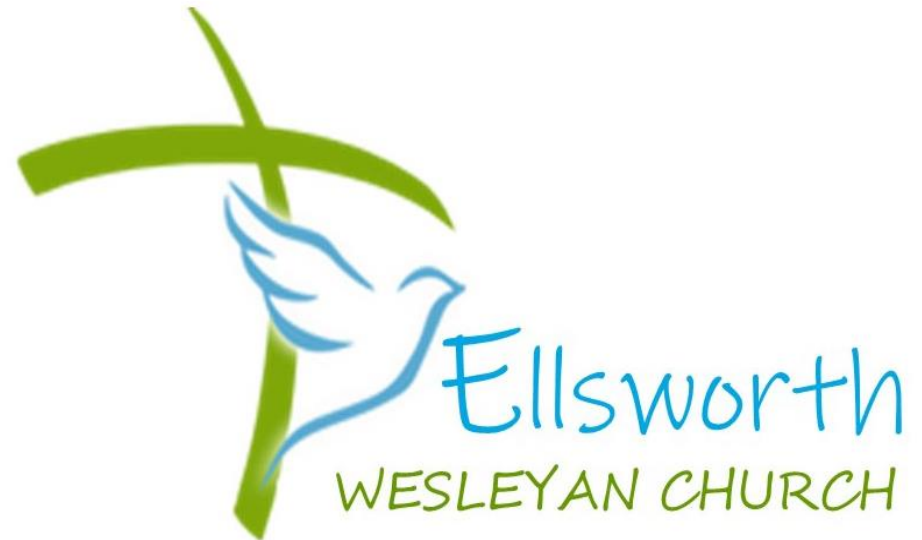
"love the Lord your God with all your strength." Mark 12:30c

### Prayer Requests:

- All who attended the Gathering Conference
- Belltower Reformed Church Pastoral Search
- Nagel family: Bob Nagel is in hospice
- The New Great Lakes Region
- Our nation and its leaders
- Our Missionaries: Sarah Troyer, Joyce Chellis, Dr. Peed, Matt & Vona Gerber (Leaving January 5<sup>th</sup>), Rogers & Paraventi families
- Physical: Frank Aldrich, Gary Armstrong, Clayton Denny, Dave Brookins

### Praises:

- Rose McPherson continued recovery! We are thankful!
- A Blessed Holiday Season
- New Pastor at Ellsworth CRC: James and Sarah Zwier



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January 13, 2019

# You Are Welcome Here...

As we welcome you today, we pray that here, you will find rest for your soul, joy for your heart, and the comfort of a God who loves you only as He can.

## This Week at EWC

### Tuesday, January 15

SIS @ 9am

### Wednesday, January 16

Infuse @ 7am

Worship Practice @ 6pm

LBA Meeting @ 7pm

### Thursday, January 17

WINGS @ 9am

Celebrate Recovery @ 6:30pm

### Saturday, January 19

Go & Tell Seminar @ 9am-12pm

EWC Family Hike @ 3pm

### Sunday, January 20

Worship @ 10am

Growth Groups @ 11:15am

Bible Study @ 6pm

#### **Monthly Budget:**

\$18,890.00

#### **November Giving:**

\$14,810

#### **Attendance for**

**January 6**

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#### **Sunday School**

### **What we suffer now is nothing compared to the glory he will give us later.**

Romans 8:18

Nowhere does the Bible teach that Christians are to be exempt from the tribulations and natural disasters that come upon the world. It does teach that the Christian can face tribulation, crisis, calamity, and personal suffering with a supernatural power that is not available to the person outside Christ. The early Christians were able to experience joy in their hearts in the midst of trials, troubles, and depression. They counted suffering for Christ not as a burden or misfortune, but as a great honor, as evidence that Christ counted them worthy to witness to Him through suffering. They never forgot what Christ Himself had gone through for their salvation; and to suffer for His name's sake was regarded as a gift rather than a cross. Christians can rejoice in tribulation because they have eternity's values in view. When the pressures are on, they look beyond their present predicaments to the glories of heaven. The thought of the future life with its prerogatives and joys helps to make the trials of the present seem light and transient.

**Devotion by Billy Graham**

# Happening at EWC...

## Current Sermon Series: Go & Tell "The Unfinished Task Pt 2"

Scripture reference: John 4

- ✓ Go & Tell devotionals are available in the foyer.
- ✓ We have also provided you with a book meant to aide you in sharing Jesus with those around you. Also available in the foyer. If you prefer a copy for your kindle, they are available to purchase for \$4.99.

## Growth Groups

Groups being next Sunday, 11:15 to noon!

- "Purple fish, A heart for sharing Jesus" with Yvonne Nachazel
- Bible Study with Larry Essenberg
- SYMBIS with Pastor Chris and SueAnne Wallace
- Kids ministries are also happening!

For further details, please pick up a Growth Groups bulletin in the foyer. We look forward to growing in the Lord with you!

## Go & Tell Seminar

January 19<sup>th</sup> from 9am -12pm in the fellowship hall.

A 3-hour seminar that will teach you practical ways to share Jesus and fulfill the Great Commission. (Matthew 28:18-20) Snacks and refreshments will be provided with lunch following the seminar. Please sign up!

## EWC Winter Hike

Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup> all are invited to join our winter hike! We will meet at the Church at 3pm and head to a local trail. Bring Snowshoes, cross country skies or hiking boots! Hot Chocolate to follow! Please sign up in the foyer. For questions please contact Kris Hoeksema, Priscilla Burks or Mike McDuffie.

## Baptism Service

We will be holding a Baptism service January 20<sup>th</sup>! If you feel led to take this important step in your faith journey, please contact Pastor Chris Wallace!

## Coming Soon!!

Superbowl & Chili Cookoff! February 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 6:30pm.

The famous Golden Laddle Award is up for grabs!

Please sign up! Any questions can be directed to Ethan Wallace .

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