



WELCOME TO FIRST EVAN

"We exist to glorify Jesus Christ and magnify
His gospel in all of life until He comes."

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2024



We are so excited you are
visiting with us today!
Be sure to visit the Connect
Center, fill out a connect
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*Pictured: Josh Raspberry & Family Commissioning; Worship Service on Communion Sunday,
January 7; Registration Tables & Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall.*

STRONG IN THE LORD

"Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might." Eph. 6:10

Welcome Taylor Park, Executive Pastor

Call to Worship Psalm 30:1–5

Songs of Worship House of the Lord
How Great Thou Art (Hymn #21)

Scripture Reading Hebrews 1:1–4

Choral Meditation On This Rock We Stand

God at Work: Gideons John Dawson

Elder Prayer Bryan Miller

Sermon David Stevens, Paraclete Mission Group

"The Fight"
Stand Firm
Ephesians 6:10–12

Song of Response O Church Arise

Benediction

Sanctuary flowers this morning are in memory of Ken Meador by his loving family.

*Musicians: Jeremy Conner, Trent England, Edrie Gray, Brandon Herrington,
Jamie Scholik, Mae Sistrunk, Phil Thompson. Choir Director: Olivia Grace Atkinson.
Worship Leaders: Garrett Stelling and Mark Stelling.*

“The Fight” Stand Firm

Ephesians 6:10–12 | David Stevens, Paraclete Mission Group

Our Struggle (v. 12)

Satan’s Schemes (v. 11)

Our Stance (v. 10)



Life Choices: Bottles for Life— Each January, Life Choices invites churches and individuals to participate in their Bottles For Life campaign to raise awareness and funds for the sanctity of life. Pick up and return bottles to the Connect Center filled with change, cash, or check by **Wednesday, January 31**. This is a great opportunity to get involved with Life Choices and help empower women to choose and cherish life!



Caregivers Group, THIS Thursday, January 18, 11:45 a.m., Chapel
Caregivers is a ministry for those caring for loved ones. This month we will enjoy lunch and hear from **Dr. Curt Bicknell, Guardian Pharmacy MidSouth**, on understanding and managing medications. Bring your questions. Contact Christy Bicknell or Sue Sharpe, 901-828-2624 with questions. RSVP at www.firstevan.org/caregivers.



Discover First Evan Sunday, January 28, 4:00–6:00 p.m., Chapel
This class is offered to those interested in learning more about First Evan or desiring membership. Attending the class in no way obligates you to join, but it is the first step toward membership. Questions can be directed to Jacki Stieferman at jstieferman@firstevan.org. Sign up at www.firstevan.org/dfe.

Midweek Fellowship Meal, Wednesday, January 17, 5:00–6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
Menu: Taco Salad (Beef or Cilantro-lime Chicken) with Mexican Rice and Seasoned Black Beans OR Chicken Tortilla Soup and Salad Bar. Kids option: Chicken & Cheese Quesadilla. Chips, Cheese Dip, and Salsa are available. Dessert: Churro with ice cream.

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

Jonathan & Jayne Frazier, ESL, Michigan
Praise

- That we are seeing spiritual growth in those we mentor.
- That we had a good first semester in our ESL ministry.
- That we ended the year well with several Christmas programs.

Pray

- For the second semester of our ESL.
- For the salvation of family members of those we minister to.
- For our trip to Iraq February 26–29 visiting a convert's Muslim family.

MEMPHIS PARTNER OF THE WEEK

Christ's Community Church
Praise

- That we took 19 children to KAA Kamp and 15 of those gave their lives to the Lord.
- For successful food drives that allowed us to provide 100 holiday baskets.
- That we are resuming our After School Programs to provide academic, spiritual, and emotional resources for our youth.

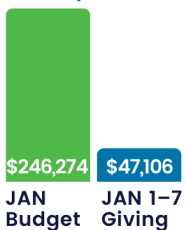
Pray

- For a musician/worship leader.
- For an outreach pastor.
- That we are able to get needed repairs done (roof, additional counseling room, outdoor storage).

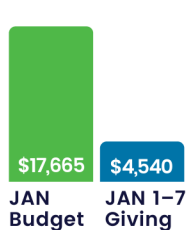
WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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Ministry Fund



Missions Fund



PASTORAL SEARCH PRAYER

Pray for First Evan

- That we would clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, gentleness, and patience.

Pray for Our Next Pastor

- For encouragement as he waits on the Lord for his next steps in ministry. May he be filled with peace as he trusts in God's faithfulness.

Pray for Our Pastoral Search Committee

- That they would know how to encourage one another and share the burdens that weigh differently on each of them.

Nomination forms for elders and deacons are available on the tables outside the Sanctuary. The submissions are limited to First Evan members and due **NEXT Sunday, January 21**.