March 23, 2025

"Nurturing the Branch through Fellowship"

Ephesians 4:11-16

Nathan Crowe

Eastview's Community Garden will be starting up soon.

If you're interested in getting a garden plot, please contact the church office. We also need volunteers that will help organize the garden.

If you'd like to help out, please let the office or one of the elders know.



<u>Camp Allendale Service Days-</u> Volunteers are needed this spring to make sure every aspect of the camp facility is ready for the kids when they arrive in early June. You can help in two ways. Make it a personal priority to attend at least one of the Serve Days and bring others with you! <u>Saturday Serve Days are... April 26th & and May 3rd & 10th. Each day begins at 8:00 AM & lunch will be served.</u>

Call the Camp Office (317-878-4400) or register online to schedule your date.

March Mission Update!

Thanks to the Grace of GOD, the Mission Team was able to donate: 1. \$500 for bed bags and cleaning supplies to Desert Rose, 2. \$ 500 to IDES for flood relief, 3. \$500 to Samaritan's Purse, and 4. \$500 to 4 Smiths on a Mission.

Saturday, April 26th- Annual Church Cleanup Day at 9 AM!

This is a great time to come out in fellowship with others to 'shine up' the church and make it a more welcoming place for all. There will be many jobs large and small, inside and out. No experience necessary and all ages welcome. Lunch will be provided.

WellSpring Center (Local homeless shelter for families) is currently looking to fill a full-time permanent Operations Coordinator position.

The Operation Coordinator is responsible for much of the day-to-day operations of WellSpring. Interested individuals should email their resume to Jennifer@WellSpring.work.

WellSpring is looking for volunteers to help during the United Way of Central Indiana's Go All in Day on April 25, 2025.

Volunteers will be preparing the gardens and raised beds for planting as well as spreading mulch around their playground equipment.

IDES Golf Outing-

Join IDES on Saturday, June 7th as they raise money for a water project in Ghana! Pebble Brook Golf Course, Noblesville, IN. Go to ides.org/golf-2025

ECC will be collecting "SPAGETTI SAUCE & PASTA" for the month of March.

Children & Youth

NEXT Sunday, March 30th is "Family Worship Sunday"!

Elementary age kids (1st—5th) will be joining their families during Worship Service. Sermon bags are available at the Children's Welcome Center.

NEXT Sunday, March 30th—4th & 5th graders are welcome to join Youth Group from 6-8 PM! Join us for Games, Lesson/Discussion, Food, Worship and Fellowship!

Children's Ministry Meeting after Worship Service on Sunday, April 6th!

Children's Ministry Volunteer Training on April 12th-8:30-12 PM!

This date is for anyone that couldn't make the March meeting. Jackie will be covering some very important topics and ECC policy & procedures. This is for ALL youth, children and VBS volunteers. If we have a background check ran on you, then you need to attend! (Coffee & breakfast foods will be available starting at 8:30 AM so the meeting can start on time at 9 AM! Thank you!)

Palm Sunday - Easter in Five Letters - Sunday, April 13th -

Join us right after Worship Service. This sacred experience is for the whole family. The event is geared towards families w/elementary age kids.

Sign up at the Children's Check-in.

Kountry Kids Preschool Registration Now Open!

NOW ENROLLING for the fall's 2025-2026 school year for our PRESCHOOL & PRE-K CLASSES. Contact Preschool Director, Johnna Barker, at 765-342-4483, ext. 5 with any questions or go to the Kountry Kids preschool page on our Eastview website to fill out an inquiry form. eastviewchristianchurch.org/country-kids-preschool/



Camp Allendale "Summer Camp" Registration is now open!

Go to allendalepriority.campbrainregistration.com to sign-up. Spots Fill Up Fast!Discounted pricing is offered for campers from partner churches through March 31st.
See our Children's Director, Jackie Glass, for more information.

ECC's Youth Group's "Night of Worship" every Sunday from 6-8 PM!

Worship, Lesson ("Drive Thru History" is the video series) and Games. Come join the fun! Parents are welcomed to stay too. See Jackie Glass for more information.

SAVE THE DATE!!

VBS is Sunday, June 22nd—Thursday, June 26th! Volunteers Will Be Needed! More info coming soon!



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*You may also contact any of the staff via e-mail:firstname@eastviewchristianchurch.org **Study & Fellowship Opportunities**

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. Coffee & Donuts (Fellowship Hall)

9:00 a.m. Sunday School classes for all ages (Pick up a list of classes at the Welcome Center)

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Tuesday: 6:15 p.m. "Luke in the Land" women's study **Wednesday:** 6:00 p.m. "Goliath Must Fall" men's study **Thursday:** 10:00 a.m. "Lose Control" women's study **Friday:** 7:00 p.m. Overcomers- ECC Fellowship Hall

Sunday, March 16, 2025

Sunday Worship Attendance

In Person 151

* Online Connections 20

* Additional Weekly Reached 10

* Please note the online numbers are conservatively estimated based on number of views per device. It does not directly reflect the number of those watching and being reached on those devices.

Sunday School 59

Offering \$ 9,557 Weekly Budget Target \$ 8,942

This week...

Tuesday, March 25th Wednesday, March 26th Thursday, March 27th Friday, March 28th Sunday, March 30th 6:15 p.m. "Luke in the Land" women's study "Goliath Must Fall" Study WILL NOT meet! 10:00 a.m. "Lose Control" women's study

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9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. "Family Worship" Sunday Service 6:00 p.m. Middle & High School Youth Group (4th & 5th grade welcome to join!)

MINISTRY IN MOTION

Reaching People FOR Christ and Building People UP IN Christ March 23, 2025



Nathan's Notes...

Over the past several weeks, we've been looking at "Nurturing the Branch", that is the things that help strengthen us to become more fruitful followers of Jesus. We already looked at how devoting ourselves to worship, to study of the word, and to greater trust in God can help. Then last week we looked at the role that hardships play in bringing us to maturity. These have all been things that, to a degree, you can work on and grow in in isolation. But today we will focus on a type of nourishment that you can only receive when with others. That is the nourishment of fellowship, the essential "togetherness" that comes from being a part of God's church.

Simply put, some things are better together. Please be patient with me while I use another gardening analogy. Many of you may have heard of "the three sisters" method of planting. It is the most well known form of companion planting in which certain plants are put next to each other because they provide some sort of mutual benefit. In this specific application, the gardener places corn, climbing beans, and some type of squash in close proximity to each other. As they grow together, the corn provides a trellis for the beans to climb, the beans fix nitrogen into the soil for the corn and squash to benefit from, and the squash provides ground cover to help trap moisture and suppress weeds. In a similar way, God's people simply go well together. We are designed to be a community that benefits each other greatly and it's only when we are living in intentional relationships that we can mature well.