

## Adult Ministries

### Sunday School

High School A Study on Acts with Jordan

A study on Luke upstairs with Kevin Boyer

Managing Finances God's Way downstairs with Dan Stichter

### Dorcas Ministry

Meets 1st Thursday of the month

## Children's Ministries

### Children's Sunday School Classes @ 9:30

Located in the upstairs classrooms

Ages 2-5

K-6

Laura Baker

Jennifer Hefner

### Kid's Church K-grade 4

Join us for worship, and are dismissed before sermon

Today

Mar 13

Kim Waggoner

Rich Walter

### The Little's Church ages 2-5

Immediately following Sunday School in Preschool room

Today

Mar 13

Sellers & Tyler Heckaman Rettingers & Emily Chickering

### Sunday School Nursery

Down the hallway and to the right

Today

Mar 13

Renee Baker

Kim Waggoner

### Worship Service Nursery

Today

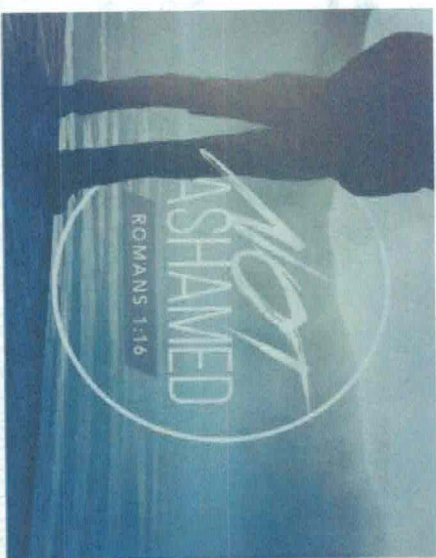
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Laura Baker & Anna McIntyre

Megin & Riley Chickering



# Welcome to EGCC



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## Order of Service

Worship

Opening Song

Welcome

Scripture & Prayer

Worship in Song

Communion Meditation

Communion— Please partake as trays are passed.



Participation with the Lord's Supper is welcome. We remember together Jesus, his sacrifice for us and the new life we have in him. It is a meal that we celebrate together. Although the meal may be small in size, it is not representative of its significance to God's people.

**Offering—** Please place cards and prayers & praises in the trays. Kid's church is dismissed for an age appropriate lesson upstairs.

Message— Jordan Ickes

Fellowship Prayer

Closing Chorus

### Serving Today

At the Table- Kevin Boyer

Greeters- Dick & Janet Stouder

Deaconess- Sandy Walter

Serving This Week— Timm, Wes W., Matthew, Rece, Dick

Serving Next Week— Riley, Paul, Jason, Mitch, Jerad

### Weekly Offering Update

Weekly Goal: \$3000

Last Weeks Offering: \$ 2422

**Total Sole Hope YTD:** We have collected all of the money for the Sole Hope Project!!

\* Attention: For church safety, we will be locking the basement and back doors at 10:35. The front double doors will remain unlocked for the duration of the service.

## Important Information

### Upcoming Events

Today— House warming shower for Renece Baker 2 pm @ Emily Stichter's house.

### Easter Weekend

Easter 2016

March 25 Good Friday Service – 6:30 pm at the Elina Green United Methodist Church, If you would like to sing a special, let Wendy know asap. Jordan will be bringing the message.

March 27 – Easter Sunday at EGCC

8:30 am – Sunrise service

9:00 am – Breakfast

10:30 am - Worship

### Early Bird Breakfasts

We will be having Easter Breakfast on March 27. We **WILL NOT** be having an Early Bird breakfast in April.

### Shipwreck Island

Vacation Bible School is going to be July 24-28. There is a sign up sheet at the Info center for volunteers. We are in need of people to sign up who are willing to be group leaders.

### Jordan's Week of Camp

June 12-17. If you are willing to volunteer as faculty for this week of camp, please let Jordan know.

### To our Guests:

We are grateful that you are here with us today. We have a gift bag for you at the Welcome area. Please fill out an information card in the pew and place it in the offering plate. We hope you enjoy our worship service. If you have any questions please see Jordan after the service.

\*\*\* Our Wifi password is lovedoes247

## Sermon Notes

### Romans 13 – The People and the State

*I like John Stott's outline of Romans 12 and 13. "In Romans 12 Paul has developed our four basic Christian relationships, namely to God (1–2), to ourselves (3–8), to one another (9–16) and to our enemies (17–21).*

Paul has just stated that we are not to retaliate. Not to hate our enemies, but instead, feed them and give them something to drink. That's vitally important to understanding Romans 13.

*In Romans 13 he develops three more Christian relationships—The People of God and their responsibility to the state (conscientious citizenship, 1–7), our responsibility to the law (neighbor-love as its fulfillment, 8–10), and our relationship in patiently waiting for the day of the Lord's return (living in the 'already' and the 'not yet', 11–14)." (John Stott, *The Message of Romans*)*

I believe Romans 13 is best understood in light of Romans 12. Where Paul tells the church to be devoted to one another and to love enemies. Paul's championing of enemy love has in view the cross of Christ. Jesus doesn't retaliate, but lays down his life for others.

In view of the challenge of Romans 12, to allow God to avenge our enemies, Paul reminds us the function of the State. Government serves the purposes of God to accomplish justice and peace. It doesn't punish those who do good, but the wrongdoer. The government keeps chaos at bay, and evil powers in check.

So, as citizens of Christ's kingdom, who don't pursue vengeance, we trust that God will accomplish his will and right the world. We love our enemies, and we continue onward in the endeavor to love all people for the sake of our King Jesus.

We can honor those who deserve honor. We can pay taxes and give to whom it is due. But we never give to Caesar (State) what belongs to God, our hearts and whole selves. God gets our complete loyalty.

## Prayers and Praises

Lisa Weissert—She will be having surgery Mar 23 to remove tumor on her brain.

### Those dealing with Cancer

### Those with heart condition

Michael Schollmeier      Jim Fawley  
 Nancy Heald      Linda Hedington  
 Jimmy Webb      Nicole Snyder  
 Bryan Everett      Norene Stolte  
 Kay Tungate      Pat McAndrews

Chandra Damon

Greg Ladewsky

Sally Ladewsky

### Those dealing with failing health

### Those with seizure disorders

Betty Zimpleman  
 Bev Higgenbotham  
 Jerry Higgenbotham  
 Laura Skeens

Amber Hollar

Susan Lemler

Thomas Skeens

### Those with other health concerns

Sandy Lindsey-CAD  
 Marilyn Harvey—Aneurysm  
 Don Waggoner—Increased strength  
 Jean Price—Failing health  
 Pat Mullins—Severe back pain

George White-Parkinsons  
 Ed Barrett—Nursing Home  
 Melvin Heald—Health concerns

### Missionaries and Missions

### Ministry

Larry & Debbie Kineman (England)  
 Alan & Janet Bemo (Thailand)  
 Tom & Jill Neyhart (Impact Ministries)  
 Scott LaRue (Russian Outreach)  
 Great Lakes Christian College  
 Lake James Christian Assembly

Ickes Family

Little Lambs Preschool

EGCC's Elders

Generosity

Food Pantry

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### National/International

Our Nation's leaders & Military, Peace, Justice, Sex trafficking, orphans, widows, impoverished nations, AIDS, Prayer for the Gospel Message to spread.

### Children in our Community

All of our students and teachers