



the Dragon & the LAMB

"And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, 'Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations!'"
Revelation 15:3

Emmanuel Faith
Community Church
Sunday, September 21, 2025

CHURCH LIFE | Announcements for September 21, 2025

Ladies & Gents Western Roundup | Wednesday, October 1

Noon-2pm, Family Center (Gym); please RSVP at efcc.org/ladies-gents
Howdy, widows and widowers of Emmanuel Faith! Put on your boots, grab your hat, and join us for this very special, free event just for you. You'll enjoy an afternoon of country charm, a delicious lunch, great music, and warm-hearted fellowship. Please RSVP via the link above. This event will be hosted by the church's elders, pastors and staff and is open to any unmarried widows and widowers who call Emmanuel Faith home.

October Prayer Night | Wednesday, October 1, 6:30pm, Chapel

Join us in the Chapel on the first Wednesday night of October to experience the power that comes when we come together in prayer. Gather with your church family as we pray for each other, our church, the local community, our nation, and the world. We hope to see you there.

Let's Talk Medicare Seminar | Thursday, October 2, 3-4pm, Chapel downstairs

RSVP online at efcc.org/events for this free informational seminar.
Are you turning 65 soon and have questions about health coverage? Join us for an educational session to learn about the basics of Medicare and the options available to you. We'll also be discussing the changes taking place with Medicare prescription drug coverage. Stay ahead by understanding these updates and preparing now. Presented by Bridget Olson, PharmD, MS.

Shine Forth Event With Bethany Hamilton & Special Guests | Friday, Oct. 3 7pm at Emmanuel Faith (doors open at 6:30pm)

The Beautifully Flawed Foundation presents *Shine Forth*, with professional surfer, author, and shark attack survivor, Bethany Hamilton, and special guests. This free, ticket-required event for the entire family, is designed to inspire faith, worship, and hope through powerful stories from Hamilton and others in the Beautifully Flawed community. Mark your calendars and visit efcc.org/events to reserve your tickets today.

Men's Fall Retreat | Friday to Sunday, October 3-5

Hurkey Creek Campground; register online at efcc.org/events
Guys, come join us for our Men's Fall Retreat at Hurkey Creek Campground in Riverside County. We'll gather for a time of fellowship, friendship, and spiritual growth. We're looking forward to an exciting time of camping and outdoor activities. Our weekend theme will be "Strength in Surrender." This event is for men and their sons. The cost includes the campground fee and meals for the weekend: Adults, \$45; Youths, \$30; Family, \$100; or Saturday (day only) option, \$25.

See more announcements, the Outreach update, sermon notes, and more on the following pages in this worship guide, or via our App, or visit www.efcc.org.

Announcements Continued ...

Be the First Smile Someone Sees: Join the Front Desk Reception Team!

Every day, people walk through our church doors looking for help, connection, or direction — and a warm greeting can make all the difference. We're inviting friendly volunteers to join our Receptionist Team and help us create a welcoming space for all who visit.



If you're available any time during the week from Monday to Thursday, from 9am to 3pm, and enjoy helping others feel seen and valued, we'd love to have you on the team. You'll answer phones, greet and interface with people who come into the office, and be a vital part of the front-line ministry of hospitality. Scan the QR code or visit efcc.org/teams to join the team. On the sign-up form, choose Hospitality Teams / Receptionist Team.

Become a Worship Guide Insertion Team Volunteer

The Communications worship guide insertion team seeks a few more volunteers. The commitment is weekly or twice a month on Fridays, starting at 8:30am, for approximately 30 to 45 minutes. Contact us via email to churchinfo@efcc.org to learn more or volunteer.

EFCC Care & Counseling Ministry | efcc.org/help Support Groups & Other Classes



Have a Need? We're Here to Help!

Life can be hard at times, but you don't have to go through it alone. Whatever your need, the Emmanuel Faith Care & Counseling ministry is here to help, guide, encourage, and point you toward the love of Jesus. We'd love to come alongside you. We can help with counseling, mentoring, or spiritual direction. To take a next step, scan the QR code, visit our webpage via the link above, email us at care@efcc.org or call (760) 781-2108. Please consider these following opportunities ...

Parkinson's Support Group | Monday, October 6, 10am-Noon
Rick Ankrom, rickankrom@gmail.com, San Rafael Church (Parish Hall), 17252 Bernardo Center Drive, Rancho Bernardo, CA 92128

This group is a place for fellowship and learning through informative talks and break-out groups for those with Parkinson's and their care partners. Come and join us on the first Monday of each month.

Cancer Support Group

Emmanuel Faith cares about all of your needs. Many in our church family are battling cancer and are in need of prayer, support, resources, and encouragement. If this is your experience, or if you have a heart to come alongside those who are facing cancer, please contact our Counseling Department (see contact information above).

See more information on back ...



September 21, 2025
THE DRAGON & THE LAMB
The Other Side of the Story
Revelation 14:1-20
Ryan Paulson, Lead Pastor

Only _____ can keep you
from being _____.

• Defiant _____ in a world filled
with _____.

• Bold _____ in a world dominated
by _____.

• Confident _____ in a world
heading for _____.

The _____ will never
overpower the _____.

Need more room to add notes? See the back side of this sermon outline.
Helpful links: efcc.org/sermons | efcc.org/devos | efcc.org/podcasts



Thank you Emmanuel Faith!

Thank you for your generosity throughout the month of August! **463 pairs of socks were collected, and 263 kids will receive shoes.**

What a beautiful way to share the love of Jesus by meeting this essential need for children in our community!



Math & Science Tutoring

Monday Nights

5:30 - 7:30pm

Holy Grounds Cafe

Do you know a student who could benefit from homework help?

Starting October 13th, our weekly Math & Science Club will provide one-on-one tutoring catered to your student's needs. This is a free program for students in grades 6-12, including dinner and engaging activities.



Scan the QR code to join the interest list. Email outreach@efcc.org for more info.



Our Reading Mentoring Program is starting!

Monday, September 22, 2:30-3:30pm we will host an interest meeting here at EFCC.

Scan the QR code and come learn how you can make a difference in a child's life, one book at a time!



Kenya Storytelling Mission

October 7-17

Team: Isaiah Faulkner, Daniel Rose & Nate Keating



Our storytelling team is heading to Kenya to capture the testimonies of leaders serving among the unreached Turkana people. Beginning at Lifeway Global headquarters in Nairobi and traveling on to villages in Lodwar, they'll witness firsthand how the Lord is moving and share stories that strengthen faith and highlight inspiring disciple-making methods.

Prayer Guide for Kenya

- o **Team Preparation:** Pray as the team trains, plans, and prepares for the trip. Ask for both spiritual growth and physical readiness.
- o **Safe Travels:** Pray for protection and smooth journeys to and from Kenya, as well as while traveling within the country.
- o **Health:** Pray for good health and strength throughout the trip.
- o **Lifeway Global Staff:** Pray for wisdom, vision, and endurance as they strategically engage with unreached people groups in over 30 different countries.
- o **Lodwar Ministry:** Pray for those serving among the Turkana—that their physical needs would be met and financial provision would come as they faithfully live out God's call to make disciples who make disciples.

Mission trips are made possible thanks to your generosity. Scan the QR code to donate to fall mission trips.



EFCC Family News Update

Sharing our family passings and prayer needs

September 21, 2025

Pray for Our Church Family

Home With the Lord

Upcoming Memorial Services & Homegoing Updates

Jacob Illian — A memorial service will be held for him on Friday, September 19th, at 9am in the Chapel.

Hal Needham — A memorial service will be held for him on Friday, September 19th, at 1pm in the Chapel.

Bill Klein — A memorial service will be held for him on Saturday, October 11th, at 1pm in the Chapel.



In the Hospital or Outpatient Care *(at Present or Pending*)*

Don King, Barbara Pillsbury, Jordan Pitt, Ed Schmitt, Ron Sutliff, and Kara Torrez.

Recovering at Home or in Extended Care

Joyce Blankenship, Craig Bottger, Pam Irwin, Mike Jensen, Barry Miller, Linda Nolan, Delores Thweatt, and Larry Thweatt.

In Hospice Care

Bob Peacock and Pamela Thacker.

Fighting Cancer *(*denotes a child or youth)*

Bob Davidson II, Bruce Gephart, Wally Goff, Pam Irwin, Madison Jones*, Will McLennan, Thelma Monigold, Eligio Moreno, Sylvia Rankin, Luanne Rishel, Debbie Roberts, Shirley Roireau, Virginia Sanderson, Jen Smith, Patrick Stoker, Pamela Thacker, Barbara Tucker, Silvia Vargas, Mike Walker, and Gary Williamson.