

Evangelical Covenant Church
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Pastor Keith Reuther



This Week in Our Church Family

Today, Sunday, February 1, 2026

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
Scripture Joe Sawyer
Ushers Matt & Amy Jones, Diane Gustafson

Next Sunday, February 8, 2026

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
Scripture Nikki Foss
Ushers Roger Gustafson, Jeff Shaffer



*Hearing assistance devices available by request at the sound board

*Video streaming of the service is available in the Fellowship Hall.



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 Fourth Sunday After Epiphany
 February 1, 2026

Prelude
 Welcome and Announcements
 Greeting Time

Call to Worship

Psalm 16 (CH #787)

Praise Song: “Come, Now is the Time to Worship”
 Invocation
 Praise Song: “Open the Eyes of My Heart”

Scripture Readings:
 New Testament: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31
 Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

Joe Sawyer

Pastoral Prayer
 Lord’s Prayer

Hymn: #500 “Now Before You, Lord, We Gather”

Sermon: “The Challenge of the Beatitudes”

The Lord’s Supper
 Invitation to the Table
 Affirmation of Faith: #878 Apostles’ Creed
 Hymn: #552 “How Great the Joy”
 Words of Institution
 Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Benediction

Hymn of Response: #298 “He Is Exalted”

Postlude

Long Term/Home Care

Betty Lesus

Missions

Cathy Campobello
(Medellin, Colombia)
 Joe & Tammy Faulkinbury *(Covenant Mountain Mission Bible Camp; Jonesville, VA)*
 Ted & Sharon Wingo *(South Carolina)*
 Greta Henry *(Merci Ministries; Champaign, IL)*

Announcements

If you are interested in becoming a member please contact Pastor Keith.

There is a water bucket in the narthex to collect funds for the Covenant Kids Congo water project. We are more than halfway to our goal!

We will be hosting a Men’s Breakfast at ECC on Saturday, February 14 at 7:30am.

CE Board is hosting a Family Night at Hudz on Sunday, February 15 from 5-8pm. See insert for more details.

Lenten Family nights will begin on Wednesday, Feb. 18. There will be a meal at 6pm followed by a study until 7:30pm.

**Offering plates are located in the back of the church as well as in the narthex.*

**Prayer cards are available in the pews.*