

December 17, 2017
Third Sunday of Advent: Joy!

This Morning, Pastor Charlie will be preaching in the 9:00am service on the Advent theme of Joy. Pastor Yisrael will be preaching in the 10:45am service on the same theme.

Monthly Prayer Meeting Please join us tonight for our monthly prayer meeting at 5:00pm (right after the Christmas Handbell Concert) in The Barn. This month's prayer focus will be "Recognizing and Giving our Gifts, Talents, and Abilities to Jesus." *"With God's power working in us, God can do much, much more than anything we can ask or imagine."* (Ephesians 3:20) See you tonight!

MINISTRIES

ET Christian Education Ministry

▲ Evangel Temple is growing our Adult Christian Education department with new Connect Groups! These will work alongside our existing Sunday Morning classes to help foster intentional relationships and further discipleship opportunities. As we are making plans for this new initiative, we want your input. Please visit etchurch.org/connect-groups to learn more and follow the link there to the survey. **We want to hear your voice** as we prayerfully plan and prepare for this launch in 2018!

ET Young Adults Ministry

▲ The Barn Groups semester has wrapped up for the year. In the meantime, the Young Adults will do regular fun hangouts for the holidays. Follow us on FB for updates or ask any Barn Young Adult leader how to get connected.

ET Youth Ministry

▲ Pastor Isaac Worley and Sarah Quattlebaum would like to invite our Evangel Temple family to attend their wedding ceremony on Saturday, January 6, 2018. The wedding will be held at Northland Cathedral in Kansas City, MO at 1:00pm. If you plan to attend, please RSVP on their wedding website: <http://sarahruthq.wixsite.com/ourwedding>.

ET Kids Ministry

▲ This Sunday in Kids Church we are learning about the birth of Jesus from Luke 1:1-20.
▲ We have designated the last two Sundays of the year as Family Sundays. Kids small groups will be dismissed, so families can worship together in the 10:45am services on both Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

ET Developmental Learning Center

▲ Merry Christmas from DLC! Classes will end for the year on Thursday, December 21, 2017 and resume on Wednesday, January 3, 2018.

Proposed Budgeted Weekly Income: \$23,086 **Last Week's Giving:** \$17,121
Proposed Budgeted YTD: \$1,154,333 **Giving Received YTD:** \$1,056,567
Capital Campaign Total: \$1,379,594

Wednesday Evening Fellowship Meal

Serving Time: 5:15-6:15 pm Place: ET Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$4/Adults; \$2/Children; \$12/Family

Dinner: Fried Chicken, Cheesy Potatoes, Salad | **Dessert:** Bread Pudding

Year-end Giving and Holiday Office Hours Please be mindful that 2017 contributions must be in the office by 4:30pm on Friday, December 29th or postmarked by midnight on Sunday, December 31st, to meet the 2017 deadline for tax credit. The church office will be closed Monday, December 25th and Tuesday, December 26th. The office **will** be open Wednesday through Friday, from 8:30am to 4:30pm. As always, online giving is available at www.etchurch.org. Thank you for your faithfulness!

Annual Business Meeting Our next annual business meeting will be on Sunday, February 4th. If you have any business you wish to submit for the agenda or if you would like to submit a nomination for the deacon board, please contact the church office (417-883-0676, office@etchurch.org).

Upcoming ET Events

- Christmas Handbell Concert – TODAY, 4pm in the Sanctuary
- Monthly Prayer Meeting – TONIGHT, **5pm** in The Barn [**Time Change**]
- Springfield Ringers Handbell Concert – Tuesday, December 19th, 7pm in the Sanctuary
- Family Sunday – December 24th, 10:45am Service (NO Kids Small Groups)
- Christmas Eve Service – Sunday, December 24th, 5pm in the Sanctuary
- Family Sunday – December 31st, 10:45am Service (NO Kids Small Groups)
- All-Church Prayer Meeting – Wednesday, January 3, 2018, 6:30pm in the Sanctuary
- Ecumenical Prayer Service – Wednesday, January 24, 2018, 7pm in the Sanctuary

2017 Giving Statements Our accountant will be mailing 2017 giving statements out in January, 2018. If you have had a change of address this year, or if you are not sure we have **current** contact information for you, please call or email the church office to verify that we have the correct information. We want you to receive your giving statement in a timely manner, so please help us serve you better. The office phone number is 417-883-0676 and the email address is office@etchurch.org. Thanks!

2018 Giving Envelopes Made to Order If you would like to receive **numbered** giving envelopes, please call the church office at 417-883-0676 or email office@etchurch.org and give us your name and current envelope number. We will print whatever you need for the 2018 giving year, so please let us know how many envelopes you would like. Thanks!

Royal Rangers Smoked Meats

Once again, Royal Rangers Outpost 97 will be smoking Ribs, Tri-Tip Roast Beef, Hot Links, and Boneless Pork Loins to raise funds for our Royal Ranger ministry here at ET. Orders will be ready before or after the 5:00pm Christmas Eve Communion Service on Sunday, December 24th. Order forms may be dropped off at the Resource Center. You can pay in advance or when you pick up your order. Thanks for your support of Royal Rangers, the premiere mentoring ministry for boys and men!



ET Royal Rangers Outpost 97
2020 E Battlefield St
Springfield MO 65804
417-883-0676 etchurch.org/kids/
Outpost Director: Dan Rockafellow

Royal Rangers for boys in K-5th grade meet in the Ranger Lodge next to The Barn from 6:30-8pm on Wednesday evenings.
 Boys in 6th-12th grades meet in the Ranger Lodge on Sunday evenings from 5:30-7pm.

Name:			
Phone #:			
Meat	Quantity	Price Each	Total
Ribs		\$20	\$
Tri-Tip		\$25	\$
Hot Links		\$6	\$
Pork Loin		\$15	\$
Contribution (Optional)			\$
Order Total			\$