# WELCOME TO EVANGEL CHURCH PCA

If you are worshipping today as a visitor to Evangel, we welcome you in the name of Christ! You can learn more about Evangel by going to our web site at www.evangelchurchpca.org, by scanning the QR code below, or by giving us your contact information on a card you will find in the pew rack and putting it in the offering plate today. Note that audio enhancement units are available; please ask a deacon or sound technician for assistance. We do have a Mother's Room available just off of the sanctuary where you are able to hear the service if your baby is not quite ready for the nursery. We pray you are blessed as you worship with us today!



**New to Evangel?** We are so glad to have you! Text the word **VISIT** to 205-660-8550 or scan the OR code to find out more about Evangel and how to connect! To receive Evangel Church updates via text, send **EVANGEL** to 205-660-8550.

## THE MORNING SERVICE OF WORSHIP

December 7, 2025

10:15 a.m. Worship

### **Gathering Praise**

"Your Great Name"

Lost are saved, find their way at the sound of Your great name. All condemned feel no shame at the sound of Your great name. Every fear has no place at the sound of Your great name. The enemy, he has to leave at the sound of Your great name. Jesus, worthy is the Lamb that was slain for us. The Son of God and man, You are high and lifted up, and all the world will praise Your great name. Your great name.

All the weak find their strength at the sound of Your great name. Hungry souls receive grace at the sound of Your great name. The fatherless, they find their rest at the sound of Your great name. The sick are healed and the dead are raised at the sound of Your great name! Jesus, worthy is the Lamb that was slain for us. The Son of God and man, You are high and lifted up, and all the world will praise Your great name. Your great name.

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### **Welcome and Announcements**

**Rev. Alex Goodsell** 

**Prayer of Invocation and Lord's Prayer** Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen. Matthew 6:9-14

# \*Scriptural Call to Worship

John 1:1, 14; Isaiah 9:6; 49:13

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, Minister:

and the Word was God.

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, People:

and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten

from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Minister: For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; and the

government will rest on His shoulders;

and His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, People:

Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

Minister: Shout for joy, O heavens! And rejoice, O earth! Break forth into joyful

shouting, O mountains!

For the Lord has comforted His people All:

and will have compassion on His afflicted.

### \*Congregational Worship

"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

Lord, I lift Your name on high; Lord, I love to sing Your praises. I'm so glad You're in my life; I'm so glad You came to save us.

You came from heaven to earth to show the way; from the earth to the cross, my debt to pay. From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift Your name on high.

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### "Holy Forever (Christmas version)"

Held within a manger, the Son of God arrived, the One Who would be called Emmanuel. The promise was delivered, unto a virgin bride, the One Who would be called Emmanuel.

Your name is the highest. Your name is the greatest. Your name stands above them all. All thrones and dominions, all powers and positions, Your name stands above them all.

And the angels cry, "Holy!" All creation cries, "Holy!"

You are lifted high, Holy, Holy forever.

> In the humble town of David, a Savior born today, the One Who would be called Emmanuel. Behold the host of heaven, with holy roar proclaim, the One Who would be called Emmanuel, the Messiah, our God is with us now!

And the angels cry, "Holy!" All creation cries, "Holy!" You are lifted high, Holy, Holy forever. Hear Your people sing, "Holy" to the King of kings, "Holy!" You will always be Holy, Holy forever.

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### **Introduction of the Lighting of the Advent Candle of FAITH**

Advent Reading (Luke 1:30-38`)

Carl, Gina, Gilbert & Hannah Allen

Congregational and Offertory Prayer

**Rev. Alex Goodsell** 

**Receiving of His Tithes and Our Offerings** 

"Emmanuel"

"What a Beautiful Name"

You were the Word at the beginning, one with God, the Lord Most High. Your hidden glory in creation, now revealed in You our Christ. What a beautiful name it is, what a beautiful name it is, the name of Jesus Christ my King. What a beautiful name it is, nothing compares to this, what a beautiful name it is, the name of Jesus.

You didn't want heaven without us, so Jesus, You brought heaven down. My sin was great, Your love was greater. What could separate us now? What a wonderful Name it is, what a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus Christ my King. What a wonderful Name it is, nothing compares to this, what a wonderful Name it is the Name of Jesus, what a wonderful Name it is the Name of Jesus.

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You, You silence the boast of sin and grave. The heavens are roaring, the praise of Your glory, for You are raised to life again. You have no rival, You have no equal, now and forever God You reign. Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory, Yours is the Name above all names.

What a powerful Name it is, what a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus Christ, my King. What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand against, what a powerful Name it is the Name of Jesus.

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>Children ages 4, 5, and 6 are invited to Children's Church in Room 212.

\*The Reading of God's Word

Luke 19:1-10

The Exposition of God's Word

**Rev. David Maginnis** 

# THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE "From Wee Little Man to New Man"

\*Pastoral Benediction

**Rev. David Maginnis** 

\*Congregational Response

"Emmanuel"

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel. God with us, revealed in us; His name is called Emmanuel.

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**The Prayer Team** will be available in the front of the sanctuary near the stage each Sunday immediately following the closing song. Any who desire prayer or to talk about spiritual matters are encouraged to meet with a member of our team.



# **EVANGEL CHURCH PCA**

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Rev. David Maginnis, Pastor Rev. Alex Goodsell, Associate Pastor Christian Education/Pastoral Care Andy Ward, Young Adult Ministries Director Penny Lowden, Women's Ministry Director Ralph Nelson, Youth Ministry Director Liz Oldfield, Children's Director Grace Baas, Nursery Director Amy Windsor, Nursery Co-Director Pam Sapp, Accounting & Finance Manager Joshua Williams, Facility Team Connie Reynolds, Music Director Phillip Lichlyter, Worship Leader Jacob Martin, Worship Intern

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DECEMBER 7, 2025

SENIOR ADULTS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON: We will gather on Wednesday, December 10th, at 11 am, at the Golden Corral Restaurant, (3117 Lorna Road, Hoover) This is a gift from our Evangel Church family-to enjoy a great meal together in celebrating this Christmas season. A person at the entrance will have a name tag for you, and you will congregate inside in the meeting room to the right (past the desserts and across from the restrooms). You must sign up for this by noon on Tuesday, December 9th. A sign-up sheet will be located in the hall outside the Sanctuary.

The next **Off the Clock** women's fellowship will be Thursday, December 11, from 6:30–8:30 p.m. in the library. Please bring a favorite Christmas appetizer or snack to share.

Evangel Christmas at American Village Join us next Sunday, December 14, at 5:00 p.m. at the American Village! Please RSVP on evangelchurchpca.org by Thursday, December 11. See the insert in today's bulletin for more information.

**Christmas Eve Communion** You and your family are encouraged to join us for on Christmas Eve at 5:00 p.m. for worship and communion. We will end the service with the candlelight singing of *Silent Night*. O come, let us adore Him!

Christmas Decor Volunteers Needed! We need help this taking down this year's Christmas decorations and we are also forming our team for Christmas 2026! If you can serve in either (or both!) areas, we would love to have you. Thank you for keeping our church beautiful and welcoming! Contact Leslie Viles (205) 902-5356.

The Evangel Ladies Book Club will meet Tuesday, December 16th at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Betty Harris (821 Maplewood Trail) for discussion of A Christmas Snow. Afterwards, we'll have lunch with Betty providing the main dish. Please bring a side dish and /or dessert to share. Please text Betty (205-914-5587) with what you are bringing.

Coming in January! Ladies winter Bible study begins on Wednesday, January 7, at 9:30 a.m. This will be a 16-week study of Revelation, the only book in the Bible that offers a special blessing to those who study it! We will meet at the home of Debbie Elliott (1025 Bridle Lane, Helena) (205) 612-4073.

Evangel's Simpson World Missions Conference will be February 22-March 1, 2026. Some of our Evangel Missions Partners will be coming from all over the world to spend time with us and share all that The Lord is doing through their ministries. We are looking for a few people who would be willing to "Host" a missionary while they are in town. If you are interested please contact Andy Ward at award@evangelchurchpca.org.

**Cuba Mission Team** Please be in prayer for our team from Evangel as they prepare for a mission trip to Cuba with The Overseas Initiative on January 19-23, 2026. Andy Ward will lead this team of Rob Carr, Dora Ditchfield, Phillip Lichlyter, Connie Reynolds, and Brian Viles.

# Youth happenings through the end of 2025!!!

- Wednesday night youth worship beginning at 6:15 p.m. 12/10
- Movie Night 12/7 at 6:00 p.m. White Christmas showing at the gym
- Lock-In 12/12 from 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. at the gym - Christmas Party w/dirty santa game, laser tag at Ŏak Mountain Lanes, late night snack run, ornament decorating, pickleball & other organized games as well as free time and plenty of food.

**2026** will get off to a fast start with Wednesday night worship beginning on Wednesday, January 7th and Bible studies on Sunday, January 11th.

- Lastly, **something new** for Evangel's Youth...we are doing a 2 night winter youth retreat at Camp Hargis in Chelsea the weekend of Saturday, January 17th–Monday, January 19th. Cost is \$50.00.
- Please sign up for the Christmas Party/Lock-In and Winter Retreat through the SignUpGenius link that was sent via text and on Instagram. If you do not have access to the link please text or email Mr. Ralph at (205) 903-5855 or youth@evangelchurchpca.org.

Wednesday Night Connection will resume on Wednesday, January 14th.

## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK**

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2025

Sunday School Classes for Children: 3, 4 & 5 year olds Room 104C taught by Lisa & Phillip Lichlyter: God Created All Things
1st, 2nd & 3rd Grade Quad 212 taught by Stacey Parham: Living Together
4th, 5th & 6th Grade Room 217 taught by Linda Stockman & Sheri Williams: Genesis
Jr. & Sr. High Girls Room 222 taught by Jennifer Carr & Randee Sims Romans Jr. & Sr. High Boys Room 224 taught by Tommy Barberini & Rob Wood Apologetics
Growing In Grace in the Choir Suite studying Islam taught by Buster Ellis
Young Couples meeting in Room 203 with the Wards Marriage & Family Refuge meeting in Area 235 studying Hebrews with the Hightowers, Hoyles, & Windsors Teach & Talk Class A new three week series starting December 7: A Fresh Perspective on the Incarnation of Christ taught by Michael Tubbs

meeting in Quad 208 with the Ketchams, Morgans, & Russells Ladies' Class led by Kitsy Sullivan Christmas Devotionals

10:15 a.m.

Worship Service and LIVE Streaming
Men's Bible Study (Library; contact Byron Ketcham, 602-6954) 3:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. Evangel Youth White Christmas movie (Gym)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2025
7:00 p.m. Trail Life (contact Mitchell Jones at mjones@dosterconstruction.com)

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2025

6:15 a.m.

Men's Bible Study (Studying *The Book of Romans*) (meeting at Chick-fil-a in Alabaster; contact David Maginnis, 835-0890)

9:30 a.m. Ladies Crochet (Room 203)

Bible Study Fellowship (contact Jeanette Thompson, 531-6073). 6:30 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2025

Men's Bible Study (Studying Finding Jesus in the Old Testament) (meeting at Chick-fil-a in Calera; contact Alex Goodsell, 837-3376)

11:00 a.m. Senior Adult Christmas Luncheon (Golden Corral)

6:00 p.m. Evangel Choir & Worship Rehearsal

6:15 p.m. Evangel Youth (Gym)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2025
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study (Room 203; contact Patti Ketcham, 305-9233)

6:30 p.m. Off the Clock Women's Fellowship (Library)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2025 6:30 a.m. Men's Ministry Study (Studying Jeremiah)

(meeting at Panera Bread in Alabaster; contact Dennis Stockman, 451-2739) 6:00 p.m.

Youth Lock-in/Christmas Party (Gym)

Oak Mountain Ministries Urgent Needs this month are breakfast items, jelly, condiments, hearty soups, deodorant, shampoo, soap, diapers, wipes; new socks and underwear for adults and children. Please bring any items you would like to donate and place in the basket near the church office.

# Stewardship Season: worship.connect.serve.give.go

Extra commitment cards are available in the vestibule if you did not receive one and would like to make your 2026 GIVE Stewardship Pledge. We give thanks that we have received 71 pledges for a total of \$675,272.



## We thank God for your continued faithfulness in giving to the Lord's work!

## Ways you can give:

## Mail your check to **Evangel Church**

423 Thompson Road Alabaster, AL

# Drop off at the Church

Hand deliver Monday—Thursday 9:00 am-3:00 pm

## **QR Code/ Online Giving**

https://www.evangelchurchpca.org/giving

## 2025 FINANCIAL UPDATE

	November	Year to Date
Budgeted Income	\$105,791	\$1,163,702
Total Income	\$119,805	\$1,088,156
Total Expenses	\$94,626	\$1,054,108
Net	\$25,179	\$34,047

### FAITH PROMISE: GIVING TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF MISSIONS

November Receipts: \$9,213

