

## discoverEFBC

TODAY | 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM | 103

New to EFBC, visiting, or looking for a church home? You are invited to today's

**discoverEFBC Brunch.** This casual time is a great way to find out more about EFBC and meet others who are new to EFBC just like you. The brunch will be led by Pastor Blake Gideon and our Minister of Education, Brian Frank. Just show up. We are looking forward to getting to know you. Follow the signs or ask for directions at an Information Center.

[FBCedmond.org/discoverEFBC](http://FBCedmond.org/discoverEFBC)



## Project Christmas Hope

Christmas is a time of celebration, yet many families in our community will not have a celebration or gift under the tree as they are struggling to survive. Marilyn Jones will be in the Foyer, this morning, where you can select a family either as a Connection Group or you may choose a family individually. Instructions and names will be given to those desiring to adopt a family as the family names are distributed. Questions? Contact Marilyn Jones, 405-641-3334.

[FBCedmond.org/ChristmasHope](http://FBCedmond.org/ChristmasHope)

## Baptist Mission Center Christmas Store

The Baptist Mission Center in Oklahoma City is preparing for the annual Christmas Store. Plan to help set up the **Christmas Store** on December 4, 5, and 6. Volunteers are needed as well to help with the big day on Thursday, December 7, when families select their gift items. Meet at the church at 8:00 AM and plan on returning around 1:30 PM. The Baptist Mission will provide a light lunch. For more info, contact Carl Schwab, 405-348-7835.

[FBCedmond.org/BaptistMission](http://FBCedmond.org/BaptistMission)

## Children's Christmas Missions Collections

There are many families that need warm clothing for the winter. For the Preschool, Children's, and Preteen Ministries, you can help by buying a package of new socks, gloves, mittens, scarves, and/or new underwear. Bring your items to the drop-off in the reception area on the first floor of the Children's Wing through December 24.

[FBCedmond.org/missions](http://FBCedmond.org/missions)

## Homebound Ministry Meeting

TODAY | 4:00 - 5:00 PM | Room 204

Become a part of **EFBC's Homebound Ministry** and help heal the loneliness! Make plans to attend today's meeting, as we prepare our schedules for upcoming lessons. Give back an hour of God's time to "touch a heart." Contact Gloria Lloyd, 405-341-4461, or Jerry Miller, 405-473-6946 or email at [jmiller@FBCedmond.org](mailto:jmiller@FBCedmond.org).

[FBCedmond.org/homebound](http://FBCedmond.org/homebound)

## Alaskan Cruise in 2018

TODAY | 3:30 – 4:30 PM | Room 201

Interested in an Alaskan Cruise on June 29 through July 7, 2018, with the Adult and Senior Adult Ministries? Meet today in Room 201, for more information.



*We are a Family of Faith, Passionately Connecting to Christ, His Church, His Word, and His Mission, for His Glory.*

## ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

Luke 1:26-38 / Matthew 1:18-25

**Dr. Blake Gideon, Senior Pastor**

## Sermons Live on Sundays Plus Podcasting!

Pastor Blake's Sunday morning messages are streamed live at **9:30 AM** @ [www.FBCedmond.org](http://www.FBCedmond.org) or "like" @EdmondsFirst on Facebook. Podcasting is available at [FBCedmond.org/podcast](http://FBCedmond.org/podcast) and on iTunes at "FBCedmond".

## Celebration Worship Service

December 3, 2017

### "The Story of Christmas" Musical Production

This year's Christmas production follows the life of one man who has become lonely and overlooks what his responsibility is for the Christmas season. With a little tough love and a trip down memory lane, he soon realizes that he is given the greatest gift of all . . . a chance to give Christmas away!!



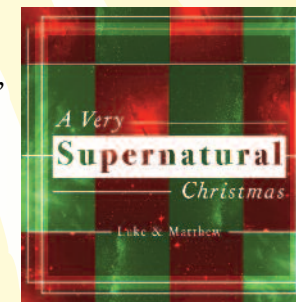
EFBC's Worship Arts Ministry presents "**The Story of Christmas**" in the Worship Center. Invite a friend to join you on:

- Friday, December 8, 6:30 PM
- Saturday, December 9, 6:30 PM
- Sunday, December 10, 2:30 PM

[FBCedmond.org/Christmas](http://FBCedmond.org/Christmas)

### A Very Supernatural Christmas

This sermon series will take a look behind the veil of the Christmas story. Each week, Pastor Blake Gideon will cover one of the four doctrines found in the books of Luke and Matthew pertaining to the story of Jesus' birth. The doctrines that will be covered are angels, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. We will see that the first Christmas was very supernatural indeed.



[FBCedmond.org/sermons](http://FBCedmond.org/sermons)

### Christmas Eve Family Candlelight Service

Sunday, December 24 | 6:00 - 7:00 PM | Worship Center

Bring the whole family to EFBC's annual Christmas Eve service in the Worship Center.



- Enjoy Christmas Carols and Special Music
- Pastor Blake Gideon will share a wonderful Christmas Message
- Watch as candlelight spreads across the beautifully decorated Worship Center
- Families are encouraged to worship together. An unstaffed "Family Room" with an audio/video feed of the service will be available in Room 103. [FBCedmond.org/Christmas](http://FBCedmond.org/Christmas)



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## 2018 Proposed Budget

Remember to join us as we review, discuss, and prepare to adopt the **2018 Proposed Budget**. If you have questions, contact Paul Blankenship, [pblankenship@FBCedmond.org](mailto:pblankenship@FBCedmond.org), during the week.

### • Summary Presentation

Wednesday, December 6, 6:00 PM in Room 106

### • Question and Answer Time

Wednesday, December 6, 7:00 PM in Room 106

### • Budget Adoption

Wednesday, December 13, 6:00 PM in Room 106

### • Staff and Deacons' Commitment Day

Sunday, January 7

### • Congregational Commitment Days

Sunday, January 14 and Sunday, January 21



[FBCedmond.org/budget](http://FBCedmond.org/budget)

## New Modern-Style Worship Service



We are very excited about the launch of our new modern-style Worship Service coming in 2018! The purpose of this new Worship Service is to be missional: to reach people that we are not reaching otherwise. Now is the time to start spreading the word. Invite someone to join us for our new Worship Service at 11:00 AM in the new Fellowship Hall,

starting Sunday, January 7, 2018.

[FBCedmond.org/new](http://FBCedmond.org/new)

## EFBC On Mission

Monday, December 11 | 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Room 106B

Men and women of all ages are invited to join us as we hear from missionaries from Indonesia and enjoy lunch together. Bring your favorite potluck dish. Drinks will be provided. For more details, contact Marilyn Jones, 405-641-3334.

[FBCedmond.org/missions](http://FBCedmond.org/missions)

## Sewing Ministry

Monday, December 4 | 9:30 AM | Room 231

Everyone is welcome to join us in the Children's Wing. We will be having an all-day sewing extravaganza with lunch on site as we work on pillowcases for the Community House in Oklahoma City which is a location that serves the homeless. Enjoy the fellowship and help to sew many blessings!

[FBCedmond.org/sewing](http://FBCedmond.org/sewing)

## Worship Arts Ministry on Tuesdays (K – 12th Grade)

It's not too late to become a part of Arts After School (K-5th) or Student Worship Arts (6th-12th) as both of these free programs will continue in 2018.

- **Arts After School** is an opportunity for children to participate in Choir, Art, Drama, Guitar or Dance, meets at 4:00 PM in the Foyer.
- **Student Worship Arts** is designed to train middle school and high school students in the area of music and worship, meets at 4:15 PM in the Choir Room.

[FBCedmond.org/arts](http://FBCedmond.org/arts)

## Children's "Happy Birthday, Jesus" Parties

Sunday, December 24 | 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM | Children's Wing

Boys and girls, birth through 6th grade, will be celebrating this important time of the year on Sunday, December 24. Meet in the Children's Wing.

- **Birth - Kindergarten** will be celebrating during the 9:30 AM morning Worship Service and 11:00 AM Connection Group time.
- **1st - 4th grade** will have a Christmas-themed worship experience during their 9:30 AM KIDS Church
- **1st - 6th grade** will have "Happy Birthday, Jesus" parties during their 11:00 AM Connection Group.

"Happy Birthday, Jesus" Parties are a traditional time of celebration where boys and girls of all ages hear the wonderful good news of the best gift ever given, Jesus Christ! Children will sing songs, play games, and celebrate as only children can while learning more about Jesus' birth.

## FATHERson Bowling (All Ages)

Monday, December 11 | 6:30 – 7:30 PM | AMF Boulevard Lanes

Join Jim and Josh for a casual evening of bowling and a cool devotional for boys. \$5.00 per family includes two games and shoe rental, including any friends you invite! Just show up and enjoy an evening with the guys!



[FBCedmond.org/FATHERson](http://FBCedmond.org/FATHERson)

## Preteen Connection Group Fellowship (5th - 6th Grade)

Saturday, December 16 | 6:00 - 8:00 PM | 237 & 239

Join us as we decorate gingerbread houses, enjoy Christmas themed snacks, play Christmas games, and write letters to persecuted Christians through the Voice of the Martyrs.

[FBCedmond.org/preteen](http://FBCedmond.org/preteen)

## Student Ministry (7th - 12th Grade)

ENDURANCE Christmas Party: Wednesday, December 20, at 6:00 PM

IGNITION Weekend 2018: Friday, February 16, through Sunday, February 18. Cost: \$45 Ignition Weekend is designed to give students an opportunity to grow, worship, and serve.

CHICAGO Mission Trip: Sunday, December 31, is the deadline for your first payment. Turn in to Randy Faram or Amy Blankenship.

[FBCedmond.org/students](http://FBCedmond.org/students)

## Men's Ministry

- **Men's Tuesday Prayer Group:** This is a fantastic way to begin your Tuesday morning from 6:00 – 7:00 AM with other men from EFBC. Bring a friend on December 5, and enjoy fellowship over coffee and donuts in 103. We welcome guest speaker, Tony Kennedy.
- **Second Saturdays:** Worship God together with other men at EFBC for a Soulcon Global Men's Gathering on the second Saturday of each month at 8:30 AM in Room 113. Join us on December 9.
- **Second Sundays:** Wear your EFBC Men's shirt on December 10.

[FBCedmond.org/men](http://FBCedmond.org/men)

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2017

8:15 AM Connection Groups (Sunday School)

Orchestra Rehearsal

8:30 AM Sunday Morning Prayer

9:30 AM Celebration Worship Service

Bridges: Special Needs Connection Group

WorshipCare (Birth - 3 Years)

KIDS Church (PreK - Kindergarten)

KIDS Church (1st - 4th Grade)

11:00 AM Connection Groups (Sunday School)

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12:30 PM Tech/Drama Christmas Rehearsal

2:00 PM Christmas Dress Rehearsal

Company Member Rehearsal

3:00 PM Adult & Senior Adult Alaskan Cruise Info Meeting

4:00 PM Homebound Ministry Meeting

5:00 PM reJengage Marriage Enrichment

5:30 PM Oak Ridge Connection Group

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017

8:00 AM HappyTimers' to Baptist Mission Center

9:30 AM Sewing Ministry

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017

6:00 AM Men's Prayer Group

9:30 AM Parents' Day Out

10:00 AM Ladies' Prayer Group

4:00 PM Arts After School

4:15 PM Student Worship Arts

6:00 PM Tech/Drama Christmas Rehearsal

7:00 PM Christmas Dress Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2017

4:45 PM EFBC Dinner Club

5:30 PM Students' Hang Out Time

6:00 PM MID-WEEK Activities

2018 Proposed Budget Presentation

TOPICS Bible Study Classes

ENDURANCE (7th - 12th Grade)

HYPE (5th - 6th Grade)

KIDS G.L.O.W. (1st - 4th Grade)

CLUB 252 (3 Years - Kindergarten)

ChildCare (Birth - 2 Years)

7:00PM 2018 Proposed Budget Q & A

Properties Committee Quarterly Meeting

Christmas Production Drama Rehearsal

Celebration Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2017

8:00 AM HappyTimers' to Baptist Mission Center

9:30 AM Parents' Day Out

Friendship International

12:00 PM Men in Prayer for Revival

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2017

6:30 PM efbc Worship Arts presents "The Story of Christmas"

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2017

8:30 AM Second Saturday Mens' Fellowship

6:30 PM efbc Worship Arts presents "The Story of Christmas"

## Church Wide

Worship Center

204

Worship Center

Children's Wing, 1st Floor, 118 & 133

Children's Wing, 1st Floor

Children's Wing, 1st Floor

Children's Wing, 2nd Floor

## Church Wide

Choir Room / 103

Worship Center

Worship Center

Worship Center

201

204

Children's Wing, 2nd Floor

Oak Ridge Estates, #257

Baptist Mission Center

231

Choir Room / 103

Children's Wing, 1st Floor

113

Foyer

Choir Room / 103

Worship Center

Worship Center

Fellowship Hall / 106

Student Life Center / 211

## Fellowship Hall / 106

Church Wide

Student Life Center

Children's Wing, 2nd Floor

Children's Wing, 2nd Floor

Children's Wing, 1st Floor

Children's Wing, 1st Floor

Fellowship Hall / 106

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Worship Center

Choir Room / 103

Baptist Mission Center

Children's Wing, 1st Floor

Henderson Hills Baptist Church

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Worship Center

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Worship Center

[FBCedmond.org/happenings](http://FBCedmond.org/happenings)