



**ELIOT
BAPTIST CHURCH**

2025-26 Annual Report

MESSAGE FROM YOUR STAFF

EBC Family,

Thank you for your love and support to all of us. It is a privilege to serve and share life with a church that cares for us the way you all do, and that has a sincere desire to grow in your walk with Jesus.

It is our desire to continue to help our church grow in unity, love and maturity. We pray for continued growth in our understanding and living out of God's truth, along with growing in our care and value of each other's perspectives and needs. As a staff, we are genuinely pursuing Christ, desire to see His name lifted up, and see people come to know Him.

We are thankful for our different gifts and different ways of looking at things. We believe our individual differences are a strength because of the unique mixture of thought we all bring to the table, coupled with a unified desire to yield to God (Galatians 2:20). We are committed to doing "all that depends on us" to live at peace with one another (Romans 12:8). We look to "speak the truth in love" (Ephesians 4:15) and "not seek our own way, but the good of one another" (Philippians 2:3-4).

Please continue to pray for us as we look to serve you well and in a God-honoring way.

- For clear vision of what God would want EBC to do and look like.
- For humility to lead as we work together
- For continued growth with working together in purpose, support, and communication.
- For our relationships to be genuine and growing.

Praises:

As we come together in our monthly meetings and share our God-given ministries, we watch how collectively He knits them all together, forming one strong cord - His EBC family.

We are excited to see what God has in store in 2026 for EBC!!

Your Staff,

Cody, Joel, Jon, Kay, Michele, Nathan, Rebecca and Yves





MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Chair: Mark Doremus Committee: Pastor Joel, Pattie Hansen, Aubrey Anderson, Steve Hergott, Peter Pike, Doug Remick, Craig Pollock, Tom Prugar

GOALS:

There were no major changes that occurred with the EBC Missions Committee this past year but there was great activity. We continued to pursue our goal of nurturing a heart for missions and being faithful in our missions partnerships. This included continuing faithful quarterly support of our mission partners, helping them with special needs and also providing encouragement to short term missions activities locally around the globe.

IMPACT:

Visibility for the congregation into the mission organizations, people, places and activities that we are involved in is often a challenge. This past year offered many great opportunities for sharing. Kara Lapierre was able to give some updates on her efforts in Ukraine. Jon and Angie Button were here in July and shared their ministry heart. Aaron and Stacy Jex were here at EBC several times during the year. Rick and Ruth Odess shared the mission trips they participated in and led this year. Natalie Tate was able to share her experiences from her short term mission trip to Kenya. Combined with all the other mission outreach activities at EBC, it a blessing to be a part of a church that is looking outward to the harvest (Matthew 9:36-38).

THANKS:

The Missions Committee is a great team contributing to the goals of the mission committee here at EBC. I want to specifically thank Doug Remick and Pete Pike for their years of faithful service as they will both be stepping back from their roles on the committee next year. Thanks gentlemen!

EBC VILLAGE

Team leads: Brianna Geil and Anna Becker

"I am a mother of two kiddos two years apart. Being a mom of any kids takes a village. Late nights, sacrifice, giving your new self grace. Having the EBC Village to help with meals and cleaning was an extreme blessing. They were reliable, and kind. They made newborn life easier and I am forever grateful for their generosity in such a delicate and precious time. I knew from the beginning this is a ministry I wanted to join when I felt ready, and now that my daughter is one and a half and I am able to, it brings me great joy to serve others in the way that so helped me and my family." Lucy Switaj

IMPACT & GROWTH

- The Village supported 13 families with newborns. Each family received a baby welcome basket, and seven families opted to receive a meal train. Overall, our volunteer provided 78 meals for our families, which is incredible! Quite a few new volunteers signed up this past year as well.
- The Village has such a wonderful impact on the families that we have helped. Some of these families have even begun to volunteer after their newborns have grown! This is one aspect of The Village that we had not expected and is a wonderful reflection of the positive impact that our ministry has had on the families we have helped.

"We wanted to write a note to let you know what a blessing The Village was to us...I signed up my daughter... I wanted her to know as a single mom who chose to keep her baby that she was not alone and the church could help provide the love of Jesus and that they would be okay. They were blessed by meals provided during those first crucial months of life....Also, the cleaning helped brighten all of our lives with great relief as well!" Lorrie and Rob Rowan

The Village Team: Amber Odess, Anna Becker, Aubrey Anderson, Bri Geil, Brittany Norton, Chrystal Turner, Cindy Trojan, Crystal McKenna, Danielle Ford, Debbie Young, Elita Galvin, Jenna Berry, Jordyn Locker, Kassy Flagg, Katarina Gallagher, Kristina Hardeman, Lorrie Rowan, Lucy Switaj, Lynn Anderson, Meg Brewer, Michelle Seymour, Noelle Demers, Pollyanna Ford, Ryan Norton, Sabrina Hubler, Tawni Hansen, Teal Purtz, Alanna Foster, Lanetta Buskirk, Brenda Bracy and Denise Becker



NURSERY

Nursery Coordinator: Pat Rohm

Pat leads a team of 22 adults and 12 teens

WHATS NEW:

A major change and huge answer to prayer this year was the addition of Diane Rodrick as a teacher for our 3 year olds during first service. They have loved doing the activities she has for them and hearing the Bible stories. The ones who stay for 2 services are able to come into nursery 2nd service to play and have the most wanted Cheerios! Having this class has enabled us to give the younger ones more of our attention as they get used to the nursery.

THANK YOU:

A big thank you to Kay Rockafellow and her organization skills for cleaning & reorganizing the nursery. We also replaced the rug in the main room and our little ones love finding all the different animals. Thank you to all the volunteers without which there would be no nursery.



NEED:

Several adults have had to step out this year. We especially have a need for more adults who can work in 2nd service. If this is an area you can serve, let me know.

KID'S MINISTRY

Our desire is to see each child come to a saving relationship with Jesus Christ.

Kay Rockafellow leads a ministry team of 48 adult & teen teachers & subs



GROWTH & CHANGES

- 130 Families registered in Children's Ministry
- Average attendance in Sunday School (PreK-7th gr.) - 80
- Average attendance in Children's Church (PreK-3rd gr.) - 14
- New Teachers/Subs: Diane Nay, John & Stefanie Santi, Melissa Price, Isaiah & Bri Cardinal, Michelle Poulin, Anne Alix and Jane Smith
- Summer Bible Camp Attendance: Students - 226, Adult & Teen Volunteers - 155
- Kid's Club attendance - 35 weekly

OPPORTUNITIES

God is continually opening doors for new opportunities to serve in Children's ministry. Please prayerfully consider joining our team and see how much He is able to do for eternity through YOU!



CAN YOU SAY THESE VERSES?

The kids learned these verses last year. How many can you say?

Romans 10:9, Jeremiah 10:6, John 15:12, Matthew 28:20, Joshua 1:9, Philippians 4:13, 1 Chronicles 16:8, Psalms 106:1, Psalms 32:8, 2 Corinthians 9:15, Psalms 32:8, Psalms 139:1 and Psalms 119:105

BRIDGE CHURCH

Led by Pastor Jon

Bridge church is designed to bridge the gap between Children's church and the more mature sanctuary church experience. Bridge church keeps church relevant and exciting for young people.

Things I liked about bridge church are that the lessons were always very interesting and helped stretch my thinking about God. When we did fun games at the end like bible trivia, or hiding objects. And the snacks were great!!

Thanks Ellie for your note about Bridge Church

This past year in Bridge Church has been a good year. We continue to use Bridge Church to accomplish two main things. First it is designed as an intentional bridge transition from children's ministry to adult church. This is accomplished through note taking. Each student is given a notebook and when we meet each month we look at the notes that they have been taking during adult church. The second thing we try and accomplish is learning concepts that would be unlikely to be covered in children's ministry. For example, this month we talked about what Jesus emptied himself of to come to earth. The Kenosis of Christ. Tackling some bigger theological topics winds up to be able to bridge for students and helps to bridge the gap.

YOUTH

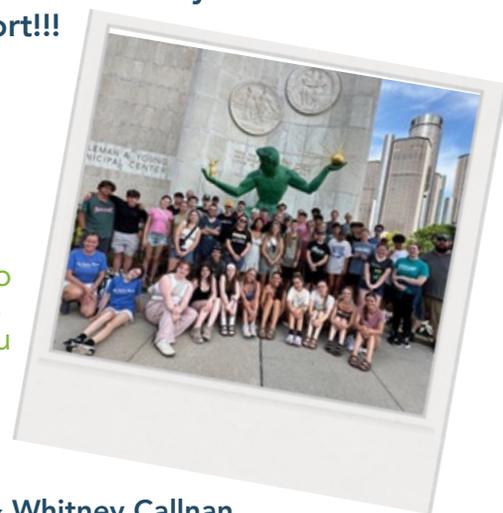
Leadership: Pastor Nathan and Pastor Jon

We are passionate about helping students discover & grow in the christian faith. We want them to know God's love & His plans for their lives.

Since the churches inception in 1983, youth have always been given a high priority. Under the leadership of multiple volunteers and four paid staff, the youth ministry has reached hundreds of students with the message of Christ. 2025 was the 25th year of student ministry for the Rockafellow's here at EBC! Thank you EBC for your faith-full support!!!

WHAT'S NEW?

Bridge Builders is a new small group approach to ministry with our Jr. High students. This new approach has helped leaders build relationships and has given students a more close-knit community to deepen relationships and ask age/gender appropriate questions as they learn of Christ and life in Him. It's working well!!! Who said you can teach on old dog new tricks?



YOUTH LEADERS:

Nathan & Suzanne Rockafellow, Jon & Sam Priddy, Noah Lemire, Jake & Whitney Callnan, Caleb Anderson, Lily Sullivan, Henrik Goodwin, Doug & Lori Lyman, Kaitlyn Eastman, Beth Trayer, James & Kayla Thompson, Chris & Sarah La Croix, Kole & Abi Horst, Ethan Rockafellow, Jeremy Schoff

- A average attendance: 40 Jr. High Students and 50 Sr. High Students attend Sunday Night Youth Group
- Wednesday night Bible studies average 15 Jr. High and 30 Sr. High
- Overnight adventures, such as mission trips, camping trips and season fun keeps us going every month of the year. We're always on the move living life to the fullest! The youth group community is alive and well at EBC!



Noel says:

"Youth group has helped me in many ways. Making new friends with God at the center and learning about God every week. I'm able to feel like myself at youth group because the people there are so sweet and filled with God's love!



TRANSIT

Leadership: Pastor Cody
"In all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5,6

Transit is our young adult ministry for single adults, 18-30. The heart behind Transit is to come alongside young adults as they transition into owning their rolls as part of the body of Christ. We seek to provide meaningful Christian community, Biblical grounding, and clarity about how each person uniquely belongs and contributes within the church.

Growth and Changes:

- Several young adults have transitioned into serving and connecting more deeply in other ministries within the church.
- We have moved our Bible study to Wednesday nights with the hope this shift is to align Transit within the broader rhythm of the church, as many other ministries and body meetings happen on Wednesday evenings.

"Transit has been the place where Eliot Baptist Church has become my home. This is where I connect to the body and grow in my understanding of God, who I am, and the role God has for me in my church." Transit young adult



Participation:

- Typical weekly Bible study: 15 - 35 young adults
- When considering college students, those temporarily away, and the broader relational connections we maintain, Transit is actively ministering to over 70 young adults throughout the year.

New Initiatives:

- This year marked our first Wilderness Intensive Programs, using outdoor adventures as a context for spiritual formation. We held a four-day canoe trip focused on the theme of stepping out of our comfort zones. Through shared challenge, creation, and intentional discussion, participants explored who God is and who they are in Him.

THE TEAM:

Pastor Cody's Transit team is Keith Pike, Bible Study leader, Sarah and Ben Beers, Trip Leaders They have been incredible in their commitment to lead in the growing and deepening of this ministry.

10/70

Led by Pastor Cody and Pastor Joel

The 10/70 ministry is designed for young couples in our church who have been married less than 10 years and have a combined age under 70. Our goal is to provide a space where young couples can meet one another, build initial connections and grow deeper relationships within the church body.

GROWTH and ACTIVITIES:

- We host a monthly Sunday morning gathering to foster connections
- We have been apple picking and launched our 1st annual Turkey Bowl (Transit vs. 10/70)
- We have had more than 15 couples participating

"It has been so helpful to be able to put names to faces and start building deeper connections with other young couples in the church. We are thankful for the connections that 10/70 has provided for us."

IMPACT and FUTURE GOALS:

- To provide a smaller, more intimate space for couples to connect.
- Continue growing awareness of the ministry so even more young couples can form meaningful, lasting relationships within the church.

FAMILY FOCUS

Pastor Yves leads our Family Focus ministry

One of the biggest blessings of Family Focus has been the sense of belonging. It's not just another class - it's a place where our family is known, encouraged, and challenged in our walk with Christ."

GROWTH

This year was a fruitful year of building deeper community within Family Focus. We continue to meet every Sunday at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall for teaching and discussion. The environment has been marked by thoughtful engagement with Scripture and meaningful fellowship.

This year we completed the Alpha Course, walking through core Christian doctrine in an engaging and practical format. We also spent significant time studying spiritual warfare and how believers should Biblically engage.

CHANGE

One major change to our monthly rhythm was introduction of what we call ADC - All Day Church. On the third Sunday of each month, we attend first service together, hold Family Focus during second service, and then conclude with a shared potluck meal. There is no formal agenda - simply time spent together around the table. Families have responded very positively. Community deepens when time is shared, and this rhythm has strengthened relationships within the group.

As Acts 2:46-47 reminds us, they broke bread together with glad and generous hearts. We are seeing much of verse 46, and we are praying for more of verse 47.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Leadership: Rebecca Rubeor

Equip - Encourage - Extend

GROWTH:

- Women are excited to use their vast variety of gifts. Women are finding connections and building relationships. They are digging into the Word for themselves and sharing with others. We have had some great God-edifying difficult conversations learning to listen well, accepting each other and embracing differing opinions and convictions.

LEADERS/FACILITATORS:

- Carrie Davis, Karen Terletzky, Cynthia Revilla, Lisa McKinley, KD Hilton, Amy Landry, Suzanne Rockafellow, Jenn Rogers, Debi VanDuyne, Hillari Eager, Melissa Price, Pat Rohm, Lelia LaPlante

CHILDCARE TEAM:

- Ellen Lemire, Candie Remick, Kathleen Corcoran, Pat Rohm, Peter VanDuyne

"I have been attending the Bible Book Club study for two years. It has encouraged me to be in the scriptures and to dig deeper for more understanding. It has allowed for more conversations with my husband about scripture and has strengthened my walk and relationship with my Savior. It has helped me to share Jesus and I have made some great friends!"

"Jesus' last instructions before joining His Father were to go and make disciples. As I sought to fulfill this command, God led me to a D-Group in a stranger's home. After three sessions with these strangers-turned-sisters, I was ready to bring it to EBC. Though Rebecca had already created a thriving discipleship group, she saw the value in multiple options and supported me 100%. Whatever I needed, Rebecca was willing to provide. And now, after five 6-weeks sessions, we have a committed group of ten women, a group of four men, and a women's Bible study. And now we're providing meals to kids at the 2.10 Youth Center twice a month. I couldn't have predicted the incredible work God is doing in and through us. But He planned this long ago. He brought it all together. He is using Rebecca's faithfulness and unwavering support to see it through. I'm so grateful for her."

OFFERINGS for 2025-26:

- 22 different Bible studies, discipleship groups, workshops, breakfast social
 - 1 Christmas Craft Night
 - 1 all day stay retreat
- = over 300 women taking part





MENS MINISTRY

Strengthening - Sharing - Serving

"I am thankful to share life with a bunch of guys that are hungry for God's Word, willing to help and serve where there is a need, making more and more connection with each other, and most importantly, humbly admit their constant need for Christ. May God continue to bless and grow our men's ministry at EBC!" Pastor Joel

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Men's Breakfasts - Averaged 50 guys (Bible Study/work days)

Thankful for our kitchen crew: Craig Landry, Jake Landry, Shawn Hansen, Dave Bosse, Mike Hennessey, Luke Vigue and Yves Perodin

Men's Bible Studies - Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday - Over 100 guys participating

Thankful for our Bible study leaders - Norm LaPlante, Brian Donnell, Paul Capalbo, Kevin Stine, Luke Vigue, Ari VanDintel, Bob Kuzman, Ryan Hansen, Andy Munyan, Yves Perodin and Joel Beers.

Studies have included Luke, Ecclesiastes, and Colossians

Father/Son Days - Led by Nate Flagg (excited about this new ministry starting up)

Monthly get togethers - Dodgeball, Whiffleball, Sledding, Service Projects

Men's Retreat - 60 guys attended

Every September at Brookwoods Camp and Conference Center

Theme: Maturity in our Christian walk

WHAT MEN ARE SAYING:

"Men's Bible study has been such an amazing time for me this year. It's been full of opportunities to learn and listen to God through the men in my life that I grew up respecting so much. I look forward to Wednesday nights, and every time I leave that building, my soul has been refreshed and renewed." Ethan

"The men's ministry has brought me closer to the reality of Jesus in my own life, as I have watched and seen Him doing great things in the lives of many men here, including my own." Howard

"I asked God for a man to pray for, a man to pray for me, and He has given me so much more. I feel connected to the body of Christ like I've never had before, and I'm honored to be considered a brother to these men. I am filled with joy as I witness guys grow, and I am humbled by their openness and honesty." Adam

**SAVE THE DATE - MEN'S FALL RETREAT 2026
SEPTEMBER 25-27**

B2 - BUILDING BONDS

Leadership: Andy and Julie Munyan

PRAISE AND HIGHLIGHTS:

- We average between 15-25 people on a given night. At our Christmas Party we see 30 or more some years.
- We have a handful of new people coming out and joining the group. It is always fun to meet and develop friendships with people. Fun for all. Come and enjoy!

"We feel so blessed to be a part of a family that worships together and enjoys each others company with amazing meals and game night."

B2 ACTIVITIES:

- Normally a potluck and game night. Some just like to talk and enjoy each other's company.
- Fun beach night and BBQ
- Christmas Yankee Swap as always was a great time had by all ending with a discussion on what Christmas is really about.

PRAYER REQUEST:

- Please pray for more involvement of new people who would like to get connected with others. As well as some new/fresh ideas for activities.
- We would love to have someone come along side to co-lead.



GRANDPARENTS

Leadership: Norm and Lelia LaPlante, Edd & Julia Jones

Equipping grandparents to be spiritual influences in the lives of their grandchildren



PURPOSE & IMPACT:

The main purpose of the EBC Grandparent Ministry is to provide opportunities for growth as a spiritual influencer, and to equip grandparents with resources that will help them connect well with their grandchildren.

We have determined that the best way to minister to the needs of our busy grandparents is to update our EBC website with lots of resources that they can access to enhance their impact. We provide information about workshops and conferences that would be helpful, and have a cabinet in the church where we can keep resources with the intent to lend out.

ACTIVITIES:

- The grandfather's have enjoyed two Saturday morning breakfasts together focusing on the challenges that grandparents face, as well as learning about the 7 essential principles that impact our grandchildren.
- We have encouraged our grandmothers to attend the Grandmother's Gathering in March. A restful weekend with workshops that will encourage and equip grandmothers in every season.
- We are hopeful to have a 'Grand Day Out' in May where grandparents and grandchildren can spend a whole day together having fun, learning together and building on their relationships.

GROWTH: **75** grandparents we keep updated on resources and events





HIGHER GROUND

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

Leadership: Ralph & Donna Perkins, Karen & Ken Hirsch, Bill & Candi Braithwaite,
Roger Key, Analuz Bachelder

Our senior adult Bible study and fellowship regularly has over 30 people coming together on Thursday mornings. We completed a several-month-long verse-by-verse study in the book of Hebrews, and are in the middle of a study of the Gospel of John. Our conversations go deep because of our shared love for the Savior and also because of the common life experiences we share.

We are thankful for the monthly senior adult lunches that Analuz and her team prepare! They are so cheerful as they serve us and treat us with special attention.

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

- We enjoyed our regular summer picnic series at friends' homes.
- We joined with the Tuesday prayer group at the flagpole at the Eliot town hall on National Day of Prayer.
- The missionaries Josh and Abby Rattin visited us. We listened to their ministry and family update, presented them with a Christmas gift of money, and shared prayer with them.
- We joined with the Tuesday prayer group to pray for the senior high students when they go out on their mission trip. What a wonderful way to connect the young and the older generations together!

CONNECT TO CARE

Leadership: Ralph and Donna Perkins, Arie and Lisa VanDintel, Kathleen Corcoran and Eileen Messier

There is no greater joy in Ralph's and my (Donna) life personally than to have the privilege of walking alongside our older folks in their later season of life, watching again and again how faithful God is to carry, bear, and deliver His people. The season of active, vibrant, busy, doing & doing, going & going, and ministering, move into the season of restraints, limitations, inabilities, losses, struggles, loneliness, and often isolation.

PURPOSE:

As seasons change and limitations grow, Connect to Care seeks to bring worship, fellowship, and loving connection to those who can no longer gather as easily - through visits, calls, card, rides, and practical care.

THANK YOU:

Thank you to Arie and Lisa Van Dintel, Kathleen Corcoran and Eileen Messier, along with a number of dearest ones to help minister specifically in a growing widows ministry and card ministry. Many of you have stepped forward and/or continue to minister through much needed visitations, calls, cards, rides to church, seasonal gift deliveries, and in other ways. There are no words adequate to express our appreciation for your gift of ministry and love.

PRAYER REQUEST:

- Please pray for us that we would be in tune to opportunities to get to know the newer older folks now worshiping with us here. That we would see and know what the needs are and how best to meet them.
- Pray for each of our spirits and our hearts as we minister.

HOMEGOINGS: Daryl Kent, Teri Kennedy, Paul Fulmore, Steve Marshall, Muriel (Mary) Smith, Steve Pelechowicz

MESSAGE FROM YOUR ELDERS

Dick Carpenter, Andy Munyan, Bob Kuzman and Norm LaPlante

Lay elders serve the body in unique ways. We are recognized and called to be overseers, able to teach and shepherd through prayer, visitation, encouragement and upholding doctrinal truths. Over the past year, we have specifically worked on developing our roles and responsibilities to strengthen and complement our pastors and staff by:

- Providing opportunities for staff health, including a vacation policy, sabbaticals, annual reviews, staff team building and conflict management.
- Administering structure through job descriptions.
- Setting the agenda for elder meetings.
- Seeking potential elders that are Biblically qualified.
- Conducting membership classes to engage with individuals and welcome them into membership
- Maintaining ongoing ministry assignments through Excel Task Tracker.

Our goals for this coming year:

- Complete job descriptions of all pastor and staff positions.
- Complete pastoral and staff interviews.
- Complete vacation policy and encourage the staff to use their vacation time to refresh themselves in the Lord.
- Implement staff team building and conflict management.
- Review and update EBC Constitution.
- Continue to seek out and mentor potential elders.



WORSHIP/TECH

This year has been one of both stability and forward planning for worship and tech. Our teams continue to faithfully execute two Sunday services with excellence and minimal distraction, allowing the body to focus on worship and the preaching of the Word.

A significant development this year has been planning the retirement of our aging Crestron system, which has served as the backbone of our sanctuary presentation hardware. While it has served us well, it is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain. The next system we implement will be more volunteer-friendly, easier to maintain, and more adaptable for future upgrades - helping reduce long-term maintenance costs and outside service dependency.

We are grateful for the work Tyler has done behind the scenes to keep systems functioning and integrated. His technical oversight has been instrumental in keeping services running smoothly week to week

"Serving on the tech team has changed how I see worship. It's not just running equipment - it's helping remove distractions so people can hear God's Word clearly."

TECH AND WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor Yves, Sarah Beers, Dan Hett, Norm LaPlante, Kevin Bachelder, Shawn Hansen, Lisa McKinley, Peter Pike, Cody Barr, Tyler Vigue, Amanda Hall, Carrie Sholes, Matthew Sholes, Jason Revilla



CHOIRS

Karen Mathews, Director

PURPOSE:

We were created to worship and were given the gift of music by the Creator for that purpose. This is the underpinning for the choir ministries. We are privileged and humbled to be serving and to be a part of leading the congregation in worship.

"I will sing to the Lord all of my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live" (Psalm 104:33)

OUR CHOIRS:

The adult choir began in the fall with weekly rehearsals and bi-monthly participation in Sunday services. Adult choir pieces have included auxiliary instrumentation and combined efforts with Kid's Choir, Handbells and worship teams. We have welcomed 2 former members back as well as an additional member. We are always open to new members!

Kid's Choir has a desire to serve and be part of worship and ministry at EBC. Kid's Choir voices are engaged in learning proper vocal technique and music literacy. Kids enjoy a break and snack time that fosters fun, play and relationships

The handbell choir is currently a multigenerational group working together. The handbell choir has played on its own as well as accompanying the choir. We currently need two additional ringers.

EBC FACTS AND FIRSTS

April 2025

- Spring membership Information class began
- Men's Breakfast and Spring Clean-Up
- Elder's and Staff Lunch
- Women's Drop-In Social
- Jr. High went indoor rock climbing
- Celebrated Nathan & Suzanne Rockafellows 25 years of ministry at EBC

May 2025

- Grandparents ministry hosted first Grandfather's Breakfast
- Prayer Group & Higher Ground attend National Day of Prayer at Eliot Town Hall flagpole
- Neighbors Food Pantry volunteers participated in the Postal Workers Community Food Drive
- Mission Trip to Guatemala

June 2025

- Welcomed 5 new members at a body meeting
- Sr. High mission trip to Detroit
- Women's "Taking Your Thoughts Captive" Workshops
- Women's "Applying The Gospel In Every Day Life" Workshops

July 2025

- Month of Prayer for church vision
- Women's Summer workshop began - Forgiveness
- Summer Bible Camp - True North
- Church Picnic & River Baptism - 14 baptized
- Higher Ground Summer Picnics start up

August 2025

- Women's Workshops - People Pleasing & Boundaries
- Summer Worship Night
- Jr. High Canoe Trip
- Sr. High went on an outdoor adventure
- Softball teams wins championship

September 2025

- Men's annual retreat at Camp Brookwoods
- Kids "Step Up" to their new classes
- Bless Our School Sunday & Grandparents Sunday
- Body meeting and welcomed 3 new members
- Transit & 10/70 Fair Night
- Choirs & Bible Studies restart for the Fall
- Youth Group starts new small group ministry for junior high called Bridge Builders
- Mission Trip to Tanzania



October 2025

- Family Focus Harvest Party
- Motorcycle enthusiasts enjoy a Fall Foliage ride
- Senior adult lunches resume
- Sr. High Amazing Race
- Transit & 10/70 Apple Picking

November 2025

- Plugged-In Sunday
- Fall Membership Class Begins
- Some staff & lay elders attend "Healthy Leaders, Healthy Disciples: Cultivating Personal Health for Fruitful Disciple Making" Workshop
- Men's ministry breakfast and leaf clean up
- Thanksgiving meal hosted at EBC
- Transit vs 10/70 Turkey Bowl
- Thanksgiving Night of Worship

December 2025

- Ladies craft night attended by 100 women
- Body Meeting & we welcomed 9 new members
- Sr. High Christmas shopping
- Infamous B2 Christmas party
- Grandfather's Breakfast
- Advent & Christmas Eve services in the gym
- Staff & Lay Elders create Advent devotional book for church family

January 2026

- Jr. High Snow Encounter at Camp Monadnock
- Kids Club starts
- Self Defense class began led by Tim House

February 2026

- Women's ministry hosted 1st Paint Night by Sandy Albano
- Sr High Almost Spring Fling Camp
- Baby Dedication

March 2026

- Neighbors Food Pantry celebrates 5 years
- Women's Conference "In This World but Not Of It"



PRAYER GROUP

Leadership: Ralph Perkins and Gary Tuttle

INTENTIONALLY & FAITHFULLY SEEKING GOD'S FACE BY BOLDLY APPROACHING HIS THRONE IN ANTICIPATION OF HIS RESPONSE

PURPOSE:

What a privilege to regularly enjoy the presence of God in a quiet spirit of prayer with faithful prayer partners. Every Tuesday we come together to offer up our praises and thanks to God, pray for our missions, church body life, and the kingdom work that God has presented to Eliot Baptist to accomplish for His purposes and glory, and in His name. After that, we lift up personal prayer requests for ourselves, our families and friends.

ACTIVITIES:

- We have participated in the National Day of Prayer by meeting at the Eliot town hall flag pole.
- We join in prayer support of EBC Sr. High mission trip participants.
- We periodically enjoy lunch together before our prayer time.



FLORAL MINISTRY

Leadership: Carolann Gagne

PRAISES AND HIGHLIGHTS:

- The opportunity & abilities to serve at EBC and the wonderfully gifted servant hearts He brings to this team.
- Plugged-In Sunday that brought interest to the floral ministry.
- Faithful extra hands at Christmas to help with trees, decorations, candles and wreaths.
- Assistance with weeding and watering
- Provided 28 members of our church body with bouquets of cheer from donated flowers after weddings or funerals.

ACTIVITIES:

- Every fall we provide mums to each pastor in appreciation of their service to EBC.
- Continue to decorate the sanctuary and foyer each month using seasonal creations that surround us.
- Maintain the outside plants during the warmer months

NEEDS:

- We are always in need of helping hearts and hands with our various activities
- Please pray that God would call dedicated sons or daughters into this ministry and that He would continue to provide flower donations for bouquet of cheer!



NEIGHBORS FOOD PANTRY

SERVE AND LOVE OTHERS UNCONDITIONALLY BY PROVIDING FOOD ASSISTANCE TO OUR NEIGHBORS



The One who called you is completely dependable. If he said it, he'll do it! 1 Thessalonians 5:24 (msg)

March 4th we celebrated 5 years of Neighbors Food Pantry. We have seen us grow from a weekly average of 10 families a week to 50 plus. We are feeding on average 269 individuals each week! We couldn't have grown like this and impacted our community without our EBC family!

PRAISES:

- Chris Austin, Debbie Clough, Joy MacIntyre, Tam Parmley, Pete Perrigo, Jim Williams, Jim Foster, Andrew Hayes, Andrew Waring, Dave Landry, Dwight Snow, Julie Walker, Sue Woodbury, Linda Goulet, Bett Lane, Debbie & Scott Young, Kim Schmidt, Bruce Clough, Larry Parmley, Lisa Peterson, Alexa Adams....***This work is done because of you!***
- 3 new community members who volunteer weekly - MaryBeth, Abighael and Marshall
- The enormous provision from our EBC family and the greater community during a challenging time for our community and food pantry during the government shutdown and SNAP cuts!
- God's unconditional love is being demonstrated to people of all faiths and walks of life!
- The thousands of pounds of fresh produce provided this past summer from local farms!
- Ministry groups who have provided and donated - your help is so important to us.
- Being allowed to operate in the church lobby for the safety and warmth of our neighbors and volunteers.
- Students initiating food drives at their schools!
- Two Gents Pet Grooming for doing a pet food drive for a month with her clients for our neighbors pets
- York Harbor girls basketball raised money for the food pantry by shooting free throws

WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS ARE SAYING:

"You have been such a blessing after being laid off from my job. I didn't know what I was going to do. I could always count on you and you are so loving and friendly. I HAVE JOB! Thank for encouraging me and continuing to be here for me as I get myself and family back on track after a difficult time."

LABOR OF LOVE

Leadership: Pastor Cody

PROVIDING AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE IN A LOVING AND SUPPORTIVE MANNER

The Labor of Love ministry exists to be the hands and feet of Christ, caring for people in their time of need and demonstrating His love through practical service. This year the ministry operated in four key areas:

- Moving
- Construction
- Landscaping
- Helping Hands

This year, we were able to help dozens of families and individuals, meeting temporary needs through moves, construction, landscaping, and small household tasks. The addition of the Helping Hands aspect allowed us to minister to more people in practical ways, particularly those in our church and community who simply needed short-term support.

"I can't thank you enough for this ministry. The crew did far beyond what I ever expected. I thank the Lord and pray blessings upon the Labor of Love ministry, with tears and a happy heart of joy. Thank you in Christ."

THANK YOU

The ministry thrives because of dedicated team of volunteers who generously give their time and skills to meet the needs of others. Their work exemplifies Christ's love in action and makes a tangible difference in the lives of many.



SPORTS

Leadership: Pastor Cody

PURPOSE:

Our sports ministry exists to build relationships that point people to the ultimate relationship. With a gymnasium attached to our building, we are uniquely positioned to serve both our church and our wider community.

PROGRAMS:

- Pickle Ball
- Fall & Winter Men's Basketball League
- Softball - Celebrated their 3rd championship in a row in Summer '25.
- In addition we provide space for local basketball, volleyball and futsal teams, as well as open gym opportunities for families.

"I can't believe you all would open up such a beautiful space for us to use at no expense. It has been an incredible gift to the kids and families on our team."

VOLUNTEERS:

- Our programs are made possible by a strong team effort. We are especially grateful for: Keith Pike (softball), Ben Beers (basketball league), Jay Archer (basketball league), Sam Woodbury (basketball league), Chris Austin (pickle ball) & numerous other faithful volunteers who serve behind the scenes.

FACILITIES

Leadership: Steve Folger and Pastor Cody

The facilities ministry exists to steward and maintain our church building so it can continue to serve as a tool for ministry. Much of this work often goes unnoticed, yet it is essential.

GOAL:

Our goal is to connect the ongoing needs of our facility with volunteers who have both the ability and heart to meet those needs. This includes landscaping, snow removal, scheduled maintenance projects, and various repairs throughout the year.

IMPACT:

This past year, we completed dozens of maintenance and improvement tasks, totaling over 200 hours of volunteer labor. Because of this faithful work, our building continues to be a welcoming functioning space for ministry to flourish.

LEADERSHIP & VOLUNTEERS:

We are especially grateful for:

- Caleb Lacoix and Tim Blake - snow removal during a particularly heavy winter.
- The Schoff family for their faithful mowing and weeding - incredible gift to the church.
- Pete Perrigo - for his willingness to take on whatever small tasks comes his way
- Steve Folger, our facility manager, who continues to faithfully steward the oversight of our building.

The quiet, consistent service of this team makes an immeasurable difference. Their work allows the rest of our ministries to function smoothly and creates a space where people can experience hospitality and care.

KITCHEN MINISTRY

Leadership: Audrey Beals & Ellen Lemire

It is amazing how people say they are blessed by the funeral luncheons and the spirit of love that they feel, and are very generous with their comments and compliments - something that we need to treat with a great deal of humility, knowing it is not us but it is our Savior.

ACTIVITIES:

- Had a very quiet year as pertains to funerals. Assisted the Kennedy family with a meal after the funeral at Pelkey Funeral Home. This took a considerable amount of creativity, as there was very little room to set up and no kitchen to work from.
- Plugged-In Sunday was a great success for our ministry. We had eleven people express interest.

GROWTH:

- We welcomed two new people to our ministry this year. Bett Lane is a very important part of the team and Craig Landry.

INFORMATION CENTER

Leadership: Sue & Roger Key

PURPOSE:

Our team prioritizes giving a warm welcome to all, especially those who might be new to EBC. We give directions to locations in the building as needed, assist with information and sign ups for various ministries, provide access to hearing devices and answer other questions that arise, tracking down answers when we don't know and of course give out those all-important mints.



GROWTH & ACTIVITIES:

- At least once a year we gather as a team for a meal, fellowship and ministry updates.
- Plugged-In Sunday: We had several couples inquire about joining the team and one of those may be coming on soon. Another couple recently inquired because they were blessed by the welcome they received. What a blessing to see the fruit of our service.
- Our growth comes by staying abreast of updates and to rely on the direction of the Holy Spirit to guide our interactions.

"We were so blessed by the welcome we received when we first came that we are interested in passing that on to other newcomers."

THANK YOU:

I am very thankful for our team members who continue to serve joyfully and faithful.

- Norm & Lelia LaPlante, Denise & Dale Becker, Carrie & Rob Davis, Sharon & Ray Gamble, Melissa & Tony Price, Rebecca & Bernie Rubeor, Robyn & Garrett Sanborn, Heather & Dave Webster, Fred & Bonnie Kretchman.

DOOR GREETERS

Leadership: Aubrey Anderson

Our door greeting team is going into our 6th year of ministry! We are blessed with an amazing volunteer team to be able to continue to offer this to our church members and guests. You will recognize us by our new magnetic welcome badges this year.

THE TEAM:

- Margaret Giguere, Teal Purtz, Tim Eidell, Craig Pollock, Rob Davis, Denise Becker, Dale Becker, Jim Williams, Paula Williams, Joyce Maglaras, Craig Landry, Diane Crandall, Mackenzie Lemire, Aubrey Anderson, Pastor Cody.

BAPTISMS MEMBERSHIP

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SOCIAL & DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT

App Features

- 5 day devotions created from the pastors message
- Online bulletin
- Livestream & Media Library
- Take sermon notes
- Events
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Messaging

Online Giving

43 Recurring Online Donors

Allows us to offer online giving, event & activity payments

EBC APP

2683 Media Plays
(2039 more than last year)

447 New Downloads
(4194 total downloads)

27,781 App Launches
(Androids - 7,732
iOS - 19,995)



YouTube

10,008 Views
(10,500 last year)

76.1% of our viewers are male

50% of our viewers are between 45-54 years old



FACEBOOK

652 Followers
(75.5% Women, 24.5% Men)
(13.8% from S. Berwick)

42,208 Views



