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First Evangelical Free Church Celebrates 90 Years of Ministry

SIOUX CITY, IA, July 29, 2026. First Evangelical Free Church, located at 401 9th Street, is gathering on August 30th to celebrate 90 years of ministry in Siouxland. The celebration will begin at 9am with a service of remembering and encouragement at how the Lord has worked in and through the congregation. This will be followed at 10am with time for fellowship and light refreshments. The worship service will commence at 10:30am with a special focus from the scriptures on thanking the Lord for what He has done and trusting Him for the future.

First Evangelical Free Church was officially organized in 1936 as a result of tent meetings the previous year. Early activities included a focus on children's ministry and memorization of the scriptures. Succeeding years brought a radio ministry and the purchase of a building at 1807 Nebraska Street. Ministry to children and families continued to grow throughout the ensuing decades, eventually leading to the formation of multiple children's and youth ministries as well as to the establishment of a preschool and elementary school for a period of time.

In 1995, under the leadership of Pastor Terry Baxter, the congregation expanded such that a larger facility was required, leading to the church's move to their current location at 401 9th Street. Ably served by Pastor Dan Doran from 1996-2010, the church is now served by its 14th pastor, Kevin Miller, who was called in January of 2011. Now, after nine decades of faithful ministry to the tri-state area, the church is once more pursuing another facility for ministry in Sioux City in an effort to build upon and expand the work of preaching and teaching the gospel so that all who come would learn to follow and enjoy Christ together. More information about the ministries and service times of First Evangelical Free Church can be found at their website: freechurch.us.